

**CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES  
APRIL 6, 2004**

**PRESENT AND ACTING:**

**EARL HUNT  
JIM PICKRON  
WILLIAM E. SEWELL  
S. DONNELL WHITFIELD  
TRUMAN GRANT**

**MATT FUQUA, ATTORNEY  
BLISS MOREAU, DEPUTY  
RUTH W. ATTAWAY, CLERK  
JANICE HOLLEY, DEPUTY CLERK**

The meeting was called to order by Deputy Moreau, prayer and pledge of allegiance to the flag by Chairman Sewell.

**BIDS – LEONARD VARNUM ROAD**

Attorney Fuqua read the bid advertisement on the Leonard Varnum Road EWP-DSR No. Cal-023 and opened the bids as follows:

<b><u>BIDDER</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL BASE BID</u></b>
<b>Big River Construction</b>	<b>\$509,921.40</b>
<b>Carter's Contracting Services, Inc.</b>	<b>473,373.00</b>
<b>North Florida Construction, Inc.</b>	<b>516,052.00</b>

After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Whitfield and carried to accept low bid from Carter's Contracting Services, Inc. for \$473,373.00 and to authorize the Chairman to execute all necessary documents.

**TIM JENKS, MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

Mr. Jenks updated the Board on the activities of the Maintenance Department. Mr. Jenks stated the department had worked at Ocheessee Park, and the picnic tables are ready to be placed at the park.

The Board discussed the G. U. Parker Road. Commissioner Whitfield stated that the Road Crew could work in District 5 until the lime rock base on G. U. Parker Road is complete. The Board directed Mr. O'Bryan to take bids on paving G. U. Parker Road.

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**DON A. O'BRYAN, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT/GRANTS COORDINATOR**

Mr. O'Bryan advised the Board that G. U. Parker Road name should be changed to S.E. Iola Road. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Pickron, seconded by Commissioner Grant and carried to change the road name to S.E. Iola Road.

**911-GT COM**

Mr. Jim Cook, Director of Operations and Engineering presented a letter of Intent for approval and execution to purchase GT COM Enhanced Regional 911 System at a not to exceed price of \$354,290.00. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield, seconded by Commissioner Grant and carried to approve and execute said letter of intent.

**HAYES LEONARD, JEHUE LANDING**

Mr. Leonard came before the Board to discuss access and use of Jehue Landing. He asked the Board not to construct anything on this property, don't build any roads on the 20 acre parcel and he stated that he preferred that it (Jehue Landing) not be made any more accessible than it already is. Mr. Alvin Roberts stated that the county had graded the road going into Jehue Landing for many years and therefore it was a County Road. Mr. Roberts stated that he would like for the county to keep the road opened. After discussion, the Board agreed by consensus to keep the road open and table this issue until the County Attorney could research and report back to the Board.

**ATTORNEY FUQUA**

Attorney Fuqua presented to the Board for approval and execution a Lease Agreement between the Calhoun County Board of County Commissioners and the West Side Fire Department. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield, seconded by Commissioner Pickron and carried to execute said Lease Agreement.

Attorney Fuqua stated that he had received a deed from St. Joe Land Company on the Kenny B. Jones Road. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield, seconded by Commissioner Pickron and carried to accept the property from St. Joe Land Company. Commissioner Hunt stated that the road did not meet County specs. The Board agreed that the County would maintain a road if the proper easements are given, if it is in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan.

Attorney Fuqua stated he was waiting to get the official claim form from the Title Company on Lee Hill Road. All work on the expansion of road is on hold at this time.

**RUTH W. ATTAWAY, CLERK**

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Clerk Attaway presented to the Board for approval and execution a Certificate Of Corporation Resolution. The County will enter into a grant agreement with the Florida Department Of Community Affairs for the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Weatherization Assistance Program.

Clerk Attaway presented an invoice from the Florida Chamber of Commerce. After discussion, the Board agreed by consensus not to pay the invoice.

Clerk Attaway discussed with the Board the possibility of renting the Annex Building at the Old Library to Workforce Development. The Board discussed the possibility of selling or leasing the Library to the City of Blountstown. After a lengthy discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield, seconded by Commissioner Pickron and carried to allow Workforce Development to move into the annex building at the old library. The Board directed Attorney Fuqua to prepare a lease between the Board and Workforce Development. The annex will require separate utility service and maintenance.

Clerk Attaway discussed with the Board the lease between Dr. Farouqi and the Board. The Board directed Attorney Fuqua to look at the lease and give his recommendations on necessary changes.

The minutes of March 16, 2004 were approved as presented.

#### **COMMISSINER GRANT**

Commissioner Grant discussed with the Board the boundary lines at Hugh Creek Park.

#### **CHAIRMAN SEWELL**

Chairman Sewell presented to the Board for approval and execution Resolution No.2004-04 approving Calhoun County Local Housing Assistance Plan as required by Florida State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP). After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield, seconded by Commissioner Hunt and carried to approve and execute said resolution.

#### **COMMISSIONER HUNT**

Commissioner Hunt discussed with the Board painting the lines on County Road 286. He stated that the lines were hard to see at night. Mr. O'Bryan recommended using paint and not thermoplastic and Reflective Pavement Markers.

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Commissioner Hunt discussed with the Board the price of garbage cans in the County. He questioned why Jackson County paid less; however, he was told that the contract in force dictates the price.

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CHAIRMAN SEWELL

Chairman Sewell discussed with the Board the speed limit on the J.P. Peacock Road.

There being no further business, the Board did adjourn.

ATTEST:

  
RUTH W. ATTAWAY, CLERK

  
WILLIAM E. SEWELL, CHAIRMAN

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