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**FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 17, 2004**

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE: Cheryl Sanders, Chairman, Clarence Williams, Bevin Putnal, Eddie Creamer, Commissioners, Absent, Jimmy Mosconis, Commissioner, Kendall Wade, Clerk, Amelia Varnes, Deputy Clerk, Mark Curenton, County Planner, Michael Shuler, County Attorney.

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

(Tape 1-42) Commissioner Williams made a **motion to rescind the State of Emergency which was declared on August 11th, 2004.** Commissioner Putnal seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-47) Commissioner Putnal made a **motion to pay the county bills.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-55) St. Vincent's National Wild Life Refuge presented the county with a revenue sharing check in the amount of \$29,706.

(Tape 1-78) Mayor Jim Brown with the City of Carrabelle appeared before the Board requesting that the Board adopt a resolution accepting Lake Morality Road so that sewer can be run to the new prison site. The county is still waiting on the appraisal for this road. There was some discussion concerning who was supposed to be checking into getting the appraisal. The Board directed Mark Curenton and Michael Shuler to move forward as soon as possible on getting the appraisal. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion directing Mark Curenton and Michael Shuler to move forward in getting an appraisal of Lake Morality Road.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Chairman Sanders asked Mayor Brown to explain the agreement concerning water and sewer services between City of Carrabelle and Panacea and Sopchoppy. Mayor Brown told the Board it is a cooperative agreement in case there were problems.

(Tape 1-223) Chairman Sanders asked about the request from the City of Carrabelle asking the county to clear and open NE Third Street between NE avenue K and NE Avenue L. Hubert Chipman said that fortunately this street had survey markers. He said that in other instances, there are no survey markers and they need something to go by.

HUBERT CHIPMAN – SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

(Tape 1-270) Hubert Chipman let the Board know that they were able to save the road at Alligator Point after bad weather damaged the road. They placed rocks along side the road which cost several thousand dollars.

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(Tape 1-306) Commissioner Putnal said that during the storm, the courthouse closed and the road department workers had to work. They would like to be able to take a day off for this time. This would be discussed at a later time.

(Tape 1-331) Mr. Chipman said there is an old dump truck which has been abandoned on Timber Island. He said that the truck has been redtagged but the owner has not moved the truck. He would like permission from the board to have Shadetree towing remove the truck. It was agreed that a letter would be written to Mr. Withers, the owner, to remove it and if he does not remove it, the county would then move the truck. Mr. Shuler said this is covered under Florida Statute. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to write a letter asking the owner to remove the truck or the county would proceed with having the truck removed.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-407) Dewitt Polous asked that \$300 be added to the Mosquito Control budget for an additional phone line. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to approve an additional \$300 to the Mosquito Control budget for an additional phone line.** Commissioner Putnal seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Chairman Sanders asked why the Mosquito Control truck can't sit and spray an area that is heavily infested with mosquitos. Mr. Polous said that the truck will not operate under five miles per hour and the trucks are monitored by DEP. He went on to say that the spray is working very well.

VAN JOHNSON - SOLID WASTE DIRECTOR

(Tape 1-487) Mr. Johnson reported that because of the recent threat of Hurricane Bonnie to the area, he is requesting that the Board consider contracting with a private firm to provide Emergency Debris Management Services. There are companies out there interested in providing this service to the County. Such a contractor would aid the county with debris removal in the aftermath of a major storm. It is during this type of emergency when county personnel and equipment are spread out and cannot adequately address every situation.

The Board would retain the authority to say when the contract is activated. Activation could be set after a major storm in which State and/or Federal officials have declared the area a disaster. If there is no need, then the contractor would remain immobile. The cost to maintain such a contractor is approximately \$10 per year. Commissioner Putnal was concerned that this type of contract would affect the county's FEMA funds. There has been some discussion concerning the need for this type of service. Paula Luberto spoke stating that she is concerned that the county would be in bad shape unless we have some type of contract to help in the event of a disaster. Mr. Johnson stated that this type of contract would only be activated if and when the county requests it. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to authorize the solicitation of request for proposals for Emergency Debris Management Services.** Commissioner Williams seconded the

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motion. Chairman Sanders, Commissioner Creamer and Commissioner Williams voted for. Commissioner Putnal voted against. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-698) Mr. Johnson reported that starting this year the Franklin County Little League Football and Cheerleading Program will come under the umbrella of the Parks & Recreation Department. All registration fees, gate and concession receipts will be deposited directly into the county's general fund as revenue. Expenditures to operate the program will come from the Parks & Recreation Youth Program Support line item budget. The program will continue to rely on volunteer coaches, but requires that they be certified and submit to background checks. There are approximately 120 kids that participate in this program yearly and this measure is being taken to anchor the program and to ensure its stability.

BILL MAHAN – COUNTY EXTENSION DIRECTOR

(Tape 1-730) Mr. Mahan presented two recent SRDC publications "Population, Employment and Mobility in the Rural South", and "HOW do Persistent Poverty Dynamics and Demographics Vary Across the Rural-Urban Continuum?" The first publication discusses population and commuting trends in rural and metropolitan counties in the southern U.S. and how they impact employment growth, worker mobility and income and the implications for local governments. The second publication discusses "persistent poverty" in rural and urban counties in the U.S. and the persistent poverty level counties of 2000. The authors define persistent poverty as a county that had a poverty rate of 20% or higher in every decennial census between 1960 and 2000. As it turns out Franklin County along with Dixie, Levy and Taylor counties are among the 189 counties that left "persistent poverty" in 2000.

Mr. Mahan reported that he spoke with Seth Blich of DEP to see if there would be water access at the new site proposed at Cat Point. There are no such plans presently. There was some discussion concerning the old ferry docking site. Commissioner Putnal said the county needs additional boat ramps and parking.

Mr. Mahan reported the next Clam Aquaculture Workshop will be held at the FSU Marine Laboratory this Thursday, August 19th, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Topics include a review of lease contracts, provisions and obligations; and overview of clam production in Florida and an Aquaculture Extension Agent and Mark Berrigan from the Division of Aquaculture will be featured speakers.

Concerning the Box R Boatramp, Mr. Mahan went on to say that he has spoken to David Kennedy of Preble-Rish this week and he reported that the county is still having problems getting a copy of the site survey. He, Alan Pierce and Commissioner Mosconis have spoken to Billy Buzzett about the situation.

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RACHEL WARD – PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION REPORT

(Tape 1-929) Rachel Ward reported that the Planning & Zoning Commission met in regular session on August 10th, with the following recommendations:

Ronald and Pandora Schlitt to construct a private dock at 564 River Road, Carrabelle. The dock will be 32x4 with a platform at the end. Commissioner Putnal made a **motion approve construction of the private dock.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-932) Edward R. Ferris to construct a boardwalk and small dock on Lot 14, River Bend Plantation Road, Carrabelle. The dock will consist of a 500 ft boardwalk over marsh with a 26x6 terminal platform that will run parallel to the shoreline. Commissioner Putnal made a **motion to approve construction of the boardwalk and dock.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-980) Jill Harrison to construct a private dock on Lot 2, Tract 42, 1333 East Gulf Beach Drive, St. George Island. The dock will extend 94 feet out with a 6x20 terminal platform. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to approve construction of the dock.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-992) The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval to schedule a public hearing to consider rezoning Lots 5 and 6, Block 4, Unit One East, St. George Island from C-2 Commercial Business to C-4 Mixed Use Residential. The applicants, Mike and Suzie Hunter plan to open a Subway Sandwich Shop and have an apartment for the manager over the business. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to schedule a public hearing.** Commissioner Putnal seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-1010) Mrs. Ward reported the Commission recommends approval for a request for rezoning and land use change for Middleton Bay, a 375 acre parcel located next to the St. James Bay Subdivision. The land use will be changed from Public Facilities to Residential and the Zoning will be changed from P-1 to R-1A. The applicant is hoping that this large scale change can be included in the comp plan amendment update addressed later this year but this is uncertain. This request was presented by Alan Pierce, representing Preble-Rish and the owners, the Parvey Development Corporation. No action is needed at this time.

(Tape 1-1043) The Commission also recommended sketch plat approval for 405 lots on the above mentioned 375 acre parcel with the provision that the number of lots as presented to the Commission not change. The proposed sketch plat has an overall density of 1.08 units per acre. The Commission is very concerned with the overall density of the R-1A category and the size of this parcel. The property will be served by central water and sewer and have paved roads. No action is needed at this time.

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(Tape 1-1071) The Commission recommends denial of a request to rezone Lots 19, 20, 21, 22, and 23, of Village Green by the Sea from R-1 Single Family Residential to R-1A Single Family Residential Subdivision. Jim Waddell, L&W Engineering representing the owners was present and asked for this rezoning so that they could create a 12 lot subdivision. The Commissioner members were very concerned with the fact that this subdivision was originally recorded in February of 2004, and further rezoning could potentially increase the density of this 46 lot subdivision by three times.

(Tape 1-1131) Jim Waddell with L&W Engineering addressed the Board concerning this request, asking the board to schedule a public hearing at which time they could present additional information. He went on to say that there are other lots in the area that have already been rezoned to R1-A and other lots that are smaller which were created years ago. He spoke at length concerning this proposal and possible sewer extensions.

(Tape 1-1200) Nick Yonclas representing the owners appeared before the board concerning this project. He told the board that the applicant would provide water and sewer as well as paved roads.

(Tape 1-1457) Mary Lou Short, Planning and Zoning Commission Chairman explained to the Board why the Commission recommends denial of this rezoning. The Commission was concerned with other lots in this area doing the same thing and this could potentially create many more lots. The Board agreed to take no action and therefore, no public hearing will be scheduled.

(Tape 1-1547) Ms. Ward reported that the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of a request to schedule a public hearing to consider rezoning a 40 acre parcel from R-4 Single Family Residential Home Industry to R-1 Single Family Residential, which would require the construction of single family houses of at least 1,000 square feet, as well as sketch plat approval for a 30 lot subdivision to be known as Piney Point. This property is located at the corner of CC Land Road and Highway 65. The application was submitted by Alan Pierce, Preble-Rish, agent for Steve Newman. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to schedule a public hearing.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.** Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to approve the sketch plat for Piney Point.** Commissioner Putnal seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-1616) The Commission recommends approval of a sketch plat for a three lot subdivision to be known as Tarpon View. The property was rezoned to R-1A and the applicant has now submitted his sketch plat. The property was formerly described as Lot 1, Gulf View Acres, east of Lanark. This application was submitted by Beecher Lewis, owner. Commissioner Putnal made a **motion to approve the sketch plat for Tarpon View.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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(Tape 1-1649) The Commission recommends approval of a preliminary plat for "The Reserve at Magnolia Ridge Estates", an 81 lot subdivision lying between North Bayshore Drive and Otter Slide Road in Eastpoint. The lots are all at least one acre in size and meet the county lot size requirements. This application was submitted by Preble-Rish, agent for Magnolia Ridge, LLC, owner. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to approve the preliminary plat for The Reserve at Magnolia Ridge Estates.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-1690) The Commission recommends approval for the following commercial sites: Wefings Marine, 125 US Highway 98, Eastpoint to add an open boat storage shed adjacent to the existing commercial building. The owners plan to move all the boats currently located in front of the existing building to the new site so that the parking spaces originally designated for the front can be used. Currently there is a serious parking hazard in front of the existing building. Commissioner Putnal made a **motion to approve this commercial application.** Commissioner Creamer seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC HEARING – 9.7 ACRES N.W. OF CARRABELLE – LAND USE CHANGE AND REZONING A-2 AND R-3 TO R-1

(Tape 1-1720) Mark Curenton told the Board that this proposal is to change 9.7 acres located on Mill Road northwest of Carrabelle. Part of the property is zoned A-2 Agricultural and part of the property is zoned R-3 which is one unit per five acres. The property fronts on the New River. The applicant is asking that the property be rezoned to R-1 which allows one unit per acre. Planning and Zoning has recommend the rezoning and no objections have been received. Dan Garlick explained to the Board where the property is located. There was no public comment. Commissioner Putnal made a **motion to approve the land use change from Agriculture to Residential.** Commissioner Creamer seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.** Commissioner Putnal made a **motion to approve the rezoning from A-2 Agricultural and R-3 Single Family Estates to R-1 Single Family Residential.** Commissioner Creamer seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-1720) Ms. Ward continued with the Planning and Zoning Commission report as follows: Carrabelle Beach Properties, LLC plans to construct a 12 unit resort hotel at 1748 Carrabelle Beach Road. This is the site of the Old Carrabelle Beach Motel which had 15 units. The septic system will be an engineered aerobic drip irrigation system. Each unit will contain three bedrooms and two baths. The project will be owned by one group. There was some discussion concerning stormwater being retained on the site as well as potential traffic problems. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to approve the commercial application for Carrabelle Beach Properties, LLC.** Commissioner Putnal seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-2069) The final item reported was that the Planning and Zoning Commission members are becoming more and more concerned with the number and size of

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development projects across the county, with little or no consideration for fire protection, (Franklin County has all volunteer fire departments as well as first responders) these volunteer services are having a hard time keeping up with the potential growth. They would like to see these issues addressed.

(Tape 1-2118) The Commission also discussed creating a zoning category that would allow two units per acre. The Board agreed that the Commission should begin work on developing a new zoning category.

PUBLIC HEARING – 4 ACRES ISLANDVIEW CAMPGROUND FROM C-3 TO C-5.

(Tape 2190) Mr. Curenton told the Board there was a mix up in the newspaper advertisement and this public hearing needs to be postponed until the Board has addressed the proposed new C-5 Zoning District which is scheduled for later in this meeting. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to table this public hearing until later in the meeting.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

MARK CURENTON – COUNTY PLANNER

(Tape 1-2238) Mr. Curenton reported that there is still one vacancy on the Planning and Zoning Commission and two vacancies on the Board of Adjustment. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to appoint Gayle Dodd to serve as an alternate on the Planning and Zoning Commission.** Commissioner Putnal seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-2274) Mr. Curenton presented, for the Board's file, the annual status report for the Resort Village Development. It shows there has been no additional development since the last report.

(Tape 1-2290) Mr. Curenton reported that Preble-Rish has asked that the Board have the parking lot at the Health Department and the Mental Health Center on 12th Street in Apalachicola surveyed so they can design an enlarged parking lot. He asked the Board to authorize the survey. Commissioner Putnal made a **motion to authorize the survey for the parking area at the Health Department.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-2328) The Building Department has received a letter from the Villas of St. George complaining about a stormwater problem caused by development across West Gorrie Drive. This has caused water to stand in the pavement. Mr. Curenton said he has discussed this matter with Rachel Ward. One measure the Department is going to take in the future is to require an engineered stormwater plan for any lots in the commercial area of St. George Island as a condition for receiving a variance. This still leaves the existing drainage problem. He asked if the Board wants Preble-Rish to look into the situation and work on a solution. He explained that these lots were developed as residential and, as

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such, did not require a stormwater permit. Mr. Curenton recommended that a solution be developed and then ask these property owners to help with putting in the stormwater system. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to authorize Preble-Rish to assess the situation and come up with a solution to the stormwater problem.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mary Lou Short told the Board that the Business Owner's Association of St. George Island is now seeking grant money for stormwater systems for the entire commercial area on the Island.

(Tape 1-2513) Mr. Curenton presented a Resolution for the Board's approval relative to the beach renourishment project at Alligator Point. This resolution will be submitted with the county's request for funding to DEP. Mr. Curenton read the resolution to the Board. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to adopt the resolution concerning beach renourishment at Alligator Point.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-2610) Mr. Curenton reported that Rich Reeves has renegotiated the engineering contract with URS for the airport fencing. Their current proposal is for \$5,000 to provide specifications for the project. All other work would be the responsibility of the County. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to approve the contract with URS** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-2673) Mr. Curenton presented a Flood Mitigation Assistance Program contract for \$367,763 to pay for the acquisition and demolition of Melanie Perez's house at 1347 Alligator Drive. There is a 25% match for this grant, but he anticipates that the property owner will provide this match by accepting less than the full appraised value for her property. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to approve the Flood Mitigation Program contract in the amount of \$367,763.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-2681) Mr. Curenton stated that at the budget workshop, the Board approved a new position for an assistant county planner. He asked for the Board's approval to start advertising for the position. Commissioner Putnal made a **motion to authorize advertising for the new assistant county planner position.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 1-2699) Chairman Sanders told the Board that when Mark Curenton took over as county planner, he did not receive any adjustment in salary. The Board felt there should be a salary adjustment for the new duties. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to increase Mark Curenton's salary by \$3,000 annually effective the next pay period.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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PUBLIC HEARING – CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARK-MODEL RESORT.

(Tape 1-2827) Michael Shuler told the Board that this proposal was prompted by a developer who wanted to create a park model resort. The Board directed him to create a Park Model Resort zoning category and this is what is being presented today. Chairman Sanders asked if the question concerning property ownership has been answered. Mr. Shuler told the Board that this ordinance should resolve that question. Gail Reigelmeier spoke concerning whether this zoning category would be in compliance with the comprehensive plan. Mr. Curenton explained that it would comply with the commercial zoning and would therefore comply with the comprehensive plan. She also questioned whether they could meet requirements for windzones, etc. Mr. Curenton said that these units would have to meet the requirements for RV Parks which means they must be road ready. She again expressed her concern over the amount of density.

(Tape 1-3250) Chairman Sanders asked how this was going to affect the county's policy of not allowing anyone to live permanently in RV's. Mr. Curenton responded this policy does not affect RV Parks, only private property.

(Tape 3285) Alan Pfeifer asked if these Park Models are required to meet any specific windload requirements. Mr. Curenton said they would not be required to meet the wind requirements because they would need to be kept road ready.

(Tape 1-3477) Gathena Parmenas spoke concerning debris cleanup if these units are left in place.

(Tape 1-3603) Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to adopt the C-5 ordinance establishing a Recreational Vehicle Park Model Resort.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Commissioner Creamer and Commissioner Williams voted for, Commissioner Putnal and Chairman Sanders against. **MOTION FAILED** for lack of a majority vote.

PUBLIC HEARING – 4 ACRES ISLAND VIEW CAMPGROUND FROM C-3 TO C-5. Commissioner Putnal made a **motion to deny this rezoning as there is no C-5 zoning category.** There was no second. Motion dies for lack of a second.

Chairman Sanders left the meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING – CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 315 OF FRANKLIN COUNTY ZONING CODE RELATING TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT.

(Tape 2-58) Mr. Shuler told the Board that this is the proposed ordinance which will amend the zoning code and will establish the Board of County Commissioners as the Board of Adjustment.

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David Adlerstein asked if there would be no Board of Adjustment. Mr. Shuler explained that this Board would act as the Board of Adjustment and will make the final decisions. The current Board will still review these applications and make recommendations. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to table this item until the Chairman returns.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

KENDALL WADE – CLERK

(Tape 2-149) Mr. Wade told the Board that Preble-Rish has submitted a letter concerning the Road Paving Project. The letter proposes the contract Administration and inspection will be 3%. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to authorize the Chairman's signature on the proposed 3% contract administration and inspection for the road paving project.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-175) Dan Tonsmier presented a proposed resolution for the Board's consideration concerning support to Restore the Apalachicola River Ecosystem (RARE) Act. He explained to the Board why they are requesting the Board's support. Commissioner Williams was concerned that if the Board supports this, there might be difficulty getting the Eastpoint Channel dredged. The Board chose not to support the resolution. No action was taken.

Chairman Sanders returned to the meeting.

CONTINUE PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 315 OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY ZONING CODE RELATING TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT.

(Tape 2-378) Mr. Shuler continued explaining that by adopting this ordinance the Board of County Commission will serve as the Board of Adjustment. He went on to say that this Board should adopt a resolution appoint the current Board of Adjustment to act as an advisory board. Commissioner Putnal made a **motion to approve the ordinance amending Section 315 of the Franklin County Zoning Code relating to the Board of Adjustment.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.** Commissioner Putnal made a **motion to adopt a resolution to appoint the current members of the Board of Adjustment to the Advisory Board of Adjustment.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-501) Ms. Clarice Powell appeared before the Board concerning the Title V Grant, she asked the Board to appoint Rich Reeves to monitor the expenditures of Federal Funds for the Title V Grant. Chairman Sanders asked if there were administrative fees attached to pay for these services. Mr. Wade asked that if we can get these administrative funds that the county be reimbursed for Mr. Reeves' time. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to appoint Mr. Reeves to oversee the Federal Funds expenditures for the Title V Grant and to try to recover the fees for Mr. Reeves time from administrative**

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funds, contingent upon Mr. Shuler's review. Commissioner Putnal seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-630) Ms. Powell also asked the Board to appoint Cheryl Sanders to serve on the Youth Prevention Policy Board. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to appoint Chairman Sanders to serve on the Youth Prevention Policy Board.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

MICHAEL MORON – SHIP PROGRAM

(Tape 2-653) Mr. Moron told the Board that Ms. Pearlle Rochelle had a house fire and it destroyed her kitchen. She needs help in having her kitchen fixed. Chairman Sanders said that on the same line, Gary Shiver had his roof fixed several years ago. It wasn't fixed properly and now his ceiling has caved in. The Board asked if they could declare these as emergencies and address them. The Board agreed to proceed with the repair on Pearlle Rochelle's and Gary Shiver's house. Commissioner Creamer said this is why he wanted to do away with the down payment assistance because this money should be used to help the elderly. Commissioner Putnal made a **motion to approve the repairs on Pearlle Rochelle's house and Gary Shiver's house to the extent allowed by law as this is an emergency situation.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-996- Mr. Wade said that the Board has received a letter from Early Education and Care, Inc. requesting that the Board send a letter of refusal concerning matching funds requested for the school readiness program. Commissioner Creamer **made a motion to authorize a letter of refusal to the Early Education and Care, Inc.** Commissioner Putnal seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-1021) Mr. Wade told the Board he has received a request from Florida Department of Transportation that Franklin County submit to them an invoice concerning maintenance and upkeep for fishing piers per the Joint Participation Agreement in the amount of \$1,520,000. This invoice has been sent and the money should be received sometime in November. Until, the County receives the money, Franklin County will not receive ownership of these fishing piers.

(Tape 2-1130) Mr. Wade has a resolution concerning unanticipated revenues as follows 137.37.571.4300 Utility Service \$2,000; 137.37.571.5200 Operating Supplies \$1,994. Commissioner Putnal made a **motion to authorize the Chairman's signature on this resolution for unanticipated revenues in the amount of \$3,994.00.** Commissioner Creamer seconded this motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-1135) Mr. Shuler asked what amount the Board wanted to pay for the appraisal for Lake Morality Road and was instructed by the Board that the appraisal amount should be \$5,000 or less. There was some discussion concerning ownership of Lake Morality Road. Billy Buzzett told the Board that St. Joe has donated the Right of Way, the county

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is responsible for getting the survey and the appraisal. He did say that St. Joe would do whatever has to be done to assist the county in obtaining ownership of this road.

(Tape 2-1255) Mr. Buzzett was asked about the Box R survey, he told the Board this has been done; they are waiting for copies.

(Tape 2-1282) Mr. Shuler told the Board that he has received an email from Mr. John Sole indicating that he does not want to proceed with contracting for the fishing pier. Mr. Sole did not give any indication as to why he wants to withdraw his request for the contract. The Board discussed sending out for bids for the pier contract. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to go out for request for proposals for the fishing pier contract.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-1318) Mr. Shuler reported that a hearing has been scheduled for November 22, 2004 for one hour concerning Alexis Marketing.

Tape 2-1332) Mr. Shuler reported that he has heard from the attorney for Thom Lewis and Mr. Lewis will not accept the proposed settlement offered by the county.

(Tape 2-1344) Mr. Shuler stated the Board had directed him to advertise for the Emergency Management Director's position, but because he has received some new legal information he has not yet prepared the advertisement.

(Tape 2-1355) Concerning the St. James Cable franchise, Mr. Shuler has read the draft and this is not an exclusive franchise and they can proceed with their draft. Commissioner Putnal said that someone had contacted him about their cable being out, and they could not get Media Com to respond to their requests to have it fixed. Commissioner Putnal said that he feels Media Com is not providing adequate service. After some discussion concerning the Board's dissatisfaction with Media Com's performance Commissioner Putnal made a **motion to write a letter to Media Com and ask them to come before the Board at the second meeting in September.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-1510) Mr. Shuler told the Board that he has sent a letter to tenants on the property located next to the Annex giving them until the end of August to vacate the property. One of the family members came to Mr. Shuler and said they are having a hard time finding a place to live and asked for an extension of time to find a place to live. Mr. Shuler said that he thought the family member was going to be present but she is not here.

(Tape 2-1570) Chairman Sanders told the Board that she has been on the phone with Carson-Atkins concerning the drainage ditch dispute on Bluff Road. They will be returning to mark the corner lot and will be in contact with the Board.

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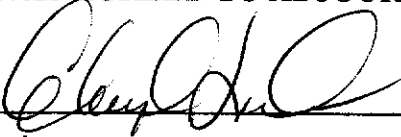
(Tape 2-1593) Chairman Sanders asked if Mr. Curenton has been in contact with Deborah Roumelis concerning the CDBG grant. Mr. Curenton stated that he has spoken with her and that FEMA is now evaluating the project.

(Tape 2-1626) Mr. Ted Mosteller told the board that there is a need for plumbing at the airport and Mr. Tom Hoffer has graciously offered to give them a slightly used lift pump to use on the premises. Commissioner Williams made a **motion to authorize the Road Department to go on private property to pick up the lift pump.** Commissioner Creamer seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-1664) Mr. Mosteller reported that he attended the Gulf County Aviation Advisory Committee and it was very productive. They are planning a joint committee meeting with the Gulf County Aviation Advisory Committee and the Apalachicola Airport Advisory Committee and they would like a board member to attend. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to authorize the Chairman to attend this joint meeting.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Tape 2-1728) Ms. Paula Luberto appeared before the Board asking them to move the truck route from 6th Street to 4th Street from Highway 98 in Eastpoint. Commissioner Creamer made a **motion to move the truck route from Highway 98 in Eastpoint to 4th Street from 6th Street.** Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. All for. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD,
IT WAS AGREED TO ADJOURN.**


_____ **CHERYL SANDERS, CHAIRMAN**


_____ **KENDALL WADE, CLERK**