

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
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SEPTEMBER 4, 1991

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

S. DONNELL WHITFIELD  
PACK BOWDEN  
ELLIS MELVIN  
JOHN LINDSEY

PRESENT AND ACTING:

WILLIE D. WISE, CLERK  
GAIL O'BRYAN, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT  
JOE TAYLOR, FINANCE  
BARBARA DAVIS, TAX COLLECTOR  
MARTIN SEWELL, SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS  
CHARLOTTE DANIELS, REPRESENTATIVE OF SHERIFF'S DEPT.  
WILLIAM G. SMITH, SHERIFF  
FRANK STONE, PROPERTY APPRAISER

ALSO PRESENT: WALLACE BRANNON, UNION REPRESENTATIVE

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD AND FOLLOWED WITH PRAYER BY COMMISSIONER MELVIN AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

CLERK WISE STATED, DURING THE PREVIOUS MEETING AND DUE TO THE AGREEMENT BEING SIGNED WITH HRS YESTERDAY, THE BOARD HAD REQUESTED HIM TO CUT THE PROPOSED BUDGET BACK TO FY 90-91 FUNDING AND ADD ONLY MANDATED ELECTED OFFICIALS RAISES IN ORDER TO GET THE PROPOSED BUDGET WITHIN 10 MILLS. HE PRESENTED THE BOARD WITH A BALANCED PROPOSED BUDGET. CLERK WISE SAID HE TOOK THE FY 90-91 BUDGET AS IT WAS FUNDED LAST YEAR AND ONLY INCREASED IT FOR 91-92 BY THE MANDATED PAY INCREASES FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS. HE REPORTED HE HAD CUT \$400,000 PLUS OUT OF PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET. TOTAL MILLAGE REQUIRED FOR GENERAL FUND PROPOSED BUDGET 6.02 MILLS.

THE BOARD AND CLERK WISE REVIEWED THE GENERAL FUND PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 91-92 LINE ITEM BY LINE ITEM, EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES.

DISCUSSION ENSUED REGARDING THE POSSIBILITY OF CUTTING BACK ON MONTHLY PEST CONTROL, CLERK'S OFFICE HANDLING MORE OF THE LEGAL WORK IN ORDER TO SAVE ON ATTORNEY FEES, NEED FOR ROOF ON SENIOR CITIZENS BUILDING , ADDITIONAL \$4,000.00 NEEDED FOR LANDFILL LINE ITEM.

CLERK WISE EXPLAINED IF REVENUES DECREASE AS THEY DID LAST YEAR, THE BOARD WILL NOT HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO OPERATE THE YEAR ON. HE SAID THE PROPOSED BUDGET IS SO SHORT THAT THERE CAN BE NO ADDITIONAL OR EXTRA SPENDING.

THE BOARD AND CLERK REVIEWED THE REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES OF THE PROPOSED FINE & FORFEITURE FUND. TOTAL MILLAGE REQUIRED FOR FINE & FORFEITURE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1991-92 3.98 MILLS.

CLERK WISE REPORTED TOTAL CUT OUT OF OVER ALL PROPOSED BUDGET IS

\$547,266.00.

THE BOARD REQUESTED THE CLERK TO TRANSFER \$1500.00 FROM LINE ITEM 534.45 TO RECREATION LINE ITEM.

THE BOARD, PROPERTY APPRAISER, SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS AND TAX COLLECTOR DISCUSSED THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING OF THEIR BUDGETS AS FOLLOWS: \$6,000.00 NEEDED BY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS FOR 3RD ELECTION; \$8,000.00 NEEDED BY TAX COLLECTOR FOR POSTAGE AND PURCHASE OF NOTICES, STATE MANDATED; \$20,000.00 NEEDED FOR PROPERTY APPRAISER, COURT ORDER AND \$4,000.00 NEEDED FOR LANDFILL.

THE BOARD AND CLERK REVIEWED THE REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES OF COUNTY TRANSPORTATION I PROPOSED BUDGET. PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET FOR FY 91-92 BUDGET \$585,102,00.

CLERK WISE REPORTED THERE WAS AVAILABLE \$48,000.00 (5TH & 6TH CENT GAS TAX) FOR PAVING RIGHT NOW, OR COULD BE USED AS A TRANSFER INTO 1991-92 BUDGET AND WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR PAVING PROJECT OCTOBER 1. HE SAID THE BOARD HAD PREVIOUSLY APPROVED RESURFACING OF RIVER STREET.

COMMISSIONER MELVIN STATED HE WAS NOT IN FAVOR OF RESURFACING RIVER STREET WITH 5TH AND 6TH CENT MONEY. HE QUESTIONED IF ADDITIONAL MONEY WAS AVAILABLE FOR PAVING MAGNOLIA CHURCH ROAD. CLERK WISE RESPONDED NO. COMMISSIONER MELVIN SAID IF THAT WAS THE CASE, THE BOARD COULD NOT AFFORD TO PAVE RIVER STREET.

COMMISSIONER BOWDEN STATED RIVER STREET WAS TO BE RESURFACED OUT OF 6 CENT OPTIONAL GAS TAX.

COMMISSIONER MELVIN STATED THERE WAS A STIPULATION ATTACHED TO THE MOTION TO RESURFACE RIVER STREET AND THE STIPULATION WAS THAT THE CITY WOULD ACCEPT AND MAINTAIN RIVER STREET IF THE COUNTY RESURFACED IT.

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD RESPONDED THAT THERE WAS NOT A STIPULATION ATTACHED TO THE MOTION. HE SAID, HE HAD SAID, HE WOULD CHECK AND SEE IF THE CITY WOULD ACCEPT AND MAINTAIN RIVER STREET IF RESURFACED.

THE BOARD AGREED BY CONSENSUS TO BACK OUT \$25,000.00 PLUS MATCHING BENEFITS FROM SALARY LINE ITEMS IN COUNTY TRANSPORTATION I TO EQUIPMENT LINE ITEM IN ORDER TO PURCHASE A TRUCK AND ALSO TO MOVE \$15,000.00 FROM INSURANCE LINE ITEM TO EQUIPMENT LINE ITEM IN ORDER TO PURCHASE A MOWER.

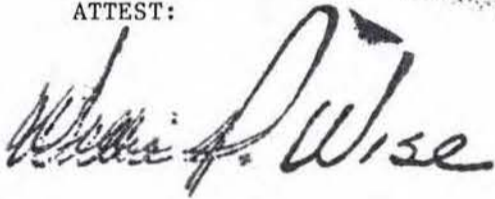
COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD STATED BETWEEN \$40,000.00 TO \$50,000.00 ADDITIONAL DOLLARS WAS NEEDED IN THE GENERAL FUND AND ASKED THE CLERK IF HE HAD ANY IDEAS AS TO WHERE TO FURTHER CUT THE BUDGET.

CLERK WISE RESPONDED THAT HE DID NOT KNOW WHERE THEY WOULD GET THE ADDITIONAL REVENUES. HE SAID IF YOU SHUT DOWN COUNTY EXTENSION, YOU WOULD HURT THE FARMERS AND OTHERS. IF YOU SHUT DOWN THE LIBRARY, THE BOARD WILL HAVE TO REPAY APPROXIMATELY \$250,000.00 STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS AND IF YOU CUT THE GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE, YOU WILL HURT THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES, WHICH HAVE NOT HAD A RAISE IN OVER 4 YEARS.

THE BOARD AGREED TO STUDY AND REVIEW THE PROPOSED BUDGET AND MEET AGAIN ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1991 FOR A BUDGET WORKSHOP.

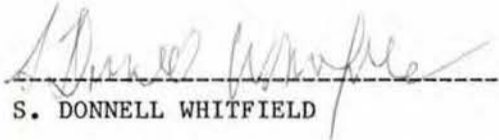
THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE BOARD DID ADJOURN.

ATTEST:



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WILLIE D. WISE

CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS



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S. DONNELL WHITFIELD