

PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA

APRIL 24, 2007

REGULAR MEETING

The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners met this date in regular session with the following members present: Chairman Bill Williams, Vice Chairman Jerry W. Barnes, and Commissioners Carmen L. McLemore, Billy E. Traylor and Nathan Peters, Jr.

Others present were: County Attorney Timothy McFarland, Clerk Becky Norris, Clerk Executive Administrator Towan Kopinsky, Clerk Finance Officer Carla Hand, Chief Administrator Don Butler, Deputy Administrator Lynn Lanier, Building Official Lee Collinsworth, Chamber of Commerce Director Sandra Chafin, E.D.C. Director Alan McNair, Emergency Management Director Marshall Nelson, Grant Writer Loretta Costin, Gulf County E.M.S. Director Shane McGuffin, Mosquito Control Director Mark Cothran, Planner David Richardson, Road Department Superintendent Bobby Knee, Solid Waste Director Joe Danford, and Sheriff's Office Lieutenant Ricky Tolbert.

Lieutenant Tolbert called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., E.T.

Vice Chairman Barnes opened the meeting with prayer, and Chairman Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ODYSSEY OF THE MINDS - WEWAHITCHKA HIGH SCHOOL

Matthew Miller, Damon McMillion, Shawna McDonald, and Kayla Chumney, members of the Wewahitchka High School O.M. Team, appeared before the Board to discuss winning the State Competition and to demonstrate their invention. Members of the team reported that they will be attending the World Competition, and requested financial assistance from the Board. Sharon Miller appeared before the Board to discuss the O.M. Program and how hard the team worked on this project. Members of the Board discussed funding, and tabled this issue until later in the meeting. Representatives of Preble-Rish, Inc., G.A.C. Contractors and Cathey Construction also agreed to donate funds to the O.M. Team.

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion by Commissioner Traylor, second by Commissioner Peters, and unanimous vote the Board approved the following Consent Agenda items:

1. Minutes - April 10, 2007 - Regular Meeting
2. Appointment - Regional Library Board (Nolan Treglown)
Appointment/BCC Correspondence - District 4 - Bay County Council

on Aging (Peggy Waters - Community Services Block Grant Board of Directors)

3. Bid Advertisements - Gulf County E.M.S. (Power Cot and Evacuation Chair / Miscellaneous Supplies & Equipment)
 Bid Award (#0607-21) - Mosquito Control Building (Steadfast Development, Inc. - \$46,600.00, contingent upon approval by Building Department)
 Bid Rejection (#0607-20)/Re-advertise - Solid Waste Department (Five 20-yard Roll-off Containers)
4. Budget Amendment #11 - General Fund (E.D.C. - \$40,000.00 / C.D.C. - \$10,000.00), as follows:

Amend the FY2006-2007 Budget for B.O.C.C. approved payments to Gulf County E.D.C. and Gulf County C.D.C. Amounts were restricted in B.O.C.C. line item 21111-49100 until final approval by B.O.C.C. in October, 2006.

**Budget Amendment
#11
General Fund**

| | Original Budget | Increase | Decrease | Amended Budget |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| BOCC: | | | | |
| 21111-49100 Pay to Other Gov | \$ 50,000.00 | \$ -0- | \$ 50,000.00 | \$ -0- |
| County Development: | | | | |
| 27152-49000 Other Current Chg | \$ 10,000.00 | \$ 40,000.00 | \$ -0- | \$ 50,000.00 |
| Affordable Housing: | | | | |
| 27954-82000 Aid to Private Org | \$ -0- | \$ 10,000.00 | \$ -0- | \$ 10,000.00 |

Budget Amendment #12 - Municipal Service Taxing Unit Debt Service Fund (Bond Payment - \$1,496,561.00), as follows:

Amend the FY2006-2007 Budget for bond principal and interest requirements for the 2006 M.S.T.U. Bond Issue.

**Budget Amendment
#12
Municipal Service Taxing Unit Debt Service Fund**

| | Original Budget | Increase | Decrease | Amended Budget |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Beach Renourishment: | | | | |
| 28037-71000 Bond Principal | \$ -0- | \$1,225,000.00 | \$ -0- | \$1,225,000.00 |

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|---------------------------|----|--------------|----|------------|----|--------------|----|------------|
| 28037-72000 Bond Interest | \$ | -0- | \$ | 271,561.00 | \$ | -0- | \$ | 271,561.00 |
| 28037-74000 Reserve Acct | \$ | 1,575,266.00 | \$ | -0- | \$ | 1,496,561.00 | \$ | 78,705.00 |

Budget Amendment #13 - General Fund (Workmen's Compensation Insurance - \$93,709.00), as follows:

Amend the FY2006-2007 Budget for the increased premium for worker's compensation insurance over the amount originally budgeted.

**Budget Amendment
#13
General Fund**

| | | | Original Budget | Increase | Decrease | Amended Budget |
|----------------------|-------------|----------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Expenditures: | | | | | | |
| County Admn | 21112-24000 | W.C. | 1,499.00 | 40.00 | - | 1,539.00 |
| Clerk to Bd | 21212-24000 | W.C. | 4,734.00 | 2,086.00 | - | 6,820.00 |
| Property Appr | 22113-24000 | W.C. | 12,090.00 | 7,902.00 | - | 19,992.00 |
| Tax Coll | 22213-24000 | W.C. | 1,918.00 | 1,254.00 | - | 3,172.00 |
| Grant Dev | 22313-24000 | W.C. | 330.00 | 194.00 | - | 524.00 |
| Risk/HR | 22513-24000 | W.C. | 315.00 | 113.00 | - | 428.00 |
| Sup of Elec | 24019-24000 | W.C. | 844.00 | 551.00 | - | 1,395.00 |
| Gulf Count | 24523-24000 | W.C. | 6,340.00 | 1,481.00 | - | 7,821.00 |
| Safety | 24721-24000 | W.C. | 156.00 | 90.00 | - | 246.00 |
| Co.Courtho | 26019-24000 | W.C. | 3,962.00 | 41,082.00 | - | 45,044.00 |
| Co. Vet | 29153-24000 | W.C. | 238.00 | 116.00 | - | 354.00 |
| Plg.Dept | 34515-24000 | W.C. | 1,040.00 | 366.00 | - | 1,406.00 |
| EMPA Grant | 39325-24000 | W.C. | - | 1,043.00 | - | 1,043.00 |
| Small Co.S | 41934-24000 | W.C. | 6,665.00 | 2,926.00 | - | 9,591.00 |
| Mosquito C | 42262-24000 | W.C. | 21,050.00 | 3,305.00 | - | 24,355.00 |
| Landfill | 42634-24000 | W.C. | 9,960.00 | 4,013.00 | - | 13,973.00 |
| PublicWork | 42834-24000 | W.C. | 68,917.00 | 46,174.00 | - | 115,091.00 |
| Animal Con | 43062-24000 | W.C. | 1,938.00 | 1,149.00 | - | 3,087.00 |
| Gulf Count | 51626-24000 | W.C. | 37,500.00 | 12,362.00 | - | 49,862.00 |
| Extension | 63237-24000 | W.C. | - | 950.00 | - | 950.00 |
| BOCC | 21111-24000 | W.C. | 65,859.00 | - | 13,583.00 | 52,276.00 |
| GIS Mappin | 27615-24000 | W.C. | 6,912.00 | - | 6,111.00 | 801.00 |
| Fire Depar | 33122-24000 | W.C. | 37,485.00 | - | 11,854.00 | 25,631.00 |
| Local Mtch | 39125-24000 | W.C. | 915.00 | - | 396.00 | 519.00 |
| Ambulance: | 51526-24000 | W.C. | 21,580.00 | - | 5,604.00 | 15,976.00 |
| Bldg.Dept | B3424-24000 | W.C. | 19,356.00 | - | 1,544.00 | 17,812.00 |
| Reserves: | | | | | | |
| Reserve | 99984-96000 | Cash Carry For | 200,000.00 | - | 61,605.00 | 138,395.00 |
| Reserve | 99984-95000 | Contingencies | 26,500.00 | - | 26,500.00 | -0- |

Budget Amendment #14 - General Fund (Building Department Special Master Services - \$2,800.00), as follows:

Amend the FY2006-2007 Budget for Special Master Services approved by the BOCC October 10,2006.

**Budget Amendment
#14
General Fund**

| | Original Budget | Increase | Decrease | Amended Budget |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Building Department: | | | | |
| B3424-34000 Other Contr.Serv. | \$ 2,600.00 | \$ 2,800.00 | \$.00 | \$ 5,400.00 |
| Reserve - General Fund: | | | | |
| 99984-96000 Cash Carry | \$138,395.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 2,800.00 | \$ 135,595.00 |

5. Ditch Maintenance - Madison Street (Leavins to purchase materials, County to perform work)
6. Inventory - Gulf Co. Health Department (Junk #130-263 & #130-280)
7. Invoice - Agency for Health Care Administration - Medicaid (January, 2007 * \$8,531.48 * to be paid from Account #52264-34100)
 - Dolomite, Inc. - Dead Lakes Park (#105085 * \$144.32 / #105086 * \$144.08 / #105091 * \$146.88 / #105093 * \$150.56 / #105096 * \$141.12 / #105097 * \$148.64 / #105117 * \$149.04 / #105098 * \$149.04 / #105120 * \$154.40 / #105118 * \$149.84 / #105129 * \$148.64 / #105130 * \$147.92 / #105161 * \$147.68 / #105159 * \$148.16 / #105166 * \$147.20 / #105163 * \$146.88 / #105172 * \$146.08 / #105173 * \$146.16)
 - Ferrara Fire Apparatus - South Gulf County Fire Department (Pre-payment on new fire truck * #JC6052 * \$125,042.00 * to be paid from Account #32922-64001)
 - Gulf Atlantic Culvert - Road Bond Paving Program (#48854 * \$10,695.24 / #48851 * \$1,101.25 * to be paid from Account #41443- 53000 on an emergency basis)
8. Policy - Invoice Approval County Projects (Road Department Superintendent - Road Bond Paving Project / Maintenance Superintendent - Park Projects / Grant Writer - All Grant Projects, Including Park Projects)
9. Purchase Request - Gulf County E.M.S. (One Cardiac Monitor / Defibrillator and Accessories * \$11,500.00 * Sole-Source Purchase)
Purchase Request - Solid Waste Department (Tub Grinder Parts * will exceed

\$10,000.00 * Sole-Source Purchase)

10. Resolution No. 2007-07 (Amended) - Budget Amendment (Tourist Development Trust Fund * \$114,526.00 * Beach Renovation Taxes), as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-07 (AMENDED)

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida has received unanticipated revenue in the Tourist Development Fund for fiscal year 2006-2007; and

WHEREAS, said revenue is needed to help pay certain expenditures incurred in fiscal year 2006-2007;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The 2006-2007 fiscal year budget is amended as follows:

TOURIST DEVELOPMENT FUND

| | <u>Original Budget</u> | <u>Increase</u> | <u>Amended Budget</u> |
|---|----------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| REVENUES: | | | |
| Sales, Use Taxes: | | | |
| 60012-10001 Taxes Resrvd for Beach Renour | \$ 0 | \$ 114,526 | \$ 114,526 |
| EXPENDITURES: | | | |
| Beach Renourishment: | | | |
| 28039-31000 Professional Services | \$ 0 | \$ 20,000 | \$ 20,000 |
| 28039-40000 Travel | \$ 0 | \$ 2,000 | \$ 2,000 |
| 28039-42000 Postage | \$ 0 | \$ 2,000 | \$ 2,000 |
| 28039-47000 Printing | \$ 0 | \$ 10,000 | \$ 10,000 |
| 28039-49200 Legal Advertisement | \$ 0 | \$ 1,000 | \$ 1,000 |
| 28039-70000 Bond Debt Service | \$ 0 | \$ 79,526 | \$ 79,526 |

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED by the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners this 24th of April, 2007.

(end)

Resolution - Budget Amendment (General Fund * \$75,082.00 * Loan Proceeds - Landfill Equipment), as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-08

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida has received unanticipated revenue in the General Fund for fiscal year 2006-2007; and

WHEREAS, said revenue is needed to help pay certain expenditures incurred in fiscal year 2006-2007;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The 2006-2007 fiscal year budget is amended as follows:

GENERAL FUND

| | <u>Original Budget</u> | <u>Increase</u> | <u>Amended Budget</u> |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| REVENUES: | | | |
| Other Financing Sources: | | | |
| 00183-00000 Loan Proceeds | \$ 0 | \$75,082 | \$75,082 |
| EXPENDITURES: | | | |
| Landfill: | | | |
| 42634-64001 Equipment >\$5000 | \$ 0 | \$75,082 | \$75,082 |

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED by the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners this 24th day of April, 2007.

(end)

Resolution - Budget Amendment (Beach Re-nourishment Project Fund * \$10,426,055.00 * Bond Proceeds), as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-09

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida has received unanticipated revenue in the Beach Re-nourishment Project Fund for fiscal year 2006-2007; and

WHEREAS, said revenue is needed to help pay certain expenditures incurred in fiscal year 2006-2007;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The 2006-2007 fiscal year budget is amended as follows:

BEACH RE-NOURISHMENT PROJECT FUND

| | <u>Original Budget</u> | <u>Increase</u> | <u>Amended Budget</u> |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| REVENUES: | | | |
| Interest Income: | | | |
| 12161-10000 Interest | \$ 0 | \$ 250,000 | \$ 250,000 |
| Other Financing Sources: | | | |
| 12184-00000 Debt Proceeds | \$ 0 | \$ 10,176,055 | \$ 10,176,055 |
| EXPENDITURES: | | | |
| Beach Renourishment | | | |
| 25837-34000 Other Contractual Svcs | \$ 0 | \$ 10,354,221 | \$ 10,354,221 |
| 25837-77000 Debt Issue Costs | \$ 0 | \$ 71,834 | \$ 71,834 |

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED by the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners this 24th day of April, 2007.

(end)

Resolution - Budget Amendment (Municipal Service Taxing Unit Fund * \$852,582.00 * Bond Proceeds), as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-10

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida has received unanticipated revenue in the Municipal Service Taxing Unit Fund for fiscal year 2006-2007; and

WHEREAS, said revenue is needed to help pay certain expenditures incurred in fiscal year 2006-2007;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The 2006-2007 fiscal year budget is amended as follows:

MUNICIPAL SERVICE TAXING UNIT FUND

| | <u>Original Budget</u> | <u>Increase</u> | <u>Amended Budget</u> |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| REVENUES: | | | |
| Interest Income: | | | |
| 20461-10000 Interest | \$ 0 | \$ 20,000 | \$ 20,000 |

Other Financing Sources:

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------|---------------|----|---|----|---------|----|---------|
| 20484-00000 | Debt Proceeds | \$ | 0 | \$ | 832,582 | \$ | 832,582 |
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EXPENDITURES:

Beach Renourishment

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------|------------------------|----|---|----|---------|----|---------|
| 28037-77000 | Other Debt Issue Costs | \$ | 0 | \$ | 195,831 | \$ | 195,831 |
| 28037-99000 | Underwriter Discourt | \$ | 0 | \$ | 86,320 | \$ | 86,320 |

Reserves - Debt Service Required:

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------------------|----|---|----|---------|----|---------|
| 28084-96000 | Cash to be Carried For. | \$ | 0 | \$ | 570,431 | \$ | 570,431 |
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THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED by the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners this 24th day of April, 2007.

(end)

Resolution - Florida Boating Improvement Grant Application (White City Boat Ramp),
as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-11

AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION FOR A FLORIDA BOATING IMPROVEMENT GRANT TO ENHANCE ACCESS AND INCREASE THE MOORING CAPACITY OF THE BOATING FACILITY AT WHITE CITY.

WHEREAS, the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners desires to increase and enhance access for boaters in Gulf County; and

WHEREAS, the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners has decided to pursue the grant process to enhance boating facilities; then

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Gulf County Board of Commissioners that the County Chief Administrator hereby be authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the County of Gulf with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for a grant to increase mooring capacity and access for boaters at the White City Boat Landing facility.

APPROVED this 24thday of April, 2007.

(end)

11. S.H.I.P. - Purchase Assistance (James & Brenda Gortman * \$25,000.00 / Tiffany Matthews * \$25,000.00)

- Rehabilitation Assistance (Annie Larry * \$5,500.00)
- Subordination Agreement (Dennis R. & Amy L. Parrish / HLC, Inc. d/b/a Lending Tree Loans)

12. Special Projects Payments - District 4 (Gulf Coast Community College * Law Enforcement Training * Sandy Quinn * \$715.03)
13. Travel - Sterling Conference (Orlando, FL * 05/29/07-06/01/07)

(end)

PUBLIC HEARINGS / P.D.R.B. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Board then considered the following recommendations from the April 18, 2007 meeting of the Planning & Development Review Board:

VARIANCE APPROVAL - WINDOLF

Pursuant to advertisement to hold a public hearing to consider a request for variance of the development regulations by Delores Windolf (Parcel ID #06287-415R * S22, T9S, R11W), County Attorney McFarland read the public hearing notice and called for public comment. There being no public comment, Commissioner Barnes motioned to approve this variance request, as recommended by the Planning & Development Review Board. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

VARIANCE APPROVAL - TULL

Pursuant to advertisement to hold a public hearing to consider a request for variance of the development regulations by Daryl and Rhonda Tull (Parcel ID #03101-210R * S19, T8S, R10W), County Attorney McFarland read the public hearing notice and called for public comment. There being no public comment, Commissioner Traylor motioned to approve this variance request, as recommended by the Planning & Development Review Board. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

SETBACK DISCLOSURE POLICY

Planner Richardson discussed the high number of setback variance requests, and presented a proposed Setback Disclosure Policy that is being recommended for adoption by the P.D.R.B. After discussion by members of the Board, the proposed policy was tabled for review and recommendation by the Construction Licensing Board.

SMALL-SCALE MAP AMENDMENT - MAYHANN

Pursuant to advertisement to hold a public hearing to consider tabling a small-scale map amendment for James and Dianne Mayhann (Parcel ID #00363-440R * 2.5 acres in S8, T7S, R8W), County Attorney McFarland read the public hearing notice and called for public comment. Commissioner McLemore discussed that he is opposed to the P.D.R.B.'s recommendation regarding the land use change, and he motioned to approve the Small-Scale Map Amendment. Upon inquiry, Planner Richardson discussed the surrounding agricultural and conservation zoning, and stated that Mr. Mayhann agreed to provide a buffer between the properties. Commissioner Traylor seconded the motion for discussion, and stated that he is also disappointed in the decision of the P.D.R.B. regarding this matter and plans to meet with them to discuss this issue. There being no public comment, the motion did then pass unanimously.

PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL - WATERFRONT GROUP, LLC

Pursuant to advertisement to hold a public hearing to consider preliminary plat approval for Waterfront Group, LLC (Parcel ID#01095-001R * 1,819.99 acres in S23, 25, 26, 27, 34, 35 & 36, T6S, R9W * 348 units), County Attorney McFarland read the public hearing notice and called for public comment. There being no public comment, Commissioner Traylor motioned to approve the preliminary plat for Waterfront Group, LLC, subject to all Federal, State and local development regulations both stated and unstated. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

FINAL PLAT APPROVAL - KARA SUBDIVISION

Pursuant to advertisement to hold a public hearing to consider final plat approval for Dennis Stockard (Parcel ID#04250-000R * 1.24 acres in S16, T7S, R11W * 3 units), County Attorney McFarland read the public hearing notice and called for public comment. There being no public comment, Commissioner Traylor motioned to approve the final plat of Kara Subdivision, subject to all Federal, State and local development regulations both stated and unstated. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

FINAL PLAT - SCARLETT'S PLACE SUBDIVISION

Pursuant to advertisement to hold a public hearing to consider tabling final plat approval for Our Tara Estates, Inc. (Parcel ID#01359-370R & #01359-365R * 8.95 acres in S35, T3S, R10W * 15 units), County Attorney McFarland read the public hearing notice and called for public comment. Michael Hammond, of Preble-Rish, Inc., appeared before the Board and discussed that this was tabled by the P.D.R.B. pending a letter from H.R.S. and an updated infrastructure plan. He stated that Josh Baxley has completed the infrastructure information and the H.R.S. letter was received today. Commissioner McLemore motioned to approve the final plat of Scarlett's Place Subdivision, and Commissioner Traylor seconded the

motion for discussion. After discussion, the motion and seconded was amended to be contingent upon the H.R.S. letter and infrastructure improvements being submitted to the Planning Department. There being no further public comment, the motion then passed unanimously.

RAFFIELD FISHERIES - LAND USE CHANGE (BOAT STORAGE & LAUNCH)

Planner Richardson discussed a request from Raffield Fisheries to have recreational vehicle (R.V.) and boat storage and a ramp to put boats in the water, stating that they would have to get a land-use change for the R.V. Campsite. Upon discussion by County Attorney McFarland, Commissioner McLemore motioned to allow Raffield Fisheries to have a boat storage and boat launch/lift facility (they would need to follow the land-use change process for the R.V. site). Commissioner Traylor seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0, with Commissioner Barnes abstaining due to family involvement.

PERMIT WAIVER REQUEST - CITY OF PORT ST. JOE

Deputy Administrator Lanier discussed a building permit waiver request from the City of Port St. Joe for Jetty Park and Bay Walk. Upon inquiry, she stated that this is privately-owned by The St. Joe Company, and construction is already complete. Upon further inquiry, Building Official Collinsworth stated that he has never inspected the project. After discussion that permit fees are normally doubled for individuals who do not obtain the permits prior to construction, Commissioner Traylor motioned to table this request until it can be inspected by the Building Department. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

BUDGET AMENDMENT #13 / WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE

Clerk Norris discussed Budget Amendment #13 in the Consent Agenda, stating that this covers changes based on the Worker's Compensation Audit that is performed each year (insurance premiums are salary-based), and adjustments for amounts that were over/under budgeted.

SPECIAL PROJECTS PAYMENTS / BUDGET AMENDMENT

Clerk Norris discussed the Special Projects Payment request from District 4 for Law Enforcement Training Costs, stating that there is a budget for Law Enforcement Education Costs. She stated that if these costs cannot be paid from that budget, the Board would need to approve a budget amendment to pay it from Special Projects. Commissioner Peters motioned to pay the invoice from Gulf Coast Community College (#016587 in the amount of \$715.03) from the Law Enforcement Education budget, contingent upon approval by County Attorney McFarland, or to place a budget amendment in the next agenda if it must be paid from Special Projects. Commissioner Traylor seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

INVOICE - MONEY BAYOU PROJECT

Upon recommendation by Grant Writer Costin, Commissioner Peters motioned to pay an invoice from Preble-Rish, Inc., in the amount of \$2,400.00, for completion of the Money Bayou Project from grant funds. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

SMALL COUNTY OUTREACH PROGRAM (S.C.O.P.) GRANT APPLICATIONS

Grant Writer Costin reported that the C.R. 22A Project was funded through the S.C.O.P. program, but not the C. R. 30 project. Upon her inquiry, Commissioner Traylor motioned for the C. R. 30 project to be the County's top priority for the new application process. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. After discussion by Chief Administrator Butler, Commissioner Traylor motioned to submit Mitchell Road (connects S. R. 71 and S. R. 22) as the second priority. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

FLEET CARD - COUNTY JAIL

Deputy Administrator Lanier discussed the need to apply for a fleet card for the County Jail personnel for fuel during transports, etc. Upon motion by Commissioner McLemore, second by Commissioner Traylor, and unanimous vote, the Board approved this request.

COMMISSARY CONTRACT - COUNTY JAIL

Deputy Administrator Lanier discussed a request from Jail Transition Coordinator Durben to initiate the 90-day opt-out option on the current commissary contract, contingent upon approval by County Attorney McFarland. Upon motion by Commissioner McLemore, second by Commissioner Peters, and unanimous vote, the Board approved this request.

DIRECT PURCHASES - COURTHOUSE ROOF

Deputy Administrator Lanier discussed Direct Purchase Orders #9365 (McQuay - \$16,289.45) and #9683 (Emerald Coast Building Materials - \$3,201.85) on the Courthouse Roof renovation project, and requested they be approved for payment. Upon motion by Commissioner McLemore, second by Commissioner Traylor, and unanimous vote, the Board approved this request.

V.M.S. / GRASS-CUTTING CONTRACT

Road Department Superintendent Knee discussed the County's contract with V.M.S. to provide grass-cutting on the right-of-ways, and stated that V.M.S. agreed to extend the contract for another year with a 3% increase to the County. Upon motion by Commissioner Traylor, second by Commissioner McLemore, and unanimous vote, the Board agreed to continue to provide the grass-cutting services with a 3% increase.

RAILROAD CROSSINGS

Upon inquiry by Commissioner McLemore regarding repair of the railroad tracks on S. R. 71, Commissioner Barnes stated that he received a call from V.M.S. last week, and they are working on getting the tracks repaired.

INVOICE APPROVAL - ROAD BOND PAVING PROGRAM

Upon inquiry by Commissioner Peters regarding the Road Department Superintendent now being responsible for approving the invoices for the Road Bond Paving Program, Chairman Williams stated that Road Department Superintendent Knee will be meeting with Chief Administrator Butler and the Clerk's Office to implement the new system.

DISASTER PLANNING

Planner Richardson discussed a letter from P.B.S. & J. regarding Category 5 evacuations, stating he will be meeting with Emergency Management Director Nelson to bring a recommendation back to the Board.

HONEYVILLE STORM SHELTER / DIRECT PURCHASES

Chief Administrator Butler discussed an issue regarding approval for direct purchases that exceed the County's \$10,000.00 bid limit, and requested that the Board waive their bid policy and approve the direct purchases on an emergency basis. Upon motion by Commissioner McLemore, second by Commissioner Traylor, and unanimous vote, the Board approved this request. Upon discussion by Brian Cathey, of Cathey Construction, regarding these purchases being included in his original bid, County Attorney McFarland discussed the County's bid policy regarding purchases over \$10,000.00.

Upon inquiry by Deputy Administrator Lanier, Commissioner McLemore motioned to waive the bid policy and approve all direct purchases on the Courthouse Roof and Honeyville Storm Shelter projects on an emergency basis. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

THREE CREEK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (F.L.W.A.C.)

County Attorney McFarland discussed a proposal to create the Three Creek Community Development District (in the Windmark Beach area) through the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission, stating that an administrative hearing will be held. He further reported that the City of Port St. Joe will hold a public hearing this week, and stated that the County will also need to hold a public hearing. Upon motion by Commissioner Traylor, second by Commissioner Barnes, and unanimous vote, the Board agreed for County Attorney McFarland to schedule this public hearing at a later date. County Attorney McFarland then presented a check from Hopping, Green & Sams, P.A., in the amount of \$15,000.00, as the filing fee for this project. Upon motion by Commissioner Peters,

second by Commissioner Traylor, and unanimous vote, the Board accepted the filing fee.

SPECIAL MEETING

Upon request by Commissioner Traylor, Chairman Williams scheduled a special meeting for Thursday, April 26, 2007 at 11:30 a.m., E.T. to discuss County Department Policies and Procedures and the Planning and Development Review Board (P.D.R.B.).

GULF COUNTY TRANSPORTATION/ASSOCIATION FOR RETARDED CITIZENS

Commissioner Peters discussed the ground-breaking ceremony held on April 23rd for the new Gulf County Transportation and Association for Retarded Citizens building, stating Angie Whitfield gave a very impressive speech and Rural Development State Director Charles Clemons, Sr. was also in attendance.

DITCH PROJECT - OAK GROVE

Commissioner Peters discussed the ditch project approved by the Board on Madison Street in Oak Grove, stating that a check for the costs was received from Alice Leavins today. He then motioned for the County to proceed with this project. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

JAIL REPAIRS / JOB OPENINGS - CORRECTIONS OFFICERS

Commissioner Peters discussed that the repair work at the jail is approximately 50% complete, and stated that the County will be accepting applications for Corrections Officers until 5:00 p.m., E.T. on Friday, April 27th (starting salary of \$27,000.00).

ST. JOSEPH BAY HUMANE SOCIETY

Commissioner Peters discussed that the St. Joseph Bay Humane Society project needs to be completed by Friday, April 27th, and they have requested assistance from the Board. He then motioned for Public Works to assist the Humane Society to complete this project by Friday. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. After discussion by Chief Administrator Butler regarding the County's commitment to assist on the roof project, the motion was amended for the Public Works Department and Road Department to work together on this project.

S.H.I.P. PROGRAM

Commissioner Peters discussed that he did not receive the information he requested from Gulf County C.D.C. regarding the S.H.I.P. Program. He then motioned to submit a letter from the Board requesting the information be received or a breach of contract will be filed

against the Gulf County C.D.C. Commissioner Traylor seconded the motion for discussion, and requested that the breach of contract portion of the motion be withdrawn. This being agreeable, the motion did then pass unanimously.

GULF COUNTY C.D.C. HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAM / COMMUNITY LAND TRUST

Commissioner Peters discussed the Community Land Trust program, stating that the majority of his community does not support this project.

BEACH PATROL

Commissioner Barnes discussed a meeting he had with Chief Administrator Butler, Sheriff Upchurch, and Code Enforcement Officer Aiken regarding beach driving. He stated that Sheriff Upchurch agreed to have an officer patrol the beach 7 days a week through the turtle-nesting season.

TRASH RECEPTACLES / C. R. 30A

Commissioner Barnes discussed that there are still problems regarding trash receptacles on the right-of-way on C. R. 30A, and he is working on this issue.

GARBAGE COLLECTION

Commissioner Barnes reported on a meeting with Waste Management representatives on Thursday, April 26th at 10:00 a.m. to discuss garbage collection along the tourist corridors (Building Official Collinsworth and Code Enforcement Officer Aiken were requested to attend the meeting).

BUTLER BAY ROAD

Upon inquiry by Commissioner Barnes regarding dedicating Butler Bay Road as a park, Chairman Williams discussed that Grant Writer Costin is trying to obtain funding through the Land Trust Program to purchase a portion of the land from Valiento as park property, and requested that Commissioner Barnes meeting with her on this issue. County Attorney McFarland stated that the County is not abandoning this roadway. Upon motion by Commissioner Barnes, second by Commissioner McLemore, and unanimous vote, the Board agreed for Grant Writer Costin to pursue funds for a park in this area.

BUDGET PROCESS 2007-08

Chairman Williams presented guidelines to be used by the County during preparation for the 2007-08 budget for approval by the Board. Commissioner Traylor motioned to adopt these guidelines, and Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion. After discussion regarding review of the guidelines, Commissioner Barnes withdrew his second, and Commissioner Traylor withdrew his motion. Chairman Williams placed this item on the agenda for the special meeting to be held on April 26th.

STATE-WIDE BUDGETARY ISSUES

Commissioner Williams discussed pending legislation regarding adoption of an increased sales tax to offset reductions in property taxes, stating he will provide the information to the Clerk's Office.

ANIMAL CONTROL

Chairman Williams discussed a citation that was issued to Lisa Lollie during the animal control policy changes last year (should not have been filed), stating that the citation was filed and has been turned over to a collection agency. After discussion, Commissioner McLemore motioned to withdraw the citation issued to Lisa Lollie (Case #06-069-IN). Commissioner Peters seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Chairman Williams discussed an individual being attacked by a dog at St. Joe Beach on Sunday, April 22nd. He stated that the Animal Control Department is short-staffed (one officer is out on worker's compensation), and Chief Administrator Butler and Gulf County E.M.S. Director McGuffin handled the situation. He stated that he will be meeting with the Sheriff regarding the possibility of the animal control calls being handled through dispatch. Commissioner Traylor discussed that there was funding in the proposed budget for 2006-07 for an after-hours and weekend animal control officer, and the Board took it out of the budget. He stated that the Board needs to do whatever it takes to have a weekend animal control officer. After discussion regarding the possibility of hiring someone on a temporary basis, contracting with Mexico Beach to provide services on the weekend, and the calls being handled through dispatch, Commissioner McLemore motioned for Chief Administrator Butler to hire/contract with someone on an emergency basis for animal control. Commissioner Traylor seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

W.H.S. ODYSSEY OF THE MINDS / SCHOLASTIC PROGRAMS FUNDING

Chairman Williams discussed the \$15,000.00 unanticipated revenue received through the Three Creeks Community Development District program, stating that he would like to see this funding used for academic/scholastic programs. He stated that he would like for \$5,000.00 to be donated to the Gulf County Scholarship Program, \$5,000.00 to be set aside for use by Grant Writer Costin for a Junior Achievers/Leadership Development Program, and \$5,000.00 to be used for programs like the Wewahitchka High School O.M. program. After discussion, Commissioner Traylor motioned to donate \$5,000.00 to the Gulf County Scholarship Program, \$5,000.00 for the Junior Achievers/Leadership Development Program, \$2,500.00 to Wewahitchka High School Odyssey of the Minds, and \$2,500.00 to a similar Port St. Joe High School Program. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Upon inquiry by Commissioner McLemore, the following individuals stated they will donate funds to the Wewahitchka High School Odyssey of the Minds program:

Warren Yeager, of Preble-Rish, Inc. - \$1,250.00
Andrew Rowell, of G.A.C. Contractors - \$500.00
Brian Cathey, of Cathey Construction - \$750.00

Members of the Wewahitchka High School O.M. Team thanked everyone for their assistance.

GULF COUNTY C.D.C. / POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

Mel Magidson, of Gulf County C.D.C., appeared before the Board to discuss Commissioner Peters' letter of protest regarding C.D.C. employees performing political campaigning. Mr. Magidson stated that everyone has the right to freedom of speech, and these individuals are "campaigning" of their own volition. Commissioner Peters stated that it has the appearance of ethical impropriety. Mr. Magidson stated that none of the campaigning is done on company time.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

John Reeves appeared before the Board to discuss that the old Papermakers Union Hall was sold and the funds were used to endow four (4) scholarships. He stated that the children of former mill workers are eligible to apply for these scholarship funds.

HOUSING PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Amy Rogers, President of the Gulf County branch of the N.A.A.C.P., appeared before the Board to discuss the makeup of the current S.H.I.P. Program Housing Advisory Committee. She then requested permission to have a local member of the N.A.A.C.P. to serve on the Committee as an advocate for the poor. Commissioner Peters motioned to approve this request, and Commissioner Traylor seconded the motion for discussion. After discussion that the County Attorney needs to review this due to the Committee makeup being set by statute, Commissioner Traylor withdrew his second, and Commissioner Peters withdrew his motion. Chairman Williams added this topic to the Special Meeting scheduled for April 26th.

ST. JOSEPH BAY HUMANE SOCIETY / AGREEMENT

Commissioner Peters requested that "Humane Society" be added to the Special Meeting agenda for April 26th so the Board can discuss a proposed agreement with them for sheltering animals for the Animal Control Department.

COMMUNITY LAND TRUST

Amy Rogers, President of the Gulf County branch of the N.A.A.C.P., appeared before the Board to discuss that in her discussions with individuals in her community, the majority consensus does not approve implementation of a Community Land Trust.

ROAD BOND PAVING PROGRAM / BID #0607-11

Michael Hammond, of Preble-Rish, Inc., appeared before the Board to present a proposed Change Order #3 to the Road Bond Paving Program bid. After discussion, Commissioner McLemore motioned for the Engineers, Road Department Superintendent Knee, and Chief Administrator Butler to negotiate the items with G.A.C. Contractors. After further discussion, Commissioner Traylor seconded the motion. Chairman Williams requested a time schedule and roll-out, and added this topic to the Special Meeting scheduled for April 26th. The motion then passed unanimously.

Upon discussion by Michael Hammond that the Wewahitchka Health Department parking lot paving will be less than \$50,000.00 (paving only), Chairman Williams inquired about the total cost. Mr. Hammond stated that the Board has already spent in excess of \$50,000.00. Mr. Hammond stated that he will prepare the change order and requested this topic be added to the Special Meeting scheduled for April 26th.

Upon discussion by Chief Administrator Butler regarding the need for a change order for two (2) cul-de-sacs at the Cape (Dunes Drive and White Sands Drive). Commissioner Barnes motioned to approve this request. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

ANIMAL CONTROL

Charles E. Doyle appeared before the Board to discuss problems with reaching the Animal Control Officer when there were nuisance chickens in his garden, stating he was told by the Sheriff's Officer to call his Commissioner. Chairman Williams stated that the County is working to resolve this issue. Mr. Doyle thanked Roland Jones for taking care of this problem for him.

ARTIFICIAL REEF EXPLORATORY COMMITTEE

Tracy Melvin appeared before the Board on behalf on the Gulf County Artificial Reef Exploratory Committee, stating that for the record, Commissioner Traylor's appointee to the committee is David C. Rich (not David Rich, Jr.). She also requested that the Committee be allowed to apply to become a 501(3)(c) committee. Upon motion by Commissioner Traylor, second by Commissioner Peters, and unanimous vote, the Board approved this request. Ms. Melvin also gave a report on the legislative movement of H.B. 759, stating it appears that it will be approved.

FIRE - OVERSTREET

Elinor Cunningham appeared before the Board to commend the fire departments for the great job they did in containing the fire at Overstreet.

HATCH ACT

Elinor Cunningham discussed a law called the Hatch Act that regulates government employees and political activities.

S.H.I.P. PROGRAM / COMMUNITY LAND TRUST

Dannie Bolden and John Tremont, of Gulf County C.D.C., appeared before the Board to discuss S.H.I.P. funding that has been administered, stating that 35% of the funding must go to very low-income individuals. Mr. Tremont stated that the following funds were distributed to individuals:

Rehabilitation Assistance - \$108,000.00 (District 4)

C.C.D.F. Funds (Sealey) - \$40,000.00

U.S.D.A. Purchase Assistance - \$50,000.00

Mr. Tremont discussed that in the 2005-06 fiscal year, District 4 received \$75,000.00 in Rehabilitation Loans and \$69,690.00 in Purchase Assistance Loans (a total of \$317,000.00 was expended), and stated that he will present this report in writing next year.

Mr. Bolden also discussed that he has received positive response regarding the Community Land Trust Program in his community, and will make the information available to the public.

PRIVACY ISSUES

Dannie Bolden discussed an individuals social security number being published in the Board's agenda packet, stating this is a privacy issue. Commissioner Peters discussed that the number was provided in correspondence from Gulf Coast Community College, and requested that the Chairman submit a letter to them regarding this matter.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST / S.H.I.P. PROGRAM

Dannie Bolden discussed conflicts of interest in relation to S.H.I.P. funding. County Attorney McFarland stated that this matter is related to a pending complaint that has been filed, and advised the Board not to discuss this issue.

COMMUNITY LAND TRUST

Raymond Rogers, Jr. appeared before the Board to discuss that meetings have been scheduled, but not held regarding the Community Land Trust for public input. Commissioner Peters discussed that the meetings were scheduled by Gulf County C.D.C., but never held. Chairman Williams agreed that the public should be informed regarding this matter.

There being no further business and upon motion by Commissioner Traylor, the meeting did then adjourn at 7:58 p.m., E.T.

BILL WILLIAMS
CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

REBECCA L. NORRIS
CLERK