

**MINUTES OF
TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING**

DATE: JANUARY 9, 2018

TIME: 10.00 A.M.

PLACE: TERRELL COUNTY GOVERNMENT BUILDING

COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF PRESENT: CHAIRMAN WILBUR T. GAMBLE III, CRIS WEBB, BRAD STAFFORD, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, ATTORNEY JIMMY SKIPPER, SANDRA O'STEAN. VICE CHAIRMAN ERNEST JOHNSON ENTERED THE MEETING LATER.

PRESENT: BLAKE VANN, WANDA GRIER, BO HAMBY, BILLY MCCLUNG, AMRISH PATEL, KATHY HICKS, LEWIS HICKS, RICHARD MARKHEIM, JEFF CARTER, DARLENE PAUL, ED DUSKIN, HOWARD DENNARD, MARGARET HALBROOK

**CALL TO ORDER - CHAIRMAN WILBUR T. GAMBLE III
PRAYER - PASTOR JEFF CARTER**

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - A REQUEST TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO ADD ONE NEW ITEM CONCERNING A REQUEST MADE TO ZONING FROM JACK POWELL TO ADD A PRIVATE CEMETARY ON HIS PROPERTY AND TO DELETE ONE REQUEST FROM BOOMERANG CONCERNING ALCOHOL LICENSE WAS PRESENTED BY CODE ENFORCEMENT AND ZONING DIRECTOR MARTHA ANN COE. THE MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO ADD THE ITEM REGARDING JACK POWELL'S REQUEST WAS MADE BY BRAD STAFFORD. LUCIUS HOLLOWAY GAVE THE SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED. A MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO DELETE THE REQUEST FROM BOOMERANG WAS MADE BY BRAD STAFFORD. LUCIUS HOLLOWAY GAVE THE SECOND. ALL IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, BRAD STAFFORD, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - DECEMBER 5, 2017 REGULAR MEETING - THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 5, 2017 MEETING WAS MADE BY LUCIUS HOLLOWAY. BRAD STAFFORD GAVE THE SECOND. ALL IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, BRAD STAFFORD, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED.

ELECTION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER OFFICERS FOR 2018 - LUCIUS HOLLOWAY MADE A MOTION TO ALLOW EACH OFFICER TO MAINTAIN HIS POST FOR THE YEAR 2018 WITH THE EXCEPTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN WHICH ROTATES EACH CALENDAR YEAR. BRAD STAFFORD GAVE THE SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, BRAD STAFFORD, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED. VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR 2018 IS CRIS WEBB, DISTRICT 3. CHAPLAIN IS CRIS WEBB, PURCHASING IS BRAD STAFFORD, AND PROPERTY IS ERNEST JOHNSON.

SET COMMISSIONERS' SALARIES FOR 2018 - BRAD STAFFORD MADE THE MOTION TO HAVE THE COMMISSIONERS' SALARIES REMAIN SAME AS THE PAST YEAR. LUCIUS HOLLOWAY GAVE THE SECOND. ALL IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED.

HIRE COUNTY ATTORNEY FOR 2018 - THE MOTION TO REHIRE JIMMY SKIPPER AS COUNTY ATTORNEY AT SAME SALARY AS PAST YEAR WAS MADE BY LUCIUS HOLLOWAY. CRIS WEBB GAVE THE SECOND. ALL IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, CRIS WEBB, AND BRAD STAFFORD. THE MOTION CARRIED.

MINUTES OF JANUARY 9, 2018 MEETING CONTINUED

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – A NEW MILEAGE RATE REIMBURSEMENT OF \$.545 PER MILE FOR AUTOMOBILES, \$.515 PER MILE FOR MOTORCYCLES, AND \$1.21 PER MILE FOR AIRCRAFT WAS ANNOUNCED BY THE CHAIRMAN. MR. GAMBLE PRESENTED THE FIRST ITEM AMENDED TO THE AGENDA WHICH WAS THE REQUEST FROM JACK POWELL TO HAVE THE NORMAL ZONING REQUIREMENTS, WHICH IS TO CONDUCT TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS, TO HAVE NOTIFICATIONS MADE TO EACH NEIGHBORING PROPERTY OWNER, AND TO HAVE NEW DEED ISSUED, WAIVED TO HAVE A FAMILY CEMETERY LOCATED ON HIS PROPERTY DUE TO HIS WIFE'S DEATH ON MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2018. AFTER DISCUSSION AND EXPRESSING SYMPATHY FOR THE FAMILY, THE REQUEST WAS DENIED DUE TO COUNTY AND STATE LAWS THAT ARE IN PLACE. THE DECISION WILL BE RELATED TO THE FAMILY AND THEY WILL NEED TO CONTINUE THE REGULAR PROCESS FOR ESTABLISHING THE CEMETERY.

THE REQUEST FROM BOOMERANG WILL BE DISCUSSED UNDER ITEM LISTED FURTHER ON THE AGENDA.

CLERK'S REPORT – THE DECEMBER 2017 BANK BALANCES & EXPENDITURES, THE VENDOR ACTIVITY, THE FUEL REPORT, AND THE JAIL COUNT WAS PRESENTED BY SANDRA O'STEAN.

EMS/911 REPORT -BO HAMBY READ THE REPORT.

EXTENSION SERVICE REPORT – MARGARET HALBROOK PRESENTED THE REPORT.

NOTE: COMMISSIONER ERNEST JOHNSON ENTERED THE MEETING AT THIS TIME.

WARDEN AND ROAD SUPERVISOR REPORT - BILLY MCCLUNG PRESENTED A WRITTEN REPORT. HE ALSO GAVE A VERBAL REPORT ON THE DITCH PROJECT ON GEORGIA AVE IN SASSER. PAUL RAKEL TURNED IN THE ENGINEERING PLANS FOR THIS PROJECT AND MR. MCCLUNG WILL GIVE THEM TO WINDSTREAM. BRAD STAFFORD ASKED THAT THIS ITEM BE PLACED ON FEBRUARY 2018 AGENDA. CHAIRMAN GAMBLE ANNOUNCED FOR THE RECORD THAT SHILOH CHURCH ROAD IS A PRIVATE ROAD AND THE ROAD SUPERVISOR ASKED SHOULD COUNTY CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN SHILOH CHURCH ROAD. BRAD STAFFORD STATED THE ROAD SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE MAINTAINED BY THE COUNTY DUE TO THE HISTORY OF DOING SUCH.

DELINQUENT GARBAGE REPORT - SANDRA O'STEAN GAVE THE GARBAGE REPORT AND GAVE RESULTS OF THE JANUARY 2, 2018 SOLID WASTE ASSESSMENT SALE.

DELINQUENT TAX REPORT - LINDA ANN SPILMAN GAVE A REPORT OF COLLECTIONS AND STATED PREPARATIONS FOR A PROPERTY TAX SALE ARE BEING MADE.

SHERIFF'S REPORT – A WRITTEN REPORT WAS SUBMITTED.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT REPORT – A WRITTEN FINANCIAL REPORT WAS SUBMITTED.

OLD BUSINESS:

REPLY TO RESOLUTION REQUESTING LOCAL LEGISLATION DELEGATION TO INTRODUCE LOCAL LEGISLATION FOR TERRELL COUNTY TAX COMMISSIONER TO SERVE AS EX OFFICIO SHERIFF FOR COLLECTION OF AD VALOREM TAXES – CHAIRMAN GAMBLE INFORMED THE BOARD THAT THE LOCAL SENATE REPRESENTATIVE DID NOT WANT TO CARRY THE RESOLUTION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; SO THE RESOLUTION WILL BE PUT ASIDE.

RESOLUTION TO PUT IN PLACE A COUNTY ORDINANCE FOR THE FAST TRACK FORECLOSURE METHOD FOR COLLECTING DELINQUENT AD VALOREM TAXES (IN REM TAX SALE) – ATTORNEY SKIPPER PRESENTED “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF TERRELL COUNTY TO PROVIDE JUDICIAL *IN REM* TAX FORECLOSURE PROCEDURES FOR DELINQUENT REAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR PROPERTY LOCATED IN TERRELL COUNTY; TO PROVIDE FOR CONFORMITY WITH STATE LAW; TO PROVIDE FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES” TO THE BOARD. CRIS WEBB MADE THE MOTION TO ADOPT THE FAST TRACK FORECLOSURE METHOD ORDINANCE. AFTER DISCUSSION CONCERNING SOME VERBAGE CONSIDERING WHAT QUALIFIES A BIDDER IN THE ORDINANCE, BRAD STAFFORD GAVE A SECOND. IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE CRIS WEBB, BRAD STAFFORD, ERNEST JOHNSON, AND LUCIUS HOLLOWAY. THE MOTION CARRIED.

REPLY TO REQUEST FROM TAX COMMISSIONER TO FORGIVE TAX AND FEES ON ABANDONED MOBILE HOME – MARY ELLEN HARNAGE ASKED FOR A DECISION ON HER REQUEST FROM THE DECEMBER 5, 2017 MEETING FOR TAXES AND FEES ON AN ABANDONED MOBILE HOME ON HER PROPERTY TO BE FORGIVEN. ATTORNEY SKIPPER SUBMITTED A MEMORANDUM WHICH STATES LOCAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT CANNOT FORGIVE ENTIRE TAXES. MRS. HARNAGE WAS ADVISED TO FILE AN APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF TAX ASSESSORS AND GO THROUGH THE APPEAL PROCESS TO HAVE THE PROPERTY REVALUED TO SEE IF FUTURE TAX COULD BE REDUCED.

QUOTE FROM SUMTER ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP TO RELOCATE EMC’S FACILITIES ON TAMMY LANE – AFTER REVIEWING THE PLANS FROM SUMTER ELECTRIC, BRAD STAFFORD URGED THE BOARD TO MOVE FORWARD WITH WORK ON TAMMY LANE BY PLACING IT ON THE LOCAL MAINTENANCE IMPROVEMENT GRANT (LMIG) LIST AND USING THOSE FUNDS WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE AND TO PLACE THE ROAD PROJECT IN THE FYE 2019 BUDGET TO GET IT PAVED. THE NEED TO DRAW UP PLATS, TO OBTAIN DEEDS SHOWING THE EASEMENTS, AND TO CONTACT ALL PROPERTY OWNERS AND GET SIGNATURES FOR RIGHT OF WAY, WAS DISCUSSED. ERNEST JOHNSON MADE THE MOTION TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE TAMMY LANE PROJECT. LUCIUS HOLLOWAY GAVE THE SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE ERNEST JOHNSON, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, CRIS WEBB, AND BRAD STAFFORD. THE MOTION CARRIED. MRS. TERRILYN WADE OPENED A DISCUSSION CONCERNING THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SHILOH CHURCH ROAD AND TAMMY LANE. SHE NOTED THE PREVIOUS REQUESTS SUBMITTED SINCE 1994 FOR PAVING THIS ROAD AND ASKED THAT THIS ROAD BE PLACED ON THE 2019 (LMIG) LIST AS WAS STATED AT THE DECEMBER 5, 2017 MEETING. CHAIRMAN GAMBLE RESTATED THAT SHILOH CHURCH ROAD IS PRIVATE AND TAMMY LANE IS A COUNTY ROAD. MR. HOWARD DENNARD GAVE A HISTORY OF SHILOH CHURCH ROAD STATING IT AS A PUBLIC ROAD. HE WAS ADVISED BY THE CHAIRMAN THAT THE DEED IS IN THE CHURCH’S NAME AND NOT THE COUNTY’S. ATTORNEY SKIPPER GAVE TWO OPTIONS TO ESTABLISHING THE ROAD AS A COUNTY ROAD. HE STATED ONE OPTION IS TO HAVE THE OWNER OF THE DIRT (ROAD) DEED TO THE COUNTY AND THE OTHER OPTION IS BY PRESCRIPTION; WHICH MEANS THAT EVEN THOUGH THE ROAD HAS NOT BEEN DEEDED TO THE COUNTY, THE COUNTY HAS TREATED THE ROAD AS A PUBLIC ROAD AND HAS MAINTAINED IT AS A COUNTY ROAD FOR AT LEAST TWENTY YEARS. ERNEST JOHNSON ASKED MR. SKIPPER TO RESEARCH AND SEE IF THE ROAD COULD BE DONE BY PRESCRIPTION. QUESTION WAS ASKED BY WANDA GRIER ABOUT HAVING TO PAVE ROADS TO ALL COUNTY CHURCHES LOCATED ON DIRT ROADS IF SHILOH CHURCH ROAD IS PAVED. AT THIS TIME CHAIRMAN GAMBLE ACKNOWLEDGED THE DECISION AND VOTE WHICH WAS MADE BY THE COMMISSIONERS AND RECORDED IN THE DECEMBER 2017 MINUTES. THE MATTER WILL HAVE TO BE DEALT WITH DURING THE 2019 LMIG PROCESS.

NEW BUSINESS:

APPROVAL OF EMPLOYEES' 2% SALARY INCREASE AS PROPOSED IN FYE 2018 BUDGET –BRAD STAFFORD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2% INCREASE IN SALARY TO COUNTY EMPLOYEES THAT WAS PROPOSED IN THE FYE 2018 BUDGET. ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE A SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, ERNEST JOHNSON, CRIS WEBB, AND LUCIUS HOLLOWAY. THE MOTION CARRIED.

CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION TO ABOLISH OFFICE OF COUNTY TREASURER AND PRESENT TO LOCAL LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE JANUARY 2018 GENERAL ASSEMBLY – BRAD STAFFORD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION TO ABOLISH THE OFFICE OF COUNTY TREASURER AND TO PRESENT THE RESOLUTION TO THE LOCAL LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE JANUARY 2018 GENERAL ASSEMBLY. CRIS WEBB GAVE THE SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, CRIS WEBB, ERNEST JOHNSON, AND LUCIUS HOLLOWAY. THE MOTION CARRIED.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGES IN 911 CHARGES WITHIN GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITS OF TERRELL COUNTY - BRAD STAFFORD MADE THE MOTION TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGES IN THE 911 CHARGES WITHIN GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITS OF TERRELL COUNTY. ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE A SECOND. ALL IN FAVOR OF THIS MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, ERNEST JOHNSON, CRIS WEBB, AND LUCIUS HOLLOWAY. THE MOTION CARRIED.

SET A RESOLUTION TO ALLOW INTERIM CLERK CHARLENE FARMER TO VIEW ALL BANK ACCOUNTS RELATING TO TERRELL COUNTY – CHAIRMAN GAMBLE ASKED THE BOARD TO APPROVE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RESOLUTION THAT WOULD ALLOW CHARLENE FARMER AS THE INTERIM COUNTY CLERK TO VIEW ALL COUNTY FUNDS BANK ACCOUNTS. THIS WAS BASED ON A REQUIREMENT FROM THE BANK OF TERRELL. THE BANK WANTS TO BE NOTIFIED WHEN VERY LARGE AMOUNTS OF MONIES ARE GOING TO BE DEPOSITED IN ORDER FOR THE BANK TO HAVE ENOUGH SECURITIES TO COVER THE AMOUNT IN ACCOUNTS. BRAD STAFFORD MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION THAT ALLOWS CHARLENE FARMER TO VIEW ALL TERRELL COUNTY BANK ACCOUNTS. ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE A SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, ERNEST JOHNSON, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED.

SET AND PUBLISH QUALIFYING FEES FOR CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR COUNTY OFFICES IN ELECTION YEAR – ERNEST JOHNSON MADE A MOTION TO SET QUALIFYING FEES FOR CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR COUNTY OFFICES IN THE ELECTION YEAR AS \$144.00 FOR EACH DISTRICT (1-4) AND HAVE THOSE FEES PUBLISHED. CRIS WEBB GAVE A SECOND. ALL IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE ERNEST JOHNSON, CRIS WEBB, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, AND BRAD STAFFORD. THE MOTION CARRIED.

REQUEST FOR CLOSING COUNTY OFFICES IN 2018 (NON PAID HOLIDAYS) – ERNEST JOHNSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REQUESTED DATES FOR CLOSING COUNTY OFFICES FOR YEAR 2018. CRIS WEBB GAVE A SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE ERNEST JOHNSON, CRIS WEBB, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, AND BRAD STAFFORD. THE MOTION CARRIED. THOSE NON PAID HOLIDAY DATES ARE:

MARCH 30, 2018	GOOD FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 12, 2018	VETERANS' DAY
NOVEMBER 23, 2018	DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING
DECEMBER 24, 2018	CHRISTMAS EVE

THE OFFICES MAKING THE REQUEST WERE MAGISTRATE, PROBATE, TAX COMMISSIONER, ASSESSOR, CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT, AND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS REQUEST TO RE-APPOINT LOUISE DARLEY TO SERVE ON THEIR BOARD-
BRAD STAFFORD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE RE-APPOINTMENT OF LOUISE DARLEY TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS. ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE A SECOND. ALL IN FAVOR OF THIS MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, ERNEST JOHNSON, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED.

ZONING BOARD REQUEST TO RE-APPOINT LAWANNA FRIDDELL AND KATHY WADE TO THEIR BOARD FOR FIVE (5) YEAR TERMS EACH – CRIS WEBB MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF LAWANNA FRIDDELL AND KATHY WADE TO THE ZONING BOARD TO SERVE FIVE (5) YEAR TERMS EACH. ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE A SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE CRIS WEBB, ERNEST JOHNSON, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, AND BRAD STAFFORD. THE MOTION CARRIED.

RECREATION BOARD REQUEST TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO THEIR BOARD – RYAN CANNON REPORTED THAT THE RECREATION BOARD HAD PASSED BY LAWS ESTABLISHING TWO YEAR TERMS FOR ITS MEMBERS. IN ORDER FOR ALL MEMBER APPOINTMENTS NOT TO COME UP AT SAME TIME, RYAN PRESENTED THE RECOMMENDATION TO REAPPOINT RYAN CANNON TO A ONE (1) YEAR TERM, RUSTY HUNTER TO A ONE (1) YEAR TERM, MONYETTE WILLIAMS TO A TWO (2) YEAR TERM, JEFF HANNER TO A TWO (2) YEAR TERM, AND COURTNEY GREBEL TO A TWO (2) YEAR TERM. BRAD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION FOR RE-APPOINTMENTS TO THE RECREATION BOARD, RYAN CANNON AND RUSTY HUNTER FOR ONE (1) YEAR TERMS AND MONYETTE WILLIAMS, JEFF HANNER, AND COURTNEY GREBEL FOR TWO (2) YEAR TERMS. ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE A SECOND. ALL IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, ERNEST JOHNSON, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED.

ANNUAL LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TERRELL COUNTY AND JIM PAUL FOR 13.5 ACRES ON BILLY STRONG ROAD – CRIS WEBB MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE ANNUAL LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND JIM PAUL FOR 13.5 ACRES OF FARM LAND ON BILLY STRONG ROAD AT THE RATE OF \$60.00 PER ACRE. ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE A SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE CRIS WEBB, ERNEST JOHNSON, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, AND BRAD STAFFORD. THE MOTION CARRIED.

ANNUAL LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TERRELL COUNTY AND POSITIVE DIRECTION YOUTH FOR BUILDING ON 524 OAK ST – THE RENTORS WERE ASKING THE COUNTY TO EXTEND THE LEASE FOR 524 OAK STREET TO A TWO (2) YEAR AGREEMENT OR LONGER. ON ADVICE OF COUNSEL, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE ANNUAL LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TERRELL COUNTY AND POSITIVE DIRECTION YOUTH FOR ONLY ONE (1) YEAR. ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE THE SECOND. ALL IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, ERNEST JOHNSON, BRAD STAFFORD, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED.

APPLICATIONS FOR ALCOHOL LICENSES FROM NEW OWNERS OF BOOMERANG, SK FOODS, AND ABC PACKAGE STORE – THE AGENDA WAS AMENDED TO REMOVE THE REQUEST FROM THE NEW OWNER OF BOOMERANG FOR APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE AND AMRISH PATEL ASKING FOR ALCOHOL LICENSE. REQUESTS WERE RECEIVED FROM THE NEW OWNERS OF SK FOODS AND ABC PACKAGE FOR ALCOHOL LICENSES. THERE WAS DISCUSSION CONCERNING PREVIOUS OWNER HAVING PAST INVENTORY TAXES NOT BEING PAID FOR THESE PROPERTIES. MARTHA ANN COE STATED SHE COULD NOT ISSUE BUSINESS LICENSES AS WELL DUE TO THE UNPAID TAXES. ON ADVICE OF COUNSEL, BRAD STAFFORD MADE THE MOTION TO DENY APPROVAL OF AN ALCOHOL LICENSE FOR ABC PACKAGE UNTIL TAXES ARE PAID. LUCIUS HOLLOWAY GAVE A SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, ERNEST JOHNSON, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED. MRS. COE ASKED THE QUESTION OF CLOSING THE BUSINESSES THIS DAY IF TAXES ARE NOT

PAID. SHE ALSO ASKED THE QUESTION COULD THE BUSINESS LICENSE BE ISSUED IF THE BUSINESSES PAID THE TAXES BY THIS DAY. BRAD STAFFORD MADE THE MOTION THAT IF THE TAXES ARE PAID TODAY THE BOARD WOULD APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF LICENSES CONTINGENT ON THOSE TAXES BEING PAID. LUCIUS HOLLOWAY GAVE THE SECOND. PRIOR TO THE VOTE AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE MINUTES, JIMMY SKIPPER REPEATED THE MOTION BEING MADE. HE STATED THE PREVIOUS MOTION IS RESCINDED AND THE LICENSE RENEWALS IN THE NEW NAME IS DENIED UNTIL THE TAXES ARE PAID BY EITHER THE PREVIOUS OWNER OR THE NEW OWNER. WHEN THOSE TAXES ARE PAID, THE LICENSES CAN BE ISSUED. LUCIUS HOLLOWAY RESTATED HIS SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, CRIS WEBB, AND ERNEST JOHNSON. THE MOTION CARRIED. BRAD STAFFORD MADE THE MOTION THAT SK FOOD'S REQUEST FOR ALCOHOL LICENSE BE THE SAME AS ABC; BEING IF THERE ARE ANY TAXES OWED AND ARE THEN PAID, THE LICENSE CAN BE ISSUED. THE TAX COMMISSIONER WAS ASKED TO CHECK ON THE ISSUE. THE REQUEST WAS TABLED UNTIL THE TAX COMMISSIONER COULD RETURN TO THE MEETING. BRAD STAFFORD MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST TO RENEW THE ALCOHOL LICENSE FOR BOOMERANG. ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE A SECOND. ALL IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, ERNEST JOHNSON, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION TO ESTABLISH PLAN TO MOVE FORWARD IN FORECLOSING ON ABANDONED MOBILE HOMES IN COUNTY REQUESTED BY CODE ENFORCEMENT – ZONING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT DIRECTOR MARTHA ANN COE EXPLAINED SITUATIONS IN THE COUNTY WHERE MOBILE HOMES HAVE BEEN ABANDONED AND/OR FORECLOSED ON AND ARE SOMETIMES LOCATED ON PROPERTY OWNED BY ANOTHER PARTY. SHE ASKED THE COUNTY TO ESTABLISH A MEANS WHEREBY THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE THE POWER TO MAKE A CLAIM ON THESE MOBILE HOMES, DECLARE THEM ABANDONED, AND PLACE A LIEN AGAINST THE PROPERTY OWNERS AND TO TEARDOWN THE HOMES. COUNTY ATTORNEY SKIPPER STATED THERE ARE STATE LAWS IN PLACE THAT WOULD ALLOW THE COUNTY TO DO WHAT MRS. COE IS ASKING AND THIS APPLIES TO HOUSES ALSO. A LOCAL ORDINANCE WOULD NEED TO BE DRAFTED AND APPROVED. THIS ITEM WAS TABLED IN ORDER TO HAVE THE ORDINANCE DRAFTED AND HAVE IT PLACED ON THE FEBRUARY MEETING AGENDA. IT WAS NOTED THAT THIS ORDINANCE WILL BE BASED ON THE BLIGHT LAW.

AT THIS TIME, THE TAX COMMISSIONER RETURNED TO THE MEETING. TAX ASSESSOR DARLENE PAUL AND TAX COMMISSIONER MARY ELLEN HARNAGE CONFERRED AND STATED THAT THE INVENTORY FOR SK FOOD WAS TURNED IN WITH ABC BECAUSE THEY ARE IN THE SAME STORE. THE INVENTORY TAX HAS NOT BEEN PAID. BRAD STAFFORD MADE THE MOTION THAT THE APPROVAL BE MADE WITH THE SAME CONDITION AS ABC. THE MOTION IS THAT SK FOOD'S LICENSE CAN BE ISSUED AT THE TIME THE TAXES ARE PAID. LUCIUS HOLLOWAY GAVE THE SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, CRIS WEBB, BRAD STAFFORD, AND ERNEST JOHNSON. THE MOTION CARRIED.

ROAD ISSUES REGARDING SHOULDER ON FLORIDA SHORT ROUTE – THE BOARD AND THE COUNTY ATTORNEY ADVISED RICHARD MARKHEIM TO SUBMIT A WRITTEN CLAIM OF DAMAGES TO HIS VEHICLE TO THE COUNTY FOR CONSIDERATION. THE ROAD SUPERVISOR WAS ASKED TO GO OUT AND MAKE AN INVESTIGATION ON THE ROAD CONDITION. THIS WAS TABLED AND PLACED ON THE FEBRUARY 2018 AGENDA.

ROAD REPAIR FOR GARDNER ROAD, PUBLIC ROAD, REQUEST FOR GRAVEL – TWO PROPERTY OWNERS ON GARDNER ROAD, RONNIE LEE AND LARRON COPELAND, HAD GRAVEL PLACED ON .6 OF A MILE ON THIS ROAD AND HAVE PAID FOR THE GRAVEL. THEY REQUESTED THAT ANOTHER .6 OF A MILE ON THIS SAME ROAD BE GRAVELED. CRIS WEBB REPORTED THE COST FOR THE GRAVEL FOR 1.2 MILE IS \$37,000.00. TWO/THIRDS (2/3) OF THE COST FOR GRAVEL FOR 1.2 OF A MILE WILL NEED TO BE

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DETERMINED AND THAT COST WILL BE RELAYED TO THE PROPERTY OWNERS. CREDIT FOR THE AMOUNT OF GRAVEL OF WHICH THEY ALREADY PAID FOR WOULD BE SUBTRACTED. THE PROPERTY OWNERS HAD STATED THEY WOULD MAINTAIN THE ROAD ONCE THE SECTION OF ROAD HAS BEEN GRAVELED. THE COUNTY WOULD NOT HAVE TO MAINTAIN THE ROAD. DISCUSSION WAS HELD CONCERNING THE TYPE OF GRAVEL TO USE AND THE POSSIBILITY OF THE COUNTY BEING ASKED TO PAY FOR DAMAGES SUCH AS TIRES BEING CUT BY THE ROCK. ATTORNEY WAS ASKED TO DRAFT WHAT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO STATE THE COUNTY WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGES OCCURRING FROM THE ROAD BEING COVERED WITH GRAVEL. CRIS WEBB MADE THE MOTION THAT GRAVEL BE PLACED ON ANOTHER .6 OF A MILE OF GARDNER ROAD WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THE COUNTY WILL NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGES OCCURRING AS A RESULT OF THE ROAD BEING COVERED WITH GRAVEL. LUCIUS HOLLOWAY GAVE THE SECOND. IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE CRIS WEBB, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, BRAD STAFFORD, AND ERNEST JOHNSON. THE MOTION CARRIED.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED BY *Sandra O'Steen*
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE COMMISSIONERS

APPROVED BY *William J. Delle DP*
CHAIRMAN

DATE APPROVED *02/06/18*