

## **MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE GILCHRIST COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD JUNE 7, 2004.**

The Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners, in and for Gilchrist County Florida, convened in a regular meeting on Monday, June 7, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room located at 210 South Main Street, Trenton, Florida, with the following members present to-wit:

**Commissioner Randy Durden, Chair**  
**Commissioner Wilbur Bush**  
**Commissioner Mitchell Gentry, Vice-Chair**  
**Commissioner Tommy Langford**  
**Commissioner Sue Suggs**

(Commissioner Suggs arrived at 1:15 p.m.)

**Others in attendance were:** John McPherson, County Attorney, Karen Heaton, Deputy Clerk, Ron McQueen, EMA/County Administrator, Sam Ferguson, Director of Finance, Ben Chumley, County Planner, Lee Mills, Sherriff Turner, Doris Aderholt, Don Strickland, David Brooks, Robert Lowyns, Frances Aderholt Jones, Carl Cornwell, Geneva Cornwell, Delight Curtis, Brad Smith, Jeff Jordan, Robin Schwartz, Peter Butt, John Ayers, Gene Parrish, Edward Aderholt, Edward Aderholt, Jr.

### **Call to Order:**

Chairman Durden called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Bush delivered the Invocation and Commissioner Gentry led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Agenda Changes:**

Additions:

- 1) Request from the Republican Executive Committee (*Clerk's Report*)
- 2) Small County Road Assistance Program (*County Administrator's Report*)
- 3) Lee Mills, regarding SE 70<sup>th</sup> Avenue & CR 138

**Motion** by Commissioner Gentry, seconded by Commissioner Bush, to accept the agenda with the changes noted. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Consent Agenda:**

1. Approval of purchase order to Akins Heating & Air (\$5,400)
2. Approval of Minutes:
  - a. Regular Meeting, May 17, 2004
  - b. Workshop, May 24, 2004

**Motion** by Commissioner Langford, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to accept the Consent Agenda as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Attorney's Report:**

Article V Fees – Mr. McPherson reported that some of the County's filing fees have been automatically repealed by this year's Article V legislation. He explained that there are three (3) new fees the County may want to impose. If so, these fees will need to be in place by July 1, 2004. He suggested that the Board consider ordinances for these fees at the next scheduled meeting. The Board agreed. (1/107)

SE 70<sup>th</sup> Avenue (Martini Grade) – Mr. McPherson advised the settlement proposal from the attorney for the Langford's is still pending. (1/148)

Ginnie Springs v. Gilchrist County – Mr. McPherson advised this case is still pending before the First District Court of Appeal. (1/155)

Poitevint v. Gilchrist County – Mr. McPherson stated that he is preparing a motion for summary judgment in this case.

Brooks and Strickland v. Aderholts and Gilchrist County – Mr. McPherson reported the plaintiffs have filed an amended complaint which includes a count for public nuisance. He is reviewing the amended complaint to determine what action should be taken. (1/160)

Bailey v. Gilchrist County – Mr. McPherson advised he has filed a motion to dismiss this litigation due to the fact that Bailey Farms failed to exhaust the administrative remedies within the special exception ordinance. A hearing has been scheduled for July 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. (1/178)

Code Enforcement – Mr. McPherson told the Board that the first code enforcement hearing was held this past week. The cases before the Hearing Officer concerned the properties owned by Mr. Mac Johnson. Mr. Johnson has corrected three (3) of the violations which were subsequently dismissed. Two (2) of the violations were for mobile homes he intends to repair and put back into service. The Code Enforcement Officer granted Mr. Johnson 15 days to obtain a permit and 30 days to complete the repairs. Mr. Johnson was also given 15 days to remove another mobile home from the property. (1/200)

Cave Diving at Hart Springs – Mr. McPherson advised he has worked with the advisory committee to draft a resolution establishing a diving program. This has been scheduled for a time certain this meeting. (1/256)

### **Clerk's Report:**

(Mr. Sam Ferguson presented the Clerk's report in Mr. Gilliam's absence. Mr. Gilliam was absent to attend the FACC Conference.)

FDLE Byrne Grant – Mr. Ferguson presented the FDLE Byrne Grant Certificate of Participation for approval and requested that the Board also approve Sheriff Turner to

be the contact person. **Motion** by Commissioner Gentry, seconded by Commissioner Langford, to approve the Certificate of Participation and to name Sheriff Turner the coordinator. The motion carried unanimously. (1/276)

Resolution 04-31 (#BE4-062) – This resolution amends the General Fund budget by an increased amount of \$121.71 which represents the matching funds from the Gilchrist County Sheriff’s Office for a grant awarded by the State of Florida, Office of Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement Block Grant entitled Gilchrist County Special Operations. **Motion** by Commissioner Langford, seconded by Commissioner Bush, to approve Resolution 04-31. The motion carried unanimously. (1/337)

Resolution 04-32 (#BE4-063) – This resolution amends the Fire District Trust Fund budget by an increased amount of \$7,877.65 which represents the grant awarded by the State of Florida, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, to provide funds to purchase equipment. **Motion** by Commissioner Gentry, seconded by Commissioner Langford, to approve Resolution 04-32. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. McQueen suggested that the Board also accept the grant for the Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant. **Motion** by Commissioner Langford, seconded by Commissioner Bush, to accept the grant from the State of Florida and Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant. The motion carried unanimously. (1/366)

Purchase Order, Communications Products Inc. – Mr. Ferguson presented purchase order #401508, to Communications Products Inc., in conjunction with the Fire Assistance Grant. The total amount of the purchase order is \$9,379. **Motion** by Commissioner Bush, seconded by Commissioner by Commissioner Langford, to approve purchase order #401508. The motion carried unanimously. (1/432)

Resolution 04-33 – Mr. Ferguson presented Resolution 04-33 adopting the North Central Florida Economic Development District Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy 2003-2004 Annual Report. **Motion** by Commissioner Gentry, seconded by Commissioner Bush, to approve Resolution 04-33 accepting the 2003-2004 report. The motion carried unanimously. (1/502)

Budget Recap for FY 2004 – For the Board’s information, Mr. Ferguson presented and discussed the budget recap for the period ending June 2, 2004. He pointed out that the expenditures of the Law Enforcement Grant is at 98% and expenditures for General Revenue is at 78%. (1/557)

Ring Power, Quote for Grader – Mr. Ferguson presented a quote from Ring Power Corporation for a Caterpillar motor grader to replace the grader they will buy back in October.

Sales Price	\$151,262
Cost of Repairs	\$ 2,500
Buyback @ 5 yr/7500	\$ 80,000
Buyback 4MK00692	<u>\$100,000</u>

Total Cost \$ 53,762

Mr. Ferguson recommended the Board accept the quote at this time so that the new grader will be available in October. **Motion** by Commissioner Langford, seconded by Commissioner Bush, to accept the quote from Ring Power. The motion carried unanimously. (1/609)

Tax Deed / Bid Request – Mr. Ferguson presented a bid submitted by Donald and Doreen Nelson for the purchase of County owned property, Lots 8 through 12 Block 2 and Lots 8 through 17 Block 7, Sun N Fun Unit 4. This property was reverted to the County in 2003 from the List of Lands available for tax deed sale. Mr. & Mrs. Nelson have submitted a bid of \$1,000 per acre, total bid \$2,360. Mr. Ferguson advised that Mr. Gilliam has recommended the Board reject the bid due to the fact that the value of the property and the amount of the taxes owed is \$9,552.16. Other bids were also received in the past and rejected for the same reason. **Motion** by Commissioner Bush, seconded by Commissioner Langford, to reject the bid for the purchase of County owned property for \$2,360 from Donald and Doreen Nelson. Mr. McQueen pointed out that each of the lots may be in a desirable location for future recreation needs or a voting precinct. The motion carried unanimously. (1/676)

Meridian Behavioral Healthcare – Mr. Ferguson referred to a letter from Meridian Behavioral Healthcare, Inc. concerning the FY 04/05 budget request. Mr. Ferguson advised the County currently contributes \$20,178 to Meridian for mental health services. The total budget request is \$54,562 which reflects a \$34,384 increase. Meridian has requested to address the Board during the budget workshops. Chairman Durden asked Mr. Ferguson to contact Meridian and obtain a copy of their operating budget for review. (1/771)

Republican Executive Committee – Mr. Ferguson presented a letter from the Republican Executive Committee requesting use of the Courthouse lawn, the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Facility lawn and restrooms on August 28<sup>th</sup> for a political rally. **Motion** by Commissioner Bush, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to approve the request. The motion carried unanimously. (1/870)

### **Code Enforcement:**

Ms. Diane Rondolet reported that the Code Enforcement Hearing for the Mac Johnson was held and three (3) of the violations were corrected. One (1) of the mobile homes will have to be removed and Mr. Johnson has until July 16<sup>th</sup> to obtain the permits and remodel two (2) of the mobile homes.

Ms. Rondolet advised that she has also served notice to Bailey Farms for the Code Enforcement Hearing to be held on June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Discussion was held concerning the illegal dumping on Tyler Grade and other areas of the County. It was suggested that cameras be placed in these areas to deter the dumping. Ms. Rondolet suggested that the County put up boxes to look like cameras instead of real cameras. She was concerned that the cameras were very expensive

and may be stolen or destroyed. Discussion was also held concerning options for cleanup. Mr. McPherson advised that the County could have the cleanup done on private property if the Commission made findings pertaining to the welfare of the public.

**Motion** by Commissioner Gentry, to purchase an inexpensive camera from Wal-Mart to be used at one of the sites initially. The motion died for lack of a second. **Motion** by Commissioner Langford, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to put up boxes as a deterrent and to have Ms. Rondolet bring back a list of the dumping areas. The motion carried unanimously. (1/906)

Ms. Rondolet advised she also has a case concerning property owned by Mr. Katz. She has obtained assistance from the Sheriff's Office and the Health Department. Ms. Rondolet has notified Mr. Katz that he has until June 14<sup>th</sup> to have the violations corrected.

Mr. McPherson advised that the Hearing Officer had determined that the County's junk and litter ordinance did not cover mobile homes. He stated that he will prepare an amendment to the ordinance for clarification and bring back to the Board.

### **County Administrator:**

Solid Waste – Mr. McQueen advised that he had met with Alachua County along with Pat Fischer and Lee Mills concerning the offsite hauling. Mr. Mills is preparing information for possible solutions which he will bring to the Board at a later date. Mr. McQueen also advised that he had attended the Solid Waste Conference and obtained information concerning flow control and DEP legislation. He provided a copy of the information to Chairman Durden for his review. (1/1579)

Mosquito Spray – Mr. McQueen reported that there has been one (1) reported case of EEE in the County since he last reported about mosquito control. He stated that he will bring back a cost for spray to the next meeting. (1/1680)

School Summer Lunch Program – Mr. McQueen referred to a letter from Danna Tucker, Director of Food Services, Gilchrist County School Board. Ms. Tucker requests authorization to use the County parks (Hart Springs, Park, Rock Bluff Park, Waters Lake Park), the Southeast Community Building and the Cruse Community Building as sites for the summer lunch program. Mr. McQueen advised that due to time constraints he had contacted Chairman Durden for approval to begin the program at the sites mentioned. **Motion** by Commissioner Langford, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to approve the School Summer Lunch Program on at the County parks and community buildings. The motion carried unanimously. (1/1728)

Lancaster, Interagency/Public Works Agreements – Mr. McQueen presented three (3) interagency agreements with Lancaster Correctional Institute for the Inmate Work Program. **Motion** by Commissioner Langford, seconded by Commissioner Bush, to approve the interagency work agreements with Lancaster Correctional Institute and to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreements. The motion carried unanimously. (1/1758)

Ambulance Operator Requirements/Policy – Mr. McQueen presented a draft policy for approval. The policy specifies the requirements of the County Fire Department Personnel which may be enlisted to operate a County ambulance.

#### AMBULANCE OPERATOR REQUIREMENTS POLICY

- 1) All operators must have on file with the Emergency Medical Services office a copy of all requirements set forth in Florida state Statutes 401.281 and 401.41.
- 2) After successful review of these documents, the County Emergency Medical Services Supervisor will, at their discretion, authorize that person to hold a County provided driver identification card.
- 3) This identification card must be kept current and must physically be produced at the time of requested ambulance operation.
- 4) All other County policies and procedures regarding emergency vehicle operation will apply.

**Motion** by Commissioner Langford, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to approve the policy as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. (1/1853)

CDBG, Site Visit – Mr. McQueen reported that the CDBG site visit was carried out the past week by DCA. He explained that a site visit is conducted for each County that is within the proposed funding range. He said that Jordan and Associates will bring a request at a later date for an increase in the levels of monetary contributions. (1/2026)

State of Emergency / Burn Ban – Mr. McQueen advised that Chairman Durden had signed a Proclamation the past week declaring a State of Emergency putting into affect a “no burn ban.” The order will expire on this date at 5:00 p.m. Considering the drought index for the County is at 678, Mr. McQueen recommended that it be extended another week. **Motion** by Commissioner Bush, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to extend the State of Emergency/No Burn Ban until June 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m The motion carried unanimously. (1/3485)

Hart Springs – Mr. McQueen recalled that Mr. Amos Philman had offered to continue his employment with Hart Springs if he could be placed in another position with a 40 hour workweek. He advised that he and Commissioner Suggs had met with Mr. Philman and he has agreed to stay in the current position until it is filled and then he would like to go to a 40 hour position. Mr. McQueen recommended the Board accept his resignation from the current position and to approve him for a position as Equipment Operator, he will take care of the plants and grounds. Mr. McQueen advised the Ranger position has recently become vacant, therefore the proposed position will take the place of that full time position. Mr. McQueen also advised that the Road Department has rocked the alternate road by the park. He said that he had referred to the LDRs and determined that there is a separate standard for existing roads, so it was only rocked to a 16-ft width. Upon completion of the road, SE 86<sup>th</sup> way has been officially closed. Mr.

McQueen asked the Board to accept Mr. Philman's resignation as Park Manager, and to move him to the permanent position at \$19,000 per year. **Motion** by Commissioner Gentry, seconded by Commissioner Langford, to accept Mr. Philman's resignation as manager and to approve him for the Park Ranger position. The motion carried unanimously. (1/3645)

Mr. McQueen asked the Board to allow him to go to bid for fencing around the campground and for paving the access trail from the spring area to the campground. He stated that once the estimated costs are received, the County work crew could put up the fencing. **Motion** by Commissioner Gentry, seconded by Commissioner Langford, to go out to bid for the fencing and the paving for the access trail. The motion carried unanimously. (1/3994)

Road Department – Mr. McQueen advised that Justin Watson began his position on this date as Road Supervisor. Mr. McQueen requested the Board to approve the waiver of the 30 day waiting period for Health Insurance. **Motion** by Commissioner Gentry, seconded by Commissioner Bush, to approve the request. The motion carried unanimously. Considering Mr. Watson is leaving his position with Levy County after 26 years of employment, Mr. McQueen asked the Board to allow him to accrue two (2) weeks leave in the first year instead of the one (1) week for new employees. **Motion** by Commissioner Langford, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to approve the request. The motion carried unanimously. (1/4085)

Transportation – Mr. McQueen advised that Gilchrist County has been approved for 2004/2005 funding for CR 319 and CR 340 from SR 129 West to Rock Bluff through the Small County Road Assistance Program. DOT has requested two (2) more recommendations for 2005/2006. Chairman Durden suggested that each Board member bring back a recommendation for three (3) road projects to the next meeting. Commissioner Gentry recommended that counters be placed on four (4) primary paved roads to obtain the level of traffic on each. (1/4260)

#### **Public Hearing / Ordinance 04-12, Public Safety Coordinating Council:**

Chairman Durden read the short title of the proposed ordinance. Mr. McPherson reviewed the ordinance and pointed out that amendments were needed to; (1) change the annual meeting to the month of June and (2) to add The County Administrator and the County Clerk to the membership list.

#### **ORDINANCE 04-12**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA; CREATING THE PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF STATE LAW; PROVIDING FOR THE COUNCIL'S MEMBERS AND MEETINGS; SETTING FORTH THE COUNCIL'S AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES; PROVIDING INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CODIFIER; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**Motion** by Commissioner Langford, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to approve

Ordinance 04-12 with the changes noted. The motion carried unanimously. (1/4632)

**Town of Bell:**

Chairman Durden related that he had attended the Bell Town Council meeting the past week and they have requested that the County Commission consider entering into a contract to allow the County Planner to do some of the planning work for the Town of Bell.

Mr. McQueen commended Mr. Chumley for the work he has done for the County and stated it would be possible for him to assist the town of Bell after he is finished working on the Local Mitigation Strategy and the Terrorism Annex. Mr. McQueen also mentioned that he would like to include a pay increase for Mr. Chumley during the budget process.

Mr. Chumley agreed that he would be able to assist the Town of Bell once he has finished the current projects . Chairman Durden stated that he would attend their next Town Council meeting and discuss the issue.

Commissioner Gentry discussed the possibility of Mr. Chumley assisting with the road counts since this information will be utilized by the Planning Department. Mr. Chumley agreed that the data coming from the traffic counts is something that should be maintained by the Planning Department for planning and concurrency. He said he would be willing to work with the Road Department in coordinating the information.  
(2/001)

**Approval of Bills:**

Mr. Ferguson pointed out that the approval of the bills had not been included in the Consent Agenda. **Motion** by commissioner Langford, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to approve the bills. The motion carried unanimously.

**The meeting recessed at 11:45 a.m.**

**The meeting reconvened at 1:15 p.m. with Commissioner Suggs present.**

**Road Department:**

Mr. McQueen recognized Mr. Justin Watson, Road Supervisor, and introduced him to the Board and those present.

Mr. Watson expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to serve the citizens of Gilchrist County and the Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Suggs recalled that Mr. Watson has assisted Gilchrist County in the past while Assistant Superintendent of the Levy County Road Department. Commissioner Gentry welcomed Mr. Watson to the Board and told him that he looked forward to working with him. Commissioner Langford recalled that he had visited the Levy County Road Department and reviewed the program Mr. Watson had in place in that department. Commissioner Langford stated he would like to duplicate that program in the future. Commissioner

Bush told the Board that he has known Mr. Watson and his family for many years and is confident he will do a good job for the County. Chairman Durden welcomed Mr. Watson and assured him that he will have the full support of the Board.

Chairman Durden asked Mr. McQueen to meet with Mr. Ferguson and bring back a recommendation for the purchase of a vehicle for Mr. Watson. (2/266)

### **Lee Mills, Road Projects:**

Mr. Mills presented the contract with Craggs Construction for the SE 70<sup>th</sup> Avenue project for the Chairman's signature. Chairman Durden signed the contracts and Mr. Mills submitted the contract to staff for distribution and the Board's file.

Mr. Mills recalled that at the last meeting, discussion was held concerning the CR 138 resurfacing project. He stated that he has contacted Anderson Columbia regarding the cost of widening the road in addition to resurfacing. He explained that since Anderson Columbia is the contractor, the County may negotiate the cost with them without having to go out for bid. Mr. Mills received an estimate of \$10.93 per square yard for the widening portion. He stated another option would be for the County to prepare the widening strip prior to the resurfacing. Mr. Mills also suggested that if Anderson Columbia prepares the widening strip, the County should provide traffic maintenance at that time. Mr. Mills stated he would meet with Mr. Watson and bring back a recommendation on how to proceed.

Chairman Durden asked Mr. Mills for an update on the project for the sewer to the jail. Mr. Mills advised that they are in the process of trying to establish which side of HWY 129 will be most suitable. He said that this should be determined within the next few days. (2/593)

### **Public Hearing / Ordinance 04-13, Paved Road Access Requirements for Major Subdivisions:**

Mr. Chumley presented Ordinance 04-13 and reviewed the proposed amendments to the LDRs regarding paved access roads for major subdivisions. He discussed the proposed changes to Section 5.26.2 and advised the Planning and Zoning Board has recommended approval.

*5.26.2 (4) Standard D, for residential subdivisions where all lots are greater than ten (10) acres.*

*Where the proposed subdivision includes an existing street, said street shall also be improved as required to conform with this schedule. ~~The Board of County Commissioners requires that one access road be paved as specified in Section 5.26.2.11 from the proposed major subdivision to the closest or most convenient paved state, county or municipal road at the expense of the subdivider.~~ All new*

**major subdivisions (as defined in Article 2) must have direct access to at least one paved public road in order to be eligible for the maximum residential density allowed by the Comprehensive Plan land use category in which the subdivisions are located. New major subdivisions that do not have direct access to at least one paved public road will be limited to one-half of the maximum density allowed by the Comprehensive Plan land use category in which the subdivisions are located.**

Commissioner Gentry commented that, while he agrees, the developer should be responsible for paving the roads within a major subdivision, he does not agree that the developer should be responsible for paving the roads outside of their development.

Mr. McPherson stated that the County could go either way on this issue, to say that no major subdivision should be built if it does not have access to a paved road would be feasible. He explained that his concern is the language of the current ordinance which requires a road to be paved to the nearest paved road. This would mean every subdivider has a different standard and a different cost imposed upon subdividing.

Chairman Durden called for public comments or questions.

Ms. Robin Schwartz, Phillips Realty, expressed concerns about the requirement to pave the access roads to the nearest paved road. She explained that it would not be equitable to require one developer to pave five (5) miles and another 500 feet. She told the Board if the density is changed to one in ten, this would impact the first time buyers. She suggested that the Board consider a separate impact fee for developers which would be earmarked for the maintenance of the access road.

The Board also heard comments from Ms. Frances Jones. She stated that she currently lives in Orange Park and explained that when she moved to her neighborhood there was an impact fee that was used for the street she lives on. The impact fee was an equal amount for all of the property owners on the street.

Mr. Gene Parrish commented that it does seem unfair to require someone pave and access road when their property is some distance from an existing paved road. He agreed that the Board should look at an alternative method of collecting the funds to take care of the roads into the subdivisions.

Chairman Durden read the short title of Ordinance 04-13.

#### **ORDINANCE 04-13**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 93-04, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO AN AMENDMENT TO THE TEXT OF THE GILCHRIST COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING ARTICLE 5, SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS, SECTION 5.26.2, STREET IMPROVEMENT SCHEDULE, PROVIDING FOR**

## **SEVERABILITY, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

**Motion** by Commissioner Gentry, seconded by Commissioner Langford, to approve Ordinance 04-13 with the strike out portion and to exclude the added language. The motion carried with Commissioner Suggs voting “no.” (2/1144)

### **Public Hearing / CPA 04-06, Comprehensive Plan Amendment to Add Boat Ramps to the 5-Year Schedule of Capital Improvements:**

Mr. Chumley presented a proposed amendment to the Comprehensive Plan to add two (2) items to the 5-Year Schedule of Improvements within the Capital Improvements Element of the Comprehensive Plan. The amendment would add the Hart Springs Park Boat Ramp and the Log Landing Park Boat Ramp.

Mr. Chumley explained that the County is in the process of obtaining grant funds to make improvements to these boat ramps. The amendment will be necessary to keep the 5-Year Schedule of Improvements current and accurate and to insure that the Schedule coincides with the County’s budget.

**Motion** by Commissioner Bush, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to approve the LDR amendments. Commissioner Gentry related that he received a call regarding the possibility of putting another boat ramp in between the Butler Subdivision boat ramp and Log Landing. Commissioner Langford recalled that he had also had discussions with citizens about the need for repairs to other boat ramps. Mr. McQueen pointed out that application for these two (2) boat ramps was recently approved by the Board and that there is a deadline approaching. Mr. Chumley suggested that the Board also include any other potential boat ramp projects in the amendment for the 5-Year Schedule before sending the amendment to DCA. Chairman Durden recommended that the Board members bring back recommendations for future boat ramp projects to the next meeting. Commissioner Bush **rescinded the motion** and **moved** to continue the public hearing on July 6<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gentry and carried unanimously.

### **Commissioner’s Reports:**

**Commissioner Suggs** stated she has been out of the State for five (5) weeks. She reported that she was not in attendance at the Memorial Day ceremony but understands it went very well with over 300 persons in attendance. (2/2845)

**Commissioner Gentry** advised that he had discussed with Commissioner Suggs and Mary Kay Carisio, Florida Association of Counties, the possibility of replacing Commissioner Suggs on the FAC Board of Directors. **Motion** by Commissioner Suggs, seconded by Commissioner Langford, to transfer the position on the FAC Board of Directors to Commissioner Gentry after the June 30<sup>th</sup> meeting. The motion carried unanimously. (2/2893)

**Commissioner Gentry** reported that he has completed the courses for the County

Commissioner Certification.

**Commissioner Gentry** recalled that many years ago, students from the Gilchrist County Schools were transported to Hart Springs as part of a summer recreation program. He suggested the Board look into a similar program. He asked Mr. McQueen if this were possible. Mr. McQueen stated that the program in the past was provided by the School Board and that he would contact them about working out a mutual arrangement. He recalled that Hart Springs is currently one of the sites for the School Lunch Program and this may be an opportunity to have such a program to coincide with that one. (2/2965)

**Commissioner Langford** thanked the Board for allowing the Republican Executive Committee use the Courthouse grounds.

**Commissioner Langford** advised he has been working with the Hart Springs Advisory Committee on the diving program and stated that he believed it will be a good endeavor for the County. (2/3094)

**Commissioner Langford** reported that he has received many phone calls about the road counts in progress. (2/3140)

**Commissioner Langford** stated that he would like the County to plan an annual event for the volunteer firefighters to show appreciation for their service to the County. (2/3140)

**Commissioner Bush** related that he had met with Mr. Ron St. John recently and found that he still has a large fuel tank available for a County fuel depot. Chairman Durden stated that there should be a report at the next meeting regarding the fuel depot. (2/3310)

#### **Hart Springs Advisory Committee:**

Mr. Pete Butt, Hart Springs Advisory Committee, presented a proposed resolution (#04-34) establishing a cave diving program at Hart Springs. The resolution included the rules and regulations of the program and a list of the Diving Advisory Board members.

*Commissioner Suggs left the meeting at 2:55 p.m.*

Commissioner Langford stated that he had attended the meetings and that he recommends approval of the resolution. Chairman Durden asked that the Board take the time to review the resolution, rules and procedures, and that the resolution be placed on the agenda of the June 21<sup>st</sup> meeting at 4:30 p.m. The Board agreed. (2/3350)

#### **Staff Report: NE 2<sup>nd</sup> Court and 125<sup>th</sup> Street:**

Mr. Chumley provided a map depicting NE 2<sup>nd</sup> Court and NE 125<sup>th</sup> Street and pointed out there are 10 to 15 property owners who use NE 2<sup>nd</sup> Court to access their property. Mr. Chumley recalled that the Board had asked him to bring back information regarding accessibility via alternate routes for NE 2<sup>nd</sup> Court. He reported that he had found that

the property owners mentioned would be restricted from accessing their property if NE 2<sup>nd</sup> Court were vacated. Mr. Chumley advised that the best option would be to close a portion of NE 2<sup>nd</sup> Court and realigned it to the half section line between the Loncala and Aderholt properties.

The Board heard comments from Mr. Don Strickland, Mr. David Brooks and Ms. Doris Strickland Aderholt in opposition to closing the road.

The Board also heard comments from Ms. Francis Jones, Ms. Nadine Cooper, Edward Aderholt and Edward Aderholt, Jr. in favor of a road closure. Discussion was held concerning the problems that are being experienced between the Strickland, Brooks and the Aderholt families in that area.

Sheriff David Turner addressed the Board regarding the problems encountered with the road and the property owners in the area. He stated that there are problems daily and recommended that the Board research options to resolve the issues with the road.

After discussion, Mr. McPherson recommended the Board consider again the option of moving that portion of the road to the section line as discussed in the mediation with Mr. Strickland, Mr. Brooks and Mr. Aderholt. Mr. Chumley agreed that this would be the best solution.

Mr. Don Strickland contended that moving the road would not eliminate the problems and stated that Mr. McPherson should visit the site to see the situation. Mr. McPherson stated that he would visit the property to review it. Commissioner Langford suggested that Mr. Chumley or Mr. McQueen also visit the property with Mr. McPherson and bring back a recommendation. **Motion** by Commissioner Langford, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to instruct Mr. Justin Watson go out with Mr. McPherson to look at the road situation and bring back a recommendation. The motion carried unanimously. (3/153)

**Old Business:**

(None)

**New Business:**

Mr. Chumley presented a letter from Mr. Ted Burt regarding an offer from Lowell Chesborough to donate property for right of way in exchange for the County placing a fence along the new right-of-way line. Mr. Chumley stated that he would bring the request back at a later date with more information.

**Public Participation:**

(None)

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Bush moved to adjourn at 4:15 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Langford and carried

unanimously.

APPROVED:

Randy Durden, Chairman

ATTEST:

Joseph W. Gilliam, Clerk