

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE GILCHRIST COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD MAY 1, 2006.

The Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners, in and for Gilchrist County Florida, convened in a regular meeting on Monday, May 1, 2006 at 1:15 p.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 Tommy Langford, Chairperson
Commissioner Durden, Vice-Chairperson
Commissioner Kenrick Thomas
Commissioner Sharon Langford
Commissioner Mitchell Gentry

Others in attendance were: John McPherson, County Attorney, Joseph W. Gilliam, Clerk of Court, Janice Wasson, Deputy Clerk, Ron McQueen, County Administrator, Stacy Winfield, County Planner, Jacki Johnson, Finance Director, John Ayers, Justin Watson, Billy Cannon, Damon Leggett, Property Appraiser, Rob Willis, Public Safety Director, Diane Rondolet, Code Enforcement, Janice Hetherington, Alan Mikell, Rebecca Shepherd, Ron Barlow, Ruth Thomas, and Julie Geary.

Call to Order:

Chairperson Tommy Langford called the meeting to order at 1:17 p.m., with Commissioner Durden delivering the invocation and Commissioner Gentry leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Changes: (1/78) Mr. Gilliam advised the Board of the following agenda changes:

Additions:

1. COR #2, Alexander Group, \$2,038.15
2. BellSouth Bill, Repair to Cable Line, \$1,704.56

Deletions:

1. Budget Entries #BE06-072, #BE06-073, and #BE06-074 from Consent Agenda (carryover from last agenda)

Mr. McQueen advised the Board of the following agenda changes:

Additions:

1. Supplemental Agreement, CR 337 Project
2. Blue Grass Festival Report for Hart Springs
3. Discussion on Parcel ID Numbers

Mr. McPherson also advised of the following agenda changes:

Additions:

1. Report of Workshop, Counties of Rural Economic Concern

Chairperson Tommy Langford advised the Board of the following agenda changes:

Deletions:

1. Public Hearing, High Springs Hills Major Subdivision, Final Plat approval, scheduled for 3:15 p.m.

Motion by Commissioner Gentry, seconded by Commissioner Sharon Langford, to approve agenda with changes. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Consent Agenda: (1/237)

1. Approval Bills
2. Minutes:
April 17, 2006, Regular Meeting
3. Approval of Budget Entries:
#BE06-075, General Fund, \$550.00
#BE06-076, SHIP Fund, \$29,000.00
#BE06-077, General Fund, \$100,000.00
#BE06-079, General Fund, \$200.00

Motion by Commissioner Durden, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to approve Consent Agenda with changes. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

County Administrator/Department Reports:

Department of Transportation (DOT) Reimbursement Agreement, CR 342: (1/256) Mr. McQueen advised the Board of the agreement for CR 342, and requested approval. He stated that this contract would be strictly for resurfacing, due to the road being widened earlier.

Motion by Commissioner Durden, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to approve DOT Agreement for CR 342, and authorize Chairperson to sign. Commissioner Gentry requested that all requests for Mills Engineering to be by written notification, with a copy being placed in the file. *Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.*

Department of Transportation (DOT) Reimbursement Agreement, CR 344: (1/331) Mr. McQueen advised the Board of the agreement for CR 344, from the Suwannee River to Hwy 129, and requested approval.

Motion by Commissioner Sharon Langford, seconded by Commissioner Durden, to approve DOT Agreement for CR 344, and authorize Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Supplemental Agreement #1, CR 337: (1/358) Mr. McQueen advised the Board of the supplemental agreement, and requested approval. He stated that this agreement is the modification of the original agreement, shortening the project for CR 337, and increasing the funds by 10%, \$217,643, bringing the total project to \$2,394,076.

Motion by Commissioner Gentry, seconded by Commissioner Durden, to approve the Supplemental Agreement for CR 337, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

SCOP (Small County Outreach Program) and SCRAP (Small County Road Assistance Program): (1/487) Mr. McQueen advised the Board of the letter to District Planning Programs Administrator identifying the SCOP and SCRAP projects submitted by the County. The Board discussed the SCRAP submission for Rolling Oaks being one project, with Mr. McQueen stating that the submission had already been submitted and mapped accordingly.

Land Donation, EMS Station: (1/584) Mr. McQueen advised the Board of the correspondence with N. G. Wade Investments, and provided copies to the Board for information.

Blue Grass Festival, Hart Springs: (1/619) Mr. McQueen advised the Board of the figures from the Blue Grass event held at Hart Springs, and discussed the amount of the revenue

received. The Board requested that Mr. Cloud Haley and Ms. Julie Harrison attend the May 15, 2006 meeting and address the Board regarding a portion of the revenue collected being donated. The Board discussed applying the money to the amount of funds requested during the budget process, and reviewed the original motion passed at the February 20, 2006 meeting.

Earth Day, Hart Springs: (1/953) Mr. McQueen advised the Board of the earth day event held at the park, and stated that even though there were a good number of vendors, the public participation was less than 50.

Parcel ID Numbers: (1/976) Mr. McQueen discussed parcel identification numbers in regards to subdivisions and 911 developmental lots. The Board agreed that Mr. Leggett be asked to attend the current meeting to discuss this issue, with this item being postponed awaiting Mr. Leggett's attendance.

Permitting Small Tracts of Land: (1/1272) Commissioner Durden discussed a phone call he received regarding a small tract of land and permitting for electricity. He stated that he had spoken to Mr. Wiggins and Mr. McQueen, and that they were in agreement to modifying the LDR's to allow for electrical permitting on small acreages not within the river property.

Motion by Commissioner Durden, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, to allow electrical permitting for 5.0 and 10.0 acre parcels in A2 zoning, as long as an affidavit is signed and filed with the Building Department, and to become effective immediately. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Land Development Regulations (LDRs): (1/1583) Mr. McQueen advised the Board of the recent incident regarding a permit request not supported by an official survey, and requested clarification by the Board on requiring a survey for any parcel that is requesting a permit. The Board agreed that the procedure within the current LDR's should be enforced fully.

Motion by Commissioner Durden, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, to enforce all sections of the Land Development Regulations approved by the Board. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

High Springs Hills Major Subdivision: (1/1808) Mr. McQueen explained to the Board that the Construction Plans for High Springs Hills Subdivision had not been presented and approved by the Board, and that road issues were also present in the subdivision. The Board discussed private roads at length, including construction and levels of service.

Parcel ID Numbers (Continued): (1/2220-2/637) Damon Leggett, Property Appraiser, addressed the Board to discuss assigning parcel identification numbers previously addressed by the Board. Rob Willis, Public Safety Director and Stacey Winfield, County Planner addressed the Board during the discussion, with the Board directing Mr. McPherson to research the issue and report back to the Board. Mr. McQueen advised that the LDR's are currently being reviewed and updated.

Road Department Report:

Ring Power Grader: (2/640) Mr. Watson advised the Board of the leased grader issue, with Mr. Gilliam explaining the circumstances, and stating that he was under the impression that the County would have a grader by now. The Board discussed the rental fees on the graders until the ordered graders are delivered, and stated that he needed clarification as to Ring Power forgoing the rental on one or both graders. The Board directed the County Attorney to review the contract to see if rental fees are required by the County.

US Hwy 129/CR 340 Intersection Light: (2/803) Mr. Watson discussed the street light at the intersection, and advised of the meeting with Central Fla. Electric Coop, who is making modifications to the intersection. He asked the Board what action they wanted the Road Department to take.

Motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Durden, to approve removing the street lights at the intersection of US Hwy 129 and CR 340. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Jerry Burch, Refund Request: (2/945) Mr. Watson advised the Board of the refund request for the cost of a culvert required by the County Road Department. He stated that after installation, the culvert did not meet the standards needed or did not accomplish the desired result, and requested approval to process refund.

Motion by Commissioner Sharon Langford, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, to approve reimbursing Jerry Burch, \$300, for road culvert, with funds coming from Materials, Road Department. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

BellSouth, SE 60th Street: (2/1129) Mr. Gilliam advised the Board of Bill #FDP0604375, \$1,704.56, where a cable was damaged during the widening of the road by the Road Department on April 19, 2006. Mr. Gilliam requested action by the Board as to the payment of the bill, and from what fund to make payment. The Board stressed the need to request line locates prior to widening activity.

Motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded Commissioner Durden, to approve Bill #FDP0604375, \$1,704.56, for BellSouth for cable damage to be paid from Transportation. Motion carried with a 4-1 vote, with Commissioner Thomas voting yes, Commissioner Gentry voting no, Commissioner Durden voting yes, Commissioner Sharon Langford voting yes, and Chairperson Tommy Langford voting yes.

CR 337 Project: (2/1521) The Board inquired about the modification of the project, with Mr. Watson stating that DOT is requiring a letter from the Board requesting a modification (shortening) of the project, with an indication of the location(s) to be modified.

SCOP and SCRAP Projects: (2/1568) Mr. Watson advised the Board that he had submitted the projects for SCOP and SCRAP. The Board also clarified the Rolling Oaks Subdivision Road project submitted as one project.

Public Hearing, Resolution 06-17, Budget Amendment: (2/1605) Ms. Johnson advised the Board of Resolution 06-17 and Budget Entry #BE06-078, amending the Transportation Fund by \$100,000 for increased fuel expenses for the remainder of the year, and requested approval.

RESOLUTION 06-17

A RESOLUTION OF THE GILCHRIST COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AMENDING THE TRANSPORTATION FUND BUDGET.

Motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Durden, to approve Resolution 06-17 and Budget Entry #BE06-078, amending the Transportation Budget by \$100,000. Chairperson Tommy Langford called for public comments, with none received. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Public Hearings, Land Use:

Pine Ridge Plantation Major Subdivision, Preliminary Plat: (2/1711-3/94) Ms. Winfield advised the Board of the Preliminary Plat for Pine Ridge Plantation Major Subdivision, Pine Ridge Plantation, LLC developer, and recommended approval. Chairperson Tommy Langford called for public comment, with Rebecca Shepherd addressing the Board.

Motion by Commissioner Gentry, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, to approve Preliminary Plat for Pine Ridge Plantation Major Subdivision, following County Engineer and staff recommendations, and authorize Chairperson to Sign. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Chairperson Tommy Langford called Rebecca Shepherd back to the podium in regards to the donation of the 30 acres in the front of the development, with the Board discussing conveyance. Mr. McPherson stated that if the developer wants to donate the land to the County, he recommended that the conveyance be in the form of a deed instead of a dedication.

Parrish Estates Minor Subdivision, Final Plat: (3/99) Ms. Winfield advised the Board of the Final Plat for Parrish Estates Minor Subdivision, Brad Smith developer, and recommended approval. The Board discussed the dedication of the additional 30 feet of right-of-way, and the road not currently meeting the design standards required by the County. Chairperson Tommy Langford called for public comment, with Gene Parrish addressed the Board

Motion by Commissioner Durden, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to approve Final Plat for Parrish Estates Minor Subdivision, following County Engineer recommendations, excluding recommendation #1, dedication of additional 30 feet right-of-way for the reason of liability purposes and there being no foreseen need to widen the road in the future. Commissioner Durden added to his motion, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, that the only reason this subdivision was approved for a road that does not meet the required criteria/level of service was because the application had been submitted prior to the approval of Ordinance 05-18, and to authorize the Chairperson to sign. Chairperson Tommy Langford called for public comment, with none received. *Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.*

Commissioner Durden raised the issue of the application form for subdivisions not having a date of submission, with Ms. Winfield stating that the date is written in by staff, and offered to revise the forms to include that information.

Citizen's Request, Ruth Thomas: (3/586) Ms. Thomas addressed the Board in regards to the policy for golf cart use in the Otter Springs and Wilcox area. Ms. Thomas presented the Board with photos of the area surrounding her residence. Commissioner Thomas raised the issue of safety, with several Commissioners stating that they would like to speak to the Sheriff before taking any action. Mr. Gilliam and Commissioner Gentry both stated that the Sheriff had been invited to attend the current meeting in regards to this issue.

Motion by Commissioner Gentry, seconded by Commissioner Sharon Langford, to direct the County Attorney to prepare a draft Ordinance for golf carts to be allowed on SW 83rd Lane and SW 80th Ave, during daylight hours only, and for all golf cart to be equipped with a slow moving symbol. Commissioner Thomas and Commissioner Durden stressed that they are concerned with the safety of the operators of these golf carts. *Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.*

Attorney Report:

Ordinances and Resolutions:

Hart Springs Boating Exclusion Zone: (3/1478) Mr. McPherson advised the Board that a draft Ordinance is being prepared for review, with Mr. McQueen stating that orange floats had been placed at the springs for safety.

Status Reports:

McArthur Property Donation: (3/1485) Mr. McPherson advised the Board that staff is still working on the lease issue for this donation.

Loncala Property: (3/1503) Mr. McPherson advised the Board that this matter had been referred to Gilchrist Title Company for a closing to be scheduled.

Disposition of County Owned Borrow Pit: (3/1513) Mr. McPherson advised the Board of the status of the disposition of the County sand pit, with Mr. Gilliam asking if the legal had been provided to Holly, at Gilchrist Titles.

Land Development Code Update: (3/1535) Mr. McPherson advised the Board that a draft of Article 8, Supplementary Standards, and Article 3, Land Use Districts, had been presented to the Planning & Zoning Board at a workshop on March 27, 2006, and that both articles needed further revisions and review prior to being presented to the Board.

Mr. McPherson also stated that drafts of Article 4, Overlays and Floating Zones, and Article 5, Consistency and Concurrency, have been prepared and would be presented to the Planning & Zoning Board for review at their May 4, 2006 meeting.

Exchange with School Board: (3/1557) Mr. McPherson advised the Board that deeds had been executed and that the exchange had been made. He also stated that Ms. Lancaster would let him know when the issue of the easement to SR 26 would be brought before the School Board. Mr. Gilliam stated that all deeds should be recorded as of today.

Project Wild: (3/1584) Mr. McPherson advised the Board of the meeting consisting of Janet Johnson, Naturally Wild, the Clerk, Finance Director, and himself regarding the use of Hart Springs for Earth Day. He stated that the following conditions were agreed upon:

1. The event would be located in the RV portion of the park, although participants may walk down the trail to the springs area.
2. The admission fees are: Ages 5 and under: Free; Ages 6-12: \$2; Ages 13 and older: \$5. These fees will be split 50%/50% with the County.
3. To cover costs, Naturally Wild will keep sponsorship money and participation fees collected from vendors.
4. Project Wild will provide proof of insurance.
5. Project Wild will leave the RV area in the same condition as it was found.

Mr. McPherson stated that all other events to be sponsored by Project Wild at Hart Springs would be presented to the County Commission for approval on a case-by-case basis. For events such as training sessions or other meeting, Project Wild would reserve park facilities and pay fees the same as any other organization.

Other issues discussed were Gilchrist County students' admission to the Park for fieldtrips, and Students' admission outside the County. He stated that with the low attendance of the Earth Day event, he was unsure if Ms. Johnson would be holding any further events.

Pending Litigation:

Brooks and Strickland v. Aderholts and Gilchrist County: (3/1611) Mr. McPherson advised the Board that no Final Order had been received from Judge Giunta.

Gilchrist County v. James Lee: (3/1616) Mr. McPherson advised the Board that Mr. Lee had filed a response to the County's Motion for Summary Judgment and, according to Diane Rondolet, Mr. Lee is making progress towards cleaning up the property.

Miscellaneous:

Proposed Changes to the Policies: (3/1622) Mr. McPherson advised the Board that staff had been working on updating and re-formatting the County's policy manual. He provided the Board with a draft for review with a cover memo explaining that changes. The Board agreed to discuss at the May 15, 2006 meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Rural Economic Meeting: (3/1678) Mr. McPherson advised the Board of the recent meeting attended, and stated that he feels it is beneficial for the County to have representation present.

Clerk Report:

Finance Director: (3/2008) Mr. Gilliam introduced Jacki Johnson as the new Finance Director for Gilchrist County.

Alexander Group, Pay Request #8: (3/2045) Mr. Gilliam advised the Board of the pay request by the Alexander Group, \$133,374.51, and recommended approval.

Motion by Commissioner Durden, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to approve Pay Request #8, \$133,374.51, to Alexander Group. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Change Order #3: Mr. Gilliam advised the Board of the Change Order #3, provided for informational purposes. No action taken by the Board.

Change Order #1: Mr. Gilliam advised the Board of the Change Request Order #1 for electrical floor boxes, \$1,373.00 in addition to the contract approved, and recommended approval.

Motion by Commissioner Gentry, seconded by Commissioner Durden, to approve Change Order Request #1, \$1,373, for electrical floor box revisions. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Change Order #2: Mr. Gilliam advised the Board of the Change Request Order #2, \$2,038.15, for conduit for BellSouth phone line to be relocated, and recommended approval.

Motion by Commissioner Durden, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to approve Change Order Request #2, \$2,038.15, for the relocation of a phone line. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Florida Crown Workforce Board, Memorandum of Understanding Annual Agreement Renewal: (3/2307) Mr. Gilliam advised the Board of the annual renewal option, and recommended approval. He stated that approval will extend the agreement from June 30, 2006 until July 1, 2007.

Motion by Commissioner Gentry, seconded by Commissioner Sharon Langford, to approve Annual Renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding, Florida Crown Workforce Board, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

MIS Position, Clerk's Office: (3/2375) Mr. Gilliam advised the Board of the need for an MIS employee for the Clerk's Office, and requested permission to interview and hire an individual. He stated that the MIS person is being stretched due to multiple service being provided.

Motion by Commissioner Durden, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, to authorize the Clerk to interview and hire an MIS position through September 30, 2006. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Department of Revenue (DOR), Gas Tax Percentages: (3/2552-4/110) Mr. Gilliam advised the Board of deadline of July 1, 2006 for submission of distribution percentages for the Local Option Gas Tax. Mr. Gilliam stated that recalculation would be required if there were changes, and requested direction by the Board.

Motion by Commissioner Durden, seconded by Commissioner Sharon Langford, to approve leaving the distribution percentages the same as calculated in 2005. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Budget Recap: (4/114) Mr. Gilliam advised the Board that the monthly budget recap report, and reviewed with the Board. No action taken by the Board.

Revenue for Hart Springs and Building and Zoning: (4/127) Mr. Gilliam advised the Board that Jacki Johnson, Finance Director, had prepared the report as requested. The Board discussed separate accounts as required by the Ordinance, with Ms. Johnson stating that the accounts had not been set up separately.

Gulf Coast Utilities: (4/333) Mr. Gilliam advised the Board of Invoice #8013 and #9013, with Mr. McQueen and Mr. Gilliam agreeing that a contract would be need to be negotiated, and a budget identified. Mr. Gilliam stated that the invoices could be approved by the County Administrator for payment.

Purchase Order, Milton Weeks: (4/442) Mr. Gilliam advised the Board of the purchase order for Milton Weeks for Emergency Repair to Ambulance #372, and recommended approval. Mr. Gilliam also stated that proposed purchasing procedures changes would be presented to the Board for review at a later date. Commissioner Durden raised several questions: 1) why was the purchase request dated 04/18/06 when original bill was dated 04/08/06, and received by Finance on 04/25/06; 2) why is the purchase request being cut to Milton Weeks instead of directly to vendor completing repair (VALS Complete Automotive, Inc.); and requested a report of the issues by the Public Safety Director (EMS being under Public Safety). He stated that the invoice needed to be paid, but that he would like a report of the issue.

Motion by Commissioner Durden, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to approve Purchase Order, \$2,500, Milton Weeks (work completed by VALS Complete Automotive, Inc.). Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Gentry asked if the other ambulances were repaired and back on the road, with Mr. McQueen giving a brief report for the Board.

Courthouse Doors: (4/914) Mr. Gilliam advised the Board of the two estimates received for the repair of the Courthouse South entrance doors, and recommended approval to spend \$4,280 for repair and upgrading to ADA standards.

Motion by Commissioner Durden, seconded by Commissioner Gentry, to accept Door One USA for the repair, and upgrade, of the Courthouse South entrance doors. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Chamber of Commerce, Sponsorship Request: (4/999) Mr. Gilliam advised the Board of the request for sponsorship for “Down Home Days” in the amount of \$500. No action taken by the Board.

Appraisals of County Owned Property: (4/1019) Mr. Gilliam advised the Board of the offer submitted by PRIA to continue property appraisals of County properties at a nominal fee, and after discussion was directed to complete additional research and report back to the Board.

Solid Waste, Landfill Escrow Requirements: (4/1148) Ms. Johnson advised the Board of notification from DEP, and discussed the escrow monies required to cover the transfer station. Ms. Johnson recommended approval to move monies and establish the escrow account.

Motion by Commissioner Gentry, seconded by Commissioner Durden, to approve establishing an escrow account, by utilizing required funds from Account #3416-53101, \$34,000. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Supervisor of Elections, Memorandum of Agreement, Poll Workers Recruitment & Training Funds: (4/1303) Mr. Gilliam advised the Board of the agreement for poll workers recruitment and training, and stated that Ms. Bryant had previously addressed this issue with the Board. He recommended approval.

Motion by Commissioner Sharon Langford, seconded by Commissioner Durden, to approve Poll Workers Recruitment & Training Agreement with matching funds, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Fire Special Assessment: (4/1351) Mr. Gilliam discussed with the Board Fire Special Assessments, taxable value and tax bills. He explained the circumstances surrounding the

issue, and recommended approval to pay the special assessment, \$1,150, from general revenue reserve (115 parcels @ \$10 each) and to decrease the taxable value to \$9.99, which allows for tax bills to be sent for \$10 and more. The County Attorney addressed the exemptions of Churches, Fire Departments and Governmental Agencies, and stated that the County should pay for the exemptions from General Revenue.

Motion by Commissioner Durden, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, to approve transfer \$1,150 from General Revenue Reserve to Fire Special Assessments to cover the tax bills that were not sent due to the taxable value, and also the amount necessary for Ad Valorem exemptions. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Motion by Commissioner Gentry, seconded by Commissioner Durden, to approve that no tax bill will be sent for Ad Valorem Taxes of \$9.99 or less. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Reports:

Commissioner Thomas: (4/1771) discussed driveways, and the recent Ordinance passed by the Board, presenting the Board with a proposal. He stated that some of the confusion is what should be charged, and also discussed the permitting procedures. Mr. McPherson stated that he would research the Ordinance, and if there is no conflict, the proposal presented could be internal procedures to implement the Ordinance. The proposal submitted is as follows:

1. All replacement dwelling will not require a driveway permit.
2. All new dwelling and out buildings will require a permit.
3. Existing driveways – if they want to upgrade, they will need a permit, this is if they are not happy with what they have.
4. Limerock roads will be a judgment call per Justin Watson, Billy Cannon and Gary Tryon, and due to a trip involved, a permit will be required.

Commissioner Gentry: (4/2224) discussed a visible leak and crack in the wall of the Commission Building, and reminded the Board of the Chamber Mixer scheduled for May 8, 2006.

Commissioner Durden: (4/2265) None.

Commissioner Sharon Langford: (4/2267) discussed CR 337, and requested a status report from Mr. McQueen. Commissioner Gentry reaffirmed the need for written notification of the contract, accompanied by the Board's decision.

Chairperson Tommy Langford: (4/2390) discussed an invitation by the Bottling Plant for the Board to complete a walk-through of the facilities. The Board requested Chairperson to set up, and notify the Board members of the time and date.

Public Safety Sub-Committee Meeting: (4/2502-5/00) Chairperson Tommy Langford requested authorization for preparing an RFQ, Request for Qualifications, for selecting an Architect. Mr. McPherson stated that the preparation of an RFQ is not a commitment by the Board. He stated that the process is a lengthy process and this is one of the first steps. Mr. Gilliam explained the Public Safety Sub-Committee's theory in selecting an Architect as assisting in the design and plan for the proposed facility, with Mr. McQueen discussing the presentation by Rutherford & Associates.

Motion by Commissioner Durden, seconded by Commissioner Sharon Langford, to direct the County Attorney to prepare an RFQ for the hiring of an Architect to develop design specifications for the County Jail, and to be presented for review. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Chairperson Tommy Langford also discussed the donation of property at McArthur Park, and discussed a Resolution that would donate the property to the County, who would in turn donate the property to Suwannee Valley Leagues. He requested permission to instruct

the County Attorney to prepare a draft Resolution for the Board to review.

Motion by Commissioner Sharon Langford, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, to instruct the County Attorney to prepare a Resolution to present to DOT for the donation of the State property located at McArthur Park. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Thomas also discussed a possible donation of more land for McArthur Park, and also discussed ball fields in other locations within the County.

Old Business: (5/04940) None.

New Business: (5/495) None.

Reminder: (5/496) Mr. Gilliam reminded the Board of the Chamber Mixer and Public Interactive Workshop for May 8, 2006 at 5:00 p.m., and 6:30 p.m.

Public Participation: (5/523) None.

Adjournment: (5/568)

There being no further business, Commissioner Thomas *moved* to adjourn at 6:08 p.m. Motion seconded by Commissioner Durden, and carried unanimously.

APPROVED:

Tommy Langford, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Joseph W. Gilliam, Clerk