# CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES FEBRUARY 1, 2005

# PRESENT AND ACTING:

TRUMAN GRANT, CHAIRMAN EARL HUNT, VICE-CHAIRMAN DANNY RAY WISE JIM PICKRON JERAL HALL

DEPUTY NICK KELLER
MATT FUQUA, COUNTY ATTORNEY
RUTH W. ATTAWAY, CLERK
JANICE HOLLEY, DEPUTY CLERK

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Grant, and pledge of allegiance and prayer was led by Commissioner Pickron.

Clerk Attaway introduced to the Board Ms. Judy Duncan, Court Reporter and asked that the new format be followed for the Board Meeting.

#### TIM JENKS, MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Mr. Jenks stated that his Department completed the painting at 4-Mile Creek, worked at the Courthouse, Sam Adkins Park and Completed the foundation at Cooper Park.

#### BILL ADKINS, UPDATE ROAD DEPARTMENT

Mr. Adkins stated the road crew would be working in District 5 through February 4, 2005 and they would move into District 1 on February 7, 2005.

Commissioner Pickron stated that some work needed to be done at the Kinard Fire Department.

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

Mr. O'Bryan stated that the Recycling bids were reviewed and Cumbaa Enterprise, Inc. was high bidder for the Cardboard at \$88.00/ton taking into consideration the 5% preference to local business policy and Newark Recycled Fibers was high bidder for the Newspaper at \$82.50/ton. Mr. O'Bryan recommended to the Board to accept these bids. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Hall and carried to accept high bid for cardboard from Cumbaa Enterprise, Inc. for

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\$88.00/ton. A motion was made by Commissioner Pickron, seconded by Commissioner Hunt and carried to accept high bid for newspaper from Newark Recycled Fibers for \$82.50/ton.

Mr. O'Bryan stated Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) are authorizing the following five additional sites to be added to the existing Emergency Watershed Projects (EWP) Contract as Amendment #1 for an additional \$731,315.00 for a total of \$1,632,971.00:

- 1. NE Flatwoods Road Site 1
- 2. NE Flatwoods Road Site 2
- 3. NE Calvin Martin Road (at Stafford Creek)
- 4. NE Shorty Segers Road (at Graves Creek)
- 5. SW Silas Greene Road

Commissioner Wise asked Mr. O'Bryan to update him on the existing projects. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Pickron and carried to accept NRCS EMP Amendment #1 for the additional five sites and \$731,315.00 to the contract.

Commissioner Pickron asked that Mr. Mike Willis drainage problem be reviewed by NRCS for a possible site under a future Watershed Project.

Mr. O'Bryan presented to the Board for approval and execution a Resolution requesting that the State of Florida, Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) award the Board of County Commissioners of Calhoun County, Florida the 2005 EMS Grant for \$6,217.68. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Hall and carried to approve and execute said Resolution.

Mr. O'Bryan presented to the Board a letter of acceptance for execution for the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant in the amount of \$1,430.00 for the Calhoun County Sheriff's Department. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Hall and carried to execute said letter of acceptance.

#### MIKE WILLIS, COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Mr. Willis presented to the Board Statutes and Constitution for their review.

Mr. Willis stated that his drainage problem would qualify under the Watershed Program. He asked Commissioner Pickron to request that the Board drop the easement on his property so he can correct the problem. Mr. Willis stated that he would not block off the property.

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### **MATT FUQUA, ATTORNEY TIME**

Attorney Fuqua stated he would like to hold an Out-Of-The Sunshine Meeting during the next regular Board Meeting on February 15, 2005 to discuss the Jehue Landing Law Suit.

Attorney Fuqua discussed the Roy and Janice Moore Law Suit with the Board. He stated he had advertised for the abandonment of the road. Clerk Attaway reminded the Board that they had voted in a prior Board Meeting to Drop the Law Suit and no further action should be taken on the law suit. The Board agreed to drop the law suit and leave the road as is.

Attorney Fuqua discussed with the Board the B & J Enterprise plat stating that some language should be corrected on the plat.

### **CLERK ATTAWAY**

Clerk Attaway stated that Drew Peacock had retired from the Apalachee Regional Planning Council (ARPC) and that Altha Mayor, David Culpepper had agreed to take the position. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Pickron and carried to appoint Mayor Culpepper to the Apalachee Regional Planning Council (ARPC).

Clerk Attaway stated that Bright House Networks would be adjusting their prices on March 1, 2005.

Clerk Attaway presented to the Board for approval and execution a Proclamation designating February 10, 2005 as Calhoun County "Step-Up Florida" day, encouraging all residents to set goals to improve their health and wellness. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Pickron, seconded by Commissioner Hall and carried to approve and execute said Proclamation.

Clerk Attaway reminded the Board of the Chamber of Commerce Banquet for February 15, 2005 at 6:00 P.M. She stated that there will be no entry fee for the Commissioners.

Clerk Attaway discussed with the Board the first responders. She stated Judy Hall responded to her letter stating she had contacted Mr. Carmichael with Emergystat and he will be contacting Clerk Attaway in reference to the request from the County's Insurance Company concerning first responders.

Clerk Attaway stated that she had received three proposals for the equipment request by the Road Department. She stated that the equipment had been ordered from low bidder Blountstown Small Engines.

The minutes of January 18, 2005 were approved as presented.

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### COMMISSIONER PICKRON

Commissioner Pickron stated that he will get with Mr. Willis on his drainage problem.

## **COMMISSIONER WISE**

Commissioner Wise stated that he would like for the First Responders problems be resolved as soon as possible. Jerry Pitts stated that the Volunteer Fire Fighters that are first responders are trained to state mandated standards. Commissioner Wise stated he would like to see the ambulance service back under the Board. Clerk Attaway stated that it would cost approximately \$400,000 to run the ambulance service verses \$150,000 for Emergystat (EMS) to run the ambulance service.

There being no further business, the Board did adjourn.

ATTET:

RUTH W. ATTAWAY, CLERK

TRUMAN GRANT, CHAIRMAN

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