## January 14, 2019 Special Session Bonifay, Florida

The Holmes County Board of Commissioners met in a Special Session on the above date with the following members present: Commissioner Phillip Music, Commissioner Earl Stafford, Commissioner Bobby Sasnett, Commissioner Brandon Newsom and Commissioner Clint Erickson, Chairman of the Board.

Brandon Young, County Attorney, was present.

Angie Purvee, Deputy Clerk, was present and kept the minutes.

Chairman Erickson called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. County Attorney Brandon Young led the prayer and pledge.

The first agenda item was Agenda Additions or Deletions. The following additions were made to the agenda:

## • 10-A) CR 177A

Commissioner Music offered a motion to approve the amended agenda with Commissioner Stafford offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Mary Beth Barrows, a representative from Senator Marco Rubio's office, discussed available resources to assist the County with storm recovery efforts. The discussion of this matter included the following:

- Applying for HMGP grants and FEMA assistance
- New FEMA personnel appointed by new governor
- Problem roads in the County
- Pushing FEMA project delays

Ms. Barrows advised the Senator Rubio's office was hosting a FEMA event in Jackson County on January 31<sup>st</sup> where representatives from the Senator's office and FEMA will be present to answer questions concerning the recovery efforts.

Gary Yates, The Integrity Group, discussed monies available for repair work other than FEMA, such as community block grants through the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). He stated that he would like to do a needs assessment to find other funding sources for the County.

Amanda Hickman and Christy Powell, Holmes County Beauty Pageant Directors, requested a letter of support from the Board to the National Peanut Festival. Commissioner Stafford offered a motion for the Chairman to sign the requested letter of support with Commissioner Music offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Erickson stated that a quote of \$68 per ton was received for hot mix from Anderson Columbia which would put the cost at approximately \$1300 per load. Commissioner Stafford advised that he has spoken with a contractor about patching roads using the hot mix. Discussion included which roads were in need of the patch repairs such as CR 185, CR177A, Boswell Road, entrance to Dogwood Lakes and Old Mill Road. Commissioner Stafford will have the contractor look at the roads and return with a quote at the next meeting.

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The Board entered into a discussion with The Integrity Group concerning their disaster recovery services for FEMA Disaster 4138. The discussion of this matter included the following:

- Contracting out remainder of FEMA dirt hauling
- Changing scope of work for alternative projects
- 9 PWs remain uncompleted
- Restarting local FEMA work

Commissioner Stafford offered a motion to put the nine remaining PWs out for bid for trucks and manpower to haul dirt from pit to the project location with each project to be bid separately. Commissioner Music offered a second. Commissioners Music, Stafford, Newsom and Erickson voted yes and Commissioner Sasnett voted no. The motion passed.

Bob Stinebaugh, The Integrity Group, discussed using milled asphalt on the FEMA alternative procedures projects. The discussion included the following:

- Recommends milled asphalt as the more economical option
- Use of milled asphalt in Walton County
- FEMA approving use of milled asphalt
- Sources for obtaining recycled materials
- Maintaining milled asphalt roads
- Importance of good base and replacing pipes

Susan Spencer, local mobile home park owner, urged the Board to move forward with road repair projects due to extra traffic caused by families and workers displaced by Hurricane Michael.

Cliff Knauer, Dewberry Engineers Inc., discussed the use of milled asphalt in place of paving the roads on the FEMA alternative procedures projects list. The discussion of this matter included the following:

- Chances of FEMA approving milled asphalt
- Bids can be put out for both methods of road repair
- Counters will be placed on each road to determine amount of base needed
- Dewberry and Melvin Engineering already awarded engineering contract on alternative procedures
- Firms can develop a scope of work to submit to FEMA after doing a preliminary assessment

Commissioner Stafford offered a motion to have both engineering firms conduct the preliminary assessment work on the top ten roads on the alternative procedures list at a cost of \$8,500 per road. Commissioner Newsom offered a second and the motion passed unanimously.

Cliff Knauer, Dewberry Engineers Inc., discussed the property releases still needed for Bonifay Chipley and Bonifay Gritney Roads.

Cliff Knauer, Dewberry Engineers Inc., advised that the County's SCRAP and SCOP submittals are due March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Commissioner Stafford advised of a big wash in CR 177A past New Zion church cause by water drainage in need of repair.

The Board agreed by consensus to cut out all overtime for the Road Department and FEMA workers since the work is going out for contract.

The Board agreed by consensus that two FEMA Project Monitors are needed. Road Department Secretary Shawna Lumpkin was directed to return to the next meeting with the recommendations of the top two candidates from the applications received.

Brandon Young, County Attorney, advised that the petition to close Brooks Drive and Attorney Tim Well's petition to close the unnamed roadway in Section 4, Township 6 North, Range 15 West, Holmes County (may once have been a portion of Bonifay and Hinote Road) require the Board to conduct public hearings before taking any action. Public hearings for both petitions will be held at the January 29th Regular Session.

Brandon Young, County Attorney, gave an update on the hiring committee's work on the Emergency Management and the County Coordinator applications stating that interviews were scheduled to begin shortly with the top three candidates to be brought to the Board at the next meeting.

There being no further business at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

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