

CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 REGULAR MEETING
 SEPTEMBER 17, 2013
 6:00 P.M.

THOMAS FLOWERS, CHAIRMAN
 LEE LEE BROWN, VICE-CHAIRMAN
 DARRELL MCDUGALD
 LEE SHELTON
 TRUMAN GRANT

MANUEL HIRES, DEPUTY
 MATT FUQUA, ATTORNEY
 CARLA HAND, CLERK – ABSENT – At Clerk’s Training
 CARLA PEACOCK, DEPUTY CLERK

The meeting was called the meeting to order by Chairman Flowers at 6:00 P.M. Prayer and pledge were led by Joe Wood, Public Works Director/Grants Coordinator.

A motion to approve the September 6, 2013 Regular minutes; approval of the September 5, 2013 Budget Hearing minutes; approval of vouchers for Warrants 1309-2GS; 1309-2G; 1309-2RD; 1309-2L; 1309-2E; 1309-2S was made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Grant and passed unanimously 5-0.

Attorney Fuqua opened and read aloud the sealed bids for two Weatherization projects.

CLIENT NAME	GADCON LLC	R & R CONSTRUCTION
Shirley Guilford	\$4,232.00	\$3,507.00
Lizzie Fant	\$4,290.00	\$4,503.00

A motion was made to accept the apparent low bid on the Weatherization projects by Commissioner McDougald, seconded by Commissioner Grant and passed unanimously 5-0.

Attorney Fuqua opened and read aloud the sealed bids for the construction of a 60’X 60’ Storage Hangar and a 100’ X 60’ Commercial Hangar at the Calhoun County Airport.

CONTRACTOR	BID AMOUNT
LUNACON CONSTRUCTION GROUP 16890 SOUTH DIXIE HWY MIAMI, FL 33157	\$483,722.00
SLACK CONSTRUCTION 2011 NE 8 TH RD OCALA, FL 34470	\$595,005.15
RAM CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT 20 RAM BLVD MIDWAY, FL 32343	\$649,649.00
CSI CONTRACTING 1131 DADE STREET QUINCY, FL 32351	\$692,681.29

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CATHEY CONSTRUCTION PO BOX 130107/103 N. MAIN ST MEXICO BEACH, FL 32410	\$592, 458.04
NORTH FLORIDA CONSTRUCTION P.O. BOX 129 CLARKSVILLE, FL 32430	\$589,025.00

The Deputy Clerk will scan and email the bid packages to URS Corporation. URS Corporation will review the bids to verify the bids meet all specifications. The contract will be awarded during the regular BOCC Board meeting on October 1, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

MAXI WALDORFF, IDA BOARD

Mr. Waldorff presented to the Board for execution the contract with Panhandle Construction in the amount of \$295,002.90 for the Calhoun County Airport North Apron Extension Phase 2. (Per Attorney Fuqua, no Board action is necessary as the Board awarded the contract at the previous meeting.)

Mr. Waldorff said the annual "Fly-In" held on September 7th at the Calhoun County Airport was a success.

Mr. Waldorff asked the Board not to approve the Jones' leases at the Calhoun County Airport.

Attorney Fuqua stated there are citizens on the agenda who would like to speak on this issue and advised the Chairman to allow them to speak before taking any action on this matter.

Chairman Flowers agreed and called the first citizen on the agenda.

JAMES McCROAN

Mr. McCroan stated he has resided in Calhoun County for 68 years and has been in aviation for the past 47 years. He stated he holds an Airline Transport License and also holds licenses to teach on most aircraft or helicopters.

Mr. McCroan stated twenty-five people signed an agreement allowing him to represent their concerns to the Board tonight.

Mr. McCroan brought up concerns with the new lease agreement. He stated he and several other pilots have prepared a lease agreement for the T-hangars for the Board to review and consider implementing. He stated the following:

- Large hangars have enough space to park aircraft and other items and pilots should be allowed to store other items as long as the primary space is occupied by aircraft, kept clean and returned to original condition when vacated. Renter would be responsible for returning the hangar to original condition
- Board should not require tenants to have liability insurance naming the Board of County Commissioners as an additional insured
- New runway extension won't do Airport any good until the runway is cleared of one tree that extends into the approach slope
- Would like to be given a reason if told "no" by the IDA Board or BOCC

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Mr. McCroan stated he is personally against having the Tri-County Ag Park at the Airport.

Mr. McCroan stated in relation to the Jones' lease, Title 49 of the USC states any airport receiving federal funds will be available for public use without unjust discrimination. Attorney Fuqua responded it was not unjust discrimination to put restrictions in a lease.

Attorney Fuqua explained to Mr. McCroan the County owns the Airport property and could be liable for any accident, injury or damage that occurs on the property.

Mr. Fuqua recommended the Board keep the requirement for liability insurance in the lease.

After much discussion, it was the general consensus of the Board to keep the insurance requirements in the hangar lease.

VICKI BOWERS

Ms. Bowers came before the Board to voice her concerns with the Jones' at the Calhoun County Airport. Ms. Bowers stated the following:

- Jones' intimidate and threaten visitors to her hangar.
- Tony Jones threatened her A&P mechanic and told him not to come back to her hangar.
- Jones' are doing commercial work in the Jones' hangars – Ms. Bowers stated she has a copy of check she paid to Jones' for commercial work. Ms. Bowers stated she would not use them again.
- Ms. Bowers stated she has knowledge of another pilot paying \$15,000 cash for commercial work and the plane was not operable when returned to the pilot.
- Jones' park vehicles on runway blocking Bowers plane
- Jones' use curse words and play radio too loud
- Ms. Bowers stated her husband witnessed Jones' working on Jump plane
- Jones' steal hangar space by parking their plane in empty hangars
- Jones' lives in hangar which is not allowed
- Jones' have access to others hangars and go in other pilot's hangars without permission
- Jones' run electrical cords from other pilot's hangars to their hangar without permission
- Jones' run electrical cords across runway – planes are running over electrical cords
- Jones' spray water on building all day long
- Tony Jones has a paint booth in his hangar and uses extra electricity
- Jones' dog and other dogs run loose at the Airport

Ms. Bowers stated if the Jones were allowed to stay things would get worse.

Ms. Bowers asked the Board to uphold the vote of the IDA Board. She stated she and her husband are in full support of Maxi Waldorff and the IDA Board.

A motion was made not to renew the hangar leases for Danny Jones and Tony Jones by Commissioner McDougald, seconded by Commissioner Grant and passed 3-2. Commissioners Brown and Shelton were opposed.

JOE KRUCHAS, U.S. SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND

Mr. Kruchas came before the Board to ask for approval and a letter of invitation from the Board for the U.S. Military to execute a Realistic Military Training (RMT) concept within Calhoun County in support of

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joint military exercise EMERALD WARRIOR-14 (EW 14). The training will take place in three phases from November 15-22, 2013; January 13-24, 2014; and April 21 – May 2, 2014.

A motion was made to approve and execute a letter of invitation for the Emerald Warrior -14 military exercise by Commissioner McDougald, seconded by Commissioner Brown and passed unanimously 5-0.

RACHEL MANSPEAKER, CALHOUN-LIBERTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATOR

Ms. Manspeaker presented to the Board for approval and execution the annual contract agreement between the Calhoun County Board of County Commissioners and the Florida Department of Health for the operation of the Calhoun County Health Department for contract year 2013-14.

Ms. Manspeaker stated there were no changes in the contract from previous years. She stated historically Calhoun County has contributed \$30,000 annually and that amount is reflected in this contract.

Attorney Fuqua stated the contract meets his approval.

A motion to approve and execute the annual contract agreement between the Calhoun County Board of County Commissioners and the Florida Department of Health for the operation of the Calhoun County Health Department for contract year 2013-14 was made by Commissioner McDougald, seconded by Commissioner Grant and passed unanimously 5-0.

Ms. Manspeaker informed the Board September is Falls Prevention month. The Health Department has three employees who are certified to teach Tai Chi. She explained Tai Chi is a Chinese form of exercise that helps improve balance. She stated the Health Department Tai Chi instructors have been working with a group of senior citizens to help increase mobility and prevent falls. She stated the Health Department received a \$5,000 grant for Calhoun County and a \$5,000 grant for Liberty County to promote falls prevention. Ms. Manspeaker stated the Health Department will continue to work with groups of any age to promote falls prevention.

Ms. Manspeaker presented to the Board for approval and execution a Proclamation to recognize September 22, 2013 as Falls Prevention Awareness Day.

A motion to approve and execute a Proclamation to recognize September 22, 2013 as Falls Prevention Awareness Day was made by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner McDougald and passed unanimously 5-0.

Ms. Manspeaker updated the Board on the Bras Across the Bridge project. Drop boxes have been placed at various locations in Calhoun and Liberty counties. She stated the Health Department is planning a walk across the Bridge on October 19, 2013 in honor of those who have been impacted by breast cancer.

Ms. Manspeaker stated Congressman Steve Southerland will visit the Health Department on October 15, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. CT.

DONALD STANLEY

Mr. Stanley updated the Board on the following projects:

- Catalyst site -North Florida Construction and the County are currently digging on the pond expansion.

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- Health Department Roof Replacement – Rowe Roofing has completed construction on the Health Department roof. Final walk-through was completed last Friday and everything looked good.
- CR 69S – Preble-Rish is currently surveying
- CR 392 – Preble Rish is currently surveying

Mr. Stanley informed the Board that NW Florida Water Management District is soliciting for drinking water grants until October 1, 2013. He stated he was bringing this to the Board for informational purposes. Mr. Stanley wanted to make it clear to the Board he was not pushing the idea of the Pine Island Water System, but if the Board is interested in pursuing to let him know.

Commissioner McDougald spoke about the Pine Island Water system and stated this grant would be 100% funded.

Mr. Stanley stated he spoke to Mr. Pope with Florida DEP who is administering this grant and the only way the Pine Island Water System would be feasible for Calhoun County to pursue would be with an Inter-local Agreement with the City of Blountstown where the County would be the grant recipient and construct the project. As soon as the water system was brought up to all codes, the City would own and operate it.

Joe Wood asked if this was a one-time deal. Mr. Stanley stated this grant is funded with reserve funds and it is a one-time deal. These funds will not be available next year.

Chairman Flowers said this could be brought up with the City of Blountstown at the Super Council meeting on September 26, 2013.

ANGIE SMITH, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR/GRANTS ADMINISTRATOR

Ms. Smith presented to the Board for approval and execution Solid Waste Grant Amendment #1 for FY 2012-2013. This amendment reallocated funds that were previously in the Landfill (now closed) line item to salaries, benefits and expenses. There is no change in the grant agreement amount.

A motion to approve and execute Solid Waste Grant Amendment #1 for FY 2012-13 was made by Commissioner McDougald, seconded by Commissioner Shelton and passed unanimously 5-0.

After some discussion about holding an Amnesty Day for non-house hold garbage, it was the general consensus of the Board to check into the cost of providing this service.

Ms. Smith asked the Board to allow Brian Delaney Freeman LLC, sub-contractor currently working on the Courthouse window retro-fit project, to caulk, pressure wash and paint the outside of the Courthouse for approximately \$7,000.00.

A motion was made to allow Brian Delaney Freeman LLC to pressure wash and paint the outside columns of the Courthouse for approximately \$7,000 by Commissioner Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Grant and passed unanimously 5-0.

JOE WOOD, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/GRANTS COORDINATOR

Mr. Wood and City Manager Emory Pierce have drafted a lease for Water Well #3 approved and executed by the City Council with the following terms:

- Lease term – 25 years
- Opt out by either party with two year notice

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- City of Blountstown will provide 2.4 million gallons of water per year to Calhoun County at no charge

After some discussion, a motion to approve the lease with the City of Blountstown for Water Well #3 was made by Commissioner McDougald, seconded by Commissioner Brown and passed unanimously 5-0.

Mr. Wood stated there is \$24,000 left in the spray program budget for this fiscal year ending September 30, 2013. He stated the spray program budget for next year has been reduced from \$42,000 to \$12,000. He would like to use the \$24,000 left over in the current budget to purchase chemicals for next year. Mr. Wood asked the Board to set aside the procurement policy to allow him to purchase the chemicals from quotes and not advertise for bids.

A motion was made to set aside the procurement policy and allow Mr. Wood to use the \$24,000 left over in the spray program budget for FY ending September 30, 2013 by Commissioner McDougald, seconded by Commissioner Grant and passed unanimously.

Mr. Wood informed the Board he ordered security lights for the Calhoun County Airport. The lights should be delivered in 4-6 weeks.

Mr. Wood informed the Board he contacted Ken Shepard with Tri-County Ag Park and Mr. Shepard said Gulf County has agreed to bring equipment to the Tri – County Ag Park next week to spread and level dirt for the parking areas.

Commissioner McDougald asked if electricity was hooked up. Mr. Wood stated he didn't know.

Chairman Flowers asked Mr. Wood to ask a representative from Tri-County Ag Park to attend the next regular Board meeting and give an update. Mr. Wood said he would contact Mr. Shepard.

ATTORNEY TIME

Attorney Fuqua discussed the following;

- Emailed the modified T-hangar lease to the Chairman, Clerk and Mr. Waldorff for review.
- Discussed terms of IDA Board members with BOCC – will draft terms for BOCC to review.
- Watford attorney fees – to negotiate for reduced fees

CLERK TIME

Clerk Hand was not present – attending Clerk's training out of town.

COMMISSION TIME

COMMISSIONER MCDOUGALD

Commissioner McDougald asked the IDA Board to go to a work order system for tracking work orders.

Commissioner McDougald said he was contacted by Bill Williams, consultant, to hold a workshop with the Board. Commissioner McDougald said he explained to Mr. Williams the County is not in a financial position to hire a consultant at this time.

COMMISSIONER GRANT

Nothing to report

COMMISSIONER SHELTON

Commissioner Shelton asked Mr. James McCroan about the tree he mentioned being in the slope of the runway at the Airport. Mr. McCroan stated the tree was in the slope. Commissioner Shelton asked Mr. Waldorff if the tree was in the slope of the runway. Mr. Waldorff stated the tree is checked every year

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by DOT and is in compliance at this time. Mr. Waldorff stated the tree is on private property owned by Gary Shuler and he will speak to Mr. Shuler about the tree.

COMMISSIONER BROWN

Commissioner Brown said he received a complaint about dogs coming across the Airport property to a citizen's property. Commissioner Brown asked Mr. Waldorff if the NW side of the property (towards the pond) was fenced. Mr. Waldorff said the property was not fenced and he believes DEP would not give clearance because the property is classified as wetlands. Mr. Waldorff stated he would check with the engineer to see if the property could be fenced.

Commissioner Brown asked for clarification from Attorney Fuqua on the terms of the new Airport hangar leases. Commissioner Brown wanted to know specifically what could be stored in the hangars.

Attorney Fuqua stated the new draft lease states Aircraft or maintenance items only can be stored in the hangars.

Mike Calhoun, 17854 Charley Johns & Finley, Blountstown, FL 32424, asked who would enforce the lease agreement.

Attorney Fuqua stated the IDA Board would give written notice with fifteen days to correct the violations. If the violations are not corrected within fifteen days, the IDA Board will bring the issue before the Board of County Commissioners.

CHAIRMAN FLOWERS

1. "Swamp & Stomp" at the Altha Ball Park on September 7, 2013. This event is sponsored by the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce. Chairman Flowers noted this event brings in a lot of people from outside of Calhoun County – approximately 350 are expected to attend. News Channel 13 will be filming segments with the Chamber on Friday morning. Chairman Flowers invited everyone to attend or volunteer at this event.
2. Chairman Flowers stated he received positive feedback on the Board meeting held at Altha School on September 6th. He asked the other Commissioners to be thinking about the date and place they would like to hold a roving Board meeting – he would like to hold three more before the end of the year.
3. TRIM Budget Hearing September 23, 2013 5:01 p.m. – Chairman Flowers reminded everyone of the final Budget hearing. He asked everyone to bring their blue budget books and to review the budget. He stated approximately \$117,000 in reductions are needed to balance the budget.
4. 10 Mill Cap – Chairman Flowers stated at the last budget hearing a citizen stated the Health Care Responsibility Act (HCRA) program might be affected if the millage rate was reduced. Chairman Flowers said Clerk Hand researched this and found that reducing the millage rate would have no effect on HCRA.
5. Chairman Flowers said the records management for Airport leases and payments for hangar rent is currently being handled by the Clerk's office. Chairman Flowers would like to move this function to Sandy Kelly (County employee) in the Building Department beginning on October 1, 2013. Chairman Flowers stated Clerk Hand and Ms. Kelly have agreed to this.

A motion was made to move the records management and payments for Airport leases and hangars from the Clerk's office to Sandy Kelly in the Building Department by Commissioner McDougald, seconded by Commissioner Brown and passed unanimously 5-0.

6. Chairman Flowers reminded the Board the ambulance contract is coming up for renewal next month.

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7. Chairman Flowers reported PanCare has expressed an interest in the office space being vacated by Dr. Farooqi and in providing inmate medical care.
8. Chairman Flowers asked the Attorney to draft a contract for housing Calhoun County female inmates in Liberty County. He stated it was recently discovered the contract expired in November 2011.
9. Supervisor of Elections, Margie Laramore has requested approval to keep \$2,000 of her 2012-2013 budget. Ms. Laramore recently moved to a new office location and needs to purchase cabinets and other items. She has asked the Blountstown High School cabinetry shop to build the cabinets as a cost saving measure.

A motion was made to allow the Supervisor of Elections to keep \$2,000 from the 2012-2013 budget to be used for renovating her office by Commissioner McDougald, seconded by Commissioner Brown and passed unanimously 5-0.

10. Chairman Flowers said the Panhandle Public Library Cooperative System (PPLCS) sent a letter to the Board stating Wretha Webb is up for re-appointment and is willing to serve another term. Pam Prichard with PPLCS and Rita Maupin with Calhoun County Public Library are in favor of the re-appointment of Ms. Webb.

A motion was made to re-appoint Wretha Webb to the Board of the Panhandle Public Library Cooperative System (PPLCS) by Commissioner McDougald, seconded by Commissioner Grant and passed unanimously 5-0.

11. Chairman Flowers asked County Engineer Donald Stanley to attend the Florida Department of Transportation meeting in Panama City on September 27, 2013 and report back to the Board.
12. Chairman Flowers inquired about the status of the two tractors that are not operable at this time. Joe Wood stated he contacted Wells Tractor Company and was promised that one tractor would be picked up by October 1st and parts had been ordered for the other tractor.

Chairman Flowers asked Mr. Wood to contact Wells Tractor Company and ask for a loaner tractor. Mr. Wood said he would do this.

13. Chairman Flowers presented to the Board for approval and execution a Proclamation for Suicide Prevention recognizing September as Suicide Prevention Month.

A motion was made to approve and execute the Proclamation for Suicide Prevention by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Grant and passed unanimously 5-0.

Tricia Pearce with Life Management came before the Board to give some information and statistics on suicide. She stated Life Management has a 24-hour crisis number 850-522-4485. The local office is located on Pear Street in Blountstown.

ATTORNEY FUQUA

Attorney Fuqua said he was asked to come up with options to reduce the fees for the Planning Consultant, Tony Arrant. Attorney Fuqua said one option is an hourly rate and Mr. Arrant is requesting \$125.00 per hour. Attorney Fuqua said this is very reasonable for his skill in planning. Attorney Fuqua pointed out the hourly rate would not save money if every time a developer, REALTOR, or property owner calls with a question, they are instructed to call Mr. Arrant. Attorney Fuqua said the Board will need to decide how this will be handled.

TONY ARRANT, COUNTY PLANNER

Mr. Arrant stated when he was originally hired, he only wanted to do the Comp Planning for the required portion and wanted to train someone in-house to handle the day to day calls. Mr. Arrant stated the former County Administrator and the Building Inspector were taking the day to day calls until

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sometime in 2006. At that time it was decided that Mr. Arrant would handle the day to day activities. Mr. Arrant stated Liberty County pays him hourly and budgets approximately \$25,000 annually and his fees far exceed the \$25,000 every year.

Commissioner McDougald asked Mr. Arrant how much he was paid by Liberty County. Mr. Arrant responded for the last two years he was paid \$35,000 - \$40,000.

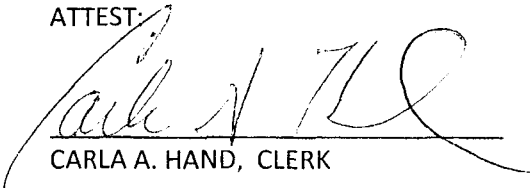
Mr. Arrant reminded the Board of the required Comp Plan Amendment due in December.

After some discussion, it was decided to table this issue and bring it back up at the Budget hearing on September 23, 2013.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner Grant to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner McDougald. The motion passed 5-0 to adjourn this meeting at 9:00 p.m.

ATTEST:


CARLA A. HAND, CLERK


THOMAS FLOWERS, CHAIRMAN

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