

**CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
AUGUST 4, 2009**

PRESENT AND ACTING:

**DANNY RAY WISE, VICE-CHAIRMAN
DAN WYRICK, CHAIRMAN, ABSENT
HAROLD PICKRON
TRUMAN GRANT
DON MILLER**

**EMMANUEL HIRES, DEPUTY
MATT FUQUA, ATTORNEY
RUTH W. ATTAWAY, CLERK
JANICE HOLLEY, DEPUTY CLERK**

The meeting was called to order by Deputy Hires. Prayer and pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Commissioner Miller.

DON A. O'BRYAN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. O'Bryan presented to the Board for approval and execution the 2009-2010 Small County Consolidated Grant Agreement for \$78,787. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Miller and carried to approve and execute the 2009-2010 Small County Consolidated Grant Agreement.

Debbie Belcher, Consultant informed the Board that the Department of Community Affairs, (DCA) has Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) emergency set aside funds for federal-declared disasters. The money must be used for repair or other recovery from direct damage from the March/April 2009 flooding. The following roads will be included because of damages and income eligibility of the residents:

1. NW Melvin New Grade from Palm Beach southwest to the intersection of Charlie Fincher.
2. NW Martin Sewell Road, 8000 feet going west from the paved section to the east end.
3. NE VanLierop from SR 69 to Dennis Parrish Road, and Dennis Parrish Road to the end.
4. NW Baker Road
5. Isoletta Road

A motion was made by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Miller and carried for Ms. Belcher to submit the CDBG Grant and for Mr. O'Bryan to execute the documents on behalf of the BCC.

There will be a Public Hearing held on Thursday, August 6, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. (CT) in the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in the basement of the Courthouse to allow public comment on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

Ms. Belcher asked the Board to approve her administrative contract on this grant contingent on it being funded. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Pickron, seconded by Commissioner Miller and carried to approve the contract contingent on the project being funded.

Mr. O'Bryan recommended to the Board that they approve and execute Resolution 2009-013. **A RESOLUTION OF CALHOUN COUNTY, FLORIDA, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION, FINDING THE APPLICATION CONSISTENT/NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THE LOCAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND DESIGNATING THE LOCAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AS THE LOCAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE CERTAIN DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO THE GRANT.** After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Miller and carried to approve and execute Resolution 2009-13.

Mr. O'Bryan recommended that the Board approve and execute the Engineering Proposal from Preble-Rish, Inc. for the Small County Road Assistance Program (SCRAP) Project for C.R. 73B for \$34,452.00. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Pickron and carried to approve and execute the Engineering Proposal.

Mr. O'Bryan recommended that the Board approve and execute the Engineering Proposal from Preble-Rish, Inc. for the Newsome Road County Incentive Grant Program (CIGP) Project for \$33,788.73. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Pickron and carried to approve and execute said Engineering Proposal.

Mr. O'Bryan recommended that the Board approve and execute the Engineering Proposal from Preble-Rish, Inc. for the 2009 NF Flooding DR 1831. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Grant and carried to approve and execute the Engineering Proposal.

Mr. O'Bryan presented to the Board information on the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Tupelo Avenue Drainage Improvement Project FEMA DR-1545-103-

R-Phase II approval. He stated the project cost for Phase II is \$432,597.00 with a Federal Share of \$324,448.00 and Non-Federal share of \$108,149.00.

Mr. O'Bryan presented to the Board information from the L. A. Times on Stimulating Florida's Highway Projects.

Mr. O'Bryan stated that the 2008-2009 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) bids were tabled at the July 21, 2009 Board Meeting. He stated that GAC Contractors was the low bidder. He stated that C.W. Roberts Contracting Inc. had exceeded the allowed 2% mobilization in their bid and he recommended to the Board to disallow the C.W. Roberts Contracting, Inc bid. Mr. O'Bryan recommended to the Board and a motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Grant and carried to reject C.W. Roberts Contracting, Inc. bid and accept low bid from GAC Contractors for \$793,702.00 contingent on approval from the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) on environmental approval for clearance to release funds.

Mr. O'Bryan stated that the Iola Road Culvert Replacement Project was tabled at the July 21, 2009 Board Meeting. He stated that Bailey & Sons, Inc. was low bidder, but the mobilization line item in his bid exceeded the allowed maximum 2% and he recommended to the Board that they reject all bids on this project. He further noted that the Road Department could install the pipe and he would obtain bid quotes on the head walls. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Miller and carried to reject all bids. Commissioner Wise voted no.

Mr. Bailey with Bailey and Sons, Inc. asked the Board to allow him to proceed with the project.

Commissioner Wise asked if the Board had ever proceeded with a project if the mobilization was incorrect. He stated if it was done in the past, the Board should be fair to everyone.

Attorney Fuqua stated that the proposals on Appraisers were reviewed and Richard & Mark Boutain was low bidder with \$3,000 per parcel. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Pickron and carried to approve the bids from Richard & Mark Boutain. Commissioner Wise voted no. He stated he was not in favor of eminent domain.

DOWLING PARRISH, BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Mr. Parrish stated that Mike Bailey asked the City of Blountstown to install additional electrical services to his property located at 15218 SR 71 South. Mr. Bailey has a service for a single mobile home. He is requesting the addition of another electric service to serve an additional trailer to be located on the property. City Manager, James Woods requested the County write a letter to the City stating that Mr. Bailey has permission under the County Comprehensive Plan to add the additional utilities. The Board asked

Attorney Fuqua to contact City Attorney House to direct Mr. Woods to turn the power on.

Mr. O'Bryan discussed with the Board the possibility of using Doyle Daniels' Barrow Pit for dirt, south of SR 20. Mr. Daniels will sell dirt to the County for \$20.00 per load. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Pickron and carried to purchase dirt from Mr. Daniels' Barrow Pit.

TINA JOSHUA, 2010 CENSUS

Ms. Joshua asked the Board to raise awareness and encourage participation in the United States 2010 Census. She stated it is very important to obtain this information to make it possible for our area to receive fair share of federal funds, census jobs and congressional representation. She asked the Board to appoint a committee to help spread the word throughout the County. Ms. Kristy Terry representing the Chamber of Commerce stated she would assume the responsibility of forming a committee and getting the information out in the County.

The July 21, 2009 minutes were approved as amended.

MIKE WILLIS

Mike Willis asked the Board members if they were for or against at-large voting. Commissioner Pickron said yes and Commissioner Grant said no. Commissioner Wise and Miller did not respond.

COMMISSIONER PICKRON

Commissioner Pickron stated he would like for final bid results to be announced at the same Board Meeting that the bids are received. Mr. O'Bryan stated he would have his staff attend the Board Meetings and review the bids. This would allow the final tabulation results to be announced at the end of the meeting on that day.

COMMISSIONER WISE

Commissioner Wise stated that he would like to encourage the public to attend the next budget workshop.

There will be a 2009-2010 Budget Workshop, Tuesday, September 8, 2009 at 4:00 P.M. (CT) in the Emergency Operations Center (EOC), in the basement of the Courthouse.

There being no further business, the Board did adjourn.

ATTEST:


RUTH W. ATTAWAY, CLERK


DANNY RAY WISE, VICE-CHAIRMAN