FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX JULY 21, 2015 9:00 AM

MINUTES

Commissioners Present: William Massey-Chairman, Joseph Parrish-Vice Chairman, Cheryl Sanders, Noah Lockley, Pinki Jackel

Others Present: Michael Morón – County Coordinator, Michael Shuler – County Attorney, Marcia Johnson-Clerk of the Circuit Court, Lauren Luberto – Deputy Clerk to the Board, Lori Hines – Deputy Clerk to the Board

Call to Order

Chairman William Massey called the meeting to order.

Prayer and Pledge

There was a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Minutes

There were no minutes submitted for approval.

Payment of County Bills

Motion by Commissioner Lockley, seconded by Commissioner Jackel to approve payment of the County's bills as presented. Motion carried; 5-0.

1. Department Supervisor Report

Howard Nabors - Superintendent of Public Works

Mr. Nabors discussed the prices for the M313 equipment. He said there are four attachments available and the County definitely needs three of them. Commissioner Jackel asked if the equipment is being leased or purchased. Mr. Nabors said the County is trying to trade in some equipment and arrange a payment plan. Mr. Nabors estimated the cost of the three attachments to be \$197,000 and the trade in value for the two pieces of County equipment at \$55,000. Commissioner Jackel asked if the County has any payments now. Mr. Nabors said the only payment will pay off in October and then this payment would begin if a good price can be negotiated. Commissioner Sanders said this will be a good deal for the County if one payment pays out and then another payment is negotiated. Chairman Massey agreed as long as the payment is down to something the County can afford. Mr. John Duncan, Ring Power, thanked the County for their business. He stated there is a demo unit available that has got some hours on it and they will take \$40.00 off the price for every demo hour and provide a 5-6 year lease. Mr. Duncan confirmed the interest rate offered is 2.9%. Commissioner Lockley made a motion to allow Mr. Nabors to start negotiations with Ring Power to get the best price. Commissioners Jackel seconded the motion. Motion carried; 5-0.

Commissioner Jackel asked Mr. Nabors to please remove the signs in the right-of-way when mowing in Eastpoint and St. George Island. She suggested the signs be kept at the Road Department so individuals could pick up their signs.

Mr. Nabors said the Eastpoint parking lot is being torn up by vehicles doing donuts and the bumpers will be placed one day this week.

Chairman Massey asked for another "No Parking beyond This Point" sign at the Timber Island Boat Ramp. He explained there is a small sign facing South and a larger sign facing North is needed to stop the boat ramp from being blocked. Mr. Nabors agreed to take care of this item.

Fonda Davis – Solid Waste Director

Mr. Davis reported there is a baseball tournament going on with another game tonight. Chairman Massey commended Mr. Davis and his crew for their work.

Pam Brownell – Emergency Management Director

Action Items:

Requesting Board to open and approval of RFQ's for contractors for the Training and Exercise Grant # 15-DS-P4-03-72-01-295.

Ms. Brownell said the amount of the grant is \$12,900 and this will be the last Training and Exercise grant received by the County as the money has been reallocated for the upcoming years. Ms. Brownell opened the RFQ's from the following companies:

Castle Consulting Associations, LLC-New Hampshire Management Experts, LLC-Tallahassee.

Ms. Brownell suggested her office work with Mr. Moron to score these RFQ's and come back with the most qualified person. Motion by Commissioner Sanders to allow Ms. Brownell's office and Mr. Moron to score the RFQ's and present a recommendation to the Board. Commissioner Jackel seconded. Motion carried;5-0. Commissioner Lockley expressed concern about travel costs from New Hampshire. Ms. Brownell said the company submitted a RFQ and the grant is for a set amount for a fully functioning exercise.

Information Items:

EOC staff is pleased to announce the implementation of the NIXLE program. This program will allow staff to send registered participants warnings, information, etc via phone, email or both. If you have enrolled in the reentry program and provided an email address, EOC staff is registering you for this program. EOC staff conducted outreach in several locations throughout the county during the past month. Approximately 200 reentry tags were issued or updated during the outreach. We continue to issue the re-entry tags during normal business hours at the EOC.

We would like to announce that thanks to the assistance of Warden Smith at the Franklin Correctional Facility in Carrabelle, Franklin County EOC will be having inmate work crews present at our facility to paint our building. We would like to make everyone aware that there are NO CHILDREN allowed at our facility when inmates are present. We will be posting this information on our Facebook and Website.

Erik Lovestrand – Extension Agent

UF/IFAS Extension Faculty have been involved in the following Extension activities during this period.

General Extension Activities:

County Extension Director and District Extension Director met with UF facilities staff on site at the future home of the Extension office to discuss the renovation project.

Extension Director met with Mentor to work of Plan of Work for 2016.

Extension staff met with Calhoun Co. Extension Director to learn the Subscription Management System for managing clientele contacts.

Extension Advisory Committee conducted its 3rd quarterly meeting for this year. They adopted bylaws and appointed the nominating committee for officer selections next term.

Sea Grant Extension:

Extension Director assisted the Apalachicola Reserve staff during a teacher workshop related to Estuary systems.

Mr. Lovestrand said the current turtle lighting staff person will be resigning the position soon. She has found other employment. He said recruiting will begin to refill the permanent part-time position at \$15.00 per hour.

Extension staff assisted Bay County Extension by providing local field trip in Apalachicola for a Florida Master Naturalist Class. Class went on boat trip, visited a shrimp boat and visited a local shrimp processing facility.

Extension Director set up meetings for Sea Grant Director with local media contacts related to NFWF oyster research project in Apalachicola Bay that is starting soon.

Extension Director attended sea level rise workshop at Research Reserve and participated in Sea Grant Work Action Group planning call.

Family and Consumer Sciences:

The Family Nutrition Program Assistant is close to finishing up the summer youth programs that have been scheduled. She is also scheduling some adult programs in the area.

4-H Youth Development:

The Extension office was able to provide full scholarships to camp for all 8 campers who participated during Franklin County's week at Camp Timpoochee. Funds came through Career Source funding related to specific aspects of youth education that 4-H curricula covers during camp.

Agriculture/Horticulture:

The Extension office provided guidance for local landscape staff related to soil sample results and fertilizer recommendations.

Mr. Lovestrand reminded the Commissioners he will not be present at the Budget Workshop on Thursday and asked if the Board has any questions. He said his budget is the same as last year. He volunteered to cancel his meetings if he needs to be present on Thursday. The Board did not require Mr. Lovestrand to attend.

Mr. Lovestrand informed the Board there was a good meeting at the facility last week with IFIS. They are working on the internal Memorandum of Understandings (MOU) that University of Florida will need for the departments that will be working together. The MOU's will then be presented to the County.

Anne Birchwell – County Library

Ms. Birchwell informed the Board Ms. Kate Aguiar, the Chairperson for the Library Advisory Board would like a moment of your time before my report. Ms. Aguiar asked for permission to appoint Shelley Shepherd to the Library Advisory Board.

Motion by Commissioner Jackel to accept the recommendation to appoint Shelley Shepherd to the Library Advisory Board. Seconded by Commissioner Parrish. Motion carried; 5-0.

Ms. Birchwell thanked the County Commissioners for allowing her to present her budget today, and allow Ms. Kate Aguiar as her representative at the budget hearings. She explained she had booked her travel plans in February for this family function. The 2015-16 library budget is the same as last year. She said when you look at the summary on the second page, you will see a marked decrease in the State Aid to Libraries Grant. Everyone got cut, and some more than others.

Ms. Birchwell read from her report the following:

You each have a copy of the final State Aid amounts for the 2015-16 year. Unfortunately, everyone was cut; Franklin – (\$21,825), Jefferson – (\$77,477), and Wakulla – (\$9,440).

As you review the budget, please remember the library has historically complied with the request of the county for budgetary requests. The services the library provides to the Franklin County Community is not just about books and eBooks. We offer computer classes, faxing, copies, technical support, research helps, programs for all ages, and e-government assistance. For the many there is a need for help with Food Stamp applications, Unemployment, Social Security benefits, and recently assisting the Oystermen who needed to open e-mail accounts to review video training to continue working. These services require man-hours to assist, as many do not know how to use a computer. This is just one of the functions both libraries provide. We have public access computers and 24/7 Wifi service available to the community. The staff is trained to assist residents with their needs and work hard. When requested part time position then position went to full time and now may have to go back to part time.

Ms. Birchwell asked the county to fund the lost grant money in the amount \$21,825. The Board agreed to reserve their decision until the budget workshop. Attorney Shuler agreed the Board can receive testimony but budget decisions should not be made outside of the duly advertised public budget workshop. Ms. Birchwell informed the Board the Carrabelle Branch Library may be closed for one day a week if this full time position is lost.

Recognized Robin Smith, new warden at FCI.

Katrina Saunders – Eastpoint Medical Center – Introduce New Provider

Ms. Saunders introduced staff members Ms. Amy Anderson, Administrative Assistant, and new provider, Ms. Diane Napier, Advanced Registered Nurse Practioner. Commissioner Lockley asked if the Eastpoint Medical Center supports the local hospital. Ms. Saunders said they have a nice working relationship with the hospital. but Ms. Napier does not have hospital privileges.

<u>Curt Blair – TDC – Update</u>

Mr. Curt Blair introduced staff members Ms. Jean Lane, Manager of the Eastpoint Visitors Center and Ms. Laura Graham, who handles promotional activities.

Mr. Blair discussed cooperative arrangements with groups. He introduced Ms. Pam Portwood, Director of RiverWay South. Ms. Portwood said RiverWay South is a regional tourism promotion group in Northwest Florida and covers a nine county region. She explained the mission is to promote sustainable economic development within the Apalachicola-Choctawhatchee River Basin and the surrounding communities along the river basins. She stated their goal is to promote the area as a regional tourism destination. She discussed the items contained in the handout submitted to the Board. She explained RiverWay South takes limited resources from individual communities and combines grants and in-kind services to maximize marketing resources. She stated RiverWay South is interested in promoting product development and tourism for rural counties. She reported since 2010 the local contributions received have been used to secure \$450,000 in grant funds. Ms. Portland informed the Board in 2015 RiverWay South was able to match every local dollar with more than \$6.00 in other funding to provide promotional and education programs. She said the new 2015 website www.RWSFL.org highlights the region. She pointed out the main focus this year was to develop and launch the Explore Florida marketing campaign which includes 15 self guided driving tours traveling off I-10 through rural areas. She said there are three driving tours in Franklin County with two routes to St. George Island, Apalachicola and another along Carrabelle Beach. She presented a poster which will be placed in welcome centers and tourism related businesses showing what is available in the region. She reported RiverWay South promoted education and development by partnering with Goodwill to present hospitality and ambassador training. She reported there were 22 participants and all participants took a certification exam and are now nationally certified in guest service training from the American Hotel and Lodging Association. She said more than \$10,000 in grant funds is available in scholarships to be awarded to tourism professionals to attend tourism related events. She stated next year they will continue to enhance the web site and the Explore Florida blog. She said there are seven contributing county partners and listed the other agencies providing funding and in-kind services. She requested the Board approve the Resolution designating October, 2015 as Explore Our Florida Month. Motion by Commissioner Parrish to adopt the Resolution designating October, 2015 as Explore Our Florida Month. Commissioner Jackel seconded. Motion carried; 5-0. Commissioner Jackel questioned if there is funding to provide additional hospitality training. Ms. Portwood said there should be another training this project year and funding will be requested to continue this program.

A RESOLUTION OF FRANKLIN COUNTY RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2015 AS EXPLORE <u>OUR</u> FLORIDA MONTH

WHEREAS, RiverWay South Apalachicola Choctawhatchee is a team of northwest Florida counties that border the Apalachicola and Choctawhatchee Rivers to promote rural tourism and create a regional tourism designation; and

WHEREAS, RiverWay South Apalachicola Choctawhatchee's mission is to encourage sustainable economic development through the preservation and promotion of the natural, cultural, recreational, scenic, and historical resources within the Apalachicola and Choctawhatchee River basins; and

WHEREAS, RiverWay South Apalachicola Choctawhatchee has developed the Explore <u>OUR</u> Florida Marketing Campaign to increase public awareness of the region as a tourism destination and increase awareness within the region to enhance tourism/economic development; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County is a Partner in good standing with RiverWay South Apalachicola Choctawhatchee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Franklin County Board of County Commissioners do hereby declare the month of October 2015 as **Explore** <u>OUR</u> Florida Month.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the seal of this county to be affixed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS _____DAY OF______,2015.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

Chairman

Mr. Blair provided a report on the TDC collections and said the dramatic drop and increase is related to how the large management companies may be reporting their information. He said the county is back on track with a 7% increase over last year. He mentioned the State increase is 8%.

Mr. Blair said TDC has a changed meeting schedule for summer and are only meeting once a month with a meeting tomorrow and another the end of August. Mr. Blair reported the vendor and visitor center contracts are presented for approval and are the same as last year. He explained the Sustaining grant contracts will be submitted next month. Motion by Commissioner Jackel to approve contracts submitted by Mr. Blair on the I-pad for vendors and visitor centers contingent upon County Attorney's approval. Commissioner Sanders seconded the motion. Motion carried; 5-0.

Recessed 9:39 a.m.

Reconvened 9:49 a.m.

Planning & Zoning – Report

Michael Moron presented the report.

CRITICAL SHORELINE APPLICATON:

<u>RECOMMENDED APPROVAL</u>: (UNANIMOUS) Consideration of a request to construct a Single Family Private Dock at 1831 Bayview Drive, Lot 8, Bay View Village, St. George Island, Franklin County, Florida. The boardwalk will be 350' x 4', with a 12' x 16' deck, with the dock being 90' x 4' and an 8' x 20' terminal platform with attached boatlift. Contingent upon getting State and Federal Permits or exemption. Request submitted by Larry Joe Colson, agent for Douglas and Gayle Dehaan, applicants.

Commissioner Jackel motioned for approval of the private dock. Seconded by Commissioner Sanders. Motion carried; 5-0.

RE-ZONING REQUEST:

<u>RECOMMENDED APPROVAL FOR A PUBLIC HEARING</u>: (UNANIMOUS) Consideration of a request to re-zone Lots 1-8, Block Z, Lanark Beach, Unit 1 from C-4 Commercial Mixed Use to C-3 Commercial Recreational. Request submitted by Michael Hughes, applicant.

Mr. Moron presented the area on the map. Commissioner Sanders questioned if this is the last lot Mr. Hughes added several years ago to his RV Park. Attorney Shuler responded it is the same lot. Commissioner Sanders motioned to approve going to public hearing. Seconded by Commissioner Lockley. Motion carried; 5-0.

LOT RE-CONFIGURATION REQUEST:

<u>RECOMMENDED APPROVAL</u>: (UNANIMOUS) Consideration of a request for lot re-configuration for lots 17, 18, 19 & 20, Block 5 East, Unit 1, St. George Island, Franklin County, Florida. Fairpoint Communications, formerly St. Joseph Telephone and SGI Real Estate would like to evenly trade out half of each of the above noted lots. Fairpoint Communication would own the North ½ of Lots 17, 18, 19 & 20, Block 5 East, Unit 1 and SGI Real Estate would own the South ½ of Lots 17, 18, 19 & 20, Block 5 East, Unit 1 and SGI Real Estate and Fairpoint Communications, applicants.

Mr. Moron informed the Board there is an error in the description on the report and pointed out the area on the map. Commissioner Parrish questioned the use of half lots? Mr. Moron said it will reconfigure the property. Mr. Moron left the meeting to ask Ms. Amy Kelley about this item. Attorney Shuler suggested the Board wait to hear from Ms. Kelley but also expressed concern about densities and development. Mr. Moron said according to Ms. Kelley the realty company is for the change but has not presented site plans. He said if the realty company has plans they would have to present it to the Board and a variance would not be needed. Commissioner Jackel made a motion to table this item for further consideration. Commissioner Sanders seconded the motion. Motion carried; 5-0. Mr. Moron suggested Ms. Kelley send each Commissioner information about what can and can't be done. Commissioner Jackel requested input from Attorney Shuler on what the company is requesting. Commissioner Parrish would also like to know if this has been done before. Attorney Shuler said in the past the Board has reconfigured lots but the density did not change. He agreed more information is needed and if there are plans for the site, the Board needs to see the site plan.

COMMERCIAL SITE PLAN APPROVAL:

<u>DID NOT RECOMMEND APPROVAL</u>: (2 YEAS/3 NAYS) Consideration of a request for Commercial Site Plan approval for "Loula and Dan, LLC." Doc Myers Commercial Site Plan for an 80 (eighty) seat single service restaurant located at Lots 24-30, Block 6 West, Unit 1, St. George Island, Franklin County, Florida. The kitchen, restrooms and ice/cooler will be portable, moveable, mobile units that are road ready in order to meet FEMA guidelines and have open air patio type dining. Request submitted by Jim Waddell, Inovia Consulting Group, agent for Loula and Dan, LLC, applicants.

Attorney Shuler informed the Board Mr. Dan Myers would like to pass this item until his court reporter is present. Commissioner Parrish said he heard there has been controversy involving the vote at the Planning & Zoning Meeting and questions about whether one of the members should have recused themself from the voting. Commissioner Parrish said his wife works for Mr. Steve Rash at the Blue Parrot and he asked for an advisory opinion from the Ethics Commission on whether he should vote or not. He asked the Board to approve the advisory opinion request and to table this item until the advisory opinion is received. Commissioner Parrish stated he does not believe he has a conflict, but as he did in 2009, he would like to request the advisory opinion. Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commissioner Jackel motioned to request the advisory opi

motion. Commissioner Jackel asked Attorney Shuler if the motion should be amended to also request an advisory opinion for the Planning & Zoning Board member. Attorney Shuler did not recommend requesting an opinion on the Planning & Zoning Board member. He advised the Board the Public Hearing will be rescheduled when the advisory opinion is received. Motion carried; 5-0.

Advisory Board of Adjustment – Report

Request for a variance to construct a single family house 13 feet into the front setback line on property described as 764 West Gorrie Drive, also known as Lot 9, Block A, Unit 3, St. George Island, Franklin County, Florida. The request was submitted by Galloway Construction, Inc., Agent for George D. & Linda Plymel, Plymel Properties Trust.

The Advisory Board of Adjustment recommends approval of the above referenced variance as requested.

Motion by Commissioner Lockley to approve the variance. Motion seconded by Commissioner Jackel. Commissioner Jackel discussed this request and the Coastal Construction setback line. Mr. Mason Bean, St. George Island, said he has not seen the plans but he requested the Board uphold the setbacks and protect St. George Island. Commissioner Jackel stated this variance is for a stairway not living space. Motion carried; 5-0.

Marcia Johnson – Clerk of Courts – Report

Mrs. Marcia Johnson, Clerk of Court, introduced her new Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Lori Hines.

Michael Morón – County Coordinator – Report

Inform the Board that Ms. Cheyenne Cruzon, Planning and Zoning's new permitting specialist, started yesterday Monday, July 20. Feel free to introduce yourself, as she is eager to meet each of you.

Inform the Board that the Abercrombie Boat Ramp ADA compatible project is just about completed. We are waiting for the final FWC inspection.

Inform the Board that roof project is completed at the Chapman Building. The final inspection is Friday, July 24. In addition, Dr. Helen Tudor wants to highlight, with paint, "Chapman Schools" over the Ave. E entrance to the Chapman Auditorium Building. She will assume the entire cost. I have discussed this with matter with Mr. Curenton and he has no problem with it. A picture is attached.

Motion by Commissioner Lockley to allow Dr. Helen Tudor to paint "Chapman Schools" over the Avenue E. entrance to the Chapman Auditorium Building. Commissioner Parrish seconded the motion. Motion carried; 5-0.

Commissioner Parrish requested an ADA accessible sign for the floating dock at the Abercrombie Boat Ramp. Mr. Moron agreed to take care of this matter.

The review committee selected, and FDOT concurred, Inovia as the #1 firm to provide engineering services for the County Road 67 (Tallahassee Street) sidewalk project.

Motion by Commissioner Sanders to authorize staff to begin negotiations with Inovia. Commissioner Parrish seconded the motion. Motion carried; 5-0

Preble-Rish has informed me that they are ready to begin the design phase of the paving project. During the design phase, there is still the opportunity to make some changes to your list of roads. Board action to authorize Preble-Rish to begin the design phase.

Motion by Commissioner Parrish to authorize Preble-Rish to begin the design phase. Motion seconded by Commissioner Jackel. Motion carried; 5-0. Commissioner Jackel discussed the money available for each district. Mr. Moron presented the amount. Commissioner Jackel stated Mr. Clay Kennedy, Preble-Rish, needs to be aware the amount is \$422,365 per district per the Finance Department.

Update on the Armory renovation project: There will be a pre-construction meeting on Friday, July 24, and the Notice to Proceed will be issued on Monday July 27. Mr. Curenton expects that the project will be completed by year's end, as it is a 150-day project. At the July 7 meeting, it was reported that the contract for the Armory renovation project was awarded to DHR, actually the contract was awarded to Birkshire Johnstone, LLC.

Commissioner Jackel stated at the preconstruction meeting it needs to be made known that local subcontractors need to be used in this project and it will be questioned when bills are submitted for payment.

In the July 9, 2015 edition of the Apalachicola Times there was an article regarding Mr. George Floyd's work on the boat basin on St. George Island. Mr. Floyd was quoted as saying that he was guided by advice from Franklin County and other State, Local, and private entities. As far as I know, Mr. Floyd has never approached the Board of County Commissioners or County staff to discuss this project. Additionally, the County was not part of the permitting process that allowed Mr. Floyd to do this project.

Mr. Moron expressed concern the Board is going to get calls and are not familiar with this project.

Inform the Board that the Department of Economic Opportunity approved the \$25,000 technical assistance grant that was submitted on June 15, 2015 to create an online GIS based planning map for Franklin County. Cindy Clark will be handling.

Commissioner Jackel said this is the third year it was submitted and finally received funding.

Inform the Board that Attorney Shuler and I met with Dewberry on Thursday July 16 to begin negotiations as our RESTORE Act consultants. Attorney Shuler will review the contract and I will review the Scope of Services for the Multi-Year Implementation Plan (Gulf County version) along with the Planning Application Grant checklist. Copies of these documents are attached. Another meeting is planned in August after Mr. Pierce's return.

Mr. Moron will start with the Gulf County version and make any changes. He will then review the changes with Attorney Shuler and move forward.

Commissioner Lockley questioned news that Franklin County received \$1,000,000.00 under the Restore Program. Chairman Massey said it was the City of Apalachicola. Mr. Moron stated there are negotiations but the amount of money has not been decided. Commissioner Sanders said her understanding is the City of Apalachicola filed a claim for lost revenue but to her knowledge the County did not lose the revenue they were asking about.

Inform the Board that Attorney Shuler and I met with Mr. Bill Williams, Walton County's Restore Consultant, to discuss project "Team North Florida". Mr. Williams explained that this is the effort of the 8 impacted counties to join together to protect North Florida's interest with the different "pots" of BP funding. Mr. Williams stated

that this collaboration is very important, especially to protect the 75% - 25% split under Triumph. Congresswoman Gwen Graham, Congressman Jeff Miller, and Deputy Secretaries of the U.S. Department of Commerce have pledged their support for this project. He stated that it is important to note joining this "team" doesn't forfeit Franklin County's funding but actually protects the entire funding coming to North Florida. Mr. Williams has extended invitations to the Board, Attorney Shuler, and I, to a meeting in Santa Rosa Beach with speakers that will discuss this project further. The agenda is attached. Board discussion.

Commissioner Parrish asked the date of the meeting. Mr. Moron said the meeting will be held on July 27th. Commissioner Parrish stated in reading through the agenda it appears there are different people speaking from the different counties in the eight county coalition but not anyone from Franklin County. Commissioner Parrish said there needs to be more dialog if they want the County to be involved and not just notification of a meeting. Commissioner Parrish asked Mr. Moron to let them know Franklin County wants to work as a team and be fully included. Commissioner Jackel suggested Commissioner Sanders attend this meeting as she is the BP representative. Commissioner Sanders said any of the Board members can attend. Commissioner Parrish volunteered to attend this meeting. Motion by Commissioner Jackel to provide Commissioner Parrish with the means to attend the "Team North Florida" meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Jackel amended the motion to include Mr. Moron and Attorney Shuler attending the meeting. Commissioner Sanders seconded the motion. Motion carried; 5-0.

On Tuesday July 9, I met with representatives from the American Red Cross. Ms. Sharon Tyler and Ms. JoAnne Suggs discussed their agency's role in Franklin County and stated that they have spent over \$6000 thus far on Franklin County families who were in need. They are seeking donations from the County and any other private or public agency in the County. Board discussion.

Commissioner Sanders asked to wait until the Budget workshop to consider the request. She asked to put the American Red Cross on the schedule for the budget meeting. Mr. Moron agreed to let the Finance Department know.

At the last meeting only one JPA for the Airport was presented when there should have been 2. The second JPA is this; FDOT has increased the funds for Stormwater and Drainage improvements by \$134,574. Board action to sign supplemental JPA for additional funds so that the total funding for JPA 416047-6 is now for \$2,221,299. (For the record, the previous amount had been \$2,086,725.)

Motion by Commissioner Parrish to approve signing the supplemental JPA for additional funds. Seconded by Commissioner Sanders. Motion carried; 5-0.

Board action to award the Rehabilitate Airfield Pavement Project to Poloronis Construction as recommended by AVCON. AVCON recommends that the County award the Base Bid, and Additive Alternates Nos. 1, 2, and 5 that would bring Poloronis's bid to \$854,356.73, which will be less than the budgeted \$879,062.77 for this project. Avcon further recommends that the County apply for discretionary federal funding next year to complete this work.

Motion by Commissioner Lockley to award the Rehabilitate Airfield Pavement Project to Poloronis Construction in the amount of \$854,356.73 and apply for discretionary federal funding for next year to complete this work. Motion seconded by Commissioner Jackel. Motion carried; 5-0.

Chairman Massey stated the end of Arizona Street near the bay in Lanark Village needs some rock placed where kayaks are launched. The Board agreed the Road Department can place some rock in this area. Attorney Shuler concurred the Board can take this action.

Chairman Massey asked in relation to the Eastpoint Boat Ramp if Mr. Moron will request Representative Gwen Graham to come down and meet with the Board to try and get money to dredge the channel. Mr. Moron agreed to handle this request.

Commissioner Jackel said vendors on St. George Island are leaving their vehicles and wagons overnight in the public beach area. She reminded the Board they have been warned before. She asked staff to get with the County Attorney and write letter warning them as they are continuing to do this in violation of their agreement for using the public area.

Commissioner Jackel informed the Board she noticed the State of Florida flag in the Carrabelle Beach area is in bad shape. She asked Mr. Moron to check the flags around the county and make sure they are all in good shape. She said the State flag in Carrabelle definitely needs to be replaced.

Chairman Massey said he would like the second meeting in August to be in Carrabelle. Mr. Moron stated there is an evening hospital board workshop on that date. Chairman Massey changed his request that the first meeting in August be in Carrabelle. Motion by Commissioner Jackel to change the location of the first meeting in August to Carrabelle. Seconded by Commissioner Sanders. Motion carried; 5-0.

Commissioners Sanders asked if Ms. Kim Bodine contacted him about approval to get the administrative money switched to shelling money. Mr. Moron said she has not contacted him. Commissioner Sanders asked Mr. Moron to follow up with Ms. Bodine about his item.

Commissioner Sanders said she has been contacted by some oystermen and they are concerned about the Corp of Engineers (COE) dredging around the St. George Channel when the winter bars are opening as the filtering after dredging could cause the bay to be shut down. Commissioner Sanders requested Mr. Moron contact the COE to find out what the plan is for the dredging and ask the COE to do the dredging soon or wait so they can have a good oyster season. Commissioner Sanders said they are worried oystering will be closed for 3-4 weeks after dredging.

T. Michael Shuler – County Attorney – Report

Attorney Shuler said the Board needs to go back to an item from the Board of Adjustment agenda. He said there is one item from the July 8th Board of Adjustment special meeting that did not make it on the agenda for this morning. He presented a written handout to the Board concerning this item. Attorney Shuler said if the Board would like to consider this item they need to make a motion to amend the agenda to add this as Item #2 to the Board of Adjustment agenda and then a motion to approve or disapprove the recommendation. Motion by Commissioner Sanders to add this to the Board of Adjustment agenda to consider as Item #2. Motion seconded by Commissioner Lockley. Motion carried; 5-0. Attorney Shuler clarified the notice he presented is from the Public Hearing conducted by the Board of Adjustment on July 8th. He read the request as follows:

Request for a variance to construct a Single Family Dwelling 10 feet into the side setback line of 4th Street East, on property described as 333 East Gorrie Drive, also known as Lot 5, Block 12 East, Unit 1, St. George Island, Franklin County, Florida. The request is being submitted by Greg Prickett, Residential House Builders, Agent for Steve & Marsha Scanlan, Owners.

Attorney Shuler explained the details of this request. He informed the Board the staff recommendation to the Board of Adjustment was for approval of the variance request. He stated the Board of Adjustment unanimously approved sending this request to the Board. Commissioner Jackel requested a site plan. Attorney Shuler said he will get a site plan from the Planning Office.

Recessed at 10:30 a.m.

Reconvened at 10:35 a.m.

Attorney Shuler discussed the site plan, the structure location and the setbacks. He reminded the Board the staff recommendation is for approval. Motion by Commissioner Jackel to, based on the recommendation of the County Attorney and the Board of Adjustment, make a recommendation to approve this based on information provided that it does represent a hardship. Seconded by Commissioner Parrish. Motion carried; 5-0.

Attorney Shuler expressed concern with the lack of communication on items the Board directed him to look into regarding the Eastpoint Water & Sewer and Gramercy Plantation. He advised the Board if this is not resolved or if he is not able to make progress then it may need to proceed to enforcement. He said there is already action with the Eastpoint Water & Sewer and it will have to be set for final hearing. He reported he hoped to have a better response from Gramercy Plantation and hopefully will make progress before the next meeting.

Commissioners' & Public Comments

Mr. Moron reminded the Board the Budget Workshop is scheduled for Thursday at 9:00 a.m. If the meeting is not finished on Thursday then the Board will meet again on Friday.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

William Massey - Chairman

Attest:

Marcia M. Johnson - Clerk of Courts