

CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES

March 20, 2012

PRESENT AND ACTING:

HAROLD PICKRON, CHAIRMAN
DON MILLER, VICE CHAIRMAN
WILLIE T. GRANT
DARRELL MCDOUGALD
DANNY RAY WISE

EMMANUEL HIRES, DEPUTY
DON A. O'BRYAN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
RUTH W. ATTAWAY, CLERK
CASSIE FUTCH, DEPUTY CLERK

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

DON A. O'BRYAN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. O'Bryan requested a workshop for Tuesday March 27, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. in the Emergency Operations Center to discuss the Pine Island Water System, CDBG/Road Projects, Timber Contract and Sam Atkins Park. Commissioner McDougald made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Miller and carried to approve the workshop.

Mr. O'Bryan presented to the Board for approval and execution Contract Change Order #1 for Land Store Road to Panhandle Construction for a decrease of \$29,569.00. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner McDougald, seconded by Commissioner Miller and carried to approve and execute Contract Change Order #1.

Mr. O'Bryan presented to the Board for approval and execution Contract Change order #1 for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Repairs Group 6 to North Florida Construction, Inc. for an Increase of \$291,837.79 to add new projects Jesse Stone Road, Grady Tew Road and Troy McCroan Road. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Miller and carried to approve and execute Change Order #1.

Mr. O'Bryan presented to the Board for approval and execution the Agreement between Calhoun County and the Apalachee Regional Planning Council (ARPC) for the Hazardous Waste Assessment for \$3,500.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Wise and carried to approve the agreement.

Mr. O'Bryan presented to the Board a Professional Service Agreement with Preble-Rish for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Tupelo Avenue Expansion project, which includes Gray Road, BH Stone Road, Macs Nursery Road, and White Water Grade \$91,093.40. A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner McDougald and carried to approve the Agreement.

Mr. O'Bryan provided the Board a copy of a Letter to the Editor from the Calhoun County Record printed March 14, 2012. The letter addressed the change orders the Board approved and questioned the validity of such change orders. Ms. Barfield questioned the \$300,000 of change orders and why the Board did not question the change orders. The Board had an itemized detailed list of all quantities and prices to each change order. Furthermore; there was \$104,368.86 of change order not \$300,000 for an increase in the scope of work on two federally funded road contracts. Mr. O'Bryan did clarify for the Board the need for change orders so they could have an informed answer when approached by the public on why these changes are necessary. He explained that these contracts are on unit cost basis in other words, you pay for exactly what you use. Units are listed as an estimate because most limerock roads have varied widths. In the end, you may use more or less quantities on a project. Therefore, this means most projects require a change order to reconcile contract payments. The answer to the question why the Board could fork over \$104,368.86, not \$300,000, on additional expenses for road projects and not fund voting precincts is that the road projects in questions are federally funded dollars for specific road projects. Therefore, those dollars cannot legally be spent on operation costs for voting precinct's.

DAN CLEMONS, WEATHERIZATION DIRECTOR

Mr. Clemons presented to the Board a Modification of Agreement between the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Weatherization Assistance Program/Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (WAP/LIHEAP) and Calhoun County Board of County Commissioners. The modification #1 is requesting an increase in the amount of \$14,271.36 for a total amount of \$35,678.40. A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner McDougald and carried to approve the increase.

PAM MCDANIEL, CALHOUN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Present and speaking on behalf of the Students Working Against Tobacco was Ms. Rena O'Bryan. Ms. O'Bryan read literature supporting the resolution urging retailers to stop the sale and marketing of flavored tobacco products in Calhoun County. Provided for the Board's approval was Resolution 2012-018. Commissioner Wise made a motion to approve the resolution with a second from Commissioner Miller. The motion carried and resolution 2012-018 was signed by Chairman Pickron.

DR. PHILIP, INTERIM DIRECTOR, CALHOUN-LIBERTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Dr. Philip was present to give the Board an update on activities at the Calhoun-Liberty Health Departments. Dr. Philip informed the Board that the top two applicants have been selected for the permanent administrator. The applications will be forwarded to the acting Surgeon General. The Surgeon General's selection will be scheduled for interviews with the Calhoun and Liberty County Board of Commissioners. The process may take four to six weeks. Dr. Philips informed the Board that the Health Department was recently approved for the next cycle of funding for the tobacco program. She also explained that there will be meetings scheduled in the future for community involvement into looking at the state of health for the county; the meeting will invite the community leaders as well as obtaining state involvement to take an overview of the county's state of health. Also, to be reviewed is the preparedness for emergency functions which would involve the Health Department and the assistance of Mr. O'Bryan.

RUTH ATTAWAY, CLERK

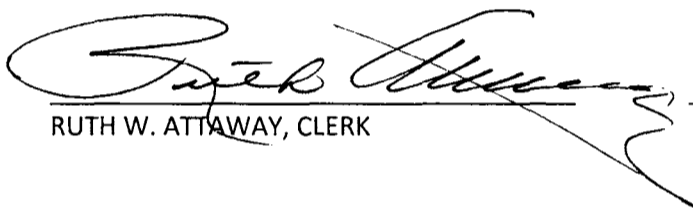
Clerk Attaway requested on behalf of Philip Hill, hospital administrator, to have the Board consider approving a grant application for mechanical CPR devices. These devices are to be used in the ambulances. The grant is for \$30,000.00 with a match of 10% from the hospital. Mr. Hill was requesting approval to submit the application. A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Grant and carried to approve the submission of the application. Clerk Attaway also briefed the Board on the House Bill 5301 which has passed the Legislature and was currently on the Governor's desk pending his signature or veto. Clerk Attaway assured the Board that everything that could be done had been addressed in order to inform the Governor where the small counties stood regarding the Bill.

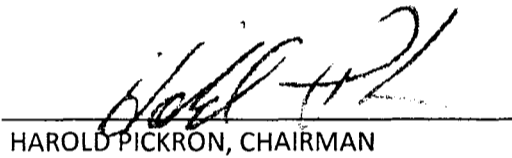
Clerk Attaway addressed the Board regarding the budget and the Clerk's payback each year. She said funding from the Board for Clerk to the Board activities has remained the same for the last eleven years. She also mentioned that she had returned to the Board every year a dollar amount between \$70,000.00 and \$120,000.00. She stated that the Legislature made significant cuts to the Clerks around the State of Florida and the impact to the Court side of her office would be loss of \$30,000.00. She alerted the Board that this could mean she would need to increase the next year's budget at the County level.

Chairman Pickron asked for a motion regarding approving the minutes from the March 6, 2012 Board meeting. Commissioner Miller made a motion to approve with a second from Commissioner McDougald which carried to approve the minutes.

There being no further business, the Board did adjourn

ATTEST:


RUTH W. ATTAWAY, CLERK


HAROLD PICKRON, CHAIRMAN

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