

June 13, 2006
Regular Session
Bonifay, Florida

The Holmes County Board of Commissioners met in a Regular Session on the above date with the following members present: Commissioner Jim King, Commissioner Raymon Thomas, Commissioner Harold Smith, Commissioner Phillip Music and Commissioner Earl Stafford, Chairman of the Board.

Gerald Holley, Attorney, was present.

Sherry Fitzpatrick, Deputy Clerk, was present and kept the minutes.

Wendell Dinkins led the prayer and pledge.

Commissioner Music made a motion to approve the minutes from May 30, 2006, Regular Session. Commissioner Smith offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Holley Segers, Health Department, discussed the need for roof repairs at the Health Department. Commissioner Thomas made a motion to accept the quote for \$4999.99 with Commissioner Smith offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner King made a motion to approve the promotion of David Fowler to Heavy Equipment Operator in District 4 and to pay all FEMA workers at the Heavy Equipment Operator rate. Commissioner Smith offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to send a letter to the Department of Transportation requesting that they begin on the four lane project of Hwy 79 sooner. Commissioner King offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Letter)

Commissioner King made a motion to approve the Great Florida Birding Trail Sign Maintenance Agreement. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Agreement)

Commissioner King made a motion to table the Chipola Workforce Development Board requests for Board member appointments. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Pursuant to Public Notice, a Public Hearing was held to change the land use from Recreation to Public-Semi-Public Education for the Department of Transportation Operations Center located in Ponce de Leon. Kevan Parker, Department of Transportation, gave a brief overview of the project. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve with Commissioner Music offering a second. The

motion passed unanimously.

Paul Donofro Jr, Donofro and Associates, agreed to do the Engineering/Architectural Services for the Courthouse Renovations for 12% fee. Commissioner King made a motion to accept with Commissioner Music offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to table the discussion on the Fire Assessment Project. Commissioner Smith offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner King made a motion to approve a proposal from West Florida Regional Planning Council to prepare updates to the Holmes County CEMP in the amount of \$6,600. Commissioner Smith offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Proposal)

Commissioner Smith made a motion to table the request from Jones Phillips to proceed with the CDBG project using county money. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Gerald Holley, Attorney, advised the Board of the process to adopt an ordinance in an emergency situation. Commissioner Thomas made a motion to declare a need for an emergency ban on burning. Commissioner Smith offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to adopt Ordinance 06-06 that prohibits open burning without a permit. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Ordinance 06-06)

Commissioner Thomas discussed the dump truck trade in values. The Board agreed to let Chairman Stafford get estimates from two other companies.

Commissioner Music made a motion to approve a Consolidated Small County Solid Waste Management Grant Application. Commissioner King offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Application)

Jerry Hall, Gritney Fire Department, stated that the ISO rating for the Gritney Fire Department had been lowered to 9 which will be effective October 1, 2006.

Clifton Crews, Gritney Fire Department, stated there were pine trees that need to be cut and removed

so the construction could start on the new fire department.

Monroe Simmons, area resident, requested half of the rental fees back for use of the agriculture center due to having to clean it prior to using it. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve with Commissioner Music offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the agriculture center rental process. Chairman Stafford asked Bobby Bryant if he could assist in checking the agricultural center on weekends until he could talk with Shep Eubanks regarding this issue.

There being no further business, Commissioner Music offered a motion to adjourn with Commissioner Smith offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Cody Taylor, Clerk

Earl Stafford, Chairman