

CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 19, 2013

PRESENT AND ACTING:

THOMAS G. FLOWERS, CHAIRMAN  
LEE LEE BROWN, VICE-CHAIRMAN  
WILLIE T. GRANT  
DARRELL MCDUGALD  
LEE SHELTON

DEPUTY, MORRIS  
MATT FUQUA, ATTORNEY  
CARLA A. HAND, CLERK  
NONA BORELLI, DEPUTY CLERK

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Flowers at 6:00 p.m., CT. The Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag were led by Commissioner McDougald.

APPROVAL OF February 5, 2013 MINUTES

A motion to correct (replace wording on page 8 to say, "identifying and billing nonparticipants") and approve the February 5, 2013 minutes was made by Commissioner McDougald and seconded by Commissioner Brown. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

JOE WOOD, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/GRANTS COORDINATOR

Mr. Wood asked the Board to consider approving a \$144,000 Sheriff FL JAG contract for the Sheriff to purchase a CAD System. Commissioner Brown motioned to accept the grant second was made by Commissioner Shelton; the motion passed unanimously 5-0.

Mr. Wood also updated the Board on the lease agreement with Dr. Farooqui. Mr. Wood has been in discussion with the Dr.'s lawyer. Also, based on the square footage, services provided, and the going rate per foot Mr. Wood has approximated the rent value to be \$1,800 per month. Mr. Wood also noted the prior lease should have already been increased when the Dr. terminated providing inmate healthcare. Dr. Farooqui is requesting a little more time to either counter offer the \$1,800 proposal and/or look at his other available options.

Mr. Wood informed the Board he met with Gulf County in regards to the Tri-County Ag Pavilion and Ken Shepard met with Liberty County. Reportedly, all parties agreed to the following: Gulf County will provide three (3) dump trucks, Liberty County will provide (3) dump trucks and a motor grader and Calhoun County will dig, load, and provide materials (100 loads sandy loam/clay). According to Mr. Wood this appears to be an equitable sharing of effort between the three counties.

Mr. Wood also spoke in regards to Courthouse Security noting an x-ray machine has been donated by Holmes County and Preble-Rish, Inc. has agreed to engineer the handicap ramp for free in the front of the courthouse.

**ANGIE SMITH, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR**

Ms. Smith provided the Board with the notice, "Invitation to Bid" on lime rock.

Ms. Smith passed along a request to the Board from Tim Gilley with the Florida Wildlife Commission; a request for the County to haul rock for renovations at the Cypress Creek Boat Landing. The Wildlife Commission will purchase the rock and make the repairs. Donald Stanley of Preble-Rish, Inc. explained to the Board about the FBIP (Florida Boating Improvement Program Grant) at Cypress Creek Boat Landing; there will be no cost to the County other than hauling the rock. A motion was made by Commissioner McDougald and seconded by Commissioner Grant to allow the County to haul the rock to the Cypress Creek Boat Landing as requested by Tim Gilley, Florida Wildlife Commission. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

Ms. Smith reported the water is over the road on Ochessie Landing Road with minimal damage. The Apalachicola River is currently at 20.8 ft. Ms. Smith expressed to the Board the importance of mapping/addressing especially when the Chipola River is rising; this helps keep affected citizens informed.

**DAN CLEMONS, CALHOUN COUNTY WEATHERIZATION**

The Board Attorney opened the bids for the following:

Bid Opening Date: 19-FEB-13		WATER WELL			
Time: 6:00 PM		CONTRACTOR NAME			
Client Name	County Estimate	Capps Well Drilling	Blountstown Mechanical & Electrical Inc.	Barlow Water Services	Burkett and Sons Well Service
Gary Poitrowski	\$2,600 20% Cap \$3,120	<b>\$2,950</b>		\$2,900	

Commissioner McDougald motioned to accept the bid by Capps Well Drilling (under the 5% local bidder's preference) provided Capps Well Drilling accepts the job at the low bid of \$2,900.00 second was made by Chairman Flowers; the motion passed unanimously 5-0.

Bid Opening Date: 19-FEB-13		SEPTIC SYSTEM			
Time: 6:00 PM		CONTRACTOR NAME			
Client Name	County Estimate	Yoder Septic Service Inc.	Blountstown Mechanical & Electrical Inc.		
Willard O'Brian	\$3,000 20% Cap \$3,600	<b>\$3,325</b>			
Darlene Earhart	\$3,000 20% Cap \$3,600	<b>\$3,325</b>			

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Yoder Septic Service Inc. was the only bidder. Commissioner McDougald motioned to accept the bids and seconded by Commissioner Grant; the motion passed unanimously 5-0.

Bid Opening Date: 19-FEB-13		REHAB PAGE 1 OF 2			
Time: 6:00 PM		CONTRACTOR NAME			
Client Name	County Estimate	Raymond A. Driesbach, LLC	The Ingram Group, LLC	Castleberry Homes Inc.	Gulf Coast Home Solutions Inc.
Betty Corbin	<b>\$18,209.00</b> 20% Cap \$21,850.80	\$26,484	\$17,944	\$24,330	<b>\$15,245</b>
Peggy Adams	<b>\$15,031.50</b> 20% Cap \$18,037.80	No bid	<b>\$11,860</b>	\$21,150	\$14,365
Gina Grantham	<b>\$8,301.00</b> 20% Cap \$9,961.20	\$14,627	\$7,650	\$11,950	\$7,827

Bid Opening Date: 19-FEB-13		REHAB PAGE 2 OF 2			
Time: 6:00 PM		CONTRACTOR NAME			
Client Name	County Estimate	Wallace and Sons LLC	Vision Builders of the Gulf Coast Inc.	R & R Construction Inc.	
Betty Corbin	<b>\$18,209.00</b> 20% Cap \$21,850.80	\$19,705			
Peggy Adams	<b>\$15,031.50</b> 20% Cap \$18,037.80	No bid			
Gina Grantham	<b>\$8,301.00</b> 20% Cap \$9,961.20	<b>\$5,330</b>			

Commissioner Grant motioned to accept the low bid per house per contract, second by Commissioner Shelton; the motion passed unanimously (5-0).

**DONALD STANLEY, PREBLE RISH, INC.**

Mr. Stanley gave project updates on: Mac's Nursery Road 90% complete, Gray Road 100% complete, White Water Grade Road 100% complete, and B H Stone Road 95% complete. All projects should be complete within the next two weeks.

Mr. Stanley proposed to the Board a deductive change order for the IOLA Road CIGP Project. Last week the bids were opened and awarded to C.W. Roberts contingent upon Mr. Stanley negotiating with the contractor to come within the grant budget amount for construction. The contract was negotiated to \$431,907.68 by reducing asphalt by 215 tons and deleting the thermo plastic striping and going with reflectorized paint striping. A motion was made by Commissioner McDougald and seconded by Chairman Flowers to accept the change order as negotiated; the motion passed unanimously 5-0.



Mr. Stanley summarized for the Board regarding the Oglesby agreement – a verbal commitment – to acquire a right-of-way on Buddy Johnson Road. The survey is complete and the title search has shown that Farm Credit has a lien on the property. The lien is supposed to be satisfied this week. There is an agreement with Ms. Mary McKenzie and her brother David to acquire the right-of-way. Commissioner McDougald motioned to accept the agreement, Commissioner Shelton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

#### MAXIE WALDORFF – IDA BOARD AND AIRPORT

Mr. Waldorff, Chairman of the IDA Board, informed the Board of security lighting at the airport. Mr. Waldorff discussed two (2) new projects at the airport. (runway and apron extension). Mr. Waldorff presented the Supplemental Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) with DOT amending the project (AQT12). Commissioner McDougald made the motion to accept the JPA and was seconded by Commissioner Grant. The motion passed unanimously 5-0. Mr. Waldorff also asked the Board to adopt Resolution 2013-03 authorizing the Chairman to sign the Supplemental JPA agreement Number One. Commissioner McDougald made the motion to adopt Resolution 2013-03, second by Chairman Flowers. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Mr. Waldorff informed the Board that the airport had completed the AWOS (Automated Weather Observation System). Mr. Waldorff provided the Board for their approval the Contractor's Certificate of Substantial Completion and a Certificate of Final Completion. Commissioner McDougald made the motion to accept the Certificate of Substantial Completion and to accept the Certificate of Final Completion on the AWOS weather system, second by Commissioner Shelton. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Mr. Waldorff let the Board know that they will be starting the new hanger jobs in the next several months. Everything is going good. The abandoned plane is still there with flat tires.

#### BRITTNEY WOOTEN – GIRL SCOUT DOG PARK

Ms. Brittney Wooten introduced the Girl Scouts. The Girl Scouts gave their prospective dog park project presentation to the Board for the Board's consideration for a dog park to be built at Sam Atkins Park. Commissioner McDougald asked whether the potential park would only be used for events (shows) or would it be a permanent structure. Ms. Wooten explained it would be a permanent structure for daily use. The Girl Scouts are asking for the Board's permission to build a dog park. The County would be responsible for the ongoing maintenance including supplying water to the dogs. Chairman Flowers asked how much room is needed for the dog park. Ms. Wooten explained the size varies depending on what the county would allow. They would like at least a 20' x 20' area. Commissioner Shelton inquired where the dog park would be placed in Sam Atkins Park. Ms. Wooten mentioned the old go-cart location, but stated the Girl Scouts are willing to build the dog park wherever the Board will allow them to, even if it is in another park.

Ms. Wooten reminded the Board this would be an off leash area that is fenced in for dogs to play and run with rules for the owners to follow. Ms. Wooten also mentioned Panama City has opened 8 new dog parks in the last year. The Board informed the Girl Scouts that they did a wonderful presentation but at

this time they are not able to give them an answer without further research. Commissioner McDougald and Commissioner Brown asked for time to review before a decision is made.

**VOLENA BARFIELD – VOTING PRECINCTS**

Ms. Barfield thanked the Board for their time and stated in 2011 the Supervisor of Elections asked the Board to close some of the voting precincts and the Board approved closing them. After finding out about the precinct closings Ms. Barfield went to the Board meeting and spoke with the Supervisor of Elections and the Board and was told that closing the precincts was a business decision to save money in the Supervisor or Elections budget. Ms. Barfield stated two precincts were closed in her district (District 2) and these voters now must go the Civic Center to vote. Ms. Barfield further explained District 2 is a single member voter district and voters must now travel out of their district to vote. Ms. Barfield asked if closing the precincts saved any money and stated she looked but was unable to determine if any money was saved. Ms. Barfield also discussed the physical condition of Pine Island and Henderson Mill voting locations noting the Pine Island voting precinct (prior to closings) was at the fire department building and the building is well maintained. She also has looked at the Henderson Mill precinct and does not think that it is falling down but suggested if work needs to be done on the building; it could be done by inmate labor.

Ms. Barfield asked the Board to reconsider their previous decision on closing voting precincts. She also inquired how much the Supervisor of Election’s budget was reduced by closing the precincts and asked for this information to be provided by the Supervisor or Elections at the workshop on March 5, 2013.

**SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS – MARGIE LARAMORE**

Supervisor Laramore addressed the Board and stated part of the reason for closing some of the voting precincts is a mandate by the State to install new voting equipment or make upgrades in every precinct by 2016. Commissioner McDougald inquired if this was proposed or mandated. Supervisor Laramore stated it was mandated by Florida Statute 101.56075 – Voting Methods and Procedure and gave each Commissioner a copy of the statute. After much discussion a motion was made by Commissioner McDougald, seconded by Commissioner Shelton to table the discussion and hold a workshop on March 5, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. in the County Commission meeting room. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

**TAMMY MARTIN – HOME BUSINESS**

Ms. Tammy Martin and her business partner spoke to the Board in regards to their plans in opening an assisted living facility at 1634 SW Chipola Road; the land use is residential. (The facility is licensed by the State of Florida.) The County Attorney suggested Tony Arrant, County Planner, should be contacted for clarification on whether or not this type of facility is allowed under the County’s Comprehensive Plan. After the Board Attorney contacted Mr. Arrant by telephone it was then conveyed to Ms. Martin and her business partner the facility type is acceptable in a residential location as long as one of the owners lives in the facility. The owner(s) decided they would comply with this rule and forego further requirements.

**DOWLING PARRISH – PICKRON UPDATE**

Mr. Dowling Parrish, Calhoun County Building Inspector, reported on the issue presented by Mr. Harold Pickron at the last Board Meeting. The Board previously gave the Building Inspector instructions to



check on the location adjacent to Mr. Pickron's property and see if there is any commercial activity ongoing at this location. Mr. Parrish reported there were items for sale on the property, placed beside the highway, but these items are all owned by different individuals; Mr. Parrish concluded this is no different than what is being done by other property owners.

**ATTORNEY FUQUA**

Attorney Fuqua also informed the Board that Mr. Cochran, originally scheduled on the agenda for this meeting had been to the Clerk's office and removed himself from the agenda. Chairman Flowers confirmed this, stating Mr. Cochran had been to his office and told him he would put his name on the agenda, which he did, but removed himself the next day.

Attorney Fuqua suggested the Commission put Mr. Cochran on the agenda for the next regular meeting on March 5, 2013 at 6:15 and notify him. Mr. Parrish stated Tony Arrant, Consultant, should also be present. Commissioner Brown stated he would notify Mr. Cochran and Mr. Arrant.

**COMMISSION TIME**

**CHAIRMAN FLOWERS**

Chairman Flowers brought up for the Board's approval the 5% increase in the rate for health insurance for County employees. Last year's budget allows for a minor increase in the budget and the cost is covered. Motion was made by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Brown to authorize payment of the insurance. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Chairman Flowers brought up for the Board's approval of Resolution 2013-04 to move the Probation from the Court to the Sheriff's Department. A motion was made by Commissioner Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Brown to pass the resolution. The motion carried with Commissioner McDougald voting no.

Chairman Flowers brought up for the Board's approval a budget amendment for the increase in Worker's Comp insurance and the County building insurance rates in the amount of \$14, 280.00. Chairman Flowers stated this was predicted and was built into the budget. A motion for BA #1 was made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Grant. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Attorney Fuqua asked Clerk Hand to check with insurance carrier to see if the County would have any liability with the proposed dog park.

There being no further business a motion was made by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Chairman Flowers and passed (5-0) to adjourn this meeting at 8:00 p.m. (C.S.T.)

ATTEST:

  
CARLA A. HAND, CLERK

  
THOMAS G. FLOWERS, CHAIRMAN