

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE GILCHRIST COUNTY BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD AUGUST 18, 2008.**

The Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners, in and for Gilchrist County Florida, convened in a **Regular Meeting** on Monday, August 18, 2008, at 4:00 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, Chairman
Commissioner Sharon A. Langford, Vice Chairman
Commissioner Randy Durden
Commissioner Kenrick Thomas
Commissioner D. Ray Harrison, Jr.

Others in Attendance

Joseph W. Gilliam, Clerk of Court; Jacki Johnson, Finance Director; Patty McCagh, Board Secretary; John K. McPherson, County Attorney; Ron McQueen, County Administrator; John Ayers, Gilchrist County Journal; Diane Rondolet, Code Enforcement; Julee Brideson, Administrative Assistant; Taylor Brown, County Planner; Julie Harrison, Manager Hart Springs; Justin Watson and Billy Cannon, Road Department; Chief Perez, Public Safety; Ron Mills, Emergency Management; Frank Ritter, Building Official; Tim Bracewell, IT Technician; Mr. Pickles; Sharon Bard, Gwen Walker, Jim & Jean Troke with the Chamber of Commerce; Wayne & Cassie Journigan, Truth Seekers Times; Joyce Ferrante; Jerry Murphy, Hart Springs Dive Committee; Stacy Hoyt; and Richard & Leslie Esseck.

Call to Order

Chairman Tommy Langford called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. with Commissioner Randy Durden delivering the invocation and Commissioner Kenrick Thomas leading the pledge of allegiance.

Agenda Changes

- Mr. Gilliam, Clerk of Court, presented the following agenda changes:
 1. Addition: GCSO; Inmate Medical Bills
 2. Addition: Dixie County Inmate Housing; Invoice Correction on July 2008 Billing
 3. Addition: Budget Recap: Period Ending August, 2008
 4. Addition: Kennedy Communication; Request for Partial Payment on Voice/Video System at the Jail
 5. Request: Move Agenda Item Chamber Lease, on Attorney's Report, to first of the meeting
- Mr. McQueen, County Administrator presented the following agenda changes:
 6. Request: Move item Building Fees on County Administrator's Report, under Community Development, to first of report
 7. Addition: Public Safety; 50/50 Forestry Grant for Communications
 8. Addition: Memorial Courtyard; Additional Change Order
 9. Addition: Vision Committee Recommendations

Motion made by Commissioner Sharon Langford seconded by Commissioner Randy Durden to accept the agenda with noted changes. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

- **Request for Payment Approval**

Art Walker Construction, Inc.
Pay Request No. 1; GCR 232 \$183,710.01

John C. Hipp Construction Equipment Company
Pay Request No. 3; Rolling Oaks \$ 32,770.31

Mills Engineering
Invoice 2005065; Hazardous Mitigation Grant Application \$ 1,387.50
Invoice 2006051; Resurfacing CR232 from SR26 to SR 47..... \$ 16,718.94
Invoice 2007104; W/R CR 313 from SR 26 to CR 344..... \$ 2,490.75
Invoice 2007105; W/R CR302 & 307A \$ 12,364.88
Invoice 2007106; Resurface Shady Grove Road \$ 3,315.00

- **Request for Purchase Order Approval**

Gilchrist County Fire Rescue
Purchase Order to Milton Weeks:
Accident 2 (Jennifer) Repair on Tanker \$ 1,459.56

Road Department
Purchase Order to Woodland Craft:
Increase purchase order for signs \$ 1,000.00

Purchase Order to Kelly Auto Parts:
Increase purchase order for repair parts \$ 1,500.00

Motion made by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas seconded by Commissioner Randy Durden to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Chamber Lease

Mr. McPherson, County Attorney, presented for the Boards' consideration of renewal, the Commercial Lease Agreement, for the use of the "Sunday School Building" located at 210 South Main Street, Trenton, Florida, between the Board of County Commissioners and the Gilchrist County Chamber of Commerce. He stated that the lease is the same as entered into in the past, with the term being for three (3) years. The lease is up for renewal on September 30, 2008.

Motion made by Commissioner Harrison seconded by Commissioner Sharon to approve the renewal of the Commercial Lease Agreement with the Chamber of Commerce for the next three years, October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2011.

The Board discussed adding a “termination clause” to the Commercial Lease Agreement with the Chamber of Commerce; adding language for a sixty (60) day termination clause with the County providing alternative space.

Motion has been amended adding a sixty day (60) termination clause and the County would be responsible for providing an alternative space; including the County Attorney being directed to prepare the additional language and because the issue is time sensitive, authorizing the Chairman to sign without being brought back to the Board.

MOTION has been TABLED...by consensus of the Board, to allow the County Attorney to prepare the additional language to the Commercial Lease Agreement, during this meeting for the Boards’ review.

County Administrator’s Report

Building Department Fees: Mr. Frank Ritter, Building Official, presented a chart comparing the existing fees to the proposed fees for the building fees.

Mr. Ritter reviewed the fees and changes that were proposed.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioners Harrison to instruct the County Attorney to draft a resolution for the new Building Fee Schedule, effective 10/01/05, to be brought back for adoption at the September 15th meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Chamber Lease continued....

At this time, Chairman Langford took the motion off the table, and floor reopened discussion pertaining to the lease agreement for the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. McPherson provided a draft of the language that would be added to the agreement. Chairman Langford read the draft as follows:

Section 27. TERMINATION

During the term of this Lease either party may terminate the Lease with sixty days notice to the other party. Provided, however, that the Lessor may not terminate this Lease pursuant to this Section unless suitable office space is identified and offered to the Lessee at the time that the notice of termination is provided to the Lessee.

Chairman Langford restated the motion and called for a vote...

Motion carried unanimously.

4:30 p.m. Time Certain; Road Department Report

- Monthly Limerock Report: Mr. Justin Watson, Road Department Superintendent, presented the July 2008, Monthly Townsend Pit Limerock Report as follows:

			<u>Loads paid for out of Stock Pile</u>
District 1	53	Loads	24
District 2	21.5	Loads	20
District 3	240.5	Loads	28
District 4	34	Loads	01
District 5	01	Loads	00
Rolling Oaks	15	Loads	81
Shop Stock Pile	57	Loads	00
Solid Waste	<u>00</u>	<u>Loads</u>	<u>00</u>
Monthly Total	494	Loads	154 Loads

- Requested Road Closure; NW 5th Street: Mr. Watson presented the request made by Scott Akins, asking the Board to consider closing NW 5th Street.

Mr. McQueen and Mr. McPherson explained the process and procedures of a Road Closure.

Discussion took place on the issue of the \$500 fee for a Road Closure. If an individual/applicant requests a road closure, they are charged a fee of \$500; if the Board requests a road closure, there is no fee applied.

Mr. Watson stated that it would be a benefit to the County if this road was closed, on account that its only 497' long, not accessing any other property other the Akins Family.

Motion made by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas seconded by Commissioner Harrison to instruct the County Attorney to initiate the Road Closure procedure of NW 5th Street.

Chairman Langford called for discussion...discussion took place on the fee that is charged for a road closure by an applicant. The Board agreed that if a fee is going to be charged, ALL applicants are to be charged, and if the fee is to be waived, it should be waived for everyone.

Mr. Gilliam reminded the Board of action previously taken at a Regular Board meeting held on **November 19, 2007**, pertaining to road closure fees:

...The Board agreed to amend the County Policy, that the County initiates all Road Closures at their expense.

Motion made by Commissioner Sharon Langford seconded by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas to amend the original motion, by stating that no one would be charged from this date forward, for a road closure. Motion carried 4-1, with Commissioner Harrison voting NO.

Mr. McPherson suggested that since no fee being charged for the request of a road closure that the person making the request should be instructed to file an application which would then initiate the process and allow Staff to follow through with road closure procedures.

Chairman Langford called for vote on the motion on the floor...

Motion carried 4-0; Commissioner Sharon Langford was abstained from voting, reason being, the applicant is her brother.

- **Timberjack Limber Repair:** Mr. Watson readdressed the issue of the repairs that were made to the Timberjack Limber and those that are again needed at this time. The Limber had previously been repaired (9 days ago) with the understanding that the repairs that were made would take care of the problems that had occurred. Mr. Pickles, mechanic who did repairs, addressed the Board. Mr. Pickles stated that the components are still good, that there is some debris in the system.

The Board agreed for Mr. Watson to get a price on the repairs needed for the Timberjack and bring to the budget workshop on Thursday.

County Administrator's Report Continues...

Road Department

- **SE 90th Avenue (County Line Road):** Mr. McQueen wanted to address this issue while Mr. Watson was still present, but the Board suggested that this be addressed at the next budget workshop.

4:45 p.m. Time Certain

Hart Springs Dive Committee Report: Mr. Jerry Murphy, Hart Springs Dive Committee Member, addressed the Board and presented the minutes from the July 31, 2008 meeting.

Mr. Murphy asked the Board to consider opening Little Hart for guided caving diving. Ms. Julie Harrison, Park Manager, was consulted about the dates that Little Hart would be open to not conflict with swimmers during the school year.

The Hart Springs Dive Committee recommended that the GC Board of County Commissioners consider cave divers, accompanied by an approved guide, to enter the cave system through Little Hart entrance during the period of October 1st through March 31st of each year.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas to accept the Hart Springs Diving Advisory Board Minutes and recommendation. Motion carried unanimously.

5:00 p.m. Time Certain

Ordinance 08-09; Design Build: Chairman Langford read the short title as follows:

ORDINANCE 2008-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY TO ENTER INTO DESIGN-BUILD CONTRACTS AND ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR ENTERING INTO SUCH CONTRACTS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. McPherson stated the Competitive Negotiation Act, in the State Statute, says that the County has to have an ordinance in place to authorize a design build contract.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Sharon Langford to approve Ordinance 2008-09. Motion carried 4-1, Commissioner Harrison voted NO.

5:15 p.m. Time Certain

Ordinance 2008-08; FCT Related Amendments: Chairman Langford read the short title as follows:

ORDINANCE 2008-08

AN ORDINANCE OF GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE GILCHRIST COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; ADDING ONE OBJECTIVE, SIX POLICIES AND AMENDING ONE MAP TO GILCHRIST COUNTY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; ADDING POLICY VI.3.2.5 TO THE RECREATIONAL AND OPEN SPACE ELEMENT TO ADOPT A MINIMUM LEVEL OF SERVICE STANDARDS FOR LOCAL AND COUNTY PARKS ACREAGE; AMENDING THE NAME AND HEADING FOR THE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES MAP 2012; ADDING POLICY VI.5.1 TO INCREASE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COORDINATION PROGRAMS WITH FEDERAL STATE AND REGIONAL REGULATORY AGENCIES; ADDING POLICY V.4.9 TO DEVELOP, COORDINATE AND IMPLEMENT STANDARDS FOR RESTORING A SITE'S DEGRADED NATURAL AREAS; ADDING POLICY V.4.10 TO SET STANDARDS FOR PROTECTING NATURAL HABITAT FROM ADVERSE IMPACTS OF DEVELOPMENT; ADDING POLICY V.2.17 TO ENHANCE NON-POINT POLLUTION STANDARDS; ADDING POLICY VIII.2.1.5 TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ELEMENT FOR IMPLEMENTING A MINIMUM LEVEL OF SERVICE STANDARDS FOR LOCAL AND COUNTY PARKS ACREAGE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Discussion took place...

Motion made by Commissioner Harrison seconded by Commissioner Randy Durden to approve Ordinance 2008-08, with Staffs recommendations. Motion carried unanimously.

County Administrator's Report Continues...

Community Development

Planning & Zoning Fees: Mr. Taylor Brown, County Planning Director, brought back as requested by the Board, a schedule comparing the Current fee to the Proposed fee, and the actual True Cost utilized by the Division of Planning & Development.

Mr. Brown reviewed the fee schedule explaining the True Cost and how the changes to the Current Cost would be affected by the Proposed Cost. He recommended the Board approve the fee schedule as submitted.

Motion made by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas seconded by Commissioner Sharon Langford to allow the County Attorney to proceed with incorporating the proposed fee schedule for the Planning & Development Department into a resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Safety

Emergency Operations Center

- Update/Grand Opening: Mr. McQueen presented a power point presentation of pictures from the Grand Opening of the EOC.
- Dish Network Contract: Mr. McQueen presented a standard contract from Dish Network for services at the EOC. Mr. Ron Mills addressed the Board explaining the need for the requested services/channels provided by Dish Network. This contract had previously been approved by the Board; following policy all contracts must come before the Board for final acceptance and approval. Although, this contract did not state a cost for services. Mr. Mills stated that he believes the costs to be \$1,100.00.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Sharon Langford to approve contract with Dish Network subject to the Chairman verifying the price that was previously agreed/voted on is the same as the contract price. Motion carried unanimously.

- Portable Radios for EMS and Fire: Chief Perez presented the request to purchase ten (10) hand held portable radios. Chief Perez stated that Florida Forestry has approved a 50/50 grant for the purchase of 10 hand held radios. Three proposals were sought; Ashtin Communications, TriCo Communications and Baker Communications. Baker did not bid.

Chief Perez recommended approval for the purchase of 10 VHF Portable Radios with a spare battery, from TriCo Communications, in the amount of \$7,270.00, even though they were not low bidder, but they did comply with the bid requirements. The cost of this purchase would be split 50/50 with Florida Forestry.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas to approve quote from TriCo Communications for the purchase of ten (10) hand held portable radios, in the amount of \$7,270.00, with costs to be shared 50/50 by Florida Forestry grant. Motion carried unanimously.

Animal Control

- Update on Construction: Mr. McQueen provided an up to date construction report on the new Animal Shelter. Ms. Stacy Hoyt, with Animal Rescue Friends, addressed the Board with the issue of concerns about the fencing.
- Animal Rescue Friends: Ms. Hoyt presented an update of the progress that the Animal Rescue Friends has accomplished for Gilchrist County Animal Rescue. She also addressed the next fund raiser that the Animal Rescue Friends will be coordinating.

EMS Dish Network Contract: Mr. Gilliam requested permission to readdress the issue of the Dish Network Contract. He asked Chief Perez/Ron Mills to clarify what “package”, including channels, are we actually getting and is it necessary.

The contract did not include a “price” nor did it clarify what services (package/channels) were to be provided. Mr. Gilliam thought this information necessary before the contract should be accepted and signed by the Chairman.

The Board agreed that the Chairman will hold off of signing the contract until the requested information, as noted, is brought back to the Board for further consideration.

EMS

- Physician’s Employment Agreement: Mr. McQueen presented an addendum to the Physician’s Medical Agreement between Gilchrist County Emergency Medical Service and Dr. Daniel B. Cox, M.D., Medical Director.

Mr. McQueen stated that there had been an addition to the last paragraph: *Increase is contingent upon the BOCC approving step plan in and for the budget year and the availability of funds.*

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioners Harrison to approve the addendum to the Physician’s Employment Agreement between Gilchrist County Emergency Services and Dr. Daniel B. Cox, M.D., effective October 1, 2008. Motion carried unanimously.

Emergency Management

- Debris Management: Mr. Ron Mills, EM Chief, presented the results of the RFP’s that were submitted for Debris Management. The Debris Management Review Committee met on August 12th and 13th to review the five proposals that were submitted and recommended that Gilchrist County contract with three (3) companies for disaster assistance; they are as follows:

1. Coxwell Disaster Recovery Services
2. DRC Emergency Services
3. Grubbs Emergency Services

Mr. Mills stated that the committee also recommended that NO primary company be designated and that contracts will be solicited from these companies.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas to approve the Debris Management Review Committee’s recommendations on executing contracts for Coxwell Disaster Recovery Services, DRC Emergency Services, and Grubbs Emergency Services, with NO designated primary company, for Debris Management services. Motion carried unanimously.

- Emergency Management Funds: Mr. Mills presented a request for approval of purchase orders for remaining EM funds. Mr. Mills explained that the funds provided to Emergency Management, from the State and Federal Government is a required use.

Mr. Mills reviewed the purchase orders that will be submitted for the purchase of data equipment and window coverings expending the EM funds that are required to exhausted (or else be lost). The total of the purchase orders for balance of Emergency Management funds, as provided, is \$15,184.37.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Harrison to approve the expenditures submitted for remaining EM funds, totaling \$15,184.37. Motion carried unanimously.

Library Parking: Mr. McQueen reviewed a proposed parking revision for the Library. The Board took no action at this time and will consider the Library Parking issue to be addressed as part of the Special Projects for next year.

Memorial Courtyard

- Change Order #3, in the amount of \$993.60; for demolition and hauling of concrete and debris; formed and placed new concrete pad; to be paid out of Other Buildings

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Harrison to approve Change Order #3 to Wilkerson Construction, in the amount of \$993.60, to be paid for out of Other Buildings fund. Motion carried unanimously.

- Change Order #1, in the amount of \$10,120.00; for concrete underlayment and limerock base

Motion made by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas seconded by Commissioner Harrison to approve Change Order #1 to Wilkerson Construction, in the amount of \$10,120.00. Motion carried unanimously.

- Direct Purchase for electric materials (lighting) from C.E.S., Tim Powell, in the amount of \$14,300.00

Commissioner Durden asked if bidding procedures were followed...discussion took place; Tim Powell obtained quotes and provided them to Mr. McQueen. Board agreed to waive bidding requirements due to the fact that this project is time sensitive.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Sharon Langford to approve bid, in the amount of \$14,300.00, as long as the other bids could be provided for showing that this is the LOW bid; and that the bidding requirements be waived due to time restrictions. Motion carried unanimously.

- Pecan Tree Removal: Mr. McQueen presented three quotes for the removal of pecan trees at the Week's Building, including removal of debris and stump grinding.

It was recommended to approve the quote from Daughtery Tree Service, in the amount of \$4,400.00.

The cost for this service was recommended to be paid for out of Other Buildings.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Harrison to approve the quote from Daughtery Tree Service, in the amount of \$4,400.00, to remove two (2) pecan trees, including the removal of debris and stump grinding, southeast of the Week's Building, and cost to be paid for out of Other Buildings fund. Motion carried unanimously.

Parks & Recreation

- Otter Springs: Mr. McQueen updated the Board on the status of the contract for Otter Springs. He stated that the governing board did approve the contract, which will now be forwarded to the DEP, and the funding will be set aside, and the actual amount to be approved.

Hopefully, the contract will be presented to the Board by SRWMD, by the September 15th meeting. No action required.

- Hart Springs; Pump for the Spray Field: Mr. McQueen presented the request made by Julie Harrison, Park Manager, on the pump replacement for the spray field. At this time, it is only running on one pump. Ms. Harrison stated that funds are not available for a new pump, which needs to be replaced due to DEP regulations, and the estimated cost for a new pump is about \$3,500.00, she is seeking advice from the Board.

Motion made by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas seconded by Commissioner Randy Durden to approve the purchase of a pump for the spray field at Hart Springs, approximately \$3,500.00; cost to be funded out of General Revenue Reserve. Motion carried unanimously. Board asked that if the cost is more than \$3500.00, that she bring it back before them.

Visioning Committee: Mr. McQueen requested permission for Staff to move forward with sending out notification letters to those who have been recommended to serve as part of the Visioning Committee. Board agreed.

CDBG; Grant RFP Update: Mr. McQueen updated the Board on the CDBG Grant RFP. He stated that he had received two RFP's for consultants, from the State. He suggested that we apply in the next funding cycle. Board agreed.

FAC 2008-2009 Policy Committee Conference: Mr. McQueen presented conference information and asked the Board to let him know if they would be interested so reservations can be made. The Board members will let him know by the end of the week.

New Computer: Mr. McQueen presented the request for a new computer for his use. His has died. He is requesting a new laptop, not to exceed the amount of \$1,700.00. He had spoken with Finance to determine funding source, Board agreed to fund out of General Government.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Harrison to approve the purchase of a new laptop computer for Mr. McQueen to not exceed the amount of \$1,700.00; cost to be funded out of General Government. Motion carried unanimously.

Solid Waste

- Mr. McQueen presented a request from Pat Fisher, Solid Waste Manager, for the purchase of a new truck. A quote from Duval Ford was submitted for the Boards' consideration, in the amount of \$40,757.00, for a Ford F-450 Truck, which is on State Contract. Mr. Fisher did allow for this purchase within his budget.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Harrison to approve the purchase of a Ford F-450 truck from Duval Ford, in the amount of \$40,757.00, on State Contract, for the Solid Waste Department. Motion carried unanimously.

Attorney's Report

Ordinance 08-**: Recreation Straw Ballot: Mr. McPherson stated that we are still awaiting input from public, Suwannee Valley Leagues.

Addition of .05¢ to Gas Tax: Discussion took place on the issue of adding .05¢ to the gas tax. The Board directed the County Attorney to prepare an ordinance to be placed on the November 4th ballot.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Sharon Langford to instruct the County Attorney to prepare an ordinance adding .05¢ to gas tax, advertising for meeting in September and placing it on the November 4th ballot, by referendum by statute. Motion carried 4-1, with Commissioner D. Ray Harrison, Jr. voting NO.

Resolution: Health Department Fees: Mr. McPherson prepared a resolution approving the revised fees as requested by the Gilchrist County Health Department. The Gilchrist County Commission finds the fees requested to be reasonable and necessary to fund the essential responsibilities of the Health Department.

Chairman Langford read the short title as follows:

RESOLUTION 2008-55

A RESOLUTION OF THE GILCHRIST COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS APPROVING REVISED FEES REQUESTED BY THE GILCHRIST COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

The revised fee scheduled, as follows, shall be effective as of October 1, 2008:

College Attendance MR/MMR	Cost of Medicine plus \$5.00
Flu Shot	Medicare Reimbursement Rate
Hep B	Cost of Medicine plus \$5.00
Pneumo Adult	Cost of Medicine plus \$5.00
Tetanus	Cost of Medicine plus \$5.00
Immune Globulin	Cost of Medicine plus \$5.00
Rabies Vaccine & HRIG	Cost of Medicine plus \$5.00
Rabies Consultation Fee	\$45.00
Immunizations – Adult	Cost of Medicine plus \$5.00
Nix	No Charge
All Other Vaccines	Cost of Medicine plus \$5.00

Motion made by Commissioner Sharon Langford seconded by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas to approve Resolution 2008-55. Motion carried unanimously.

Value Adjustment Board: Mr. McPherson stated that Patricia Carter is monitoring DOR rules and pronouncements and is keeping him posted. It's possible that a second organizational meeting may be needed. DOR is apparently in a state of confusion.

LCCC-Related Roadway: Mr. McPherson stated that Ron McQueen is working on getting him a list of owners so he can prepare the necessary deeds for the anticipated donations.

Courthouse Expansion: Mr. McPherson stated that the Alexander Group is continuing to address the warranty items.

Saunders v. Gilchrist County: Mr. McPherson stated that Ms. Saunders' attorney has filed his Reply Brief and requested oral argument.

Gilchrist County v. Richard: Mr. McPherson stated that he will be monitoring Ms. Richard's compliance with the court order.

FAC, etc. v. Conflict Counsels and Department of Revenue: Mr. McPherson stated that there as no developments as of date.

Chamber Lease: Mr. McPherson stated that the lease with the Chamber of Commerce expires next month and has presented a draft for the Boards' consideration of renewal which the Board approved earlier during this meeting.

Clerk's Report

BCBS Life / Health Insurance Proposal: Mr. Gilliam addressed the issue of renewal rates on the Life/Health insurance with Blue Cross Blue Shield. He discussed the options that were offered by BCBS at a meeting last week. One of the options was to consider changing the current Life Insurance policy with Humana over to BCBS, allowing the \$2,500.00 to still be available upon retirement, and saving the County approximately \$53,000 on their portion of the policy. Mr. Gilliam stated that the recommendation of the committee is to let BCBS write the Life Insurance portion.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded Commissioner Kenrick Thomas to allow BCBS to write our Life Insurance Policy as long as the one item can be changed leaving it at the \$2,500.00 upon retirement. Motion carried unanimously.

State of Florida Estimate of the Permanent Population of Gilchrist County: Mr. Gilliam presented the population estimates for the incorporated and unincorporated areas in Gilchrist County as provided by the Bureau of Economic and Business Research at the University of Florida. He is recommending approval and to authorize the Chairman to sign.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Harrison to approve the estimated population report and allow the Chairman to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

Gilchrist County Woman's Club: Mr. Gilliam presented a request from Ms. Ann Ferguson with the Gilchrist County Woman's Club asking to open an account at the Recycling Center. This would allow the prisoners to take the Woman's Club yard refuse to the Center after they pick up.

Motion made by Commissioner Harrison seconded by Commissioner Sharon Langford to approve the setup of an account with the Solid Waste Recycling Center, for the Gilchrist County Woman's Club . Motion carried unanimously.

GCSO Inmate Medical Bills: Mr. Gilliam presented the medical invoices that were submitted by the Sheriff's office. The invoices were on Inmate Susan Hill, totaling the amount of \$23,431.55.

Ms. Jacki Johnson, Finance Director, addressed the Board explaining the payment arrangements made between the GCSO and Shands Hospital. She stated that there is a Letter of Agreement between the GCSO and Shands Hospital agreeing that the GCSO would pay a reduction of 85% of the hospital bill. At this time, it is uncertain if the 85% reduction had been taken on this invoice. Mr. Gilliam stated that because this invoice is back from July, they recommend that the Board approve payment to not exceed \$23,431.55.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Sharon Langford to approve the medical invoices on Inmate Susan Hill, to not exceed \$23,431.55. Motion carried unanimously.

Dixie County Inmate Housing Invoice: Mr. Gilliam presented the invoice from Dixie County for the housing of Gilchrist County inmates for the month of July 2008, in the amount of \$9,509.01.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Sharon Langford to approve the Dixie County Inmate Housing bill for the month of July 2008, in the amount of \$9,509.01. Motion carried unanimously.

Budget Recap: Ms. Johnson reviewed the Budget Recap for the Period Ending August 18, 2008; informational purposes only.

Kennedy Communications: Mr. Gilliam presented a partial payment request from Kennedy Communications for the Video and Voice Solutions project at the Gilchrist County Jail. At this time, the security system project is 95% complete. The total amount of the invoice is \$36,104.00.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas to approve the Payment Request, invoice #93764 in the amount of \$36,104.00, to Kennedy Communications, retaining 10% until completion of the project. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioners Reports: None noted.

Old Business: None noted.

New Business: None noted.

Public Participation: None noted.

Adjourn

With there being no further business, Chairman Langford adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Board of County Commissioners
Gilchrist County, Florida

Tommy Langford, Chairman

Attest:

Joseph W. Gilliam, Clerk of Court