

**FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 4, 2003**

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE: Cheryl Sanders, Chairman; Bevin Putnal, Clarence Williams, Eddie Creamer and Jimmy Mosconis, Commissioners; Kendall Wade, Clerk; Amelia Varnes, Deputy Clerk; Thomas M. Shuler, County Attorney.

9:00 A.M. Chairman Sanders called the meeting to order.

(Tape 1-13) Commissioner Williams made a **motion approving the minutes of the meeting held on October 21, 2003.** Commissioner Putnal seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-19) Commissioner Putnal made a **motion to pay the County bills.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

KENDALL WADE-CLERK

(Tape 1-24) Mr. Wade said he had talked to the County Engineer Technician Chris Clark about the parking situation at the Courthouse. Mr. Clark made a presentation to the Board reflecting his suggestions for implementing a new parking lot at the Courthouse. Commissioner Mosconis said he wanted to pursue the purchase of the lots owned by Ben Watkins adjacent to the Courthouse Annex. Commissioner Mosconis made a **motion authorizing the County Attorney, Mr. Shuler, to offer Mr. Watkins a total of \$375,000.00 for all of his lots, paying him \$50,000.00 as a down payment and the balance of the funds to be paid within a two-year budget cycle.** Commissioner Creamer seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Wade said he would like for the Board to go ahead and allow Mr. Clark to work with the Road Department in having his suggestions for parking around the Courthouse implemented. Commissioner Mosconis made a **motion authorizing Mr. Clark, with the assistance of the Road Department, to implement his plan for the parking situation at the Courthouse.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

COMMISSIONER MOSCONIS

(Tape 1-385) Commissioner Mosconis said he read in the newspaper and saw on the local news that Senator Bob Graham was not going to run for reelection in 2004. He stated Senator Graham had been a real friend to Franklin County especially during the time the County was considered an Area of Critical State Concern. He said he would like a Resolution of Appreciation sent to Senator Graham for all of his help to Franklin County over the years. Commissioner Mosconis made a **motion directing Alan Pierce, Director of Administrative Services to prepare a Resolution of Appreciation for Senator Bob Graham and authorizing the Chairman's signature on the Resolution.** Commissioner Putnal seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

COUNTY ATTORNEY

(Tape 1-423) Mr. Shuler asked the Board what interest rate they would like to offer Mr. Watkins in his negotiations with him about the lots around the Courthouse. Commissioner Creamer and Commissioner Mosconis said they thought Mr. Shuler should offer Mr. Watkins 3½ % or 4% interest to Mr. Watkins.

HUBERT CHIPMAN-SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

(Tape 1-439) Mr. Chipman said he was ready, with the Board's permission to order the new Road Department vehicles, two new pick-up trucks and a farm tractor, as approved during the budget process. He said he would also like to order the Mosquito Control pick-up truck at the same time if possible. Mr. Pierce asked Mr. Chipman to see if the truck for the P&Z Department couldn't be purchased at the same time. Commissioner Putnal made a **motion authorizing the purchase of two pick-up trucks and one farm tractor for the Road Department; one new pick-up truck for the Mosquito Control Department, and one new pick-up truck for the P&Z Department from the State of Florida Bid List.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-505) Commissioner Mosconis said he wanted to reiterate the County's policy of not allowing County Employees to drive County vehicles home or anywhere on the weekends. He said he sees the Emergency Management vehicle "all around on the weekend". He stated the vehicle needed to be parked at the EOC Office unless there is an emergency situation. He said he wanted to make sure this was very clear to County Employees since he didn't want this to become a serious problem.

VAN JOHNSON-SOLID WASTE DIRECTOR

(Tape 1-532) Mr. Johnson presented a draft policy governing the expenditure of Parks and Recreation funds toward youth sport teams or individuals selected to participate on youth sports teams or in special events or activities. He said he would ask the Board to review the policy and he would discuss it further at the next meeting. He stated he would provide the County Attorney with a copy of the document for his review as well.

(Tape 1-571) He said he and Mr. Wade had discussed the problem of cutting the grass around the Courthouse. He stated he did not have the staff to cut the grass and suggested Mr. Wade contact the Franklin Work Camp to see if they could put the Courthouse on a regular schedule during the summer months so inmates could cut the grass. Mr. Wade said he would call Major Watson at the Work Camp and see if he could work something out with the Work Camp.

BILL MAHAN-COUNTY EXTENSION DIRECTOR

(Tape 1-684) Mr. Mahan presented and updated the Board on the following items: USDA, UF-IFAS Fire Ant Control Publication; Understanding Fisheries Management; Chinese Tallow and Japanese Climbing Fern Control Risks and an update on the Family Nutrition Program. He also discussed the continuing problem of locating boat ramps for use in Franklin County. He said he is working on trying to find more areas to put boat ramps, but so far has been unsuccessful. He stated a lot of problems were caused by the

State agencies regarding the water depth, pollution, parking, etc. He assured the Board he is working on a solution to these problems.

BASKERVILLE-DONOVAN, INC.

(Tape 1-926) Chairman Sanders said Robert M. Simmons was here this morning, along with the City of Carrabelle Mayor Jim Brown, to request the use of County ROW to install a force main and a reuse main. She asked Mr. Simmons to address the Board at this time. Mr. Simmons explained that Baskerville-Donovan is requesting the County allow them to use the County ROW to place a force main pipeline and a reuse main pipeline in the ROW in Lanark Village. Discussion of this matter between the Board, Mayor Brown and Mr. Simmons continued. Chairman Sanders expressed her concerns over the County ROW being placed back like it was at the present time. Commissioner Mosconis made a **motion directing the County Engineering Technician, Chris Clark, the Road Department Superintendent, and Hubert Chipman to met with Mr. Simmons and representatives of the Lanark Village Water and Sewer District to discuss this problem and see if they could decide on a solution to the problem.**

Commissioner Creamer seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Commissioner Mosconis and Commissioner Creamer both suggested the County require Baskerville-Donovan to furnish an Irrevocable Letter of Credit for the repair and replacement of the County ROW if the County does grant them permission to use it.

HANK GARRETT-SGI WATER MANAGEMENT

(Tape 1-1550) Nick Yonclas, attorney for SGI Water Management, said he was here this morning to speak for Mr. Garrett, who was also present, this morning, and the SGI Water Management. He said during the new process of installing the water lines on the new SGI Bridge the Public Service Commission (PSC) had to hear all of the information about the new water lines and the new rate increase this would cause on SGI for the residents. He said there is a group, the Office of Public Counsel (OPC), which, according to them, represents the best interest of the citizens in any discussion with the PSC regarding any rate increase. He said he was here this morning to inform the Commissioners the OPC is going to request the County or a private citizen provide some property to build a new, larger capacity water tank on for the Island. He said they also think the present tower should be kept up and an additional tower built. Discussion continued. He stated the OPC was going to ask for a donation of land to keep the costs of building a new tower down so the actual rate increase on the Island would be kept to a minimum. Mr. Yonclas said it would also aid the SGI VFD in fighting fires on the Island. Mr. Pierce said there might be some suitable property on County ROW at Gulf Beach Drive. Mr. Pierce said he would work with Mr. Yonclas, Mr. Garrett, etc. to see if there was any property the County could donate to them for use to construct a new water tower.

BIDS-DESIGN BUILD 60' X 60' COMM. HANGER-APALACH AIRPORT

(Tape 1-2176) Mr. Wade opened the following bid for the 60' X 60' Commercial Hanger at the Apalachicola Airport: Poloronis Construction in the amount of \$145,000.00. Commissioner Putnal made a **motion directing the Apalachicola Airport Advisory Committee members to review the bid and recommend whether the Commissioner**

should accept it. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

COMMISSIONER PUTNAL

(Tape 1-2213) Commissioner Putnal said he asked the County's Insurance Advisor, Gary Barber, to come to the meeting this morning to discuss the option for County Employees to purchase either an HMO or continue with BC&BS for health insurance coverage. He asked Mr. Barber to address the Board. Mr. Barber said he had checked with BC&BS and was informed by them they would not agree to an option plan for the County Employees. He said BC&BS would only provide coverage for all of the County Employees and not just the ones who opted to use them. He explained the HMO-Vista Plan to the Commissioners. Commissioner Putnal instructed Mr. Barber to meet with the County Employees, the Department Heads, etc. to discuss the differences in the Vista HMO Plan and BC&BS as well as the costs related to each. He asked Mr. Barber, after meeting with these designees, to return to the Board November 18th to report what he thought the best option for the County would be. Mr. Barber agreed to do this.

TED MOSTELLER-CHAIRMAN-APALACHICOLA AIRPORT ADV CMTE

(Tape 1-2925) Mr. Mosteller informed the Board the bid opened earlier in the meeting was over budget by \$25,000.00. He said presented each Commissioner with a copy of a letter he presented to the Franklin County Legislative Delegation at last night's town meeting. He said the letter request the State assist the County in purchase 1,800 acres of property around the airport. He stated the property is being offered for sale at \$1,000.00 per acre. Chairman Sanders expressed her displeasure at Mr. Mosteller at what she thought was "over stepping the County Commission" and going straight to the State without even informing or asking the County for their views or opinions on the matter. Mr. Mosteller apologized for any misconception.

(Tape 1-3160) Commissioner Mosconis interrupted Mr. Mosteller and said he was upset when he found out the St. Joe Company was selling the 7,500 acre Box R Ranch to the State of Florida. He said this means no taxes on the property and the property would probably not be accessible to Franklin County citizens for the traditional uses of hunting, driving ATV's, etc. He made a **motion directing Mr. Pierce to send a letter to the St. Joe Company asking they send a representative to the next meeting to explain to the County what their future plans are for this property.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Shuler said he knew the attorney handling the closing and he would also call him to see if he could tell him what the State plans to do with this land.

(Tape 2-1) Mr. Mosteller said he wanted to discuss the Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plan (SPCC Plan) for the Apalachicola Airport with the Board this morning. He reminded the Board the FAA had cited the airport for not having a current SPCC Plan in place. He said, as directed by the Board, he asked the Airport Engineers of Record URS Corporation to submit a proposal for the project. He stated the total amount they would charge the County for the plan for the airport was \$2,500.00. He explained this would just be for them to prepare a SPCC Plan for the Apalachicola Airport. Mr.

Pierce asked the Board if the Commissioners would ask URS to complete one for the Road Department too. Commissioner Mosconis said he would make a **motion authorizing the Chairman's signature on Supplemental Agreement No. 1 for URS to prepare a SPCC Plan for the Apalachicola Airport and authorizing the expenditure of \$2,500.00 for this plan; and directing Mr. Mosteller to request they prepare one for the Road Department at the same price.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-112) Mr. Mosteller also submitted a letter from the Airport Advisory Committee expressing their position on the National Guard building at the airport and the leasing of this building since the National Guard is not going to use it for military purposes any longer. He asked the Board to review the information and consider submitting this matter to the County Attorney for him to research as to whether the County needs to proceed to have the building and property reverted back to the County for its general use.

PUBLIC HEARING-LAND USE TRANSMITTALS

(Tape 2-142) Mr. Pierce said this public hearing was for the Board to consider a recommendation from the Local Planning Agency concerning the following proposed comprehensive plan amendments: 1. A proposal changing the use of land within the area of SGI-54.3 acres east and south of the SGI Plantation Airport and west of Sea Palm Village for 39.7 acres to be changed from Residential to Mixed Use Residential and 14.6 acres to be changed from Resort to Mixed Use Residential. 2. A proposal amending Policy 2.2 and Franklin County Ordinance 98-13 for a change in zoning from Single Family Residential Estate R-3 to Single Family Residential R-1, Lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 12, The Soundings Subdivision consisting of 30 acres. He said he had received a faxed letter from David E. Wilder, representative of Phipps Ventures, Inc., request the Board remove the Resort Village Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Request 1, from the agenda this morning. Mr. Pierce said the letter stated the group is in discussion with the SGI Plantation Homeowners Association as to several possible modifications to the plan and would need additional time to hopefully reach an agreement with the SGI Homeowners Association on some of the controversial issues. Mr. Pierce stated he would also submit the numerous letters opposing this land use transmittal to the Board for the Board Record. He stated then this would only leave the second request for The Soundings Subdivision for the Board to consider this morning. He explained this request, if the Board agreed to it this morning, would be for the project to be submitted, by the County, to the state agencies involved in approving the development for their approval and/or comments. Dan Garlick, agent for the developers of The Soundings Subdivision appeared before the Board to answer any questions anyone might have regarding this development. After no one asked to speak regarding the proposal Commissioner Creamer made a **motion authorizing the transmittal of a proposed amendment to Policy 2.2 and Franklin County Ordinance 98-13 for a change in zoning from Single Family Residential Estate R-3 to Single Family Residential R-1, Lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 12, The Soundings Subdivision, consisting of 30 acres to the state agencies for their review, approval and/or comments.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

ALAN PIERCE-DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

(Tape 2-545) Mr. Pierce said the Board, at various times, had discussed and heard comments about the need to consider either rezoning or additional uses for the Eastpoint waterfront from it's current C-1 Zoning to enable the property owners to have more options for their waterfront businesses. He asked if anyone in the audience would like to address the Board regarding this issue. The following citizens and waterfront property owners in Eastpoint informed the Board of their concerns and problems they have with the current C-1 Zoning: Buford Flowers, John "Tiny" Carroll, Lynn Carroll Martina, James Miller. Rachel Ward, Ward and Sons Seafood in Apalachicola, addressed the Board with her concerns about allowing some residential uses in the C-1 District. She said people who live in these districts complain about the smell, noise, etc. She asked the Board to not allow any residential uses in the C-1 Zoning District. Bruce Millender also appeared before the Board with his concerns about allowing more uses in the C-1 Zoning District. He asked the Board to consider each project on a case-by-case basis and stated he understood the problems with the seafood industry. He said it is very difficult to make a living operating a seafood business. He stated he wanted the Commissioners to listen and assist the property owners when they asked for a rezoning or some type of changes in their allowable uses of their waterfront property. Chairman Sanders said she knew the Commissioners had to support the property owners if they needed it. Commissioner Creamer agreed and said he would help any way he could in seeing these property owners got the best and most uses from their water front property. Mr. Pierce assured the Board he would continue to discuss and propose some changes to the C-1 Zoning District with the Planning and Zoning Commission. He stated he would try, with the P&Z Commission's assistance, come up with some type of solution to benefit everyone involved in this difficult situation.

(Tape 2-1840) He said a request has been received from the St. James Bay developers to post speed limit signs on the Crooked River Road at 35 MPH. He stated they also want the Commissioners to set speed limits on the interior roads of the St. James Bay development since the County would be given these roads when they were given to the County. He said the developers suggest a speed limit of either 23 or 27 MPH. He explained this odd speed limit is intended to catch driver's attention and has been implemented in other golf course communities. Commissioner Mosconis made a **motion authorizing the speed limit on the Crooked River Road to be set at 35 MPH; the speed limit on the interior roads of the St. James Bay development to be set at 23 MPH; and instructing the Road Department to install the necessary signage for these areas.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-1911) Mr. Pierce informed the Board the County Judge Van Russell has asked the County to install a partition to separate the State Attorney's back hallway in the Courthouse Annex building from the Commission/Courtroom. He said Judge Russell told him this should cut out some of the distractions caused when he is conducting a court hearing and someone enters the building through the State Attorney's back hallway. Mr. Pierce said he asked Poloronis Construction to give him an estimate to give the Board some idea as to how much this project would cost. He said Poloronis Construction

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submitted a proposal in the amount of \$2,250.00. Commissioner Mosconis suggested Mr. Wade, the Clerk, contact Judge Russell and try to work out a solution to this problem possibly using some type of signs. Mr. Wade said he would try to work something out with the Judge so some signs could be installed in the hallway to keep the noise level down. Mr. Wade said he would be able to give the Board some suggestions and answers at the next Board Meeting on the 18th.

(Tape 2-1990) He informed the Board Doug Barr, Executive Director, Northwest Florida Water Management District, has notified the Board Senator Al Lawson's Natural Resource Committee Meeting has been scheduled for November 17, 2003 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. CST, at the Gulf Coast Community College campus in Panama City, Florida. He said the purpose of the meeting is to discuss water diversion from the river basins to provide water for South Florida. He asked the Board if they would like to send a letter or Resolution to Senator Lawson opposing water being diverted from the river basins for South Florida to use. Chairman Sanders said she was going to attend this meeting. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion authorizing the Chairman's signature on a Resolution opposing the diversion of water from the river basins to South Florida for their use and directing the County Attorney to prepare the Resolution for the Chairman's signature.** Commissioner Mosconis seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-2035) He asked the Board to approve the donation of two old P&Z computers to the Learning Center in Eastpoint and two old P&Z computers to the Baptist School in Apalachicola. Commissioner Mosconis made a **motion authorizing the donation of two old P&Z computers to the Learning Center in Eastpoint and two old P&Z computers to the Baptist School in Apalachicola.** Commissioner Creamer seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-2062) He submitted a copy of an e-mail he received from FDOT informing the County the SGI Bicycle Path Phase III is scheduled for design in 2005 and construction in 2008.

(Tape 2-2073) He informed the Board the County could acquire Lots 1 and 2 on Alligator Point for the beach rehabilitation project. He said the property owners have agreed to sell the lots for the taxes. He stated he has given the County Attorney the necessary information to complete this transaction. He said the County already owns Lots 3, 4 and 5. He explained the owners of Lot 6 would also sell the lot for the taxes owed and back taxes in the amount of \$80.00. He said he informed the owner the County would pay the taxes as well as the back taxes of \$80.00 for Lot 6. He said the owner of Lot 7 wants to negotiate a better price for the lot. He said he informed the owner he would ask the Board to allow negotiation for the price. He said the owners of Lot 8 and 9 have notified him they are absolutely not interested in selling their lots. He asked the Board to authorize the County Attorney to negotiate the selling price for Lot 7 on Alligator Point. Commissioner Mosconis made a **motion authorizing the County Attorney and Mr. Pierce to negotiate the price of Lot 7 on Alligator Point for purchase by the County for a "fair" price.** Commissioner Williams seconded the

motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Shuler presented the Board with information regarding the Eminent Domain Proceedings.

(Tape 2-2351) He submitted a proposal from Preble-Rish, Inc. for the Franklin County Shared Use Path, Bluff Road Bike Path in the amount of \$15,000.00 to conduct a topographic survey of the ROW from Ned Porter Park to the City of Apalachicola City Limits and to provide a layout-horizontal alignment, design shared-use path, and provide contract specifications for the project. He said the Assistant County Planner, Mark Curenton, recommended acceptance of this proposal since the State of Florida would be paying for the project. Commissioner Mosconis made a **motion accepting and authorizing the Chairman's signature on a proposal in the amount of \$15,000.00 for the engineering services on the Bluff Road Bike Path-Franklin County Shared Use Path as submitted by Preble-Rish, Inc.** Commissioner Creamer seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-2365) Mr. Pierce said in the process of the SGI Beautification Project, funded by the FDOT in the amount of \$100,000.00, the group handling the project has developed a design, which turns the rectangle drainage basins on Island Drive into more natural shapes. He said since the County is the sponsor of the project FDOT is not opposed to the County to take over the maintenance of the basins. He recommended the Board accept the maintenance of the drainage basins because it would allow the County to control the drainage, which goes into them. He said this would also mean the County might be able to direct other storm water on SGI into them. He said the group working on the project also recommends the Board assume responsibility for the basins. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion accepting Mr. Pierce's recommendation to assume responsibility and maintenance for the rectangle drainage basins on Island Drive-SGI from FDOT.** Commissioner Mosconis seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-2437) He informed the Board a property owner on SGI, a Mr. Fitzgerald who is a resident of Apalachicola, would like the County to permit him to cross the SGI Bike Path with a driveway to commercial land he would like to develop. He said Mr. Fitzgerald, at the same time, would like for the Board to create a public parking lot south of the SGI Bike Path in the area between 2nd and 3rd Street West. He said Mr. Fitzgerald would assist the County in providing the fill for the area. He informed the Board the other property owner, Heath Galloway, does not object to the parking lot being constructed behind his property. He asked the Board to direct the Road Department to build the parking lot. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion directing the Road Department, with help from Mr. Fitzgerald and Mr. Pierce, to construct a public parking lot south of the SGI Bike Path in the area between 2nd and 3rd Street West on SGI and authorizing Mr. Fitzgerald to cross the SGI Bike Path with a driveway to his commercial property.** Commissioner Mosconis seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-2521) He asked the Board, after consultation with the County Attorney to approve the Golden Acres Plat as submitted by the owner and developer Jackie Golden.

He said this plat was filed before the P&Z Commission implemented its policy about wetland delineation. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion accepting the Golden Acres Plat as submitted by the owner and developer Jackie Golden due to the fact the plat was filed before the implementation of the new wetland delineation policy by the P&Z Commission.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-2550) He presented the Board with the Florida Housing Finance Corporation-SHIP Program Annual Report and Certification for FY 2000-2001, FY 2001-2002 and FY 2002-2003 for the Chairman's signature. He said Michael Moron, the County's SHIP Administrator had completed the reports and now needs the Chairman to sign the certification for the reports. Commissioner Putnal made a **motion authorizing the Chairman's signature on the SHIP Program Annual Report and Certification for FY 2000-2001, FY 2001-2002 and FY 2002-2003.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-2623) Mr. Pierce said he had advertised, for proposals, the operation of the SGI Fishing Piers. He reminded the Board they directed him to do this because the new SGI Bridge project is near completion. He said he set a deadline of October 31, 2003 for the proposals. He stated he received proposals from the following: Pensacola Fishing Piers, John Sole; Island Adventures; Rex Pennycuff, Charles Pennycuff, and Larry Troy. The Board allowed each of these individuals to discuss their proposal with the Board. Mr. Pierce said he felt the proposals are open to modification and negotiation because there are so many "unknowns" such as how many people really would pay to fish from the piers, how much insurance the County is going to require, whether or not the County is going to fund any of the improvements necessary such as gates, fences, buildings, lighting, etc. He also asked the Board what they intended to do about lighting the pier or even if night fishing would be allowed. He said the Board would also need to decide whether vehicles were even going to be allowed on the piers. He said there are a lot more unknowns about this project than anything else. The Board instructed Mr. Pierce to contact the FDOT Project Manager to determine an exact date the Board is going to assume responsibility for the ends of the old SGI Bridge. Mr. Pierce assured the Board he would do his best to get more information regarding this matter for the Board to make an informed decision about these proposals.

CHAIRMAN SANDERS-PRISON UPDATE

(Tape 2-3350) Chairman Sanders said Representative Will Kendrick, at the Legislative Delegation Meeting in Apalachicola, informed her last night the DOC Prison in Carrabelle is moving forward. She stated Representative Kendrick told her the contract for construction of the prison in Franklin County has been awarded to Clark Construction and they should be moving in with their equipment in the very near future. She stated Representative Kendrick also told her Clark Construction was going to be looking at the local job force for the project.

KENDALL WADE-CLERK

(Tape 2-3388) Mr. Wade began his report by presenting the EEOP Short Form document prepared by the County's Labor Attorney's Carson and Adkins. He reminded the Board they had requested this document to assist Sheriff Varnes in acquiring his Narcotic Task Force Grant from the State. He asked the Board to authorize the Chairman's signature on the document. Commissioner Putnal made a **motion authorizing the Chairman's signature on the EEOP Short Form as submitted by Carson and Adkins, the County's Labor Attorneys.** Commissioner Creamer seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-3419) He presented the Grant-In Aid Agreements from the Justice Administrative Commission (JAC) for the partial reimbursement for expenses incurred in obtaining court appointed counsel for indigent parents in child dependency cases during FY 2003-2004. He asked for the Board to authorize the Chairman's signature on the agreements. Commissioner Putnal made a **motion authorizing the Chairman's signature on the Grant-In Aid Agreements from the Justice Administrative Commission for the partial reimbursement for expenses incurred in obtaining a court appointed counsel for indigent parents in child dependency cases during FY 2003-2004.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-3450) He presented a proposal submitted, as requested by the Board, for routine maintenance required on the Courthouse Annex HVAC by Parker Services, Inc. He informed the Board that Parker Services, Inc. is the company, which currently provides routine maintenance on the main courthouse HVAC system. He said the maintenance and monitoring can be included in the County's present service agreement with all repairs being charged at a rate of \$60.00 per hour during regular hours, 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and a rate of \$75.00 per hour during overtime and holidays. He asked the Board to accept this proposal. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion accepting the proposal submitted by Parker Services, Inc. as stated, for the routine maintenance and monitoring of the Courthouse Annex HVAC and amending the County's current agreement with Parker Services, Inc. to include this addition.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Pierce said he agreed with this proposal.

(Tape 2-3522) Mr. Wade said he anticipated he would return to the Board approximately \$50,000.00 to \$60,000.00 to the Board this year. He reminded the Board that on July 1, 2004 any excess fees would have to be submitted to the State of Florida due to Article V changes. He asked the Board to allow him to place these funds, approximately \$50,000.00 to \$60,000.00, into a special account to be used only for budget shortfalls anticipated in July 2004. He said if there is not budget shortfalls at the end of July 2004 he would then transfer the funds to the Board's General Revenue Fund. He said he was unsure of the exact amount he would be returning to the Board, but he would ask the Board to allow him to place these excess fees into a special account to be used in case of an emergency in July 2004. Commissioner Mosconis made a **motion authorizing the**

Clerk to place any excess funds or fees from his office into a special account to be used if necessary in July 2004 for the implementation of the Article V changes.

Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

THOMAS M. SHULER-COUNTY ATTORNEY

(Tape 2-3620) He said he was authorized to meet with Attorney Randi Denker, representing Thom Lewis of SGI, regarding Mr. Lewis' lawsuit against the county. He said there was a meeting between Mr. Lewis, Chris Clark and him to discuss potential ways to resolve the flooding-drainage problem Mr. Lewis thinks the County caused on his property on SGI. He stated these discussion are ongoing and there is not definite answer or resolution to the problem. He said he would keep the Board updated in this matter.

(Tape 2-3665) He said he and his father, Alfred O. Shuler, have prepared a response to the lawsuit filed by the Concerned Citizens of Franklin County regarding the redistricting request they had submitted. He said the paperwork was filed last week along with a motion filed by his father in the 1984 case requesting authorization from the District Court to implement the proposed redistricting plan as proposed by the FCBCC. He said he would keep the Board updated on this situation as well.

(Tape 2-3599) He said he met with Alligator Point Fire Chief and Franklin County Firefighter Association President, Steve Fling, about the MSBU increase requested by the FCFA. He stated they have spoken briefly, but have not arrived at anything to report back to the Board with. He said he is working on this matter with Mr. Fling.

(Tape 2-3711 Continued on Tape 3) He stated he received the proposed amendment to the FC Flood Ordinance for review.


DARRELL MCKINLEY-BLUFF ROAD RESIDENT

(Tape 3-177) Mr. McKinley, a resident of Bluff Road, appeared before the Board and asked the Commissioners if anything had been done about his request he made at the last Board Meeting. He said he asked for a ditch to be created across the Airport Road to relieve the drainage problem both he and Mr. Thompson, his neighbor, have on their property. He asked for an update on the matter. Mr. Pierce replied the County had sent Mr. Clark out to the site. He stated there might be other solutions rather than draining the water back onto Airport property because adding more water going downhill to the Earl Creamer property was going to add problems to problems. He stated he didn't think this was the best solution so he hasn't spoke to anyone at Preble-Rish, Inc. as Mr. McKinley first thought. Mr. Pierce said Mr. Clark did some investigating, but he hasn't completed a full evaluation of the problem. Mr. Pierce stated he expressed a lot of concern to Mr. Clark about moving the water down to Earl Creamer's property. He said he felt this was the wrong way to be directing the water. He stated he asked Mr. Clark to consider moving the water or draining the water back onto the airport. Commissioner Mosconis asked Mr. Pierce if Mr. Clark was evaluating the problem. Mr. Pierce replied he thought Mr. Clark was preparing some sort of recommendation. Mr. McKinley stated he believed when they were out there doing the drainage on Mr. Thompson's property they indicated

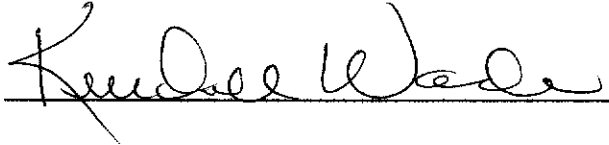
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the airport property behind his, Mr. McKinley's house, was completely full of standing water. He stated this is part of the problem anyway. He said there is a ditch down Airport Road, but wasn't sure there was a culvert or way to drain the water. He asked the Board to please take care of this problem as soon as possible. Mr. Pierce and Commissioner Mosconis assured Mr. McKinley they would try to resolve the problem. Chairman Sanders admonished Mr. Pierce to keep Mr. McKinley informed as to the status of his request.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD
THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.**



CHERYL SANDERS, CHAIRMAN



KENDALL WADE, CLERK