

**CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 1, 2019**

PRESENT AND ACTING:

**GENE BAILEY, CHAIRMAN
SCOTT MONLYN, VICE-CHAIRMAN
EARL HUNT
JERAL HALL
DANNY RAY WISE**

**CARLA A. HAND, CLERK OF COURT AND COUNTY COMPTROLLER
SARAH WILLIAMS, CLERK ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

Chairman Bailey called the meeting held in the EOC to order at 9:00 A.M., CT.

ROAD INC. – DEBRIS PICKUP

Ms. Chelsea Snowden stated the County received notification yesterday that FEMA has approved private road debris removal. Ms. Snowden stated she has sent this approval to FDOT to see if they would financially handle the private road debris removal as they have the public roadway debris removal, but is still waiting for final approval to move forward. Ms. Snowden stated she requested a representative from FDOT attend the meeting today but due to the short notice, they were unable to be here. Ms. Snowden stated Road Inc. is present at today's meeting to answer any questions about how they would be moving forward with debris pickup.

Chairman Bailey stated the Board invited both Road Inc. and Metric to this meeting in anticipation of receiving a favorable response from FEMA regarding private road debris removal, so discussion could be held with the two (2) on what the County could do to help with coordination efforts for the private road debris removal. Chairman Bailey stated the County appreciates all that Road Inc., Metric, and the State of Florida have done for the County. Chairman Bailey asked in the event approval for private road debris removal is granted from FDOT, how Road Inc. would be planning to move forward. Mr. Robby Williams with Road Inc. stated he is ready to add more trucks as soon as approval is granted, and it would be helpful to have a list of top priority private roads from the Commissioners, roads with the heaviest debris or roads that have the most people, so they could send crews to pick up these areas first and then disperse from there to other private roads. Mr. Williams stated having this information up front would help them to be able to pick up roads faster and meet the County's needs. Mr. Edenfield stated he spoke with Metric and they stated the same about prioritizing private roads, but would check every private road and would like to make a pass down all private roads to ensure no one would be left out. Mr. Williams stated he is unsure yet how passes would work down the private roads, but he would think there would be one (1) solid pass down private roads. There was further discussion about private road debris removal. Chairman Bailey pointed out for those present that the letter from FEMA states that only tree debris generated from the storm would be eligible for pickup on private roads. There was further discussion about storm debris. Mr. Williams stated once the deadline of March 15 is here they would be adding more crews so they could make a solid final pass and sign off roads with Metric. Mr. Williams stated there would be a major push after the deadline to get all debris picked up, and if the Commissioners see any hot spots for debris to let them know and they would address the area. Commissioner Hunt asked what would happen to debris piles that have been marked ineligible. Mr.

Edenfield stated he has spoken to Metric who stated these piles of debris would be picked up last after the eligible debris has been picked up. Mr. Williams stated Road Inc. could not pick up any piles that have been deemed ineligible until they are instructed by Metric that they could be removed. Commissioner Hall asked about the trees that are still leaning over roadways. Mr. Williams stated last week they started cutting any trees that are leaning more than thirty (30) degrees or with a certain percentage of the canopy missing. Mr. Williams stated they cut the trees at the right of way, and are not going on private property, because a right of entry would be required from the landowner in order to cut the whole tree down, which would be very time consuming. There was further discussion about leaning trees and debris removal. Commissioner Hunt asked about the holes that have been left in roads from the debris trucks. Mr. Williams stated he would speak with Metric about these areas, but they need to be documenting each hole that has been left in the roads. There was further discussion about damage to roads from debris pickup trucks.

Chairman Bailey stated Calhoun County appreciates all the State and Federal government has done for the County.

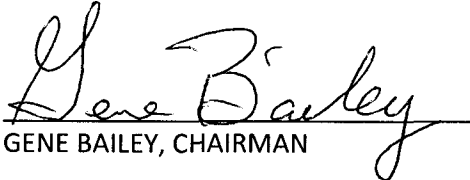
SHIP DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE

Chairman Bailey stated there is a SHIP down payment assistance check for \$5,000 that needs Board approval for payment. Clerk Hand stated the payment would be made to Calhoun Liberty Abstract.

- ❖ Commissioner Hall made a motion to approve the payment of \$5,000 for the SHIP down payment assistance. Commissioner Hunt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

Chairman Bailey stated he discussed with Clerk Hand the bid for the fencing at Sam Atkins Park, and asked the Clerk for information on moving reserve funds. Clerk Hand stated the Board would have to vote to move the reserve funds, and an advertised hearing would have to be held. Clerk Hand stated even though an advertised budget hearing must be held, this does not mean the Board cannot vote to move the funds before the hearing.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m., CT.


GENE BAILEY, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


CARLA A. HAND, CLERK