

JULY 10, 2001-REGULAR MEETING

The Board of County Commissioners, Walton County, Florida, held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, July 10, 2001 at 1:00 p.m. in the Tourist Development Council's Meeting Room.

The following Board members were present: Commissioner Tim Pauls, Vice-Chairman Lane Rees and Commissioner Gene Ryan. Attorney Jonathan Walker and Ms. Martha Ingle, Clerk of Courts, were also present.

Commissioner Pauls led with prayer following the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Vice-Chairman Rees called the meeting to order and announced that Commissioner Walker's absence was due to his being out of town for court.

Mrs. Patti Yates, Finance Supervisor, presented the Expenditure Approval List consisting of the following bills for payment:

General Fund	\$517,557.95
County Transportation Trust	77,816.58
Fine & Forfeiture	487,814.66
Mosquito Control State	166.50
North Walton Mosquito Control	364.85
Walton-DeFuniak Library	13,082.89
Solid Waste Enterprises	2,943.16
Mossy Head VFD	155.74
Glendale VFD	77.69
Darlington VFD	<948.48>
Liberty VFD	963.81
Red Bay VFD	7,014.87
Driftwood Debt Services	256.89
Capital Projects Fund	922,240.57
Tourist Development Council	123,483.56
Section 8 Housing	158.91

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Pauls to approve payment of bills as presented on the Expenditure Approval List. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Pauls to approve payment to Leavins-Hughes Well Drilling in the amount of \$13,067.50 for installation of wells under the CDBG Grant. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. William Imfeld, Financial Director, presented a revised copy of the Heavy Equipment Acquisition/Disposition Policy for final approval. The Commissioners presented the policy to Mr. Russ Barry, Public Director, and asked for his review.

Mr. Imfeld presented a budget amendment request for the Supervisor of Elections in the amount of \$120,000.00. The unanticipated revenues are from the Department of State for the Voter Education Grant.

Motion by Commissioner Pauls, second by Commissioner Ryan to adopt a resolution (01-42) amending \$120,000.00 into the Supervisor of Elections budget. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. Imfeld presented a proposed resolution for consideration of a Joint Participation Agreement between the County and Florida Department of Transportation providing for drainage and resurfacing of Church Street at Churchhill and Chat Holley roads.

Motion by Commissioner Pauls, second by Commissioner Ryan to adopt a resolution (01-43) authorizing the execution of a Joint Participation Agreement for the Church Street project. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. Imfeld presented a proposed resolution for consideration of a Joint Participation Agreement between the County and Florida Department of Transportation providing for drainage and resurfacing of County Road 2 from SR 187 (US 331) to SR 83.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Pauls to adopt a resolution (01-44) authorizing the execution of a Joint Participation Agreement for the resurfacing of County Road 2. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. Imfeld presented a proposed resolution for consideration of a Joint Participation Agreement between the County and Florida Department of Transportation providing for drainage and resurfacing of County Road 2 from SR 83 to the Holmes County line.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Pauls to adopt a resolution (01-45) authorizing the execution of a Joint Participation Agreement for the resurfacing of County Road 2 from SR 83 to the Holmes County line. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. Imfeld advised the Commissioners that the RFP's for the Noise Ordinance Consulting Services are being reviewed at this time. He stated that one bid submitted was in the amount of \$32,050.00 and requested additional time to review them further. Mrs. Nancy James reminded the Board that Mrs. Brockett had previously stated that she knows an individual who would volunteer their services.

Mrs. Angie Biddle, Grants Coordinator, appeared before the Commissioners requesting approval to advertise for RFP's for contractor services for the well and septic

tank abandonment, which is required under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program through FEMA.

Motion by Commissioner Pauls, second by Commissioner Ryan to approve Mrs. Biddle's request to advertise for RFP's for contracting services for well and septic tank abandonment. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mrs. Biddle explained that the contract with the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) for the CDBG road paving projects will expire in September; however, the paving contractors have 180 days to complete the project. Therefore, she requested approval to request an extension from DCA.

Motion by Commissioner Pauls, second by Commissioner Ryan to approve to hold a public hearing on July 24, 2001 to consider an extension for the CDBG road paving grant. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. Russ Barry, Public Works Director, appeared before the Board giving his approval of the Heavy Equipment Acquisition/Disposition Policy.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Pauls, to approve the Heavy Equipment Acquisition/Disposition Policy. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. Barry explained that three bids were submitted for the paving of the Liberty Volunteer Fire Department's parking area. Mr. Barry recommended Gulf Coast Paving and Grading, low bid in the amount of \$12,337.65.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Pauls to accept Mr. Barry's recommendation and award the low bid to Gulf Coast Paving and Grading in the

amount of \$12,337.65 for the paving of Liberty Volunteer Fire Department's parking area. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. Barry presented a request for the purchase of chemicals for North Walton Mosquito Control. Clarke Mosquito Control Products presented the low quote in the amount of \$41,000.00 for the purchase of 2000 gallons of Permethrin.

Motion by Commissioner Pauls, second by Commissioner Ryan to approve the purchase of chemical supplies from Clark Mosquito Control Products in the amount of \$41,000.00. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. Barry requested direction from the Commissioners regarding the hauling of fill for Sacred Heart Hospital. The request is for 60,000 cubic yards at an estimated cost of \$175,000.00 to the county for hauling. Mr. Barry estimated that it would take three months to complete the project with the use of one truck from each district and a loader. Mr. Barry explained that the county has several trucks and a loader that will be sent to auction that could be used. Commissioner Pauls requested that Public Works staff prepare a recommendation to complete the work without impacting the county crews from continuing their daily work. The Board deferred further discussion of this issue pending an updated recommendation.

Mr. Ronnie Bell, Emergency Response Director, appeared before the Commissioners and presented a modification to the contract for the South Walton Governmental Center - JD Miller Road connector in the amount of \$40,340.00. The amendment represents the furnishing of engineering and related services. Mr. Bell submitted a separate amendment for the Core Area Phase I in the amount of \$5,135.00 and recommended approval of both amendments.

Motion by Commissioner Pauls, second by Commissioner Ryan to grant approval of both amendments to the Contract for the South Walton Governmental Center. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. Bell advised that a team meeting was held regarding a requested change to the Sheriff's Sub Station. Sheriff Johnson requested that additional conduit be run in the annex resulting in an additional cost of \$4,542.00, which would be taken from contingencies. Mr. Bell recommended approval.

Mr. Brian Kellenberger, Watkins Constructors, stated that the change is due to the needs of the new Sheriff over the needs of the past Sheriff. He further explained that the change consists of installing additional conduit for phone lines and radio equipment.

Motion by Commissioner Pauls, second by Commissioner Ryan to approve the change order as requested by Sheriff Johnson. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. Bell presented a request on behalf of Mossy Head Volunteer Fire Department for the purchase of a set of Jaws-of-Life. He explained that they previously purchased a set in 1997 and now desire to upgrade their equipment. The cost of the new set is \$8,000.00 and a trade allowance of \$4,000.00 will be given.

Motion by Commissioner Pauls, second by Commissioner Ryan to approve the trade of county equipment, Jaws of Life, and authorize the purchase of new equipment. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. Bell requested clarification for previous Board action regarding the Animal Control Ordinance. During the June 12th meeting the Board appointed the Humane Society as the Animal Control Authority; however, this did not extend their contract with

the County. Mr. Bell also presented information regarding leash laws and operational procedures from various counties. Mr. Bell recommended the Board advertise for RFP's offering a variety of alternatives for operation of the Humane Society. Commissioner Ryan commented on the need to incorporate all necessary provisions to assure that all services will be provided. Mr. Bell will work with Attorney Walker in drafting a RFP and present it to the Board at a later date for final review before advertising.

Ms. Linda Morse commented on the need to hire a licensed Veterinarian to work with the Humane Society. Vice-Chairman Rees requested this concern be considered when drafting the RFP.

Commissioner Pauls stated that an analysis of the current facilities is needed for clarification in the RFP in the event an entity could provide the service but not the facility.

Discussion was held regarding the current status of the leash law. Attorney Walker stated that it was his opinion that the leash law still remains in effect. Further discussion centered on the need for a specific leash law for south of the Bay. Mr. Scott Wheeler, Animal Control Officer, spoke about the number of calls the Humane Society receives after hours from the Sheriff's Department. He stated that they will respond in an emergency, otherwise they wait to respond until the following morning.

Commissioner Pauls stated that clarification is needed. Mr. Bell agreed to work with the Legal Services Department. Ms. Sara Comander suggested more signs be installed and additional enforcement be provided.

Ms. Patsy Register, Animal Control Director, stated that the amendment that recently occurred adding the word "vicious" removed their ability to pick up dogs

running lose that are not vicious. The Board agreed to revisit this issue at the next meeting.

Mr. Bell presented information regarding Encephalitis Information Seminars. He advised that two confirmed cases of Encephalitis have been confirmed in Walton County in horses.

Mr. Ken Little, Citizen Service Director, presented a list of items being donated to the Coastal Branch Library. The items consist of interior and exterior items. Ms. Nancy James advised that the Friends of The Library have contracted with an architect for the mural and fountain.

Motion by Commissioner Pauls, second by Commissioner Ryan to approve acceptance of the donated items for the Coastal Branch Library. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. Little presented a request for a vehicle beach permit variance for Ellis Cartwright. Mr. Cartwright is a long-term renter in Walton County in Gulf Vista Townhomes.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Pauls to grant the requested variance. After further discussion Commissioner Pauls requested the motion be amended to approve the request subject to limiting travel on that portion of state owned property only; not to allow travel on any private owned property. Commissioner Ryan agreed to the amendment. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. Little presented an additional invoice from New-Tel Communications in the amount of \$3,889.85 for the installation of eight (8) additional phone lines and equipment at the Warren Building.

Motion by Commissioner Pauls, second by Commissioner Ryan to approve payment to New-Tel Communications in the amount of \$3,889.85 for additional equipment installed at the Warren Building. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. Little updated the Commissioners on the 364 HUD vouchers Walton County currently holds. He advised that additional vouchers have not been applied for because the system is currently working well. Representatives in Jacksonville advised that Walton County maintains a good balance with the number of vouchers versus the turnover rate. Mr. Little stated that he would be researching this issue further.

Mr. Bell advised that he is currently looking at each road individually and matching them with addresses. He will continue researching this issue.

Mr. Gary Mattison, Human Resource Director, introduced the following newly hired staff members: Mr. Jack Arthur, Growth Management; Ms. Jane Higdon, Public Relations for the Tourist Development Council; Mr. Patrick Marcey, Parks/Recreation Director; Mr. Gary Vorbeck, Legal Director; and Mr. Michael Underwood, County Administrator. Vice-Chairman Rees commended Mr. Mattison for his professionalism in hiring of these positions.

Mrs. Darlene Lock, Emerald Coast Associates, presented the final plat for Seacrest Beach, Phase 4A for approval. Attorney Walker reviewed the plat and advised that it was in order.

Motion by Commissioner Pauls, second by Commissioner Ryan to approve Seacrest Beach, Phase 4A final plat for recording. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Commissioner Jones arrived.

Ms. Ingle presented a request to release a Gestetner Copier, CC #623, from her custody for disposal by the Board.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Jones to accept surplus equipment from the Clerk's Office. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Jones Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. Thomas Jenkins presented Bayou Bend Subdivision final plat for approval. Attorney Walker reviewed the plat and found it to be in order.

Motion by Commissioner Pauls, second by Commissioner Jones to approve Bayou Bend Subdivision final plat for recording. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Jones Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Vice-Chairman Rees reported that the bike path on CR 30A is progressing well and will report again on this issue at the next meeting.

The Board recessed at 3:15 p.m. and reconvened at 5:00 p.m. for their regular meeting.

Mr. John King appeared before the Commissioners and presented the final plat for Botany Bayou Subdivision. Attorney Walker reviewed the plat and found it to be in order.

Motion by Commissioner Pauls, second by Commissioner Ryan to approve Botany Bayou Subdivision final plat for recording. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Jones Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Vice-Chairman Rees called to order the advertised public hearing to consider the Village Mixed Use Land Use Category Ordinance. Commissioner Pauls gave a brief

overview of the change. He stated that the change will provide better consistency. There were no public comments.

Motion by Commissioner Pauls, second by Commissioner Jones to approve the amendment to the Walton County Land Development Code as it pertains to the Village Mixed Use Land Use Category Ordinance (2001-10). Ayes 4, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Jones Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Attorney Walker addressed the Board regarding a contract for the clay pit on Vines Road. He advised the Commissioners that a previous Board entered into a contract to purchase clay from the pit. The contract expired in 1998 and it has been requested that it be renewed. Commissioner Ryan explained that utilizing this pit would lesson the costs of hauling for various CDBG road-paving projects. Discussion followed regarding requirement of DEP when returning the pit to standards.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Pauls to approve to enter into an agreement with Susan Harvell for the Vines Road clay pit subject to meeting the specified requirements of DEP. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Jones Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Attorney Walker updated the Commissioners on the progress of establishing a committee to draft an occupational license for the county. He has spoken with Pam Tedesco of the Chamber of Commerce and Mr. Tom Powell of the Economic Development Council, who are both willing to provide their assistance. He requested the Commissioners forward the names of their individual appointments in order to proceed.

Vice-Chairman Rees read a letter from Attorney Miller regarding a previous request to look into funding of non-profit organizations. He stated that it was his opinion

that it is appropriate to provide funding as long as a determination has been made that a public purpose was being served. Furthermore, it is not found to be of conflict for a Commissioner to serve on the board of a non-profit organization.

Vice-Chairman Rees opened the floor for public comments. Mr. Don Crim pointed out to the Commissioners the safety hazard that was created at the last meeting. He stated that numerous cars were parked along Highway 98 and Highway 331 due to the numerous people attending the meeting. Mr. Crim asked the Commissioners to consider holding the meetings at a location sufficient to hold the crowd. Vice-Chairman Rees agreed. He suggested holding the first Tuesday night's meeting at Butler Elementary at 5:00 p.m. to consider the Planning Commission's recommendation and begin looking at ways to better accommodate the public.

Vice-Chairman Rees called to order the advertised public hearing to consider the Coast Center Mixed Use Land Use Category Ordinance. Commissioner Pauls explained that this land use category is found only in District 5. He stated that this change is being made to allow for consistency as to what types of commercial is allowed in Coastal Center. The new language allows General Commercial within the mixed-use category. No one from the audience voiced any opposition.

Motion by Commissions Pauls, second by Commissioner Jones to approve the amendment to the Walton County Land Development Code as it pertains to the Village Mixed Use Center Land Use Category Ordinance. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Jones Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Commissioner Ryan advised the Board that Mr. Freddy Baker, Council On Aging, would be putting information together regarding the assisted living facility at the old

hospital. He stated that it is his understanding that the grant is site specific. Commissioner Pauls recommended allowing the legal staff to review the contract due to the amount of renovations needed at the old hospital.

Commissioner Ryan advised the Board that Mr. Blanchard has purchased the property at Alaqua Creek. Previous discussion was held regarding the possibility of creating a picnic or boating area on a parcel of property to the north. He advised that a grant in the amount of \$150,000.00 is available with a match of \$90,000.00. The potential parcel is appraised at \$90,000.00, which would leave \$60,000.00 that could be performed as in-kind services.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Jones to allow Mrs. Angie Biddle to proceed with a grant application for the Alaqua project. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Jones Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye. Commissioner Pauls requested the Parks/Recreation Director be involved with this project.

Mr. Bell advised the Board that Attorney Miller is attempting to meet with the attorney for the City of DeFuniak Springs regarding the installation of fire hydrants. He stated that the City of DeFuniak Springs did not accept the county's offer. Commissioner Pauls questioned proceeding with the installation of saddles and file suit against the city. Attorney Walker stated that he would confer with Attorney's Miller and Vorbeck to discuss this issue further and to determine the county's next steps.

Commissioner Jones spoke about the motto "That which gets measured, gets done" and how this needs to be emphasized to staff as a measure for accomplishing our goals as the county moves forward. The Board discussed the placement of signage on

various roads as a method of informing the public when the roads will be paved and as a method of accountability for the county.

Mr. Van Ness Butler, Jr. appeared before the Commissioners regarding the Catherine Cole Taylor Center for the Arts. Mr. Butler presented a proposed lease for the property stating that it is the same as the lease for the Chamber's property with exception to the legal description. Mr. Joe Stanko commended Mr. Butler for his labor with the Arts Center. Mr. Butler advised that they are prepared to begin their fund raising efforts and that they have put together an architectural committee. Discussion was held regarding the need to include a written clause in the contract that stipulates substantial progress must be shown .

Motion by Commissioner Pauls, second by Commissioner Jones to approve the lease between the county and the Catherine Cole Taylor Center for the Arts subject to the county's legal staff working with representatives from the arts center to draft acceptable language regarding evidence of substantial progress. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Jones Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Mr. David Kramer appeared before the Board requesting the Public Works Department submit application to the Department of Environmental Protection and the Corp of Engineers for county owned property known as Pelayo Street in Gulf Shore Manor. Mr. Kramer stated that if the county would obtain the permits then he would expend all of the necessary monies to make the improvements according to county standards. The needed improvements are on a 125' portion of county roadway between the north boundary of lots 11 and 8. Mr. Kramer stated that he would pay for his portion of the improvements if the county wanted to obtain permits to clear the rest of the road, it

would give access to those nearby residents. Commissioner Ryan stated that the County Engineer has concern regarding the costs related to pulling the permits.

Motion by Commissioner Pauls, second by Commissioner Ryan to approve the request by Mr. Kramer and allow for the Legal Services Department to draft a contract stipulating that Mr. Kramer will pay for all associated construction costs and the county will pull the required permits. The work will be coordinated through the Public Works Department. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Pauls Aye, Jones Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye. Commissioner Pauls suggested allowing Public Works to look into the matter of possibly permitting additional area for cost effectiveness.

Commissioner Pauls presented a summary report on the county development workshop he attended regarding economic development. He stated that he benefited from the information the paving vendors presented along with information regarding health care issues, signage, and the high-speed rail.

Commissioner Pauls stated that an update is needed on the storm water master plan from Hartman & Associates. He stated that he is working with Tracey Howell of TDC in an attempt to determine all of the beach accesses. He voiced concern with the amount of storm water that is being drained onto the beaches and will be contacting Hartman & Associates to address this issue.

Commissioner Pauls addressed the issues of ethics complaints. He commented that citizens do have a right to file their complaint; however, he feels they should be founded. He does not believe there was any wrong doing for the basis of the current complaint.

Commissioner Pauls stated that people within the Scenic Corridor are being cited and are commenting that they will challenge the issue they are being cited for. He requested that Attorney Walker look into the code enforcement ordinances and applications in order to obtain injunctive relief. He asked the county to look at ways to better enforce the code. Attorney Walker will follow up on this issue.

Mr. Kevin Stanhope, Program Director of Life Flight for Baptist Hospital, appeared before the Board requesting a Certificate of Need (CON) for Air Medical Transport. Mr. Stanhope stated that he had spoken with Chief Les Hallman, South Walton Fire District, who wants to partnership with them. He stated that a need for air flight was identified by request of the people of Walton County. Mr. Stanhope spoke about the advantages of choosing Baptist to provide life flight services such as safety, experience, and backup helicopters. Baptist currently provides this service. Further discussion centered on their current operations and the service they provide.

Mr. Patrick Schlenker, Sacred Heart Hospital, appeared before the Commissioners requesting the Board approve their proposal to partner with Sacred Heart by granting them the CON for life flight services. Mr. Schlenker gave an update on the construction of the hospital and invited the Commissioners to attend their groundbreaking ceremony. He continued by introducing members of his staff. They explained the operational procedures for life flight and who would be responsible for providing the needed staff. He stated that the South Walton Fire District would reimburse some costs in addition to housing the flight crew. Mr. Schlenker explained that once granted the CON, it would take up to 120 days to begin operating. He stated that Sacred Heart is responsible for all

of the start up costs. Mr. Schlenker stated that Sacred Heart is committed to provide services to the county and feels they should be selected for life flight.

Discussion was held regarding the length of a CON. Mr. Wiese, South Walton Fire District, recommended issuing Sacred Heart a five-year contract. Mr. Bell recommended the CON run concurrently with their contract. There is no cost to the county and South Walton Fire District will provide the flight paramedic. Sacred Heart will provide reimbursement in the amount of \$150.00 for each paramedic in flight. The County would be responsible for providing dispatchers.

Commissioner Ryan requested additional information regarding the company who will provide the air service, such as their track record, safety record, and down time. The Commissioners deferred further discussion of this issue until the July 24th meeting. Vice-Chairman Rees requested that Mr. Bell be part of the discussions and also requested the minutes from the South Walton Fire District when this issue was discussed.

Mrs. Bonnie Alford, Administrative Secretary, presented the second amendment to the Purchase Agreement on the Mossy Head Land Exchange on behalf of Ms. Williams. She explained that the amendment reduces the amount of property by eight (8) acres, reduces the cost by \$3,400.00 and extends the date of purchase.

Motion by Commissioner Ryan, second by Commissioner Jones to approve the second amendment contingent upon it not having an affect upon the exchange with the Division of Forestry. Ayes 4, Nayes 0. Pauls Aye, Jones Aye, Rees Aye, Ryan Aye.

Vice-Chairman Rees requested to postpone approval of the minutes pending Chairman Walker's return. The Board concurred.

Vice-Chairman Rees pointed out several seminars that will be held in upcoming weeks for the benefit of staff. He also spoke about isolated wetlands issues regarding a recent U.S. Supreme Court decision and changing the responsibility from the Corp to the County, making it clearer that the county does have responsibility and authority to deal with wetland issues. He read from the Comprehensive Plan and asked for an opinion from legal staff. Attorney Walker stated that he would be discussing this issue with Attorney Vorbeck when he arrives and will submit a report back to the Board. Commissioner Pauls pointed out that the Land Development Code 4.01.00 defines what the county considers to be wetlands, which is part of the problem, because of the regulatory programs. He felt that there is a need for a substantial review of the county's position of wetlands protection. Commissioner Pauls requested an update on the status of the amendment to the language and objectives.

Vice-Chairman Rees requested that policies and procedures be adopted regarding Quasi-Judicial Hearings to provide timelines and fairness to both parties. Attorney Walker will research this issue and report back to the Board.

There being no further business, Commissioner Jones motioned to adjourn at 8:10 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Ryan.

APPROVED: _____
Herman L. Walker, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Martha Ingle, Clerk of Courts