

FEBRUARY 8, 2000 – REGULAR MEETING

The Board of County Commissioners, Walton County, Florida, held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 8, 2000, at 1:00 p.m., in the Commissioner’s Boardroom of the Walton County Courthouse.

The following Board members were present: Chairman Van Ness R. Butler, Jr., Vice-Chairman Randall Infinger, Commissioner Herman Walker, Commissioner Joel Paul, Jr., and Commissioner Gene Ryan. Ms. Shirl Williams, Administrative Supervisor, Mr. George Ralph Miller, County Attorney, and Mrs. Rhonda Skipper, Administrative Supervisor, to the Clerk of Courts, were also present.

Chairman Butler called the meeting to order followed by pledging allegiance to the American Flag and the invocation by Commissioner Walker.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Infinger, to approve the minutes of the following meetings: January 11, 2000-Regular Meeting; January 25, 2000-Regular Meeting; and February 1, 2000-Special Meeting. Ayes 5, Naves 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Mrs. Suedelle Wilkerson, Finance Supervisor, presented the Expenditure Approval List (EAL) consisting of the following bills for payment:

General Fund	\$ 399,581.61
County Transportation	303,548.16
Fine & Forfeiture	522,085.28
N. Walton Mosquito	1,797.53
Walton-DeFuniak Library	12,332.51
Solid Waste Enterprise	14,144.94
TDC	28,909.13
Recreation Plat Fee	1,271.69
Mossy Head VFD	605.62
Glendale VFD	9,266.11
Darlington VFD	2,069.09
Liberty VFD	820.37

Red Bay	\$ 1,941.12
Section 8	131,890.36
Multi-Purpose Trust Fund	20,148.47

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Walker, to approve payment of bills as presented on the EAL. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Walker, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve payment to Cano Corporation in the amount of \$1,098.88 and Wareforce in the amount of \$4,547.40 for relocation of equipment at the South Walton Tax Collector's Office. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Infinger, to approve the purchase of an ATV for Mosquito Control from Fort Walton Beach Honda in the amount of \$5,399.00. Ayes 4, Nays 1. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Naye, Paul Aye.

Attorney Miller arrived.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve payment to Glendale Volunteer Fire Department for engine repairs in the amount of \$7,245.00. The Board also instructed Attorney Miller and Ms. Williams to contact the Glendale Volunteer Fire Department and advise that any unauthorized work done in the future will not be paid. Ayes 4, Nays 1. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Naye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve the purchase of books from Educational Marketing Services in the amount of \$2,085.85 for

the Walton-DeFuniak Library. Ayes 5, Naves 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve the purchase of two (2) computers from Dell in the amount of \$1,528.00 each for Central Purchasing and Landfill. Ayes 5, Naves. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve the following purchase for the South Walton Tourist Development Council:

Fixtures - Sunnymax	\$ 626.44
Promotional items - A-Z Specialties	\$9,078.00
Promotional items - Specialty Advertising Concept	\$2,392.12

Ayes 5, Naves 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Mr. Haynes supplied the Board with information he received concerning the auction process for the ten vehicles surplused from the Sheriff's Department. Mr. Haynes advised that to transport the vehicles to Tallahassee would cost approximately \$2,500.00. Mr. Haynes stated that he met with Mr. Jerry Fountain, County Shop/Purchasing Manager, regarding previous auction activities in Tallahassee and was advised that the average unit yield was \$800.00.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Infinger, to approve the Purchasing Agent to advertise the ten vehicles, formerly in service at the Sheriff's Department, for sealed bids. Ayes 4, Naves 1. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Naye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Walker, second by Commissioner Paul, to approve the purchase of a heater for the Welding Shop at Central Purchasing from McMaster-Carr

Supply Company in the amount of \$4,836.00. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Chairman Butler advised that the Sheriff's Department acquired three quotes for the purchase of a jet ski and stated that Jet Wheels, Inc., of Panama City Beach, Florida, presented the lowest quote. Chairman Butler informed the Board that Captain Greg Gandy and the Beach Patrol Officers examined the SLH Polaris in regards to safety, convenience, and maintenance and requested the Board's consideration in purchasing this model.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Ryan, to waive the bid procedure and approve the purchase of a SLH Polaris jet ski in the amount of \$5,199.00 from Jet Wheels, Inc., Panama City Beach, Florida. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye. The Board requested Chairman Butler to advise the Sheriff's Department that all purchases in excess of \$3,000.00 must be directed to the Purchasing Department.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Ryan, to accept the recommendation of Mr. Ronnie Bell, Public Works Director, and approve payment of the following, based upon review and approval of Preble-Rish, Consulting Engineer:

Long Road, EWP - Natural Resource Conservation Services - \$122,531.5  
Yorkie/Long Road, FEMA – Murphree Bridge - \$60,262.33  
W.C. Currington Bridge & Campground Bridge, FEMA – Fairchild, Inc. - \$221,319.13  
Sandy Ramp, FEMA – Bullard Excavating - \$37,715.00  
Allen Road, EWP – North Florida Construction - \$31,374.49  
Fishpond Branch Improvements, EWP – North Florida Construction - \$33,719.60  
Mack Bayou, EWP – Hayes Construction - \$55,404.75

Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Paul, to approve a request by Northwest Florida Water Management for installation and maintenance of two saltwater monitoring wells in the Ed Walline Park for data collection. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Paul, to accept the recommendation of Mr. Bell and approve the site preparation proposal submitted by George & Associates in the amount of \$18,977.00 for the New Coastal Branch Library. Ayes 5, Naye 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Attorney Miller advised Mr. Bell that St. Joe/Arvida expressed a desire to volunteer the services of their architectural staff to offer assistance to the County regarding the New Town Center. Attorney Miller stated that St. Joe/Arvida wished to extend this offer to Mr. Charles Carlan, CarlanKillam Consulting Group, Inc. , whereas, Mr. Bell stated he would relay the offer to Mr. Carlan.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Infinger, to approve for the Board to enter into a Developer's Agreement with Pintail Development Corporation to provide engineering plans for the paving of approximately four hundred feet of Veterans Road, District 5. The agreement will stipulate that Pintail will share one-half of the paving cost of Veterans Road and with the Board's approval of a Resolution, for the future extension of Veterans Road from U.S. Highway 98 North to Chat Holly Road in the County's five year road plan. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve inclusion of Mariner Way, District 5, on the County Maintained Road System Map.

Mariner Way was approved by the Board on May 12, 1998, for County maintenance.

Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve a proposal submitted by Hartman & Associates to perform a Phase I Environmental Assessment of the Waste Management property located on J.D. Miller Road, District 5, in the amount of \$2, 950.00. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Dr. William D. Permenter, Developer, presented the Board with the following list of roads located in Mossy Head requesting their consideration for county maintenance: Farrell Drive, Jeanine Way, Hannah Lane, Varen Circle, Elmwood Road, Delaware Road, St. James Road, Luffa Lane, Cherokee Lane, Moultrie Drive, Cloud Drive, Blackfoot Drive, Coyote Road, Badger Drive, Bailie Road, East Burnis Road, West Burnis Road, Lucas Road, Osage Drive and Seneca Drive.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Infinger, to accept the roads as listed above for county maintenance. Ayes 4, Nays 1. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Naye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Infinger, to examine the existing County Maintained Road Policy and modify the policy to conform with the condition of roads not presently county maintained, on a case by case basis, and establish requirements for future development of roads. Ayes, 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

The Commissioners recessed briefly at 2:25 P.M.

The Commissioners reconvened at 2:40 P.M.

Captain Tom Pagels, Director, Emergency Operation Center, informed the Board that of the 312 applicants applying for grants within the Area I Regional Distribution Center, Walton County was one of the twenty-seven to be awarded within the State of Florida. Captain Pagels advised that these funds would construct two, 25,000 square foot warehouse buildings to be located on South Davis Lane at the Emergency Operation Center, for the County departments to utilize for space, inventory and storage.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve the following two Change Order requests:

Allen Road Improvements (a decrease of \$9,700.00) - \$188,452.04  
Fish Pond Branch Improvements (an increase of \$2,283.41) - \$198,779.63

Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Infinger, to approve adding the following County maintained roads to the County Maintained Road Systems Map: Vines Road, Simmons Road and Goldsmith Road, District 4. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye. Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Paul, to instruct Mr. Bell and Attorney Miller to negotiate with Couch Construction in regards to the increase of liquid asphalt cement for Bid #98-122, Multiple Paving Projects, District 2 & 3. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Walker, second by Commissioner Infinger, to accept Mr. Bell's recommendation and approve the right-of-entry agreement submitted by Eva Rushing and Clarence C. Rushing, to repair damage to a pond located on McHenry Road, District 1. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Walker, to accept Mr. Bell's recommendation and approve extension of the current contract with Edwards Paving Company, Bid #99-189, Little Creek, District 3, in the amount of \$2,000.00 for repairs to an existing culvert. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Infinger, to approve the contract amendment provided by CarlanKillam Consulting Group, Inc., in the amount of \$54,395.00 for Infrastructure Improvements for the New Government Complex. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Infinger, to accept the following roads located in Fox Den Subdivision, District 1, for county maintenance: Palmetto, Oakcrest, Magnolia Court. Ayes 4, Nays 1. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Naye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Paul, to approve the relocation of Old Ferry Road and instruct Attorney Miller, Mr. Bell and Mr. Lamar Sikes to identify the easement for the relocation.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Infinger, to approve extension of the current contract with C.W. Roberts for the 30A Bike Path. The approximate cost of \$137,548.00 includes ribbing curbing, milling and resurfacing of the bike path from the East side of Seaside on CR 30A to CR 395. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Mr. Bell expressed concerns regarding his review of the eighteen sites along 30A identified by the Trolley Franchise as stops. Mr. Bell explained that the proposed sites



are on county right of ways and the cost to establish these areas as stops is an enormous expense to the County. Mr. Bell further addressed the safety issue regarding the public boarding and departure from the trolley due to the location of these proposed stops being adjacent to county roads intersecting 30A.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Infinger, to authorize the Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for road repairs from County Road 1087 to the Okaloosa County line. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Mrs. Lynda Robinson, Human Resource Officer, presented the Board with a copy of the Walton County Safety Guidelines for Forklift Operation consisting of standards required by the Occupational Safety and Health Association (OSHA).

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Paul, to approve the Walton County Safety Guidelines for Forklift Operation. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Mrs. Robinson requested the Board delay the evaluation process for merit increase until completion of the Classification, Compensation and Performance Evaluation Study is conducted by Analytica.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Ryan, to allow time for the County Supervisory personnel to be trained in the evaluation procedure before completing the 1999/2000 evaluation reviews. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve hiring Ms. Amanda Murrell, Ms. Sarah Williams and Ms. Mandy Partridge as Contract

Laborers, Walton-DeFuniak Library, at \$6.50 per hour. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Infinger, to accept the recommendation of the Personnel Committee and approve hiring Mr. Patrick Shaw, District 5 Laborer, at \$6.75 per hour. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Ryan, to accept the recommendation of the Personnel Committee and approve hiring Mr. Bruce Infinger, as Equipment Operator II, Public Works, at \$8.90 per hour. The Board also approved to waive the high school diploma/GED requirement due to Mr. Infinger's experience in operating heavy equipment. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye. Commissioner Infinger stated that Mr. Bruce Infinger is not related to him.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Ryan, to accept the recommendation of the Personnel Committee and approve hiring Mr. Michael Schofield, as Equipment Operator I, Public Works, at \$8.10 per hour. The Board also approved to waive the high school diploma/GED requirement due to Mr. Schofield's experience in operating heavy equipment and completion of his GED. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve the nine month employee evaluation for Ms. Stacy Infinger, in the newly established position of Staff Assistant, South Walton Tourist Development Council with an increase in salary

to \$8.75 per hour. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Commissioner Walker questioned Mrs. Robinson concerning the evaluations and pay increases stating he understood that was the purpose of the Classification, Compensation and Performance Evaluation Study to ensure that everyone was compensated fairly. Commissioner Walker requested to change his previous vote to a nay vote until completion of the Study.

Commissioner Infinger informed the Board that Ms. Stacy Infinger is a relative of his, but was already employed with the County before his appointment to office.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve the six month employee evaluation for Ms. Diana Schuler, Information Specialist, South Walton Tourist Development Council, and grant a twenty-four cent increase in salary and place in full-time employment status. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve the three month employee evaluation for Ms. Erin Gilleran, TDC Mail Staff , with an increase in salary from \$5.50 to \$6.00 per hour. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve the six month employee evaluation with a one step pay increase and place in full-time employment status, District 4, the following: Mr. Paul Cich, Truck Driver, Mr. Charles Rutledge, Laborer, and Mr. Kenneth Weeks, Truck Driver. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve the six month employee evaluation for Ms. Susan Manning and Ms. Kathy Elswick, Couriers, Central Purchasing, with a one step pay increase and place in full-time employment status. Ayes 5, Naves 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve Human Resource to advertise the position of Truck Driver/Equipment Operator, Landfill, with a starting salary of \$6.50 to \$8.50 per hour or higher with a Class A CDL. Ayes 5, Naves 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Mrs. Robinson summarized the results of the Hazards Report conducted by the Florida Department of Labor & Employment Security identifying the specific hazards and corrective actions. Mrs. Robinson emphasized the value of having a Safety Officer based on the Hazards Report and advised that Mr. Greg Branning, Personnel Technician, was following up on the hazmat posting. Mrs. Robinson also stated that each department would assign someone to maintain the Occupational Injuries Log.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Infinger, to instruct Mrs. Robinson to negotiate the annual salary of \$40,000.00 with Mr. Jonathan Walker for the position of County Staff Attorney. If Mr. Walker declines the offer, the Board instructed Mrs. Robinson to negotiate the same terms with the first alternate, Mr. Ryan Mynard. Ayes 5, Naves 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Mrs. Robinson advised the Board that the reference checks conducted by herself and Mr. Hilton Galloway, Carr, Riggs and Ingram, CPA, of Ms. Gale Olstad and Ms. Anita Marlowe, for the position of Financial Director, did not meet the requirements of the Board.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Infinger, to direct Mrs. Robinson to proceed with the reference checks on Mr. Gary Scott and Ms. Melissa Thomason for the position of CPA. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye. Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Paul, to table the annual employee evaluation of Ms. Kriss Titus, Executive Director, South Walton Tourist Development Council, until Tuesday, February 22, 2000, Regular Meeting, for the Board's review. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Mrs. Robinson informed the Commissioners that the TDC Board voted on establishing an annual review process for the Executive Director position of the TDC and recommended that the Chairman or appointee of the TDC Board work with the Council Attorney and present the annual report to the Board of County Commissioners. Mrs. Robinson stated that the positions for Information Specialist and Beach Maintenance Attendant, TDC, are still in the advertising process.

Commissioner Walker requested Mrs. Robinson revise the policy regarding the job description requirement for applicants to have a high school diploma or GED. Commissioner Walker also requested that the new policy stipulate that the applicant provide documentation showing work-related experience in order to waive this requirement. The Board discussed from five to ten years of work-related experience in lieu of a high school diploma or GED. No action was taken on the number of years required. The Board requested Mrs. Robinson to present the draft changes for the Board's perusal and acceptance.

Motion by Commissioner Walker, second by Commissioner Paul, to approve a request by Mr. George Barnes to use CR 30A from Café 30A to Eastern Lake for the annual ArtsQuest event. The event is scheduled for Sunday, May 7, 2000, from 8:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. with the Sheriff's Department monitoring traffic. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Infinger, to approve advertisement of a Public Hearing for the draft ordinance reinstating a Design Review Board. The Public Hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, March 14, 2000, Regular Meeting, at 7:30 p.m. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Mr. Ken Little, Assistant Administrative Supervisor, updated the Commissioners on the negotiation contract with Watkins Engineers and Constructors for the Courthouse and South Walton Annex facilities and stated that Attorney Miller is reviewing the draft. Mr. Little informed the Board that a pre-negotiation meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 9, 2000, at 1:30 p.m., between himself, Watkins Engineers, Ms. Shirl Williams, Administrative Supervisor, Mr. Bell, Attorney Miller, Mr. Landgon Haynes, Purchasing Agent, Mr. Charles McMillian, Maintenance Supervisor, Mr. Larry Laird, Building/Zoning Supervisor, City of DeFuniak and Mr. Finley Skocdopole, Architectural Manager, CarlanKillam Consulting Group, Inc.

Mr. Little stated that he will present the Classification, Compensation and Performance Evaluation Study within two weeks allowing Attorney Miller's review of the proposed contract.

Commissioner Paul stepped out.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Walker, to approve the attendance of the Board of County Commissioners, Mr. Little and the County Staff Attorney to the Florida Association of Counties Legislative Day, in Tallahassee, Florida, on Wednesday, March 29, 2000. Ayes 4, Naves 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye.

Commissioner Paul returned.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve a request of Mr. Dan Owens, Acting Library Director, to enter into an contractual agreement with Panhandle Library Access Network, Inc., with an annual membership fee of \$500.00. Ayes 5, Naves 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Walker, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve Mr. Matt Douglas, EMS Director, to attend the Florida Rural Health Association's Sixth Annual Conference, in Ocala, Florida, February 22-26, 2000, in the amount of \$175.00 plus hotel accommodations and travel expense. Ayes 5, Naves 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Mr. Douglas presented the 1999 Walton County Emergency Medical Service Call Summary & Portfolio for the Board's review.

The Commissioners recessed briefly at 4:00 p.m.

The Commissioners reconvened at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Butler called to order the advertised public hearing regarding Budget Amendment #4 for fiscal year 2000.

Ms. Martha Ingle, Budget Officer, presented Budget Amendment #4 for approval as presented in Exhibit A.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Ryan, to adopt Resolution (2000-04) approving Budget Amendment #4. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Walker, to adopt Resolution (2000-05) approving the Hazard Mitigation Grant as presented in Exhibit B. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Walker, to approve a request by the United Volunteer Fire Department to transfer their allocated monies, totaling \$25,119.28, directly into the UVFD account. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Chairman Butler called to order the advertised public hearing to consider the Planning Commission's recommendations.

Mr. Rob Neale, Chairman of the Planning Commission, appeared before the Board and presented the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve Dr. Charles Barniv's request to amend the Future Land Use Map on approximately 5.87 acres currently zoned Infill to Coastal Center. The property is located east of Holiday Road and South of U.S. Highway 98.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Ryan, to adopt Ordinance (2000-02) and approve amending the Future Land Use Map from Infill to Coastal Center. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.



Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Paul, to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve, subject to approval of the County Engineer Technical review and continuing a six to eight foot fence on the property line next to Avalon Beach, Dalton RV Park, Phase II.. Ayes 5, Naves 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Infinger, to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve, subject to submittal of FDEP Stormwater Permit and final approval of the County Engineer, Emerald Coast Christian Center. Ayes 5, Naves 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Paul, to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commissioner and approve Fox Run Subdivision located at the east end of Crest Drive and west of Bayside Subdivision, Phase II. Ayes 5, Naves 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Ryan, to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve, subject to submittal of State permits and approval of the Planning Technical review, the proposed Resurrection Catholic Church located South of U.S. 98 on the east side of Ponce de Leon Street. Ayes 5, Naves 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Infinger, to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the New Town Study Area prepared by Mr. Tom Blackshear, County Planner. The defined area is bound by Church Street on the west, U.S. 98 to the south, U.S. 331 on the east, and Choctawhatchee Bay

to the north. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Mr. Neale mentioned the following recommendations for the New Town Study area:

1. Direct the County staff to work with Okaloosa-Walton Community College, the Walton County School District and other governmental entities to develop a traffic circulation plan for the Government and Education Center;
2. Adding Veterans Road to the Future Traffic Circulation Map to better facilitate hurricane evacuation and internal traffic circulation;
3. Consider traffic circulation opportunities that would be lost in the event of right-of-way abandonment;
4. Support extension of water and sewer throughout the study area and explore ways to make the water and sewer taps more affordable for low to moderate income households located within the study area;
5. Support the County's stormwater master planning and stormwater master plan implementation efforts;
6. Four laning U.S. Highway 331 for a hurricane evacuation prior to four laning State Road 20;
7. All public buildings south of the Choctawhatchee Bay to be designated/utilized as "severe weather shelters as a last resort" and be equipped with "state of emergency" supplies;
8. Hurricane evacuation routes to be placed at top priority for road improvements and forward this recommendation of the MPO.

Mr. Neale appeared before the Board regarding the advertised public hearing concerning Sandestin Notice of Proposed Change and stated that the Planning Commission recommends that this is a non-substantial deviation.

Members of the audience spoke and urged the Board to accept the recommendation. Mr. Vance Askew presented a correspondence package regarding this matter to the Clerk.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Walker, to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and adopt Ordinance (2000-03) approving Sandestin Notice of Proposed Change. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Chairman Butler called to order the advertised public hearing regarding the Residential Building Size Constraint Ordinance.

Mr. Ken Little appeared before the Board with a draft ordinance prepared by residents of Grayton Beach. Members of the audience spoke in regards to the large number of homeowners and property owners attending the meeting held at Grayton Beach and the stated that the meeting was adequately represented. Ms. Kelly Buzzett, with unanimous approval from the audience, requested the Board to consider adopting the ordinance as an “emergency ordinance”.

Chairman Butler passed the Chair to Vice-Chairman Infinger. Vice-Chairman Infinger accepted the Chair.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Butler, to adopt the Residential Building Size Constraint as an “Emergency Ordinance”.

Further discussion included adopting the ordinance as an “emergency” ordinance versus extending the existing moratorium, whereas, members of the audience firmly agreed that the extension of the moratorium would cause a hardship.

Motion by Commissioner Walker, to amend the previous motion to “sunset” within six months. The motion died for lack of a second.

Commissioner Infinger requested the Board to vote on the original motion and read the motion: adopt Ordinance (2000-04), Residential Building Size Constraint, as an “emergency” ordinance. Mr. Paul? Aye. Mr. Ryan? Aye. Mr. Walker? Naye. Mr. Butler? Aye, Infinger Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Butler, second by Commissioner Paul, to approve advertisement for a public hearing to adopt the Residential Building Size Constraint Ordinance on Tuesday, March 14, 2000, at 7:45 p.m. Ayes 5, Naves 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Mr. Neale requested direction from the Board regarding the Planning Commission’s meeting February 17, 2000, whereas, the Board recommended that the Planning Commission continue with the meeting to take input from the public and provide their recommendation to the Board.

Chairman Butler accepted the Chair back.

The Commissioners recessed briefly at 7:10 p.m.

The Commissioners reconvened at 7:25 p.m.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Infinger, to schedule Thursday, preceding the Tuesday scheduled Board of County Commissioner’s meeting, as the deadline date for scheduling to appear on the agenda. Ayes 3, Naves 2. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Naye, Paul Naye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Ryan, to table the Coastal Dune Lake Task Force issue until Tuesday, February 22, 2000, regular meeting,

for further review. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Walker, to approve installation of a street light at Blue Heron Drive, District 5. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Attorney Miller updated the Board on the following:

1. Mossy Head property negotiations: St. Joe favorable with the request of \$750.00 per acre with the Board executing a tax advantage letter to St. Joe.
2. South Walton Fire District lease: Mr. Les Halman, Chief, South Walton Fire Department, reviewing the lease prepared by Attorney Miller.
3. McDonald sign contract: met with Mr. Bell and Mr. McDonald regarding the provision in that contract stating that all signs will be inspected every thirty days and Mr. McDonald request to have the opportunity to inspect the signs every sixty days. Will attempt to deliver a draft contract for the Board's perusal in two weeks.
4. Trolley Resolution: revisiting the Resolution prepared by Attorney Chesser regarding discrepancies of the terms previously agreed to by the Board. Will attempt to present a draft document for the Board's review in two weeks.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Infinger, to authorize Attorney Miller to contact Mrs. Joanne Wright advising her that in the event the Workman's Compensation, the Insurance Company (Florida League of Cities) or the Trust Fund cannot provide the funds needed for her impending knee replacement surgery, the County will provide the funds for the surgery. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Walker, to approve Chairman Butler's signature on the lease agreement, prepared by Attorney Miller, with South Walton Fire District for the District 5 Road

Department. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Ryan, to adopt Resolution (2000-06) and authorize Commissioner Walker, upon Attorney Miller's review and approval, to sign the contract with the State of Florida regarding the land exchange for the South Walton Sheriff's Substation. Ayes 4, Nays 1. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Naye.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Infinger, to adopt Ordinance (2000-05), Additional Homestead Exemption for Persons 65 and Older, for the 1999 tax year. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Walker, second by Commissioner Infinger, to proceed with the intent to adopt an ordinance for the Additional Homestead Exemption for Persons 65 and Older, for the 2000 tax year. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Chairman Butler called to order the advertised public hearing regarding the Community Sign Directory Ordinance.

Mr. Little appeared before the Board to present the first public hearing regarding the Community Sign Directory and a draft copy of the proposed Ordinance. There were no comments from the public. The second public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, February 22, 2000, regular meeting, at 5:00 p.m.

Motion by Commissioner Paul, second by Commissioner Infinger, to approve a request by the Freeport Little League to support their endeavors to

purchase additional equipment in the amount of \$5,002.90. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Walker, second by Commisisoner Infinger, to accept the recommendation by Mrs. Melissa Beasley, Supervisor of Elections, for the consolidation of Precinct 31, Lakewood into Paxton (5), Gaskin (9) and Caney Creek (21). The consolidation is due to the inadequate polling place and lack of another facility in the precinct. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Walker, second by Commissioner Infinger, to accept the recommendation of Carlan Killam and approve hiring Mr. George Demmy as the Special Detention Facility Consultant to review the renovation plans for the County Jail. The cost for this service is \$5,200.00. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commisisoner Walker, second by Commissioner Infinger, to purchase an advertisement marker for the Relay for Life from the North Walton unit of the American Cancer Society in the amount of \$110.00. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve Chairman Butler's signature on the YMCA agreement stating the compensation provisions as approved in the 1999/2000 fiscal year budget. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Walker, second by Commisisoner Infinger, to approve a federal grant application request by the Glendale Volunteer Fire

Department (GVFD) in the amount of \$28,420.00 to purchase radios and a compressed air foam system. This is a matching grant. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Paul, to approve funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA #1195-0064), in the amount of \$192,931.00 with the County's match of \$32,156.00. The grant will allow the purchase of four properties located in the flood plain under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Ryan, to approve the proposal submitted by Larry M. Jacobs & Associates, Inc., for the additional Geotechnical Services for the Courthouse Addition in the amount of \$3,945.50 to \$4,767.50. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Paul, to approve the proposal submitted by CarlanKillam in the amount of \$79,378.00 for additional services for the development of the second level parking deck for the Courthouse complex. Ayes 4, Nays 1. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Naye, Paul Aye.

Mr. Phil Givens, Fireboard Chairman, requested the Board provide a list identifying all bridges in Walton County and the weight limitations of each. Mr. Givens advised the Board that the fire departments respond as mutual aid with other departments and the weight of the fire trucks and equipment is about 30,000



to 35,000 pounds, therefore, preventing the fire apparatus to cross or causing unsafe passage across the bridges. Mr. Givens stated that information concerning the weight limitations would allow each fire department to choose, if necessary, an alternate route to respond promptly to a call. The Board requested Mr. Givens to contact Mr. Bell at Public Works for this information.

Mr. Givens invited the Commissioner to a "live burn" training exercise scheduled for Saturday, February 19, 2000, at 8 a.m. The burn is to be held on the grounds of the Gaskin Baptist Church and the old Gaskin School as the structure to be burned for this major fire disaster training program. Mr. Givens announced the participating fire units invited and the participating agencies included advising that the latest fire fighting equipment and materials will be provided by various vendors and tested on this exercise.

Reverend Tyrone Broadus appeared before Board questioning the status of road sign for Lily of the Valley Road, District 4. The Board requested Attorney Miller contact Ms. Anne Seymour and request that she allow the road to remain open. Chairman Butler advised that he would instruct the Road Department to install the sign.

There being no further discussion, motion by Commissioner Infinger, second by Commissioner Ryan, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Ryan Aye, Infinger Aye, Butler Aye, Walker Aye, Paul Aye.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Van Ness R. Butler, Jr., Chairman

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dan Bodiford, Clerk

