

January 4, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met in the Community Room of the North Main Annex at 6:00 P.M. with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Hagin and Commissioner Smith present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and approximately twenty visitors. Commissioner Alston gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on December 15, 1992 and minutes of Executive Committee on December 15, 1992 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, minutes of both meetings were approved as presented.

Chairman Anderson said item of old business was Health Department project and called on Gary Duncan to give a presentation on this project. Mr. Duncan said he would focus mainly on cost of the project. He advised bids for the project were opened couple weeks ago and the lowest bid from Blalock & Blalock, a Sylvania firm, was considerable lower than expected. Their bid was \$749,500 which does not include site work in the amount of \$56,217. He said for a comparison the highest bid was \$894,300. He reviewed next two lowest bids, Pope Construction - \$778,000 plus site work - \$80,000.; LPS Construction - \$798,400 plus site work - \$72,238. He continued if lowest bid is accept, cost of project would be \$749,500 plus \$56,217. for site work. He added there are some provision to exclude some items and have chosen to exclude fire alarm system at cost of \$8400.

Commissioner Hodges asked time frame for this project. Mr. Duncan advised completion time Blalock & Blalock was 210 days, Pope Construction was 280 days and LPS Construction was 284 days.

Commissioner Smith asked time frame for bid consideration. Mr. Duncan said thirty days from bid opening on December 23rd, after that date all bids would no longer be valid.

Mr. Duncan commented in addition to these cost the city wanted the county to obligate to comply with Tree Ordinance and to complete detention pond.

Commissioner Alston asked what the Tree Ordinance covered. Mr. Duncan said at this point he was not sure, he hasn't worked on a project involving this Ordinance and will have to review.

Commissioner Hodges asked Mr. Duncan if he had previously dealt with Blalock & Blalock. Mr. Duncan said they had built the prison for Screven County, the prisoners did most of the work and they provided supervision, but he didn't have any problem with them.

Commissioner Beacham commented it a little unusual for a project this size to have this must difference in the high to low bid. He said certainly wanted to stay within bid time frame but did feel some research was needed.

Mr. Duncan said Blalock & Blalock has contacted him and realize they unbid the project but will build project as bid, will have to take loss in profit. He asked them if they would have a problem if County accepted next lowest bid. They said no, but want to do work in Bulloch County.

Commissioner Alston said he would like to data on projects they have completed using subcontractors. Mr. Duncan replied a contractors qualification statement is required as part of the bid package which should be for projects in last five years and their last projects included was in 1987. He added he has asked them to provide an updated list of projects.

Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, action on bid for Health Department projected was tabled pending further investigation of other projects completed by Blalock & Blalock, Tree Ordinance and other information to finalize decision. Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Duncan to follow up on information needed.

Chairman Anderson said dates and time for regular Board need to be set. He asked Attorney Jimmy Franklin for comments.

Mr. Franklin said Ordinance regarding time and place of Board meetings provides the Board from time to time could set meeting times. The Ordinance calls for meeting to be on the first and third Tuesdays except when change is necessary because of conflicting events. He said Board did need to designate meeting time for first and third Tuesday meetings.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, to coincide with Ordinance, meeting on first Tuesday of each month will be at 6:00 P.M. and meeting on third Tuesday of each month will be at 8:30 A.M.

Commissioner Beacham commented efforts should be made to be sure meeting dates and times are in the newspaper. Commissioner Smith said it might be appropriate to schedule some meetings during the year at outlying locations.

Chairman Anderson said next item for consideration was designation of Vice Chairman for 1993. He continued this has already been designed but it does need to be made public and Commissioner Alston, by holding Seat 1-A, will be Vice Chairman for calendar year 1993. He asked Mr. Franklin if any action was needed on this designation.

Mr. Franklin said this was set under Ordinance and Federal Court Order which provides that for calendar year 1993 position 1-A will be Vice Chairman, the following year position 2-A will hold the position, then it will go to position 2-B, then comes back to 1-B, then 2-C, followed by 2-D. He added this was a matter of record and no action was needed.

Next item for consideration was application for Beer and Wine License renewals. Chairman Anderson presented applications for:

Off-premises

Michael R. Hatten - H's Foodmart

John F. Rushing, Jr. - Freddie's

William H. Mills, Jr. - Lakeview General Store

Glenn Womack - Glennis Mart

Joe I. Anderson - Po-Jo

Jimmy Eason - Time Saver #8, #9, #17, #22, #24, #26, #33, #54

On-premises

John F. Rushing, Jr. - Country Club

Off/On Premises

Garland L. Nesmith - Cork-n-Bottle

Commissioner Hagan offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approved Beer and Wine License Renewals as listed. In discussion Commissioner Beacham commented notation had been made on some application of an employee charged with underaged sales. Mr. Franklin commented he thought these cases had been resolved. Chairman Anderson said in the last meeting some applications had the same notation and when he questioned the Sheriff he was told they all had been resolved, he assumed that included these. Motion to approved Beer and Wine License Renewals carried.

Chairman Anderson said this concluded the items on the agenda but there were some present who have asked to address the Board. He advised the Board has agreed upon the policy to go by the agenda but would hear anyone present with understanding no action will be taken unless the Board decides some immediate action is necessary.

Commissioner Smith commented there had also been some discussion of specified time. Chairman Anderson said yes, the Board has also agreed to time limit of no more than five minutes.

Chairman Anderson recognized Mr. Albert Roesel. Mr. Roesel said everyone was aware of the Blich Street Learning Center and the important need it fulfills. He said through efforts of himself, Commissioner Alston, and others, the City, County, Board of Education and several banks had provided money and labor to repair the building. He said Ms. Ada Cooper take the task of operating the Center without any compensation and last year the Board agreed to pay Ms. Cooper \$600. per month. He said that money was paid through the Recreation Department and was cut off in September and since that time the Board of Directors, he and his wife have worked to keep Blich Street alive. He continued they have managed to continued the \$600. per month by individual and civic club donations. He said Blich Street is the only complete after school program in the community and Ms. Cooper should not have to take the community to raise and should be provided with some sort of income. He said he was present to appeal to Commissioners to support Blich and provide funds from some source to help Blich Street Program continue. He added he would prefer these funds not be channelled through the Recreation Department, it's not a recreation program, it's a after school learning program.

Chairman Anderson thanked Mr. Roesel for his comments.

Chairman Anderson recognized Mr. Gene Long of Green Pastures. He informed Commissioners in the past the County has contracted with Green Pastures to spray county maintained roads for weeds. He said Mr. Long is present to brief Board on the coming year.

Mr. Long said he just wanted to take this opportunity to introduce himself to the Board and present some information on his business. He said they have been spraying for the county for the past four years and for past two years have spraying all 300 miles of county maintained roads. He said proposal has been reviewed with Chairman Anderson and a few changes were made. He continued normally three applications are made but have changed

proposal to two applications and before third application have an evaluation of all roads, there could be some roads which won't need a third application. He asked if there were any questions.

Commissioner Smith said in the past he has noticed a few places where most all the grass was killed, where any changes being made to prevent this. Mr. Long said they had noticed this, especially the past year, and in some places he didn't know what happened but have made some adjustments. He said there were some dead spots where they came back and did some seeding and will continue doing this if necessary. He added they accept total liability.

Chairman Anderson said there were some problems last year but Mr. Long did come right in and did reseed. He told Mr. Long his contract would be reviewed and Board would try to take action in the next meeting.

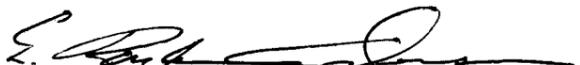
Chairman Anderson said Mr. Franklin had advised discussion of land acquisition was needed. He asked for motion for Executive Session.

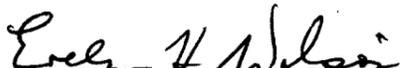
Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, regular meeting was moved into Executive Session.

Chairman Anderson reconvened regular session. He asked for Board action on proposed land purchase.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, Board authorized joint City/County purchase of 615.94 acres under terms and conditions as outlined by contract and gave Chairman authorization to execute contract. This action is subject to city's approval of contract.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, meeting was adjourned, subject to call.


E. Raybon Anderson


ATTEST

January 19, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met in the Community Room of the North Main Annex at 8:30 A.M. with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Hagin and Commissioner Smith present. Commissioner Alston was absent.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and five visitors. Commissioner Simmons gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on January 4, 1993 and minutes of Executive Session on January 4, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Hagin and carried, minutes of both meetings were approved as presented.

As a matter of old business Chairman Anderson asked for updated report on delinquent tax collections from Tax Commissioner Carlene Johnson. Ms. Johnson presented a report showing amount of taxes outstanding at beginning of December 1992, amount collected during December and unpaid taxes at end of the month. She commented Julie Smith from Jimmy Franklin's office had done an excellent job, having completed title searches on forty titles. She advised she should be ready to advertise for sale on the first Tuesday in March. She said they were finding some errors where corrections were needed and were going through Tax Assessors' Office to clean up some problems. She advised tax collections for 1992 were good.

Chairman Anderson thanked Ms. Johnson for her report and asked if her report each month could include total of delinquent taxes and amount collected since the last report. Ms. Johnson said this would be not problem.

Commissioner Hodges asked Ms. Johnson, in her opinion, was \$1,000,000 estimated for delinquent taxes correct. Ms. Johnson said she wouldn't say it was correct because of some of the errors found and until these could be corrected she couldn't be sure of a correct amount.

Chairman Anderson thanked Ms. Johnson for her report and asked her to keep Commissioners updated.

Chairman Anderson said bids on Health Department Projected were opened on December 23, 1992 and at the last meeting the Board took these under study for further investigation. He said he, Gary Duncan and others had been in close contact discussing this project and asked for discussion for the Board.

Commissioner Smith said the contractor who delivered the low bid has since presented some real concerns regarding the quality of materials going into the project. He commented this is something to be considered in decision to award this bid, certainly want to build the best building for the money but when look at different in bids, especially from #1 to #2, need to take this into consideration.

Commissioner Beacham said he agreed and thought it had been well investigated in order to made a decision. He offered a motion that the bid from Pope Construction for construction of Health Department building be accepted. Commissioner Hagin seconded the motion and it carried. Bid from Pope Construction for a total amount of \$855,000 for construction of Health Department was accepted.

Chairman Anderson asked the Board to ratify the appointment of members of the Solid Waste Committee which had been formed early. He gave the names for members of this Committee:

E. Raybon Anderson	Scott Wood
John Roger Akins	John Scott
John Karrh	Carter Crawford
Hal Averitt	John Newton
E.T. "Red" Mullis	Jerry Marsh
Robert Cheshire	John Harris
Barbara Davis	

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, members of the Solid Waste Committee were ratified.

Chairman Anderson called attention to recommendation from Public Safety Director Ted Wynn for new chassis for an ambulance and remount of box. This recommendation gave results of bids: Unlimited Mobility - \$32,990.; Southern Ambulance - \$38,000.; First Response - \$34,260.00. It was Mr. Wynn recommendation that bid of \$32,990. from Unlimited Mobility be accepted.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, bid for chassis for an ambulance and remount of box from Unlimited Mobility in the amount of \$32,990. was accepted with authority to proceed immediately.

Chairman Anderson asked Warden John Roger Akins to present information on proposed purchase of tractor/scrapper pan. Chairman Anderson said he would like to take this opportunity to complement Mr. Akins and his staff, Sheriff Akins and his staff, as well as other county employees who went the extra mile in handling the problems presented by heavy rains. He added because of their efforts no-one got hurt which could have easily happened and it was a job well done.

Mr. Akins said they planned to trade a '69/'70 model pan which was worn out on a Caterpillar pan. He continued Caterpillar and John Deere were both considered, John Deere pan had 3200 hours on the machine, the Caterpillar had less than 900 hours. He said they recommended purchase of the Caterpillar pan. He said the bid from John Deere was \$50,000. difference with trade-in and Caterpillar was \$70,000. difference with trade-in, but they recommended the Caterpillar because it has less hours. They figured it was the best buy by about \$11,000. He said these machines were comparable in performance and there was little difference in the two machines.

Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, purchase of Caterpillar tractor/scrapper pan at cost of \$70,000. with trade-in was approved with payment to be made from multi-purpose sales tax funds for roads.

Mr. Akins advised Department of Transportation personnel had viewed several roads which were washed out and they are interested in helping county make repairs.

Chairman Anderson added he had received a FAX from Governor's office through GEMA declaring Bulloch County a disaster county which would make some emergency money available for some of the repair work.

Commissioner Hodges asked if State furnished an engineer to look at road to see exacting what is needed in the problem areas. Mr. Akins advised the state engineer has looked at these areas and gave his recommendations.

Chairman Anderson presented renewal applications for on-premises, Beer and Wine Licenses for George O. Luther for Moose Lodge and Mary Nell Cartee for Meadow Lakes Golf Club.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Hagin and carried, on-premises Beer and Wine License renewals were approved for George O. Luther for Moose Lodge and Mary Nell Cartee for Meadow Lakes Golf Club.

Chairman Anderson said there was one item not on the agenda which he would like to present for possible consideration. He presented a letter from Elizabeth Tankersley, Director of Bulloch County Department of Family and Children Services, requesting payment of burial expenses for a deceased indigent in the amount of \$250.00.

Commissioner Smith asked the standard procedure for handling these cases, was this a item which occurred frequently.

Chairman Anderson advised this occurs occasionally and Department of Family and Children Services is required to verify the person is indignant and the mortuary signs an affidavit to this effect.

Commissioner Hodges commented if a person does not have a place to be buried, the city gives a lot in the back of the Eastside Cemetery, one mortuary furnishes the casket, one mortuary furnishes the vault. He added this only occurs three or four a year.

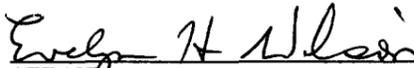
Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, payment of \$250. for pauper's funeral expenses was approved. Commissioner Hodges abstained.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. Attorney Jimmy Franklin announced the publication has been run for the Public Hearing to be held by Solid Waste Task Force, City and County at 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, January 26th concerning needs assessment for solid waste as required by State statute.

Commissioner Hodges said the budget approved by last administration included an engineer and this needs to be discussed at some point in time to see if full time engineer is warranted. He added right now a county engineer could probably stay busy for the next year. He said a formed committee should investigate the needs of the county.

Chairman Anderson said this would be put on the agenda in the near future.

Chairman Anderson asked for further business or discussion, there being none the meeting was adjourned subject to call.


ATTEST


E. Raybon Anderson

February 2, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met in the Community Room of the North Main Annex at 6:00 P.M. with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Hagin and Commissioner Smith present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and twelve visitors. Commissioner Beacham gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on January 19, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, minutes of January 19, 1993 meeting were approved as presented.

First item of old business was discussion of Kennedy Bridge Road name. Chairman Anderson commented on special meeting with both parties held in January in which they were asked to submit any new information. He said no new information has been received, a petition has been submitted by New Hope group but has not yet been fully verified.

Mr. Wood said the preliminary report received on the petition shows it is restricted to property owners from Register to Adabelle Road and the petition ask for a name change for that portion of the road. He continued there are approximately sixty-one property owners on that portion of the road, there are approximately thirty-one names on the petition and in preliminary search by Tax Assessors' office only eighteen of these are verifiable property owners. He commented this falls far short of 80% requirement for road from Register to county line and also falls short of the span from Register to Adabelle Road.

Commissioner Smith asked if actual number required to change the road name been established. Mr. Wood said no, Tax Assessors' office only had time to look at portion of road shown in the petition. Number of property owners on full length of road has not been researched, there are sixty-one on the portion shown in the petition.

Commissioner Alston said he was aware of the concept the New Hope group was to present. When he was aware they were attempting to get that 80% from Register passed the New Hope Church, a request was made to get a listing of property owners from county office and he was not sure if this was ever delivered. He said he did get copy of the maps but later discovered

the maps were outdated, property owners shown on maps were outdated.

Commissioner Beacham said he didn't think there was anything the Commission could do, it was obvious by inspection the 80% requirement was not there. He commented County Manager should be asked to verify information received.

Chairman Anderson said information will be verified and if another petition which meets requirement is submitted, it will be presented the Board. He commented he had driven the full length of the road through Evans and Tattnall Counties and both of the counties have named and signed their portion of the road Kennedy Bridge. However, he added, the Commission would certainly consider any request for a road name change if requirements are met.

Commissioner Alston said in responding to group who submitted this petition he would hope the letter will include the number of property owners that abut the road and also indicates verification signature of property owners and how it equates to the percentage.

Mr. Wood said response would be made in writing and include this information.

Next item of old business was discussion of request for funding for Blitch Street Center Program. Chairman Anderson said this request was presented in a previous meeting by Mr. Roesel and asked the Board how this request should be handled.

Commissioner Alston said he had been in contact with Blitch Street Center since it has been reactivated and he wasn't convinced it has the organization it needs even though they are doing good things for the community. He continued someone in the community has indicated it is a program that should be under the Board of Education rather than under Recreation. He said would like to ask the Board not to make any decision at this time and he would like to be part of group to approach the Board of Education and get their decision before the Commissioners make a decision.

Chairman Anderson said Mr. Roesel had asked if the Board could give him a yes or no answer at this meeting. He said he felt the reason for this was if the answer was no, Mr. Roesel was going to other sources for funding.

Commissioner Hodges said he felt it should come under the Board of Education, it's a place for learning and training and have supervised study. He continued the Commissioners have already put \$10,000 plus labor in the building. He said he would be glad to be part of group to present this to Board of Education.

Commissioner Smith commented, when look at program, it is an educational program and in this facet of the government the Commissioners are not structured to handle educational needs as the Board of Education is. He said he thought Commissioner Alston had a valid point in asking the Board of Education to look at this.

Commissioner Alston said if a committee to approach the Board of Education could be formed maybe they report to the Board.

Commissioner Hodges said he understood the request was for a salary and if Mr. Roesel needs an answer, he would offer a motion that no funding be provided to Blitch Street Center for a salaried position. Commissioner Beacham seconded the motion and it carried with Commissioners Simmons, Beacham, Hodges, Hagin, Smith voting in favor of the motion and Commissioner Alston opposed.

Commissioner Alston and Commissioner Hodges will discuss this program with the Board of Education.

The other item of old business was discussion of a county engineer. Chairman Anderson said this position had been discussed for nine-ten months and is being presented for Board action.

Commissioner Beacham said this position was in the current budget and from he has seen the needs out weigh the ability of those who are doing the very best they can. He offered a motion authorizing hiring a county engineer. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion.

In discussion Commissioner Hagin said he felt there was still the possibly of using state engineers and the part-time engineer, maybe should this a try a while longer. Chairman Anderson said in conversation with Jimmy Driggers of the Department of Transportation he was told D.O.T. will help any time they could but they have manpower problems also and state wide they have less than one-half employees they had when the office was built in Statesboro.

Motion authorizing hiring of a county engineer was carried with Commissioners Alston, Simmons, Beacham, Hodges, Smith voting yes, Commissioner Hagin voting no.

For new business Chairman Anderson presented a request from the Recreation Board for approval of contract for paving at Recreation Park. He explained Recreation Board had handled bid process and recommended the low bid of \$183,233.80 from Ellis Wood Construction be

accepted. He added D.O.T. will participate in this cost in the amount of \$95,018.88 and balance will be paid from recreation allocation of special multi-purpose sales tax.

Commissioner Hodges asked if this was roads inside the park, would D.O.T. handle the excel, decel lanes or did this contract include everything. Mr. Wood said if he understood correctly, this contract included the excel, decel lanes.

Upon motion Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, contract for paving for recreation park from Ellis Wood Construction in the amount of \$183,233.80 was approved with D.O.T. participation of \$183,233.80 and \$87,214.92 paid from allocation for recreation from special multi-purpose sales tax.

Chairman Anderson advised the Health Board term of Ms. Eldona Hilde had expired and Commissioners need to fill this position. He added Ms. Hilde has indicated she is willing to serve again if Commissioners so choose and from information received she has served the Board well.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commission Hagin and carried, Ms. Eldona Hilde was reappointed to a six year term on Health Board.

Chairman Anderson presented a letter from Virginia Anne Franklin of the Convention and Visitors Bureau requesting payment of one-half the expense of decorating and lighting of the courthouse this past Christmas. Bills attached to this request totalled \$2,199.97 making the County's share \$1,099.98. He said last fall Mr. Cox had asked his opinion of assisting with this project but at the time he didn't know the cost. Chairman Anderson said his reply was that he would like to see a budget of cost, who was participating, and what was needed for Christmas 1993 and future years. He said this was never received, he wasn't sure if Mr. Cox ever received this information.

Commissioner Alston asked what if one of the entities did not pay their share. Chairman Anderson said that was a good question, he has been told the Convention Bureau was paying part, Main Street was paying part, the county and city would pay part but according to this letter and bill, the request seem to be only to the city and county.

Commissioner Hodges asked if county participated in funding of Main Street and Convention and Visitors Bureau. He was told the Visitors and Convention Bureau was recipients of the hotel/motel tax and the county has participated on a limit basis in the downtown plan but there was no operational funding for Main Street.

Commissioners Hodges said this has already been done and someone would have to pay but before this was done again a budget should be provided. Commissioner Smith added the community should be asked if the lighting should be continued.

Commissioner Alston asked if the Visitors and Convention Bureau was to pay a share of this cost. Chairman Anderson said this was unclear, the letter was address to him and the Mayor and he interpreted this to mean just the city and county.

Chairman Anderson said he would be glad to asked Mr. Wood to research and see if other parties should be included in this request and bring back to next meeting.

Commissioner Hodges suggested the request be tabled for further discussion and that discussion should include expected budget for next year.

Chairman Anderson said there were four items not shown on the agenda which he would like to present and he would not ask any action be taken unless the Board saw need to do so.

Item 1 - D.O.T. has for some time asked the county to take a portion of state route 46 from state route 67 to state route 119 to be a county maintained highway. This has been delayed as much as possible and they cannot accept the perimeter road unless the county takes these miles off the state system and adds it to the county's. The county can choose to accept the perimeter roads or D.O.T. will accept the perimeter roads with county taking a portion of Highway 46. The road needs some resurfacing, it has two bridges which will need work in the next five years. D.O.T. has promised to complete resurfacing and will repair bridges when needed.

Chairman Anderson asked the Board to consider this proposal and said he has promised an answer after the next Board meeting.

Commissioner Hodges asked if this has been discussed with representatives and senator. He was told yes, this has been discussed all the way to top office.

Commissioner Smith asked the reasoning behind this request, why can't they accept another ten miles of roads. Mr. Wood said they were trying to keep from increasing their total mileage. Commissioner Smith said Highway 46 was a highly travelled road and had three major bridges which could cause some major expense. Chairman Anderson said they have promised the next major repair on bridges would be done by D.O.T.

Commissioner Hodges asked cost of maintaining perimeter road versus cost of maintaining the portion of Highway 46. Chairman Anderson said he wasn't sure the county had a choice. Warden Akins said he would rather maintain Highway 46.

Chairman Anderson said in this proposal D.O.T. would also give the county the abandoned part of Highway 301 at Pine Inn, the bridge on the road which angles off Highway 301 will be abandoned, removed and the road abandoned. The county will take the remainder of the road which turns toward Claxton at Pine Inn, this is all in the same proposal as Highway 46, however this section should not require very much maintenance or county could closed it.

Item 2 - Bill from lady in Brooklet area who bogged down on a county maintained dirt road. A wrecker service, in process of pulling her car out, damaged the car in amount of \$415.90.

Chairman Anderson said complaints of damage to vehicles have been received but this is the first bill received. He asked how the Board felt this bill should be handled.

Commissioner Simmons said he felt the wrecker service should be responsible. He offered a motion the county deny payment of the bill. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried.

Item 3 - Recreation Board has two terms on the Board which need to be be filled. Terms expiring are held by Frank Beacham and Lee Hill and the Recreation Board have submitted the names of Will Grant and Eugene Natson for consideration.

Chairman Anderson asked Commissioners to consider these nominations for action at the next meeting.

Item 4 - Special Optional Sales Tax expires on September 30, 1993.

Chairman Anderson said hopefully the Board could asked the citizens of Bulloch County to extend this sales tax. He asked the Board be considering needed projects and said presently there were several projects which need funding to complete, the courthouse, the jail, recreation, landfill. He commented within the next month list of projects need to be finalized so campaign to promote extension of sales tax can begin.

Commissioner Hodges asked if there was someone the Commissioners were give a list to or was there a committee for this.

Chairman Anderson said the city and county had already begun informally discussing some projects and by the next meeting he would like for Commissioner to have formed a list to meet with the city to finalize projects. He advised referendum will have to be held in June which means Board would have to adopt resolution the first meeting in May.

Attorney Jimmy Franklin pointed out state statue defines projects that can be funded in special optional sales tax. He said may need to seek Attorney General opinion on some projects. He added Code Section has a checklist of acceptable projects which he would be glad to give to media so public would know what can be funded.

Commissioner Alston asked if Commissioners could be provided with amount of additional funds needed to complete present projects. Mr. Wood said this would be done.

Chairman Anderson said the Southern Cyclist Club had made a request to address the Board and asked if they were represented.

Dr. Robert Ernst said he and Eleanor Schnieder were present to discuss a safety problem. He continued as everyone was probably aware more and more people were getting into cycling. He advised their club had about 100 members and also had a professional racing team in Statesboro. He stated rumble strips presented a real safety problem for cyclist, these strips go from the center line to the shoulder. He continued they have three choices, go over the strips which vary in height and with bicycle tires being very narrow a rider can easily be thrown off, another choice is to go around on the shoulder where sand or dirt can cause a cyclist to be thrown, the third choice is to go into the approaching lane around the strips which is obviously dangerous. He said they would like the Commissioners to consider the possibly of removing the outer twelve to sixteen inches of ramble strips so cyclist could proceed through rather than go around. He said they weren't asking this be done overnight but as time permits.

Commissioner Smith asked Warden Akins if this would be a problem to remove a portion of these strips. Warden Akins said on asphalt it wouldn't be a problem but on surface treatment it would probably pull surface treatment up with the strip. He said they would have to try and see what happens.

Commissioner Beacham asked, legally, for public safety reasons, would D.O.T. have a problem with this request. Warden Akins said he saw no problems doing this and he would be glad discuss this with D.O.T.

Dr. Ernst thanked the Commissioners for their consideration.

Chairman Anderson asked if anyone had further business or comments.

Commissioner Alston said, as a matter of information and this could require Board action later, in the construction of the jail the Sheriff made a request to insulate interior walls and ceiling in the administration section. He said this was basically to combat sounds in the jail and provide privacy in offices. He advised the estimation to make these changes were approximately \$2400. He said he suggested to the consulting architect not to amend the contract now because there could be other small changes later.

Commissioner Alston offered a motion to approved the expense to insulate the interior walls and ceiling of the jail Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion and it carried.

Commissioner Hagin said Willie Olliff had commented on the voting facility built by the county in the Ogeechee area and he requested the county consider tearing the old school building down.

Chairman Anderson said the old school building belongs to Ogeechee Community Inc. and the Board didn't have any discretion over the building. He suggested Commissioner Hagin contact Fred Hodges who is president of this organization.

Chairman Andeson asked if anyone else had any business or comments for the Board.

A resident of Buster Miller Road which was closed during the heavy rains asked if there were changes planned regarding drainage on this road. She said some of the smaller pipes did not allow proper drainage and the road was cut.

Warden Akins said he was familiar with problem on this road and have looked at problem with state and federal agencies. Hopefully the county will get assistance to put larger culverts in problem areas.

Chairman Anderson asked for other comments. He added discussion was needed for a personnel matter. Mr. Franklin commented he needed to advise the Board of pending litigation.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, the regular meeting was moved into Executive Session for the discussion of personnel matter and pending litigation.

Following the Executive Session Chairman Anderson asked for further business or comments to come before the Board. There being none the meeting was adjourned, subject to call.


E. Raybon Anderson


ATTEST

February 16, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met in the Community Room of the North Main Annex at 8:30 A.M. with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Hagan and Commissioner Smith present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and approximately twenty visitors. Commissioner Hodges gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on February 2, 1992 and minutes of the Executive Session on February 2, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, minutes of both these meetings were approved as presented.

First item of old business was report on tax collections by Tax Commissioner Carlene Johnson. Ms. Johnson presented a report on collections for the month of Janaury and asked for any questions.

Commissioner Smith noted the unpaid balances and asked if these were all taxes in arrears. Ms. Johnson answered, basically yes, but there were few errors to be corrected. Commissioner Smith commented the total in arrears was approximately 6.5 million. Ms. Johnson said yes, this includes 1992 which were due less than one month ago.

Commissioner Alston asked if format of report presented adhered to state law for reporting requirements, particularly with delinquencies. He continued he understood state law gives a time table for reporting on delinquent taxes, after April 20th each year a detail listing of delinquent taxpayers and a reason for nonpayment should be provided to Commissioners.

Ms. Johnson said she did not understand the question or the reference to the law. She commented this law changed in 1992.

Commissioner Alston said, regardless of the law, when could the Board get a listing of everyone who is delinquent by year and some reason for nonpayment.

Commissioner Smith asked Ms. Johnson could she provide this list. She said she had done this in the past and could produce the list today if necessary. Mr. Smith said the Commissioners were charged with the responsibility of the fiscal operation of the county and need access to what is happening.

Commissioner Alston clarified the request, saying a listing of delinquent tax payers by years and reason for nonpayment be provided. Ms. Johnson said she couldn't give a reason for nonpayment, this was mean contacting each taxpayer and asking why taxes were not paid.

Commissioner Alston asked County Attorney Jimmy Franklin to comment on law concerning reporting on delinquent taxes. Mr. Franklin read from the state law which said annually on or before April 20th the Tax Commissioner shall file with governing authority an accounting for proceeding year in which accounts of Tax Commissioner shall be fully stated and uncollected items on the digest for the preceeding year shall be listed in detail with reason tax has not been collected.

Ms. Johnson said she could run listing but didn't have time to research reason for nonpayment.

Commissioner Hodges said he understood forty title searches have been completed but have levied on only one tract. Ms. Johnson responded a twenty day notice had been given to loan companies on others. She continued a lot of the '85, '85, '87 delinquencies have FmHA loans.

Chairman Anderson asked how many notices have been sent. Ms. Johnson said fifty.

Commissioner Alston questioned the county's portion of collection, asking if law provides weekly payment to the county. Ms. Johnson advised with county's population payment was required every two weeks but funds could be advance daily if needed. She said payoff was made when ledgers were balanced at month end.

Commissioner Alston asked the Chairman if the Board could formulate a letter requesting items in addition to present report being received. Chairman Anderson asked Board members to give request of additional items to County Manager who will forward these to Ms. Johnson in letter form.

Commissioner Smith referenced the comments in the last audit report saying there were quite a few exceptions made by the accountants and suggested changes in accounting procedures. He asked if these changes had been implemented. Ms. Johnson said yes.

Commissioner Alston commented on items from audit report, bank reconciliations not on timely basis, accounting records not posted on timely basis. He remarked all items, on audit report have been corrected. Ms. Johnson said yes.

Commissioner Smith said one of the problems evident around the county was uncollected taxes on mobile homes and it seems this needs coordinated efforts between some departments. He asked if anything had been implemented in this area.

Ms. Johnson replied collection of mobile home taxes has been worked on for a year and a half. When mobile homes taxes become delinquent it becomes the Tax Assessors' responsibility. She said they have worked together but until someone is hired to find these mobile homes and put some force into it, it's not going to work.

Chairman Anderson asked if there was a list of delinquent mobile homes taxes. Ms. Johnson said yes. Chairman Anderson said Tax Assessor had indicated there wasn't a list. Ms. Johnson said run of list was started but it was so long, quit running it.

Mr. Wood asked, of every mobile home that has previously been entered into the system, why can't a list of those that are not current be run. Ms. Johnson said present computer program doesn't have capability of producing such a list. She said this is reason running of list was stopped, available list includes paid as well as unpaid.

Chairman Anderson said by this time next month he would hope the Tax Commissioner, Tax Assessor and County Manager would have information requested by Board for delinquent taxes and mobile homes.

Request from Statesboro Visitors and Convention for county's portion for lighting of courthouse carried over from previous meeting was presented by Chairman Anderson. He asked Board's consideration of this item.

Commissioner Hodges asked if this was researched as requested. Mr. Wood said the Visitors and Convention does not have any money. He added the city had agreed to pay half the amount as requested.

Commissioner Hodges said the bill will have to be paid by someone but need an

understanding budget is to be presented before next year.

Chairman Anderson commented a request was made to previous Chairman and he committed the county to pay "its fair share". He said he asked about the budget and was told no one had ever inquired about a budget. He suggested, if Board agrees to pay as requested, a letter advising the Board would like to discuss a budget before anything is done in 1993 be sent with the check.

Commissioner Hodges offered motion to pay county's portion of \$1,099.98 for 1992 as requested with a letter accompanying the check stating the Board requires discussion of 1993 budget prior to any activity. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion and it carried.

Another item of old business was Department of Transportation request for county to accept a portion of Highway 46 for county maintenance. Chairman Anderson said this request includes accepting Highway 46 from Highway 67 to Highway 119 and a small portion at Highways 301 and 46.

Commissioner Smith asked if Department of Transportation had committed to maintaining bridges as previously indicated, is this a firm commitment.

Chairman Anderson replied this is an oral commitment which will be put in writing. He added in a meeting with Mr. Brack he was assured this will be put in writing.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hagin and carried, agreement will be formalized with Department of Transportation for county to accept for maintenance Highway 46 from Highway 76 to Highway 119 and short portion at Highway 301.

Chairman Anderson advised there were two vacancies on Recreation Board which are appointed jointly with the City. Two names have been submitted for consideration, Will Grant and Eugene Natson. He added these meet with approval of the City and if Board makes these appointments today, City Council will also make appointments today.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, Will Grant and Eugene Natson were appointed to Recreation Board contingent upon appointment by City Council with terms of appointment to conform with State law.

Chairman Anderson presented contract with Green Pastures for roadside spraying. He explained there were two contracts, one for two spraying and a second contract for a third spraying as needed. He added in past there was one contract for three sprayings but didn't really believe third spraying is necessary, this is reason for two contracts. He said contract for two sprayings on 300 miles is \$36,000. The contract for the third spraying is \$16,000, but he would prefer to hold this contract for later action if needed.

Commissioner Beacham asked if this was an increase over previous contract. Mr. Wood said there was an increase in the first contract but the second contract goes back to old price.

Commissioner Smith offered a motion to approved contract for two sprayings at cost of \$36,000. Commissioner Beacham seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Beacham said the contract for two spraying shows \$60. per mile and if second contract, which is \$53.33 per mile, is the same as last year, this represents a 14% increase. Chairman Anderson said if accept both contracts, three sprayings for 300 miles, would be about a 5% increase. Commissioner Smith said first two sprayings would require more chemicals and even if go to third spraying, first two would be most costly.

Motion to approve contract with Green Pastures for two spraying at cost of \$36,000 was carried.

Chairman Anderson commented Special Option Sales Tax Projects was on the agenda but no action was scheduled for this meeting. He asked Board to continue thinking about needed projects and relate these to Mr. Wood.

Commissioner Beacham emphasized public input on this issue is needed at every opportunity.

In new business Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Wood to present results of bids for the purchase of a backhoe. Mr. Wood advised bids were received for purchase of backhoe from Case, Caterpillar and John Deere. Bids were reviewed by John Karrh, Kenny Trapnell and John Roger Akins who recommend purchase of John Deere 310D backhoe/loader at a cost of \$42,634.14. Mr. Wood stated this item was approved in current budget.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, purchase of John Deere 310D backhoe/loader from Industrial Tractor Company at cost of \$42,634.14 was approved.

Chairman Anderson recognized John Scott, Chief Tax Appraiser. Mr. Scott presented a proposal in form of a contract with the firm of Tax Management Associate of Charlotte. He added discussion with Tax Management has been ongoing for over a year and service Tax

Management would provide for county would be an audit of personal property business accounts. He advised Mr. Franklin has reviewed the contract and suggested some wordage changes which have been made and Board of Tax Assessors have approved this proposal. This would be an open end contract with Board of Assessors having complete authority to select the accounts, establish the criteria and have complete authority as to findings of audit and what to with them. This contract give Tax Management, who has the expertise to preform these audits, the privilege to conduct these audits and advise the Board of Assessors on the audits. Mr. Scott said there were four different categories according to size, various sizes of taxpayers will be selected for audit. He explained, basically inventory reported, machinery and equipment reported by these business will be verified. He explained this audit should accomplish a better level of equality on personal property in Bulloch County which will tie in with real estate reevaluation. He said timing is good to coincide with reevaluaition. He said this would be a one year contract and accounts selected for audit will be turned over to Tax Management on monthly basis with a fee set for the size of account based on amount currently on tax digest. At the conclusion of a particular audit, County will be billed and have ninety days to pay, this will allow time for collection of any monies owed resulting from audit. Mr. Scott asked for Board's consideration of this contract.

Commissioner Hagin asked how would accounts be selected for audit. Mr. Scott said it would be by size of account, a random sampling of each size of accounts will be selected, also those individuals who have not submitted reporting forms for some years. It will be a cross section of accounts, there is no "hit" list, will be by an established criteria.

Commissioner Beacham asked was this considered when present budget was prepared. Mr. Scott said yes, when looked at budget situation for this year, Tax Management agreed to hold billing for ninety days after an audit to allow time for collection of any taxes owed. He added, presently, giving time for audits to be completed and then ninety days for billing, should be into new budget year.

Commissioner Alston asked what percent of accounts would be audited. Mr. Scott said the proposal for the first calendar year was sixty accounts or approximately 5% of business accounts.

Commissioner Smith asked cost of audits. Mr. Scott explained this was on a graduated scale according to size of account going from \$600. to \$4800. and total will be approximately \$60,000.

Chairman Anderson asked for action on proposal as presented by Mr. Scott. Commissioner Beacham said this seemed to be one more step in growing pains, if not now, when. To build tax payers confident, as well as making sure all who owe taxes are paying, also need to assure all are paying appropriate amount.

Commissioner Beacham offered motion contract with Tax Management Associates for personal property audits be approved. After clarifying these funds would be in next fiscal year's budget, Commissioner Alston seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Smith said there is a lot of confusion on how personal property is to be reported and he thought some education was needed on reporting personal property and values placed on personal property. It was explained when Tax Management goes in to do an audit they try to educate what is taxable, what is not taxable and the proper way to file. Personnel from Tax Assessors office will be included in process and by being included will be trained in this methodology.

Motion to approved contract with Tax Management Associates to conduct personal property audits was carried.

Renaming of county road #322 was next item for consideration. Chairman Anderson said request was to change name from Smith Road to Alford Road. He asked Mr. Wynn, Public Safety Director, if requirements for changing a road name had been met. Mr. Wynn replied yes, the Tax Assessors had assisted in verifying that 80% of property owners had agreed to name change.

Chairman Anderson asked for action on this request. Upon motion by Commissioner Hagin, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, county road #322 was named Alford Road.

There being no other business for action, Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Wood to cover other items on agenda.

Mr. Wood recognized Bob Smith and said after going through process of interviewing applicants for Environmental Manager, Mr. Smith was person hired to fill this position. He continued Mr. Smith had a BS degree in Biology, was familiar with the county and had an intense interest in county government.

Mr. Smith said he looked forward to working with the Commissioners and the County Manager

in implementing the Solid Waste Management Act to improve solid waste collection and disposal in the county and any other environmental issues the Board would have him do.

Mr. Wood said Lee Eckles, EMS Director, and Ted Wynn, Public Safety Director were present and commented Mr. Eckles was Connie Key's immediate supervisor. He continued Ms. Key has done an outstanding job in collections for EMS and wanted her to be recognized as going beyond the call of duty. He asked Mr. Eckles to give details.

Mr. Eckles said he appreciated the opportunity to recognize Ms. Key. He continued she does an outstanding job in every task she is assigned. She was previously chief communication officer for EMS and when E911 was implemented she was transferred to the business management position upon retirement of Virginia Tankersley. He reported monthly collections averaged \$28,000 to \$34,000 depending on the season but in January which is one of the hardest times to collect outstanding accounts, Ms. Key had exceeded \$38,000. He said this is not a department high but this is her first month in the job and she has certainly proved she can handle this position. He said Ms. Key is probably one of the best employees the county has and again he appreciated the opportunity to recognize her.

Chairman Anderson asked Ms. Key to stand and she was applauded for her performance.

Mr. Wood said some others need recognition for their efforts to meet deadline with D.O.T. on easements for pipe replacement which meant over \$200,000 to the county in D.O.T. funds. He said abstractor Julie Smith was not present but she played a big part in the effort. He recognized employees John Meyers and Evelyn Wilson and abstractor Julie Smith for their persistence in getting this job done.

Chairman Anderson asked these employees to stand and said he had the privilege of hand delivering this information to the D.O.T. Commissioner.

Chairman Anderson said Commissioner Alston had one item of business before meeting was adjourned.

Commissioner Alston recalled the Board had asked Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hodges and him to contact the Board of Education in reference to request from Blich Street for salary for Ms. Ada Cooper, director of that school program. He reported they did meet with members of Board of Education, Dr. Carter and the superintendent and subsequently met with Ms. Cooper. He continued the request offer for a job, be it part-time or full time, from Board of Education of Ada Cooper was declined by Ms. Cooper at this time.

Chairman Anderson thanked Commissioner Alston for this report and these Commissioners for handling this matter.

Chairman Anderson said this ended the business session and asked for a motion for an Executive Session.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, meeting was moved into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

Following the Executive Session Chairman Anderson asked for further business or comments for Board action. There being none the meeting was adjourned, subject to call.


ATTEST


E. Raybon Anderson

March 2, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met in the Community Room of the North Main Annex at 6:00 P.M. with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Hagan and Commissioner Smith present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and approximately twenty-six visitors. County Manager Scott Wood gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on February 16, 1993 and minutes of the Executive Session on February 16, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, minutes of both these meetings were approved as presented.

Chairman Anderson said agenda indicated there was no old business to be addressed and asked if anyone had any old business for discussion.

For new business Chairman Anderson asked to deviate from the agenda in order to present a couple of contracts not on the agenda.

Chairman Anderson remarked process to replace culvert at several locations in the county had be ongoing for some time and contracts from Department of Transportation for assistance had been received. He presented material contracts with Department of Transportation for various locations for culvert replacement and asked for authorization to execute these contracts.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, Chairman Anderson was given authorization to execute contracts with Department of Transportation for culvert replacement at various locations.

Chairman Anderson presented contract for airport improvements in the form of a lighting contract. He advised this was a contract with FAA for grant of \$179,000 with FAA providing 90%, State D.O.T. providing 5% city and county together providing 5%. He said this was a twofold request, first, authorization to execute the contract and secondly, commitment for county to fund 2½% (approximately \$4500) of the grant. He asked authorization to spend up to \$5000 in case project runs over. He commented this project is scheduled to be completed right away. He added any time county could invest \$4500. and have benefit of \$170,000±, it was a good investment.

Mr. Wood pointed out City Council had ratified contract in their meeting this morning and it was also endorsed by Airport Committee in their meeting.

Commissioner Smith offered a motion authorizing Chairman to execute contract for airport for lighting improvements with expenditure of up to \$5000 in county funds. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Hodges asked if these funds would come out of airport budget which is funded by city and county. Chairman Anderson explained the Airport budget was for operational purposes and these funds were not in that budget. Motion authorizing Chairman to execute contract for airport for lighting improvements with county expenditure up to \$5000. was carried.

Returning to agenda, Chairman Anderson asked Commissioner Alston to address furniture for new jail. Commissioner Alston said specifications for jail furniture had been developed by Sheriff Akins and two responses to bid request were received. He said county bid process was followed and the bid of \$41,224.00 submitted by Bennett's Office City of Statesboro was accepted. He commented furniture should be ordered immediately in order for delivery in six to eight weeks so it won't delay opening of jail.

Commissioner Alston offered a motion to approve purchase of furniture for new jail for an amount of \$41,224. Commissioner Beacham seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Beacham asked if this was a budgeted item. Chairman Anderson explained up to \$50,000 was set aside for this furniture, it was in the original plan. Commissioner Alston commented Sheriff Akins has said other miscellaneous items could be needed. Motion approving purchase of furniture for new jail at a cost of \$41,224. was carried.

Chairman Anderson asked Commissioner Alston to also cover item of computer for the new jail. Commissioner Alston said he had worked with jail project for about three years and when project was just beginning it became apparent computer capabilities were needed in the jail's operations. He continued Gene McDaniel of the Sheriff's office had been asked to conducted a study and prepare a written report for the Commissioners. He added this report elucidated to fact Sheriff's department has been limited in computer capabilities for some time. He advised IBM (hardware) specialist have teamed up with software company (Excalibur) who provide law enforcement software to submit a proposal to provide computerization for the new jail at a cost of \$210,000. He explained this system is designed to allow for expansion in the future. He said this would be a lease purchase agreement with an annual payment of \$42,000.-\$45,000. for a period of five years. He added the company has agreed to update the software throughout the contract period.

Commissioner Hodges said he understood this cost could go down because of state bid every year, once that bid is received price could go down. Mr. Wood said it has been assured, county will receive the lower of the two prices (current price or state bid price).

Commissioner Smith asked if operator training and loading of existing data were included in proposal.

Commissioner Alston replied operator training will be provided in the contract. Their staff will train sheriff's staff to operate the software system.

Commissioner Hodges said loading of existing data would take some man hours but Sheriff Akins felt this could be accomplished with some help from computer classes at high school and university.

Commissioner Hodges said there was no question this computer system was needed but how to fund was another question.

Chairman Anderson said he would hope this funding would come from optional sales tax. Commissioner Hodges said if sales tax extension does not happen, where would funds come from, 10% add on fee or \$13. bond fee. Chairman Anderson commented it would probably have to come from general operation which comes from ad valorem taxes.

Commissioner Alston added a letter from Sheriff Akins requesting these funds come from the second tier of optional sales tax has been passed on to Mr. Wood. Sheriff Akins also stated if optional sales tax is not extended, he would be in agreement to tap those other funds if available.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, lease purchase agreement for computer system for new jail at cost of \$210,000. was approve.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Wood to present information for bids and recommendation for purchase of pickup trucks.

Mr. Wood advised bids for pickup trucks were opened on February 22nd and the low bid which met specifications was Rozier Ford for three trucks for \$41,445. He explained an amount of \$40,500 was budgeted for these trucks and the reason for the amount over budget was the bid included one 4-wheel drive truck which Warden Akins had asked be included. He said Rozier's bid was \$13,100 each for 2 trucks and \$15,000 for 4-wheel drive. Bids received were Rozier Ford - \$41,445, Franklin Chevrolet - \$47,500, Altman GMC - \$55,000, another bid received from Anderson-Wolling Dodge did not meet specifications.

Commissioner Hagin asked where these trucks would be used. Mr. Wood replied two trucks would be used by public works and one would be used by Environmental Manager.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, purchase of three trucks from Rozier Ford at cost of \$41,445. was approved.

Chairman Anderson asked other business or comments. Commissioner Alston said he had received a call from RDC regarding filling a vacancy on the Historical Preservation Committee. He explained each county in the RDC have subcommittees and he was informed today that Bulloch County's subcommittee has a vacancy. He asked the Board to authorize the Chairman to fill this vacancy. He added he has been in contact with an individual and need to confirm this person is willing to serve and represent Bulloch County.

Chairman Anderson commented, first, have to be officially notified there is a vacancy but when notification is received, need authorization to fill position.

Commissioner Alston offered a motion to authorize Chairman Anderson to fill vacancy on subcommittee for Historical Preservation for Bulloch County when official notice is received. Commissioner Beacham seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Beacham said this position would be filled once paper work is received. Chairman Anderson replied yes. Commissioner Hodges asked if this person had been serving. Commissioner Alston replied this person has been doing some work in historical interest in Bulloch County. Commissioner Smith asked if this was a regional committee. Commissioner Alston said it was regional committee but each county has a subcommittee made up of six or seven members. Commissioner Smith asked if time was of essence to fill vacancy or could it wait until official notification is received. Commissioner Beacham said he wasn't really sure of what the Board was voting on. Commissioner Alston said Chairman would be given authority to act based on this discussion. Commissioner Alston suggested item be tabled until the next meeting. Motion was withdrawn.

Chairman Anderson called on Commissioner Beacham. Commissioner Beacham said he wanted to report on trip made by delegation to Camden County last week to view their new sanitary landfill. He said there was one very sufficient thing, standing right on the embankment there was no smell. He continued they viewed several loads of garbage coming in, being dumped, compressed and covered within ten minutes of arrival. He pointed out it should be noted there were numerous birds at this site which he felt was a concern but the majority of these were seagulls and it was explained with this site less than ten miles from the coast as soon as weather turns warm, all the birds disappear. He said they have an interesting financing situation, the county pays to dump their own garbage, their tippage fee is about \$35 per ton. He remarked it was a very satisfactory trip and full report should soon be available to city and county.

Chairman Anderson said he appreciated this delegation making this trip, it lets the citizens of Bulloch County know the Board is doing everything possible to plan for the future and are looking for best options.

Chairman Anderson commented on memo from Mr. Wood regarding county wide zoning plan and said time was approaching to appoint a zoning committee. He continued the zoning committee

needs representation from a cross section of backgrounds. He asked the Board to submit any names for consideration to Shari Morris by March 15th. He said hopefully committee could be appointed later in March.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. Commissioner Alston asked status of activities at new Health Department. Chairman Anderson reported project was just waiting for contractor to begin.

Chairman Anderson asked if anyone present had business or comments for the Board. Mr. Bill Akers said he would like to meet with the Board in Executive Session on a personnel matter. Chairman Anderson acknowledged this request.

Chairman Anderson recognized Ms. Miriam Hunter. Ms. Hunter said, as a matter of background, she had been activate for thirty years in the American Legion Auxiliary which is a women's organization made up of over one million members. This organization is auxiliary of the American Legion which is largest veterans' organization in the world with 2.5 million members. She continued each February the Auxiliary sponsors an awareness conference in Washington and during this conference there are joint sessions with the American Legion. One of these sessions host a reception on Capitol Hill for all members of Congress. She said the point of interest she would like to make is that out of all the Georgia people in Washington, two representatives made an appearance, one senator, Senator Nunn, send two aides and one representative, whose name she missed, sent an aide. She remarked Jack Kingston was one who made an appearance and spent more time with the Georgia delegation than anyone. She added there were only three delegates from the first district present and they really gave the other delegates from Georgia a hard time. She said she thought it was important for citizens of this community to know he was trying to do a good job in Washington.

Chairman Anderson thanked Ms. Hunter for her comments.

Chairman Anderson said Mr. Akers had requested to meet with the Board in Executive Session and asked Mr. Franklin with if he had any matters to discuss in Executive Session. Mr. Franklin said there was one item of pending litigation to be discussed.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, meeting was moved into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters and pending litigation.

The regular meeting was reconvened following the Executive Session.

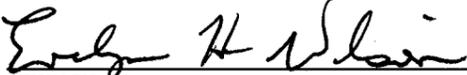
Chairman Anderson assured Mr. Akers the Board intended to move on the matter he discussed in Executive Session and deadline has been set and will be upheld by Board.

Chairman Anderson recognized Gene McDaniel, Richard Malone and IBM representative. Chief Malone stated the computer system being considered for the new jail was in place at the Police Department. He added this system would enhance communications between the city and county.

Chairman Anderson advised the group purchase of the computer system for the jail had been approved under a lease purchase plan.

Chairman Anderson asked for Board action on County Manager's contract. Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, contract for County Manager was approved.

Chairman Anderson asked for further business or comments. Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, meeting was adjourned subject to call.


ATTEST


E. Rayben Anderson

March 16, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met in the Community Room of the North Main Annex at 8:30 A.M. with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Hagin and Commissioner Smith present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and seven visitors. Commissioner Hagin gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on March 2, 1993 and minutes of the Executive Session on March 2, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, second by Commissioner Beacham and carried, minutes of both these meetings were approved.

Chairman Anderson called on Ms. Johnson, Tax Commissioner, to give an update on collection of delinquent taxes.

Ms. Johnson said she would like to commend the Tax Assessors' Office, the Clerk of Courts Office, and Julie Smith of Jimmy Franklin's Office for their assistance in this endeavor. She reported 85 accounts totaling approximately \$40,000 were ready to be advertised the first of April for sale the first Tuesday in May. She presented a calendar showing dates in each month through December for steps leading up to sale dates. She stated \$4,800,000 has been collected in 1992 taxes. She presented printouts of delinquent taxpayers for tax years 1985 through 1992 as well as a listing of delinquent mobile home decals. Summary list for 1989 through 1992 were given to each Commissioner. Ms. Johnson commented power problems prohibited production of reports for years 1985 through 1988.

Commissioner Hodges asked for a total of figures for years 1989 through 1992. Commissioner Smith said he figured about \$1.9 million.

Commissioner Smith commented that printouts for 1989 showed \$151,000 uncollected and asked if this included penalty and interest. Ms. Johnson said no, this figure did not include penalty or interest. He asked if these were added when delinquencies are collected. Ms. Johnson said yes.

Chairman Anderson asked if interest and penalty was collected. Ms. Johnson said yes.

Commissioner Alston asked if there was any provision for waiver of penalty and interest. Mr. Franklin said basically there was no provision for waiving penalty and interest. There was an exception to an out of state owner who purchased property since last tax bill, however, this was limited to that one year.

Ms. Johnson advised second notices for 1992 taxes would be mailed in the next couple of weeks.

Commissioner Smith asked if there was an effective way of monitoring number of mobile homes in the county and who has and has not paid.

Ms. Johnson said she didn't have an answer. She said it was a serious problem which needs addressing and she thought it would take a full time person. She added to have strict enforcement and take non-payers to court with a stiff fine.

Commissioner Simmons asked if there was a way to make land owners responsible for making sure all mobile homes have decals.

Ms. Johnson said its been suggested to have mobile home park owners submit a list of everyone in their park.

Chairman Anderson said this was discussed and tried to put in mobile home ordinance. He asked Mr. Franklin if he remembered what happened. Mr. Franklin said it was in draft, but was taken out. He didn't remember why it was deleted.

Ms. Johnson said other counties have an ordinance requiring mobile home parks present a list each January of residents in their parks.

Commissioner Beacham said the greatest potential for the greatest number of dollars wasn't in mobile homes but in delinquent property taxes. Ms. Johnson said no, but it was about \$61,000. Chairman Anderson said that was \$61,000 which was known and there was probably another \$161,000 not known.

Chairman Anderson said this Board was for strict enforcement and would take action when information was received.

Chairman Anderson thanked Ms. Johnson for her report.

Moving on with old business, Chairman Anderson said appointment to RDC Historical Preservation Committee was discussed at last meeting. He advised the county has seven members on this committee. He added Ms. Godbee has asked not to be reappointed and is not presently serving and this vacancy needs to be filled. He asked for nominees for this

appointment.

Commissioner Alston said Ms. Laura Bell Martin has been working with Historical Committee of Bulloch County. He offered a motion to nominate Ms. Laura Bell Martin to fill position on RDC Historic Preservation Committee. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Hodges asked for a list of people on this Committee. Mr. Wood gave the names of Laura M. Godbee, Betty Lane, Babb Lindsey, John Lindsey, Carolyn McCrosky, Libba Smith, Sue Smith, and Debra W. Chester. Commissioner Beacham commented this was discussed at last meeting and only one person has shown an interest. Motion to appoint Ms. Laura Bell Martin to RDC Historical Preservation Committee was carried.

Commissioner Alston commented this was a recommendation to the RDC Board. This name would be presented to the Executive Committee and then presented to the RDC Board of Directors for official appointment.

Chairman Anderson stated fuel system for new jail was first item of new business. He commented he had requested Commissioner Hagin to research the concept of a bulk fuel system for the jail with price comparisons. He said Commissioner Hagin had agreed to do this research but said he wouldn't use figures or estimates from his own companies. He asked Commissioner Hagin to give this report.

Commissioner Hagin said before he began, he wanted to make it clear that he could not bid on county business. He reported John Karrh had called GasPort, which is presently the source of gas for the Sheriff's Department, and obtained price on a given date. He continued that the same day, the Board of Education bought a tanker of gas from Trans Oil. These two prices are figures used for comparison. GasPort price was \$1.072 a gallon and Trans Oil Price, in bulk, was .9042 a gallon or a \$.1678 a gallon savings. Commissioner Hagin said Sheriff Akins has said a gas tank at the jail will be more convenient for him. He added the system and savings can be utilized by other county departments.

Commissioner Hodges said he understood the system would be activated with a card with a computer system which monitors who's getting gas, time, and miles per gallon.

Mr. Wood added there is an ongoing reporting requirement with the State and this system would provide reports to meet requirements.

Commissioner Hagin said the system would pass any present federal or state regulations.

Commissioner Alston said the jail has three consultants and he has been in contact with DCA consultant who advised the 12,000 gallon storage tank should not be closer than 20 feet to the jail. He added the jail has consultants in the design of jail to approve what goes on the property site.

Commissioner Hagin said he viewed the site with Bruce Hope and Sheriff Akins and tanks will be within the law. He commented the pump could be placed wherever Sheriff Akins decides but the tank will be located to meet restrictions.

Commissioner Hodges said according to figures this system will pay for itself in three years. Commissioner Hagin said yes, these figures are based on Sheriff's Department usage but if added with other departments usage, pay out will be shorter than three years.

Commissioner Alston asked who was asked to bid on this proposal and who responded. He said on all proposals, for matter of record, he would like to have a copy of specifications.

Commissioner Hagin said three companies responded: Hope Construction, Central Industries and MECO.

Chairman Anderson asked if Board wanted to approve concept of bulk fuel system for jail and if vendor was missed, rebid the project. But he thought Mr. Karrh had contacted all suppliers. Commissioner Hagin said he only knew of one more in the area and in his dealing with them, they were usually higher than others.

There was some discussion of providing the Board with specifications, bid list, and who responds to the bid of all the county's projects.

Commissioner Hodges offered a motion to accept bid from Hope Construction to provide bulk fuel system for new jail. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Beacham asked if this item was in the budget. Chairman Anderson said this would be included as part of jail funding from Special Optional Sales Tax. Motion to accept bid of \$29,987 from Hope Construction was carried. Other bids were Central Industries - \$31,163.49 and MECO - \$31,589.

Chairman Anderson asked Ted Wynn to present information on purchase of property for Denmark/Nevil Fire Department.

Mr. Wynn advised proposed property was 1.3 acres adjacent to voting building in Nevils Community on which the new fire station for Denmark/Nevil Fire District would be built. He

said that the County Attorney's office has prepared all legal documents. He asked the Board approve the purchase of property from R. C. Martin for an amount of \$1,500.

Commissioner Hodges asked if these funds were coming from county fire funds. Mr. Wynn replied yes.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, purchase of 1.3 acres of property for Denmark/Nevils Fire Department from R. C. Martin for \$1,500 was approved.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Wood to discuss next item concerning perimeter road from Highway 301 North to Highway 80 West.

Mr. Wood said the intent of having this item on the agenda was for the Board to consider a request for Department of Transportation to place the completion of the perimeter road on their long term plan.

Chairman Anderson said this would be the northern perimeter from Highway 301 North back to Highway 80 West.

Commissioner Beacham commented, in discussion with Department of Transportation, they said for it to be included in long term plans, it needs to have official request from Commissioners.

Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, an official request will be made for Department of Transportation to include completion of perimeter road from Highway 301 North to Highway 80 in their long term plan.

Chairman Anderson commented on the severe weather conditions during the past weekend and said he would like to thank county's employees for their response to this situation. He added there were a lot of volunteers working as well as Sheriff's Department, Statesboro Police Department, Rural Fire Departments, Statesboro Fire Department, E.M.S., Rescue, Georgia State Patrol, Portal Police Department, E 911, Public Works Camp, Department of Transportation, all utilities, and Ellis Wood Construction. He said all these people worked together to help Bulloch County citizens.

Chairman Anderson remarked this item was not on the agenda but would like for Board to review this request for action at the next meeting. He presented a request from Department of Transportation for approval of a speed limit ordinance for several locations in the county.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments.

Commissioner Beacham said a group had gone to Monroe County and Hall County to view their recycling and solid waste disposal methods. He commented they have a first class operation, and it can be done but it's not cheap.

Commissioner Hagin added he was very impressed and if Bulloch County wants a clean county and if funds can be obtained, he was all for the mini compacters.

Commissioner Beacham said there is a way to clean up dumpster sites. He commented Hall County has 10 manned sites opened twelve hours a day.

Chairman Anderson said the solid waste site committee was still meeting and still looking at sites.

Commissioner Hagin asked if the committee was looking at new sites. Chairman Anderson said yes, and were still asking the public to recommend sites.

Chairman Anderson asked for other comments. Commissioner Alston asked if a report on courthouse could be ready at the next meeting. Chairman Anderson said yes and plans are to give reports once a month on all capital improvements.

Chairman Anderson commented on renewal of Special Optional Sales Tax and Board would have to pass resolution on the third Tuesday in April calling for the referendum.

Commissioner Hodges said the third Tuesday meeting conflicted with ACCG Annual Conference. There was some discussion on re-scheduling this meeting.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Hagin and carried, the Board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 20 was re-scheduled for Thursday, April 23rd at 8:30 A.M.

Chairman Anderson remarked there was one matter to be discussed in Executive Session.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, regular meeting was moved into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter.

Regular meeting was reconvened. Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. Upon motion duly made and carried, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

Evlyn H. Wilson
 ATTEST

E. R. [Signature]

April 6, 1993
 Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 6:00 P.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex. Present were Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Hagin and Commissioner Smith.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and sixteen visitors. Commissioner Smith gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on March 16, 1993 and minutes of the Executive Session on March 16, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Hagin, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, minutes of both meetings were approved as presented.

For old business Chairman Anderson reviewed request from Department of Transportation presented in the last meeting for Ordinance for speed limits. He advised Sheriff Akins had reviewed the Ordinance and recommended three changes. Chairman Anderson pointed out these changes to which Department of Transportation has agreed.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, Ordinance for Speed Limits with changes recommended by Sheriff Akins was adopted. See exhibit 1993-1.

Chairman Anderson said another matter of old business were reports for ongoing projects, the jail, health department and courthouse. He asked Commissioner Alston to give report for jail project.

Commissioner Alston advised the jail construction was ahead of schedule with completion dated estimated to be short of scheduled completion date by 30 to 45 days. He continued landscaping and paving should begin in next two weeks. He presented a letter from consulting architect for three or four minor changes; (1) raised ceiling in hearing room from eight feet to ten feet at cost of \$1000, (2) add quarry tile in outside entrance at cost of \$500, (3) add quarry tile in Sheriff's bathroom at cost of \$250, (4) cabinet and bookcase in the Judges' chambers at cost of \$1021. Total cost of all changes was \$2271.

Commissioner Alston offered a motion to approve these changes for jail project. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Beacham asked reasoning behind raising ceiling in hearing room. It was explained judges' bench is elevated and need to raise ceiling accordingly. Motion approving changes as outlined for jail project at estimated cost of \$2271. was carried.

Commissioner Alston commented he would hope these changes could be paid from available funds rather than adjusting large contract on jail.

Commissioner Hodges said once jail was completed school for training of additional staff would be held at the jail. He added, hopefully, this would save some money by having training here instead of sending staff to Forsyth.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Wood to report on health department. Mr. Wood said notice to proceed on this project was given on February 26th but only minor on site work has been done because of wet ground problems. He advised he held a meeting on March 31st with contractor, paving contractor, architect and John Roger Akins to discuss the problem, as result of this meeting drainage lines and trenches were installed. Mr. Wood said this work was done by the county causing no additional cost to original contract. He continued construction should begin as soon as ground has dried out some.

Chairman Anderson asked Commissioner Smith to give report for courthouse project. Commissioner Smith said the Courthouse Committee met on March 31st to discuss appraisals on property being considered as primary choice for courthouse, this being the Old Bank of Statesboro, the Georgia Theatre, the law offices of Anderson & Anderson and Downtown Development Authority building. He continued the appraisals were much higher than anticipated and in negotiating with the Lehman Franklin Estate, their price was higher than the appraisals. He said, in addition, Anderson law firm office was not available for sale, the only way to acquire would be condemnation. He said after carefully evaluation of cost to acquire this property, demolishing existing buildings other than Bank of Statesboro, the land acquisition would be in excess of one-half million dollars and the Committee thought this

would be too much to be considered for limited budget. He said after further deliberations the Committee went with site which had been considered earlier, which is the current site of E.M.S. building. He said the Courthouse Committee has been struggling with this for three years and after much consideration, think this is the best alternative. He said the Courthouse Committee requested authority from the Commissioners to proceed toward initiating progress to build courthouse on this site.

Commissioner Smith offered a motion the Commissioner ask the Courthouse Committee to proceed with acquiring any necessary property and plans for courthouse on E.M.S. site. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Hagin said he understood the Clerk of Court's office has to be within 500 feet of Superior Courtroom. Commissioner Smith said that is basically the law and what is being considered is a new courthouse with the court functions and remodel existing courthouse to house other county offices and courtroom for any overflow or State Court. Commissioner Beacham referenced cost figures given on acquisition of property. Commissioner Smith explained the Committee figured, basically, the cost of the land would be \$500,000+ and they were told to try to remodel a historical building such as the Bank of Statesboro while maintaining its integrity would be more expensive than new construction. Commissioner Beacham asked what was the primary objection to the third proposal of closing Siebald Street with addition to courthouse. Commissioner Smith commented the primary consideration for the closing of Siebald Street was the Committee was told by several sources that the Courthouse would lose its designation on the Historical Register. He added this is very important to many people and there was quite a bit of opposition to this at the Public Hearing. He said another consideration is if Siebald Street is closed and extend building out into street, then you have possibly infringed on property owners on the opposite side of the street.

Chairman Anderson recognized Gates Peed. Mr. Peed said he realized there were three proposals and he would like to urge the Commissioners to reconsider the proposal not being considered because of historical significance of the courthouse. He said he also understood the opposition from the community and the Historical Society but the reasons to reconsider this proposal are; (1) the scattering of the courthouse offices, the court services could best be preserved by having the courthouse in one location, (2) if move off the square and build a courthouse, the existing courthouse is being relegated to the past. He continued the best alternative for preserving the existing courthouse is to build to the building that is there and money could go further by staying on the square than any other place. He asked the Commissioners to hold considerations open for this proposal.

Commissioner Smith said he appreciated what Mr. Peed had to say and he didn't think anyone on the Committee felt that as good or better job couldn't have been done on the current site, but it would not preserve the current physical appearance of that courthouse and it would absolutely take it off the Historical Registry. He commented the deciding factor was the overwhelming support from the Historical Society not to disturb the courthouse.

Chairman Anderson commented surveys were done with constitutional officers, legal profession, and judges who said they didn't have any problem with building on proposed E.M.S. site. He said people who work with courts every day were considered in this decision.

Commissioner Beacham said charge to architect and contractor should be to maximize the use of existing courthouse and only take out those functions that must be moved so it won't be abandoned as Mr. Peed fears. He continued he realized the courthouse has no security, it doesn't comply with Americans With Disabilities Act and other problems, but it should continued to used.

Mr. Geisman Neville commented he was as attached to existing courthouse as anyone, but there are problems of security, the clerk's office is out of room, courthouse is not easily accessible to handicapped and there is sufficient land on E.M.S. site to accomplished what is needed. He said he wasn't against the courthouse but it was terribly expensive to try preserve a building, add on to it and also have the physical limitations in one square block.

Chairman Anderson asked for other discussion or vote on the motion. Motion calling for Commissioner to asked Courthouse Committee to proceed with acquiring necessary additional property and plans for courthouse on E.M.S. site was carried.

Chairman Anderson asked Warden Akins to give brief report on road drainage projects. Mr. Akins reported two different contracts were being worked, three sites remain to be completed on one contract and have completed three sites on second contract with twenty-one more sites to be done. He asked everyone to try to be patient, excessive rains have caused a

lot of problems.

Chairman Anderson recognized Mr. Linwood McNure of Georgia Forestry Commission. Mr. McNure said the local Forestry Unit made an annual report to the Commissioner and he presented a report which gave activities for fiscal year '91-'92. He reported with this being a wet year there were 81 fires burning 242 acres compared to an average year with 150 to 160 fires burning 2000 acres. He said Bulloch County has three rangers and one chief ranger and the rural fire departments are a tremendous help to the Forestry Unit. He gave an annual cost of \$141,300. to operate the local unit which is \$.53 per acre for fire protection and Bulloch County paid \$8731 of this cost.

Commissioner Beacham asked requirements to call Forestry Unit for permits to burn. Mr. McNure reviewed requirements for permits and said if permit is required and not obtained, a verbal warning is given. He added, so far, there have been no repeat offenders in Bulloch County.

Chairman Anderson thanked Mr. McNure for his report and said the Commissioners appreciated work done by Forestry Commission.

Moving into new business Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Wood to present bid results and recommendation for purchase of fire truck. Mr. Wood gave recommendation from Ted Wynn for purchase of truck from Roberts GMC for an amount of \$30,380. Other bids were Roberts Ford - \$29,912 and Beaudry Ford - \$32,694. Mr. Wood commented last five or six trucks had been purchased from Roberts GMC and pointed raised by Mr. Wynn in his recommendation was for a nominal difference between first and second bid the same fleet could be maintained.

Commissioner Alston offered a motion approving purchase of truck from Roberts GMC at cost of \$30,380. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Smith asked if bid list was an open list which included local dealers. Mr. Wood advised this was an open bid and local dealers were invited to bid. Commissioner Hagin asked where this truck would be used. It was explained this truck would be used by Statesboro Fire Department and be equipped with hazardous material management supplies which could respond to any area of county, basically, used for fires and in rescue and will have necessary items to fight any hazardous material fire or hazardous spill. Motion to purchase truck from Roberts GMC at cost of \$30,380 carried.

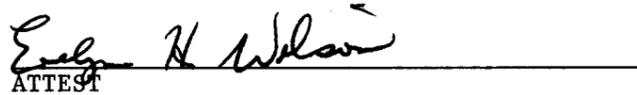
Chairman Anderson asked for any other business or comments. There were no other comments and Chairman Anderson noted a Executive Session was needed to discuss pending litigation.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, regular meeting was moved into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation.

The regular meeting was reconvened following the Executive Session. Chairman Anderson asked for action on appointment of Zoning Development Committee. Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, Chairman was authorized to appoint Zoning Development Committee.

Chairman Anderson asked for further business or comments. There being no further business or comments, upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, meeting was adjourned subject to call.


E. Raybon Anderson


ATTEST

April 13, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

Called Meeting

The Board met in the Community Room of the North Main Annex at 8:30 A.M. for a special called meeting. Present were Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Hagin and Commissioner Smith. Commissioner Alston was absent.

Chairman Anderson said the purpose of this called meeting was to adopted resolution which authorized Comprehensive Plan being submitted to RDC and Department of Community Affairs. He asked Mr. Wood to handle this presentation.

Mr. Wood said, first, a word of appreciation to Ricky Nessmith for his time and efforts in getting this plan to this stage. He said Board was familiar with the Plan and has reviewed the plan. He commented John Karrh had a copy on hand. This is a narrative version of plan which has been primarily approved, there will be time for some editorial changes before plan is final and formally adopted by Board. He said the purpose of this meeting was to approve submission of draft to RDC.

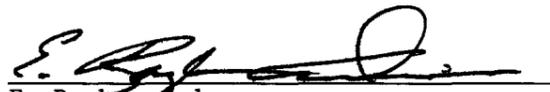
Chairman Anderson asked for any questions. Commissioner Beacham offered a motion to adopt resolution authorizing submission of Comprehensive Plan to RDC. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. In discussion, Chairman Anderson asked if plan was on track. Mr. Wood said yes, plan is on track, don't have an abundance of time, but on track. Commissioner Hodges asked if anything will change after the last Public Hearing. Mr. Karrh said there some editorial changes. Commissioner Beacham said there was someone at the Hearing who had several comments. Mr. Karrh said his notes included some concerns about bicycle pathway, pedestrians, school crossings and signals at some intersections on perimeter road. Commissioner Beacham asked if these were addressed. Mr. Karrh said the intent was there, items just weren't spelled out specifically. Chairman Anderson commented he wanted again to express to Mr. Nessmith appreciation for all time and effort he put into this plan. Motion adopting resolution authorizing submission of Comprehensive Plan to RDC was carried. See exhibit #1993-2.

Commissioner Beacham asked if people who had work on this Plan would be officially recognized. Mr. Wood said his suggestion to the Board was to give this reorganization when Plan is finalized.

Chairman Anderson said as a matter of information, Mr. Nessmith has agreed to co-chair the Zoning Advisory Committee along with Garrett Nevil. He added he would like for a couple of Commissioners to serve on this Committee and asked any Commissioner who would volunteer to let him know.

Chairman Anderson asked for those comments concerning Comprehensive Plan. There being none, upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, meeting was adjourned subject to call.


ATTEST


E. Raybon Anderson

April 22, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 8:30 A.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex. Present were Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioners Hodges, Commissioner Hagin and Commissioner Smith.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and eighteen visitors. Commissioner Alston gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on April 6, 1992, minutes of the Executive Session on April 6, 1992 and minutes of called meeting on April 13, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, minutes of these three meetings were approved as presented.

For old business Chairman Anderson called on Carlene Johnson, Tax Commissioner, to give an update on collection of delinquent taxes.

Ms. Johnson presented a current printout of delinquencies and advised approximately \$660,000 delinquent taxes had been collected since she made a report last month. She added there were \$922,955.66 unpaid taxes for 1992.

Commissioner Beacham asked if a person comes in to purchase a car tag and owes back taxes, can sale of tag be withheld until back taxes are paid.

Ms. Johnson said no, she had no authority to do that. Mr. Franklin added that practice would not be legal.

Ms. Johnson reported 1800 mobile home decals were issued, estimate there are 4000+ mobile homes in the county.

Commissioner Alston commented in report made in last month's meeting there were some parcels were being advertised for sale, what happened to these. Ms. Johnson replied, these were collected. Commissioner Alston said they were all collected. Ms. Johnson said yes, all 42 of them.

Chairman Anderson asked how many have been notified. Ms. Johnson said 1400. Chairman Anderson asked the final date they could pay before being advertised. Ms. Johnson advised this deadline was May 1st and if they don't respond, with due process, sale date will be July.

Commissioner Hodges referenced mobile home decal sales which showed sales of \$37,000 with county portion of \$22,000 and asked if remainder of \$15,000 goes to Portal and Brooklet for mobile homes. Ms. Johnson said the State, Brooklet, Portal, Board of Education get a share.

Ms. Johnson commented she had decided not address the issue of mobile homes in Brooklet but since it has been mentioned, she would. She continued the City of Brooklet has attack her on mobile home decal sales. But when people who live in the City of Brooklet come in to purchase a decal and are asked if they live in the City of Brooklet and they say no, they are put in the county. She said it was not her responsibility to prove where that mobile home is located. She commented she planned to contact Mr. Gates Peed to get this matter straight.

Chairman Anderson thanked Ms. Johnson for her report.

In other old business Chairman Anderson called on Bob Smith to give an update on Solid Waste Management Plan. Mr. Smith advised the Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan was on schedule with second draft in the completion stage. He added a Public Hearing was scheduled for 7:00 P.M. on May 10th for public discussion and review of the second draft. He said this plan was a ten year outline of options the county could use in collection and disposal of solid waste. He commented the county now has over 200 sites for green boxes (dumpsters) but plans are to reduce to 22 sites strategically located throughout the county. Hopefully, in next fiscal year two sites will be in place and within next four years ten sites are planned. He continued next month a resolution to establish a Solid Waste Advisory Committee will be presented. He said RDC recommends this committee which will be helpful in implementing new changes in solid waste as far as education and communication with the public sector.

Commissioner Smith asked if proposed sites would have capabilities for separating recyclable items. Mr. Smith responded these will be manned sites with containers for household garbage with containers for plastics, glass, newsprint, yardtrash, etc. and some sites will have containers for used oil and old tires.

Commissioner Beacham asked if locations for first two sites have been established. Mr. Smith said proposals have been to property owners but transactions have not been finalized. He commented one of these would be west, northwest of Statesboro and the other would be east of Statesboro.

Chairman Anderson thanked Mr. Smith for this report and for work being done in improving solid waste collection.

Chairman Anderson said the next item on the agenda, Zoning Advisory Committee, wasn't quite ready for action. He advised a resolution has been drafted and should be ready to finalize at May 4th meeting.

Moving into new business Chairman Anderson said he was deviating from the agenda to handle appeal of Subdivision Planning Commission decision. He asked for comments from Mr. Arthur Cardin and Mr. Albert Key who had requested this appeal.

Mr. Key said this property was purchased a short time ago and they reviewed the county's ordinance and didn't see why the property could not be subdivided. He added at the time of the sale it was not stated that property could not be subdivided, if this had have been stated, probably would not have purchased the property. He said they realized the Commissioners have authority to approve or disapprove this appeal, but feel within the law they have that right. He said a letter was received saying the road could be a problem. He explained it was less than a mile to Highway 46 and there were only two residences between Highway 46 and the road and he didn't feel that would be a problem. He added they were present to receive some decision.

Mr. Wood asked when property was acquired. Mr. Key replied in January. Mr. Wood remarked there has been no change in Subdivision Ordinance since property was purchased.

Chairman Anderson advised Commissioners this was the Joe Tillman property which was sold at auction in January.

Mr. Cardin stated it was .3 mile from Highway 46 to Mr. Key's property. He continued there were exit or entrance via four other roads and his property was .8 miles using Highway 330. He said he thought it would be hard to prove road was a problem. He said at the auction he and Mr. Key asked the auctioneers this and they said buy as layout of plat which they were selling and they knew of no Ordinance or laws preventing subdividing.

Chairman Anderson recognized Attorney Dan Taulbee. Mr. Taulbee handed out excerpts of Subdivision Regulations and asked Mr. Dodgen, building inspector, to give background of how

Planning Commission reached their decision. Mr. Dodgen said in November 1992 Tillman property was brought to Planning Commission in form of a sketch plan. The sketch plan was approved by Planning Commission who asked them to bring a final sale map after the auction. He continued the final sale map was presented in January 1993. He reviewed map with Commissioners and pointed out parcels purchased by Mr. Key and Mr. Cardin. He said in February 1993 Mr. Cardin and Mr. Key came to Planning Commission requesting further subdivision of tracts. They were asked to give Planning Commission thirty days to check with attorney to make determination on subdividing these tracts. When Mr. Key and Mr. Cardin came back on March 4th, Planning Commission denied subdividing of tracts.

Commissioner Smith remarked this was sold as a subdivision when sold. Mr. Dodges said yes, Tillman Farms Subdivision. Commissioner Smith said this would be subdividing a subdivision. Mr. Dodgen replied yes.

Chairman Anderson said he went to this auction just to see how it would be handled under new Subdivision Regulations. He continued Mr. Cobb made it very plain that people buying the property were buying it subject to the new Ordinance. Mr. Cobb did not go into details but in two different references in his opening remarks remained everyone there were new Subdivision Ordinance just passed by Commissioners which would have to be followed.

Commissioner Smith commented one problem seen in last few months, and it's definitely addressed in new Subdivision Ordinance, is fact that in many cases too heavy traffic is placed on existing dirt roads for conditions that are there. He continued this is putting a large number here onto an existing road which over the past few months it has been seen can cause terrible problems. He said this is something which should be considered in reviewing this appeal.

Mr. Taulbee said he felt the Subdivision Regulations clearly addresses the issue of subdividing. He said the primary legal issue was whether to consider this a single project or whether to look at each lot as a separate project. He stated section 3.2.51 of Regulations defines a subdivision and when this was approved for the Tillman family some things were approved based on representation this would be the density, this would be the division. He said the Tillmans understood this and after the auction they came back and asked the Planning Commission for a revision based on results of auction which Planning Commission approved. He remarked now have someone coming in on a single lot and asking whole subdivision be ignored, (ex: someone on Turkey Trail Road which is part of Irongate saying they want to develop their lot even though Planning Commission approved as a project, a single package). He reviewed other sections of Regulations and commented Planning Commission put a lot of thought and study in this request and their recommendation is to turn it down.

Commissioner Hodges offered a motion to deny the request of Mr. Cardin and Mr. Key. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson asked John Scott, Tax Assessor, to discuss resolution for digest corrections. Mr. Scott said it had been the wishes of prior Commission to have Mr. Guy Williams, former Tax Assessor, to act on their behalf in the release of errors or additions to the tax digest. He said, first he would like to know if this Commission would desire him to continue in this capacity, secondly if so, he would like some authorization to act on Commission's behalf. He explained when the tax bill is issued, to release that tax bill if it has been issued in error requires an action from him then it goes to Tax Commissioner office, they do the calculation and prepare an official form and at that time the Commission Chairman signs off on that form. He said there is a three party involvement. He commented these could be duplications, house shown as completed on January 1st which in fact wasn't or any number of other things.

Mr. Wood asked if the Board of Assessors also reviewed these corrections. Mr. Scott said yes.

Commissioner Smith offered a motion to adopt resolution authorizing John Scott, Chief Appraiser, to act on behalf of Commissioners in release of errors or additions to digest. See exhibit #1993-3.

Chairman Anderson referenced letter from John Roger Akins and John Karrh with recommendation for purchases of dump trucks. He asked Mr. Akins if he wanted to comment on bids. Mr. Akins commented letter covered their recommendations but he would be glad to answer any questions.

Commissioner Alston questioned who was requested to bid. He asked if invitation list was available. Mr. Wood explained invitation list could be made available to anyone who would want to review and as he recalled eight or ten companies were asked to bid.

Mr. Ted Wynn interjected this bid list was developed by Georgia Forestry Commission which buys trucks of various sizes all over the state and it is a fairly comprehensive list.

Commissioner Beacham asked if truck recommended was a better truck, longer frame, more

horsepower, it was worth the extra \$2200. Mr. Akins said yes.

Commissioner Smith said recommended dealer is an in county dealer opposed to others which are not.

Commissioner Beacham offered motion to accept recommendation of Mr. Akins and Mr. Karrh to purchase three dump trucks from Joiner International at total cost of \$98,920. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson presented a contract for an amount of \$9066.26 from Department of Transportation to repair bridge on Cypress Lake Road. He requested authorization to execute this contract.

Commissioner Alston asked if there was any cost to the county. It was explained Department of Transportation would furnish the material and crane with county furnishing labor. Amount of \$9066.26 was estimated cost of pilings which county has already purchase and this amount would be reimbursed to county by Department of Transportation.

Commissioner Alston offered a motion authorizing execution of contract in amount of \$9066.26 with Department of Transportation for repairs of bridge on Cypress Lake Road. Commissioner Beacham seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Beacham asked schedule for these repairs. Mr. Akins said, hopefully, they would bring crane into county in next few days but Department of Transportation wouldn't give any time frame. Motion authorizing execution of contract with Department of Transportation carried.

Chairman Anderson said there was another contract, which was not on the agenda, which he wasn't aware of until yesterday. He continued this has been discussed and essentially passed, this is Bulloch County accepting Highway 46 as requested by Department of Transportation. He said he was advised by Department of Transportation a resolution was needed, this resolution had been presented to previous Commission in July 1991 but never executed. He requested resolution be adopted. He advised this is same area of Highway 46 which has been previously discussed.

Commissioner Smith commented they are agreeing to accept perimeter road in exchange for county accepting this section of Highway 46. Chairman Anderson said that was correct, their acceptance of perimeter road was included in resolution.

Commissioner Hagin asked if their commitment to check bridges and resurface Highway 46 was included. Chairman Anderson said that was not included, however, they have verbally agreed to do this and he didn't have any reason to think they wouldn't uphold their agreement.

Commissioner Hodges offered a motion to adopt resolution for county to accept a section of Highway 46 in exchange for Department of Transportation accepting perimeter road. Commissioner Beacham seconded the motion and it carried. See exhibit #1993-4.

Chairman Anderson presented a bill from Central Savannah River RC&D for annual membership dues of \$250. He commented the county would have a representative on this Board and he has asked Commissioner Smith to serve in this position.

Question of what this organization does was raised. Chairman Anderson said this is a vehicle which federal funds flow through. Commissioner Smith said they deal primarily with development of natural resources and various conservation organizations. Chairman Anderson remarked the dry hydrants came through this program, even though these were handled locally by District Soil Conservation office, funds came through this program.

Commissioner Alston offered a motion to pay membership dues of \$250 to Central Savannah RC&D and continue to pay dues until Board acts to discontinue. Commissioner Hagin seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson presented a letter from Hospital Board requesting three nominees for expiring term of Dr. Sam Tillman. He explained Commissioners submit three nominees to Hospital Board who choose one of these to fill vacancy. They have advised Dr. Tillman has agreed to serve another term if his name is submitted. He asked for discussion.

Commissioner Smith said he thought this position has traditionally been filled by someone from medical staff. He offered a motion to submitted names of Dr. Sam Tillman, Dr. Emory Bohler and Dr. Randy Smith for nomination. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson said there was one other item not on the agenda with needs discussion, this was report on employee group health insurance from Employee Benefit Committee. He asked Probate Judge Lee Deloach who was Chairman of this Committee to present their findings.

Judge Deloach reviewed functions of Employee Benefit Committee and said it was divided into subcommittees for different projects, one of these being employee group health insurance. He said Ted Wynn and Evelyn Wilson handled this project and they would present the Committee's recommendation to the Commissioners.

Mr. Wynn said a lot of different insurance policies were reviewed, with good response from bid request. lot of response. He continued these were narrowed down to five who came to actually present their plan to the Committee and then further narrowed to three who made a second presentation to Committee with Mr. Wood present. He said the Committee recommended a combination self-insured, partially funded plan. He advised this plan gives some immediate benefit to employees with a cost savings on family coverage and some savings to county on premiums also and if have low claims history year, there is some potential for greater savings. He compared proposed plan to current plan and said company, who is third party administrator, recommended was Benesys through local agency of Blount, Ansley & Sorrier. He advised proposed maximum annual actual cost for county is \$307,348. which is the county maximum annual liability, the actual claims are projected to be less and the county keeps the difference. He remarked the individual stop loss is \$20,000 which means when any one employee's claims go over \$20,000 the county is liable for \$20,000 and reinsurer picks up everything above \$20,000 and when all claims reach \$307,348, reinsurer picks up from that point. He said it is important to note that in 1992 claims paid by Blue Cross/Blue Shield were \$92,071.92 with premium paid to them by county of \$312,416. He explained under the proposed plan, this difference in claims and premiums would be kept by county. He added a dental plan could be added for a maximum annual cost of \$29,232.00. He said the proposed plan mirrors the current plan with same benefits except for the additional of the dental plan. Also, the proposed plan includes a drug card, which means regardless of what a prescription cost if chose generic drug, cost would be \$4.00 and if chose non-generic, cost would be \$8.00.

Commissioner Hodges asked if prior illness would be picked up. Mr. Wynn said yes.

Chairman Anderson said county was liable up to \$307,348. Mr. Wynn said yes, county is partially funded, sharing risk with insurance company and it has been proved in other companies to be a cost savings.

Commissioner Hagin asked if local insurance agencies given opportunity to bid. Mr. Wynn said yes, invitation to bid was advertised in paper a couple of times.

Commissioner Alston asked time frame involved. Mr. Wynn said May 1st was the anniversary date, this is reason for presenting the plan in this meeting, if possible, need a decision this morning to give time for setup period.

It was also explained Mr. Franklin would have to review all documents and contracts to make sure they are in order before they are executed.

Mr. Franklin asked if information has been obtained from other entities who have used Benesys plan, claims response, records, etc. Mr. Wynn said they provided a list of people with their plan and would encourage checking with these.

Chairman Anderson said references should be checked and look at the company's rating to make sure they are litigable.

Commissioner Hodges commented the Committee had work long and hard to look at insurance program with a great deal of interest. He offered a motion to approve insurance plan as presented subject to County Attorney reviewing and approving contract and company's references checked. Commissioner Beacham seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson said this completed the regular agenda but there were some personnel items to be discussed in Executive Session. He said informal work session for space analysis was noted. Mr. Wood said Mr. Scott was prepared to present this report.

Mr. Scott said in trying to figure the best utilization of space with Wachovia moving, the first option was to wait to see if anyone desired to lease this space but nothing happened in that regard. He commented the committee has had a lot of discussion on use of space, where to locate offices, telephone system and have some general recommendations. Rough draft moves Tax Commissioner's office operations to bank lobby with adjoining two or three offices which would leave some space at back of that building and there has been some discussion to move Voter Registrars in that space. With this move the Tax Assessors' office would be move into space vacated by Tax Commissioner and the front part of building being utilized by Commissioners' Office, County Manager, Building Inspection, etc. He advised the time frame, with Wachovia still under lease until May 31st, is to move Tax Commissioner first and move other offices as soon as possible. He commented the Department Heads involved have been in discussions and have no problem with plans.

Chairman Anderson said there had been some questions of why county had not already utilized this space and as Mr. Scott pointed out, Wachovia's lease doesn't expire until May 31st.

Mr. Wood said another point in the plan was to provide a office to Commissioners for their use when they come in, not sure just where this will be. He added whatever moving is involved

will be done as cost conscience as possible.

Commissioner Hodges asked, during this moving, would there be some remodeling to be in compliance with ADA requirements, this needs to be done in the process. Mr. Wood advised Mr. Dodgen had been charged with developing a three year for county to be in full compliance with ADA requirements.

Commissioner Smith commented on moving Voter Registrars and said definitely need to consider this, definitely need better access to voter registration.

Mr. Scott said the purpose of today presentation was to inform Commissioners of general areas of where offices would be and if Commissioners see any problems, would like to know at this point.

Chairman Anderson thanked Mr. Scott for this report and said if Commissioners had any suggestions, please give them to Mr. Wood or Mr. Scott.

Chairman Anderson asked for other comments. Mr. Norman Woodward commented on Ms. Johnson's report on mobile home decals with deadline of May 1st. He suggested hiring temporary employee to cover the entire county to find these mobile homes. He added he also had an interest in the dirt roads in the county and asked when anticipated hiring of county engineer.

Chairman Anderson said he would response to comment on mobile home decals and told Mr. Woodward that this Board of Commissioners was aware of problem and would take action on this issue. He asked Mr. Wood to respond to question on the county engineer.

Mr. Wood said process of developing job specifications, advertising and receiving applications had taken some amount of time. He continued applications were reviewed by ad hoc committee and narrowed down to five and then one person was selected. He remarked this person would have had to relocate and there was some time of discussion with this person up until yesterday when he advised he didn't want to relocate his family. Mr. Wood said process was moving to number two and three on the list.

Chairman Anderson recognized Ms. Nancy Ray, new librarian for Regional Library. Ms. Ray commented she was proud to be a part of this community and to be able to lead this wonderful Regional Library.

With no other comments made, Chairman Anderson asked for motion for an Executive Session.

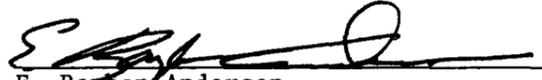
Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, regular meeting was moved into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

Regular meeting was reconvened. Chairman Anderson asked for action on Fire Council request for purchase of sirens and red lights at cost of \$21,028.17.

Commissioner Alston offered a motion to approve this expenditure and ask the Fire Council to keep those individuals with sirens and red lights abreast of training. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion and it carried.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, meeting was adjourned subject to call.


ATTEST


E. Raybon Anderson

April 30, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

Call Meeting

The Board met in the Community Room of the North Main Annex at 12:00 P.M. for a called meeting. Present were Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Hagan and Commissioner Smith. Commissioner Alston was absent.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and eight visitors. County Manager Scott Wood gave the invocation.

Chairman Anderson opened the meeting by announcing the purpose of this called meeting was the Local Optional Special Purpose Sales Tax and a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

Chairman Anderson said the Local Optional Special Purpose Sales Tax would be handled first. He continued these are projects and amounts for each project if referendum passes: Recreation - \$1,000,000; Solid Waste - \$4,000,000; Courthouse - \$1,500,000; Waste Water - \$3,000,000; Jail -

\$2,000,000; Public Safety - \$1,000,000; Roads, Bridges & Streets - \$3,500,000; Library - \$606,000; Airport - \$400,000. Total of all projects - \$17,006,000.00

Chairman Anderson called attention to footnote on project list saying after reaching the \$17,600,000 figure in collections, the next \$500,000, if collected, shall be earmarked for utility improvements mainly in the Whitesville Community. He said if economy continues to be good and sales tax amount exceeds estimated amount, this Board has the legal discretion to appropriate those monies but as spelled out in intergovernmental agreements, monies would be used for listed projects. He asked Mr. Franklin to comment on this point.

Mr. Franklin said under the law, clearly absent of intergovernmental agreements, the responsibility for disbursement or appropriation of funds clearly lies with Commissioners. He commented all project amounts are set as target numbers, even those can be adjusted by the Commissioners if necessary, this flexibility is in the intergovernmental agreements.

Chairman remarked another point of clarification was the library and called attention to explanation of how these monies would be needed to fund this project, depending on the grants the Library Board would apply for; \$200,000 in April-May '94 for up front money, basically for professional fees; \$406,000 in late '95 - early '96 to get project started. He said Ms. Nancy Ray, Librarian, and Mr. Ed Abercombie, Library Board member, were present and asked if they would like to comment.

Ms. Ray said she and the Board appreciated the consideration of this request and would be glad to answer any questions.

Commissioner Alston commented he would like Ms. Ray to reiterate the return on this investment, the total monies anticipated from grant.

Ms. Ray stated the Library is requesting \$606,000 local funds and if grant is awarded, \$1,561,886. from grant funds, total amount of project is \$2,167,886.

Chairman Anderson advised there were intergovernmental contracts with City of Statesboro on Recreation, Solid Waste, Waste Water, Public Safety and Airport. He said the reason for these contracts is these are projects which are in some cases jointly owned or in some cases jointly used. He asked for action to approve these contracts.

Commissioner Hodges commented the only contract that has been changed which hasn't been reviewed is Recreation. Mr. Franklin said contracts have not been changed since last reviewed.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, the Intergovernmental Contracts with City of Statesboro and Memorandum of Understanding with City of Statesboro were approved and the Chairman given authority to execute.

Intergovernmental Contract for County Wide Recreational Program - Exhibit #1993-5
 Intergovernmental Contract for Solid Waste Disposal System - Exhibit #1993-6
 Intergovernmental Contract for Waste Water - Exhibit #1993-7
 Intergovernmental Contract for Public Safety - Exhibit #1993-8
 Intergovernmental Contract for Airport - Exhibit #1993-9
 Memorandum of Understanding Regarding the 1% Local Optional Special Purpose Sales Tax - Exhibit #1993-10.

Chairman Anderson said Resolution requesting the Probate Judge to call the referendum for the tax needed to be adopted.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, the Resolution requesting the Probate Judge to call for the referendum for the imposition of the 1% Local Optional Special Purpose Sales Tax was adopted. See exhibit #1993-11.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Franklin if there were other documents which needed action. Question was raised if form of Notice of Referendum to the public needed approval. Mr. Franklin replied said it wouldn't do any harm to have this on face of the minutes.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, form of Notice of Referendum was adopted. Exhibit #1993-12.

Chairman Anderson stated Intergovernment Agreements would be executed and forwarded to City of Statesboro for action in their meeting on Tuesday morning.

Chairman Anderson said other item for discussion was the Block Grant and asked City Planner Joe Mosley to present this information.

Mr. Mosley gave the Board an outline of proposed project for water and sewerage to Whitesville Community. He reported total project cost is \$449,575 with breakdown of \$400,000 grant funds; \$24,825 cash match; \$24,750 fees waived by city. He reviewed grant forms and process.

Commissioner Hodges asked where difference in total cost of \$449,575 and grant funds of \$400,000 would come from. Mr. Mosley said city funds would provide this difference of \$49,575.

Commissioner Hodges asked if City had already approved this or does City have to approve.

Mr. Mosley said a letter would be included saying the city will pick up the cash match. He explained the grant is a 10% cash match but in this case have some \$24,000 to make up the difference, of course any monies that can project are called leverage and the tap fee is leverage, \$24,750 of leverage.

Commissioner Hodges commented the reason for his question was the waiving of water and sewerage tap fee and if waive these fees in one community, what happens when go into another community. Mr. Mosley said it is the discretion of Mayor and Council to waive tap fee. Commissioner Hodges said this was the city privilege, but seemed to him there would be a problem later.

Mr. Mosley commented they recognized that and these fees were waived to give greater leverage to grant. He said there will be a letter included with grant explaining this waiver.

Commissioner Smith asked if this project would give water and sewerage to most of the area considered for annexation. Mr. Mosley said Whitesville is a large community and he wasn't sure of how far these lines would extend.

Chairman Anderson asked if this project would do the job in the community. Mr. Mosley said they recognized this question and in conversation with engineering firm were told it would take 2.1 million to adequately provide water and sewerage to every residence.

Commissioner Hodges commented this grant is \$400,000 and if sales tax exceeds \$17,006, another \$500,000 goes to this project. Chairman Anderson explained there was another step, the county is applying for this grant, if Whitesville is annexed, the city will apply for a grant and then the third funding would come from sales tax.

Commissioner Hodges said this grant if \$400,000, if city applies and obtain grant, that's \$400,000 and if sales tax goes over, that \$500,000 which makes a total of \$1.3 which is still short of project cost.

Chairman Anderson said all of this is contention upon Whitesville being annexed, if it's not, that's a whole different situation.

Mr. Mosley said a lot of cost in engineering plan is for running water and sewerage lines down center of road, in most plans they are run down side of road. But in this case, because of narrow right-of-way, they are to be in center of road. This does make some difference in cost and in talking with Department of Transportation, they will not assist in any repaving. However, if grant is awarded and asphalt replaced is not up to specification, then Department of Transportation can be petitioned for a contract to repave those areas.

Commissioners Alston commented any governmental agency could apply for a grant, but because the need is greater in Whitesville than any other area of the community there is a better chance of getting grant approved.

Chairman Anderson asked for other discussion or action on request to submit Grant Application.

Commissioner Alston offered a motion the Chairman be authorized to execute Community Development Block Grant application. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion. In discussion Chairman Anderson suggested motion be amended to subject to letter from City of Statesboro on additional monies above \$400,000.

Commissioner Alston offered an amended motion the Chairman be authorized to executed the Community Development Block Grant application subject to receipt of letter for City of Statesboro on additional monies above \$400,000. Commissioner Simmons seconded amended motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson said this concluded the agenda for the called meeting and asked for any comments.

Commissioner Hagin said he wanted to give a report on the Washington trip. He continued he thought this trip was most beneficial and reviewed their itinerary which included meeting with Senator Coverdell, Senator Nunn and Representative Kingston. He commended Mr. Wood on his excellence job of moderating this trip and his job representing the Commissioners.

Commissioner Alston gave update on jail saying jail is on schedule with a lot of things happening. He said opening date has not identified but open house is being planned.

Chairman Anderson asked for other comments. Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, meeting was adjourned subject to call.


E. Raybor Anderson


ATTEST

May 4, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 6:00 P.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex. Present were Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Hagin and Commissioner Smith.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and twenty-six visitors. Commissioner Simmons gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on April 22, 1993, minutes of Executive Session on April 22, 1993 and minutes of called meeting on April 30, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, minutes of three meetings were approved as presented.

Chairman Anderson said the first item of old business was a resolution forming a Solid Waste Advisory Committee. He asked for any questions or comments concerning this Resolution.

Commissioner Alston asked, as matter of clarification, officers of this committee would be appointed by the Committee. Chairman Anderson said that was his understanding. He asked Bob Smith, Environmental Manager, to answer this question.

Mr. Smith explained the Committee would be composed of fifteen members; five for one year term, five for two year terms and five for three year terms. He said the Committee would elect the officers within the Committee.

Commissioner Alston read the section which said the Committee would elect officers to serve for a term of one year or until successor is elected.

Mr. Franklin explained the officers within the Committee would serve only one year in that office. He further explained if someone is elected Chairperson and for some reason at the appointed time to elect officers for the next year if someone is not elected, Chairperson would continue to serve until their successor was elected.

Commissioner Alston said other Advisory Committee members, other than officers, would be appointed to serve for one year, two years or three years.

Mr. Franklin said initial terms would be for one, two and three years and each appointment from that point on would be for three years. He added the Board would make these appointments.

Commissioner Hodges asked who would make up this Committee, would the Board of Commissioners name the people.

Mr. Smith said it was purposed the Board of Commissioners submit names of people to serve on this Committee as well as the Board of Education, the University, the Chamber, Civic Clubs, business and industry to get a cross section of representation from the county. Mr. Wood or whoever the Board designated would then select fifteen people to represent geographical areas of the county. He added the three municipalities will be asked to submit names so Portal, Register and Brooklet will be represented.

Chairman Anderson asked for other questions or comments. Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, Resolution forming Solid Waste Advisory Committee was adopted. See exhibit #1993-13.

Chairman Anderson said the county attorney advised a Resolution forming a Zoning Advisory Committee also needed to be adopted. He continued this Committee has been discussed and have been working to form this Committee.

Commissioner Hodges asked when these people would be announced. Chairman Anderson said thirty have been notified and the first meeting is to be scheduled within the next couple of weeks.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, Resolution forming Zoning Advisory Committee was adopted. See exhibit #1993-14.

Chairman Anderson said there had been some discussion about umbrella coverage for the county's liability insurance and bids have been requested. He remarked for several years the county has not had a umbrella coverage policy. He asked for report on umbrella coverage.

County Clerk Evelyn Wilson said when bid process began they were advised insurance firms should be given forty-five days to submit a bid, this is reason for May 25th bid date. The bids will be opened on May 25th, reviewed with assistance from Mr. Franklin and submitted to Commissioners for action on June 1st meeting date.

Chairman Anderson said this process was taking a little longer than expected but wanted Board to be aware it was being pursued.

For new business Chairman Anderson asked Ted Wynn to present request for a road name change. Mr. Wynn presented a copy of petition from property owners on road presently named

Cawana Raod requesting name changed to Beasley Road. He said Cawana Road runs from Highway 80 east to Burkhalter Road. He advised, as best he could ascertain, they had 80% of property owners' signatures. He explained this name change to Beasley Road would make a continuation of Beasley Road from Highway 24 to Highway 80 and continuing on to Burkhalter Road. He said there would be some cost to the county and to property owners in this change. Anyone having an address on Cawana Road would have to change their address to Beasley Road and the county would have cost of approximately \$300 to make changes in E911 data base.

Mr. Wood asked total number of property owners on road. Mr. Wynn advised there were thirteen property owners on the road. Mr. Wood asked if property owners were verified with Tax Assessors' Office. Mr Wynn said yes, they verified the property list.

Commissioner Smith asked if there was any opposition to the name change. Mr. Wynn said he was unaware of any opposition.

Commissioner Hagin called attention to fact this petition was given to county on April 27, 1990 and was never acted on.

Commissioner Alston commented there were thirteen signatures on the petition and thirteen names on the property list but they were different.

Mr. Wynn stated the thirteen names on property list, according to Tax Assessors' Office, were the property owners.

Commissioner Smith noted if names on property list which were checked were ones who have signed petition, that is less than required 80%, nine of thirteen.

There was some question of interpretation of Ordinance as to 80% of property owners or 80% of owned property. Mr. Franklin said if he recalled correctly, it was 80% of property owners regardless of amount of property they owned.

Commissioner Smith said, since this petition was started some three years ago, he thought might need to have owners resign, may have had some ownership changes. He said he thought it was done in good faith, but never acted on.

Commissioner Hodges offered a motion to table action on petition pending verification of property owners on road and if 80% of owners have signed. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried.

Commissioner Smith commented on cost to change data base, in future if this becomes a frequent occurrence, need to take this cost into consideration.

Mr. Wynn advised in about 45 days the changes to the data base can be made in house at no cost, the only cost will be change of road signs.

Chairman Anderson recognized Mr. Dorothy White who had requested to address the Commissioners. Ms. White introduced herself as Program Service Manager with CSRA, Head Start. She remarked the central office was located in Augusta but there was a local center serving sixty children. She said with the President's funding for Head Start expansion funds were provided for twenty more children in Statesboro area. She continued when they were ready to expand at present location near High Hope the Health Department would not allow another septic tank in that area. They then started looking for another location and she contacted Superintendent Bice and looked at the old Junior High School in Brooklet. She said it was a good facility and they were happy with the building but when the school system moved out all the electrical and plumbing was removed. She continued they didn't plan to use the entire building just classrooms for eighty children, office space and the library, really one wing. She said their request to the Commissioners was assistance in getting the building ready for use when school reconvenes in August, help mainly with plumbing and electrical work and it has been mentioned the roof might need work.

Commissioner Hodges asked how children were transported. Ms. White said they have two school buses and if move, Dr. Bice would help by transporting children in rural areas into public schools with Head Start picking them up from there and transporting to Brooklet.

Commissioner Simmons asked what expense other than transportation was Board of Education giving in helping prepare building. Ms. White said they were leasing building at very low amount and said they might could help some but had no funds.

Commissioner Alston asked if there was an estimation for repairs which were needed. Ms. White remarked a maintenance person with Board of Education had estimated it would take \$36,000 to get building completely ready. She said if county didn't have funds, it would help if county could provide some manpower.

Commissioner Hodges asked who funds Head Start. Ms. White said it was federally funded but each county has to match funds with 20% in kind match.

Commissioner Alston said perhaps Warden Akins could offer some labor but that was the Board of Education's building. Chairman Anderson commented that was what concerned him.

Commissioner Smith asked what type of agreement had been given, was it a long term lease. Ms. White commented they were to have meeting to draw up lease.

Commissioner Simmons said Head Start was a good program and they do a good job in preparing these children to go on to kindergarten and preschool. He said the Board of Education, beside giving the building, should try to give some funding and the Commissioner help as much as possible with labor. He commented maybe ask the Board of Education if they could do a little more and then come back to Commissioners.

Chairman Anderson asked Commissioner Simmons and Mr. Wood to see who could fund this project. He commented Mr. Akins' crews had about all they could handle. Comment was made, perhaps some work could be done by Community Service workers.

Commissioner Beacham commented special care was needed in electrical wiring for building to be used by children, need to be careful.

Chairman Anderson said he agreed and this was reason it needs a lot of investigation. He thought the Board of Education probably had electricians on their maintenance staff.

Chairman Anderson said next item for discussion was supplement for Superior Court Judges. He remarked as presented in Executive Session this matter was to be discussed with other counties in Ogeechee Judicial Circuit. He advised the Judges have not made this request in writing but had called him and other Commission Chairmans to Courthouse. He said they did request the four counties do something with their salaries and did suggest a supplement. He comment the four Commission Chairman are to meet before any final discussion is made.

Commissioner Hagin said the last time something like this occurred it was carried to Legislator. Commissioner Hodges added once a written request is received it should be sent on to the Representatives and get their opinion.

Commissioner Smith said this supplement was in addition to their salary. Chairman Anderson said that was correct. Commissioner Smith asked if there were there any guidelines. Chairman Anderson said he asked them to put this request in writing but it hasn't been received.

Commissioner Hodges offered a motion to table discussion on Superior Court Judges' supplement until written request and other information is received. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and it carried.

Next item on the agenda was a contract with System and Methods, Inc. for food stamp delivery. Chairman Anderson asked County Clerk Evelyn Wilson to explain this item and contract.

Ms. Wilson commented the Post Office ceased the delivery of food stamps in March. Up until that time they had delivered food stamps in cases where stamps were undeliverable by mail. She continued System & Methods was approved by Department of Human Resources to deliver food stamps and has delivered food stamps for the county for some years. She explained they have agreed to delivered all food stamps and it has been calculated there would be no additional cost involved.

Mr. Wood said options were limited, the only other option was for the county to deliver food stamps which is not desirable.

There was some discussion on delivery of food stamps and annual cost involved. Commissioner Smith asked if county had any choice rather than selecting someone to deliver food stamps. He was told no, there was really no choice. He commented it should be noted this was one of mandates handed down which cost Bulloch County taxpayers \$30,000 per year.

Chairman Anderson asked for action on contract with System & Methods, Inc. Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, contract with Systems & Methods for delivery of food stamps was approved.

Chairman Anderson asked for bid results and recommendations on purchase of chipper and boom-ax. Mr. Wood presented copy of memorandum from Warden Akins on purchase of chipper. He asked Warden Akins to comment on this recommendation.

Mr. Akins said their recommendation was purchase of model 250 "Brush Bandit" chipper from Southeastern Equipment.

Commissioner Hodges presented a copy of publication sent to dealers by manufacturer concerning the "Brush Bandit" chipper being involved in several serious accidents and some features which need to be changed. He said he didn't know how true this information was, it was sent by a company also bidding on this equipment.

Commissioner Smith asked if any of the other chippers were different in any respect. Mr.

Akins commented accidents could occur with any of these machines if not properly operated. He reviewed difference in machine recommended and other machines.

Commissioner Beacham offered a motion to accept Mr. Akins recommendations and after he reviews safety features if he wants to change his recommendations, he can come back to Board. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion and it carried. Purchase of "Brush Bandit" model 250 chipper from Southeastern Equipment Co. at cost of \$16,794. was approved subject to Mr. Akins review of safety concerns.

Mr. Wood presented information on bid and supporting documentation for boom-ax. He commented lowest bidder requested his bid be withdrawn and recommendation was to purchase boom-ax from Hendrix Ford Tractor & Machinery at cost of \$11,550.50.

Commissioner Smith offered motion to accept bid of \$11,550.50 from Hendrix Ford Tractor & Machinery for purchase of boom-ax. Commissioner Hodges seconded motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson said there were some items not on the agenda which he would like to discuss. He continued, as everyone knew, Old River Road was scheduled for paving this year and there were some 85+ property owners on the road and it appears there were about three property owners who refused to sign right-of-way deed. He said these were small lots with about 200 foot frontage on the road. He remarked it would be his and county manager's recommendation to ask the county attorney to prepare papers for condemnation.

Commissioner Hagin asked about how property was involved for each one who won't sign deed. Chairman Anderson responded about one tenth of an acre. He added all efforts to get deeds signed have been exhausted.

Commissioner Beacham offered motion to proceed with condemnation of property where necessary for paving of Old River Road. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and it carried.

Commissioner Hodges asked a list of these property owners be provided so perhaps one last attempt could be made to obtain signature.

Chairman Anderson presented a Proclamation form MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) declaring the week of June 28-July 5 as Sobriety Checkpoint Week. He asked if there were any objections to this Proclamation.

Commissioner Alston offered a motion authorizing Chairman Anderson to sign Proclamation proclaiming June 28-July 5 as Sobriety Checkpoint Week. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson said several weeks ago the Board approved a grant application for lighting contract for Airport. He remarked the grant has been awarded to the Airport and the city and county are responsible for 5% of cost. This total is \$195,093 with FFA portion of \$175,585, D.O.T portion of \$9754, city and county portion of \$9754 or \$4877 each.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hagin and carried, funding of \$4877 for lighting contract for Airport was approved.

Commissioner Smith commented several weeks ago a group from FAA visited Bulloch County and he thought this visit expedited the grant and also \$10,000 was added to the grant. He continued FAA has proposed another grant for Airport for an automatic weather observation station and a lighting system for instrument approaches. He added this would require acquisition of additional land of approximately ten acres but this grant is being offered by FAA if their specifications can be met. He said these funds would also be 90% federal, 5% state and 5% local.

Chairman Anderson remarked the Airport Committee voted to proceed with the grant. Commissioner Alston commented need all money can get at this ratio of match.

Motion was made and carried ratifying Airport Committee proceeding with application for this grant.

Chairman Anderson gave an update on Health Department project saying he spoke with contractor today and after much delay due to wet conditions work has begun. He commented there was a minor problem when footings were dug, didn't have proper soil compaction. After consulting with an engineering firm and architect, footing had to be dug another foot and rock poured which will cost approximately \$2,000 over the contract.

Chairman Anderson asked Commissioner Smith if there was any report on the Courthouse. Commissioner Smith said there had been no change since the last meeting.

Chairman Anderson asked Commissioner Alston for report on jail project. Commissioner Alston commented curbing was completed in front and back of jail, the fuel tank is in place and control line is being connected into office. He said open house is being planned but no date has been identified for the contractor to turn jail over to the Sheriff but he

anticipated June 1st or earlier.

Chairman Anderson noted Thursday has been designated as National Day of Prayer and in conversation with Mayor Averitt a joint proclamation will probably signed declaring Thursday as Statesboro/Bulloch County Day of Prayer.

Chairman Anderson commented work session for the budget had been scheduled. He asked Mr. Wood to give these dates. Mr. Wood said three work sessions for the budget had been set for Tuesday, May 11th from 11:30 a.m to 1:30 p.m.; Wednesday, May 12th from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Thursday, May 13th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Chairman Anderson asked for other comments. Commissioner Beacham said in last meeting he had commented on first meeting date in June which is on Tuesday, June 1st following Memorial Day. He added he would be absent and perhaps, due to this holiday weekend, meeting date might be changed. Commissioner Smith commented he might also be absent.

Commissioner Hodges said re-stripping of roads had been discussed on several occasions and along with city were to try to get this done when D.O.T crews were in city or county doing other work. He continued this really needs to be done.

Mr. Akins said he had a list of several roads identified to be re-stripped, probably some seventy-five miles. He commented D.O.T. could work this in their schedule most any time.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Akins to prioritize this list into twenty mile increments and budget will be reviewed to see if part can be done or perhaps all done.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. Mr. Franklin said he had information to update Commissioners on Bland court case.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, regular meeting was moved into Executive Session for discussion of litigation.

Regular meeting was reconvened following Executive Session. Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, meeting was adjourned subject to call


E. Raybon Anderson


ATTEST

May 18, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 8:30 A.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges and Commissioner Smith present. Commissioner Hagin was absent.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and fourteen visitors. Commissioner Beacham gave the invocation.

Minutes of regular meeting held on May 4, 1993 and minutes of Executive Session held on May 4, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, minutes of both meetings were approved as presented.

Chairman Anderson remarked the agenda showed no old business and asked if anyone had any old business for discussion.

For the first item of new business Chairman Anderson asked Ted Wynn to discuss road closing request.

Mr. Wynn said Mr. W.M. Sheppard had requested county road #613, Angie Extension, be closed. He advised it has been determined through Tax Assessors' Office that Mr. Sheppard owns all property adjacent to all sides of this road. He added the closing of this short road, 250 feet, will not cause anyone any inconvenience and reviewed aerial map of road with Board.

Chairman Anderson commented, according to Mr. Sheppard, this lane was supposed to be closed some years ago when Mr. Sheppard give right-of-way for paving of Old River Road. He added Warden Akins was familiar with the road and with the fact it was suppose to be closed some years ago.

Commissioner Smith asked if there were any opposition to road closing. Mr. Wynn said

no, as far as he knew there was no opposition.

Chairman Anderson said process to closed road will have to be followed. He asked Mr. Franklin's comment. Mr. Franklin remarked, technically, all landowners have to be notified that purpose to close road and determination has been made that it has ceased to be a benefit to the traveling public.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, process to close county road #612 will be initiated.

Mr. Franklin said with Mr. Sheppard being the only property owner he could have him to sign an acknowledgement of road closing.

Chairman Anderson commented a resolution to increase the number of members on the Airport Committee had been submitted for Board action.

Commissioner Beacham remarked, as he understood, this is the Committee made up by City and County for operation of Airport and it is the desire of this Committee to expand to include more private individuals. Chairman Anderson replied yes, that was correct.

Commissioner Beacham offered a motion to adopt Resolution to increase number of members on Airport Committee. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion and it carried. See exhibit #1993-15.

Next item for presentation was Georgia Power lighting contract. Tim Salter and Jay Studstill of Georgia Power were recognized.

Mr. Studstill said in October he and Georgia Power were approached by residents of Iron Gate Subdivision concerning street lighting. He commented he is also a resident of Iron Gate and there had been some vandalism in the neighborhood and there were some real concerns about lighting in the neighborhood. He continued a meeting of Iron Gate residents was held to discuss options of more and better lighting in the development. One option was to develop a Homeowners Association, another option was to pay for street lighting with water bill, but neither of these seemed a option homeowners wanted to use. He said another option available through State was a Special Lighting Tax District which the county can establish for a specific area in the county. He said, basically, the residents of Iron Gate, Georgia Power, as well as other parties interested in street lighting are requesting the county provide a special lighting tax district. He explained the county will collect revenues to pay for street lighting on annual tax bill and in turn the county would pay the utility bill.

Chairman Anderson asked if there were any question for Mr. Studstill. He added this was presented for information to be considered for action in near future.

Commissioner Hodges asked number of residents who were in favor of this plan. Mr. Studstill responded there were 188 lots in Iron Gate and 4 people (5 lots) objected to this plan.

Commissioner Smith asked if lights were installed and maintained by power company. Mr. Studstill said power company would install lights and provide maintenance. He added any initial cost would be paid the developer, the county will not incur any up front cost.

Commissioner Hodges asked what burden this would put on Tax Commissioner. Chairman Anderson said, if he understood correctly, cost is provided by Georgia Power and an administrative cost can be added to cover county's additional cost.

Mr. Studstill said it's at Commissioners' discretion to establish the administrative charge, some counties charge an administrative fee, some do not. He added the homeowners of Iron Gate are not opposed to an administrative charge but want to make sure there is an upper limit to the charge. They feel a 3% to 5% fee would be a fair charge.

There was some discussion on including provisions for administrative fee in documents in case Board would decide to impose. Question was asked what happens in case an area is annexed into the City. Mr. Studstill said all these factors could be covered in the Resolution.

Chairman Anderson thanked Mr. Studstill and Mr. Salter for their work on this project.

Chairman Anderson asked County Manager Scott Wood to give report on Recreation Department policies and procedures. Mr. Wood said the Board had asked him to meet with Mike Rollins and City Administration Carter Crawford to discuss some problems concerning non-compliance with established purchasing and personnel policies and procedures. He commented this meeting has been held with Mr. Rollins being instructed to abide by City of Statesboro's personnel and purchasing policies. He remarked there was some other discussion of employee accountability in that department, to whom were they accountable beyond the Recreation Board. He stated he discussed this informally with County Attorney and it was his understanding,

basically, that Board is regarded by State similar to that of an Authority. He continued it was Mr. Franklin's understanding that those employees, although carried on City's payroll for administrative purposes, are regarded as employees of and by that Board. He asked Mr. Franklin to comment.

Mr. Franklin said he didn't think there was any judicial clarification but there is an attorney's opinion that basically defines them as a quasi-authority, whatever that means. He commented he thought since they are quasi-atic, it would not be out of order for the City and County, by resolution or otherwise, to adopt some sort of guidelines. He added this needs to be looked at a little closer before make final recommendations for personnel accountability.

Mr. Wood said the two areas to be reviewed were purchasing and personnel and he thought those two questions have been satisfied.

Commissioner Alston said there have been some concerns about the number of minorities employed by Recreation Department and that concern had been communicated some time ago. He commented this is an issued he hoped someone would address, has this been cleared up.

Mr. Wood said Mr. Rollins has been instructed by him and the City Administrator to give consideration to employment of minorities where possible. He added Mr. Rollins responded favorably to this instruction.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. Commissioner Alston advised Georgia Power is preparing proposal to provide outside lighting for new jail and it will be forthcoming.

Commissioner Beacham commented initial meeting of newly appointed Zoning Advisory Committee was held on Monday evening. He said he thought, as already stated by Chairman and Board, there is really nothing more important than establishment of zoning laws to provide protection of personal property. He remarked public need to know this process is underway and input is needed.

Chairman Anderson asked for other comments or business. Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, meeting was moved into Executive Session to discuss personnel and legal matters.


E. Raybon Anderson


ATTEST

June 1, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hodges and Commissioner Smith present. Commissioner Beacham and Commissioner Hagin were absent.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and 35+ visitors. Commissioner Hodges gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on May 18, 1993 and minutes of Executive Session on May 18, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, minutes of both meetings were approved as presented.

Chairman Anderson announced he would deviate from the agenda to allow Dr. Paul Whitlock to make a presentation to the Board.

Dr. Whitlock presented a petition signed by twenty-two of thirty-two active medical staff members of Bulloch County Hospital. The petition requested changes in the Hospital Authority in terms limitations, more representation of the community, and at least two physician members recommended by medical staff.

Chairman Anderson thanked Dr. Whitlock for his presentation and said this petition would be reviewed for appropriate action.

First item on the agenda was Cleary Road. Chairman Anderson commented this road had been the subject of much discussion and said Warden Akins had received a letter from Department of Transportation concerning this road.

Mr. Akins presented letter from Department of Transportation which recommended, if road is put on priority list, propose paving from Mudd Road to Southeast Bulloch School Road.

Chairman Anderson explained the Commissioners are willing to put this road on next year's priority list, this doesn't mean it will be paved next year, but will put on priority

list for paving in next two or three years. He added it will be put on priority list if county can get right-of-way, this means landowners on road will have to be willing to deed land required for right-of-way to Commissioners.

Chairman Anderson said the Commissioners knew there was a bad situation at Sheppard's Mill. He commented this was approved by a previous Commission and present Board couldn't disapproved prior agreement. He remarked this agreement gave Sheppard the right to do what he is doing there. He continued Commissioners realized this presents a dangerous situation and planned to sign the road, would prefer to close the road, but will sign at each end with "dangerous - travel at own risk".

Commissioner Smith reiterated this was a dangerous area with the potential for a fatal accident. he commented there was nothing Commissioners could do about the situation as long as county road was there except to sign it.

A large number of Cleary Road residents were present. There was some discussion on conditions of road at Sheppard's Mill and permit for mill to have access across the county road. Chairman Anderson remarked the County Attorney had advised permit granted by previous Commission gave Mr. Sheppard right to do what he is doing.

Someone commented it was rumored Sheppard's Mill is to be sold, what effect will a sale have on the permit. Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Rushing to comment on this question. Mr. Rushing said wording of permit will have to be researched, it could go either way depending on wording of permit or on how sale transaction is made.

Question was asked when layout of the road and how much property it would entail from each property owner be available. Chairman Anderson responded if residents on road say this is what they want, once it's on the priority list the Department of Transportation would be requested to survey the road. Once survey is made layouts would be made and there would be a meeting to review land each owner would be required to deed to county. But he said, first thing needed is petition from all property owners to have road paved saying, if Commissioners elected to pave, property owners are willing to give right-of-way. He stated if everyone is not willing to do this, it's a dead issue. He added this is a partnership effort between the Commissioners and Cleary Road property owners.

Mr. Faircloth commented, if he understood correctly, everyone needs to agree with a petition to have road paved before they know how much property they will be giving for right-of-way. He added he didn't understand how property owners could be expected to give up 5% to 10% of their property without seeing layouts.

Chairman Anderson explained road would have a sixty foot right-of-way and Department of Transportation maintains center of present road as much as possible.

Mr. Faircloth said, again if he understood correctly, 100% participation was needed on petition. Chairman Anderson said yes, that was the policy of the Board, however the Board has the right to condemn if don't have all signatures. But that is at the option of the Board and is not done as a general rule.

Mr. Faircloth commented they owned property on a good portion of the road and were not willing to give anything. He said they would work to see what could be done to accommodate needs but wouldn't sign petition to give right-of-way without documentation, plotted roadway, right-of-way easement, every legal paper in their hands prior to consideration.

Commissioner Alston said the Commissioners and Mr. Akins have got the attention of Department of Transportation who is attempting to help with the problem but all the minor details have not been worked out. He continued since he has been a Commissioner, all the details, all the deeds and other minor details have never been worked out before a road was put on priority list. He explained the Department of Transportation will asked Commissioners procure at least a sixty foot right-of-way and they will decide on the exact route of where that road bed will be. He said there were other roads in the county that need paving that can be paved as well as other roads in the state that can be paved. He said he would hope the situation can be worked out between the Commissioners, Department of Transportation and property owners.

Chairman Anderson said this problem would have to be worked out together. As he said before this was a partnership, the Board was committed to this project but need property owners commitment, whatever they want to do. He thanked residents of Cleary Road for their attendance.

Chairman Anderson asked Bob Smith, Environmental Manager, to cover the next item, a resolution for Comprehensive Solid Waste Plan.

Mr. Smith presented a revised draft of the Comprehensive Solid Waste Plan resulting from second Public Hearing held on May 10th. He explained Resolution give authority for this draft to be submitted to Regional Development Center for final review.

Chairman Anderson asked for any questions or comments on this Plan. Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, Resolution authorizing submission of Comprehensive Solid Waste Plan to Regional Development Center was adopted. See exhibit #1993-16.

Mr. Smith also presented a Bulloch County Clean Community Ordinance. He said present Ordinances only addressed areas around present dumpster sites, this Ordinance addresses other problems in the county and anticipates others which may occur.

Chairman Anderson asked if there were questions for Mr. Smith. Commissioner Alston offered a motion to adopt Bulloch County Clean Community Ordinance. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Hodges asked if this Ordinance addressed such things as dumping of septic tanks waste. Mr. Smith explained septic tanks and septic tank disposal come under regulations of Department of Public Health, this Ordinance covers solid waste. Motion adopting Bulloch County Clean Community Ordinance was carried. See exhibit #1993-17.

Mr. Smith said there was also an amendment to Ordinance which addresses concerns of dumping in proposed county collection sites.

Chairman Anderson commented this amendment gives Ordinance more strength, giving Mr. Smith the authority to police the county with authority to make an arrest if necessary.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, Amendment to the Bulloch County Code of Ordinances was adopted. See exhibit #1993-18.

For final item of old business Chairman Anderson said in the last meeting a Mutual Aid Agreement for E911 was held for County Attorney's review. He asked Mr. Rushing to explain.

Mr. Rushing said with the E911 system it's inherent, with this type of system, there will be some misdirected calls. What this agreement attempts to prevent is a call coming into the 911 Center and they direct a specific jurisdiction to the scene and it turns out it's the wrong jurisdiction, rather than calling the correct jurisdiction, first jurisdiction called will cross line to attend to the emergency. With this agreement the county will be held harmless for occurrences or losses due to crossing jurisdictional lines.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, Mutual Aid Agreement with City of Statesboro and Mutual Aid Agreement with City of Portal were approved. See exhibit #1993-19 and #1993-20.

For new business Chairman Anderson presented a Resolution for Designation of Agent to receive FEMA disaster funds. He explained someone had to be designated to receive FEMA disaster funds of \$5004. resulting from March storm.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, Resolution designating County Clerk Evelyn Wilson as agent to receive FEMA disaster funds on behalf of Bulloch was adopted. See exhibit #1993-21.

Chairman Anderson advised the Board of Family and Children Services has two terms expiring and has asked the Commissioners to submit three nominees for each position. He said terms expiring were held by Mrs. Luree Fields and Mr. W.M. Phillips. He continued both of these individuals have agreed to serve again if nominated. He explained final appointment is made by Department of Human Resources.

General consensus was to table nominations for expiring terms on Board of Family and Children Services until the next meeting.

Chairman Anderson said Mrs. Tappy Roesel had requested to speak to Board concerning the "New Beginnings for Children" program.

Mrs. Roesel first gave her appreciation to the Commissioners for past support to the program at the Blitch Street Center. She said this has been a remarkable program and gave of explanation of the origin and background of the Blitch Street Program. She said approximately two years ago funding of \$38,300 was received from Board of Commissioners, Board of Education, Statesboro City Council and three banks for repairs to the Blitch Street building. She continued there were some items still needed, air condition and heating system, enclosing a shed to provide more classroom space and they also need cash flow funds for a summer program. She stated when funding of \$38,000. was received their support group was not incorporated and funds were channelled through the Recreation Department. She said their request was for a complete accounting of these funds and the remaining funds to be

deposited in the account of "New Beginnings for Children" since they were now an incorporated entity. She said they were also in need of transportation for the summer program. She added they would appreciate any idea or help for transportation.

Chairman Anderson suggested to Board that County Manager Scott Wood and City Administrator Carter Crawford look into accounting of funds and make a report.

Chairman Anderson recognized Dr. Sidney Washington. Dr. Washington presented a petition for paving of High Point Circle. He stated they had done a title search and all property owners except one have already signed petition to pave road. He said when it rains the road is impassable even with a four wheel drive vehicle, the clay makes the road like ice. Several residents of High Point Circle were present and there was some discussion on the conditions on the road.

Commissioner Smith made a motion, with proper petition, High Point Circle be placed on agenda for paving. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion and it carried.

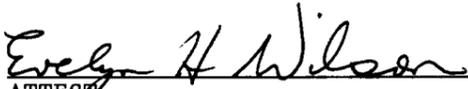
Chairman Anderson said an item for action not on the agenda was an airport agreement. He asked Mr. Wood to present this agreement.

Mr. Wood explained this regarded a contract with Department of Transportation for refurbishing and painting of airport beacon tower. He said project cost was approximately \$2500 with Department of Transportation participation of 75% and local participation of 25% or \$625. which county will pay one-half.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, contract with Department of Transportation for refurbishing and painting of airport beacon tower was approved.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business. Commissioner Hodges called attention to payment of pauper's funeral expenses. Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, payment of \$250 for pauper's funeral expenses was approved.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comment. Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.


 Evelyn H. Wilson
 ATTEST


 E. Raybon Anderson

June 15, 1993
 Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 8:30 A.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Hagin and Commissioner Smith present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and eight visitors. Commissioner Hodges gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on June 1, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, minutes of meeting on June 1, 1993 were approved as presented.

For old business Chairman Anderson said, as discussed in previous meeting, Board of Family and Children Services had two terms expiring and names had been submitted by several Commissioners. He said six of these names would be submitted to the Board of Family and Children Services to fill the two positions. Chairman Anderson commented he appreciated Commissioners' participation in the process.

The report on delinquent taxes was due for Tax Commissioner Carlene Johnson. Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Wood if Ms. Johnson planned to make a report. Mr. Wood advised Ms. Johnson had said the report was not ready, and she would not be making a presentation.

In new business Chairman Anderson said, as a matter of information, three nominees were needed as candidates for consideration as a member of South Georgia Hospital Authority. He continued he was attempting to establish eligibility requirements of this Board and would pass this information on to Commissioners. He said the names of nominees would be handled in next meeting.

Chairman Anderson called attention to Lease Agreement with Board of Education for Solid Waste Mini-Compactor Site. He commented the County Attorney has advised this is standard

lease. Mr. Wood added lease was for a 25 year term at \$10 per year and county has option to cancel on sixty day notice.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, Ground Lease Agreement with Bulloch County Board of Education was approved. See exhibit #1993-22.

Chairman Anderson asked Bob Smith, Environmental Manager, to brief the Commissioners on his activities. Mr. Smith remarked he was acting under ordinance just adopted, some complaints have been received and have followed up on these. He said there was some privately owned property in western part of county which is unsightly, warning citations have been sent and if owner does not correct problem, county has authority to clean property up and bill property owner. He added last week there was illegal dumping at dumpster on Jones Mill Road. The person responsible was contacted and did clean up the area. He commented he was not out trying to write tickets but was trying to educate the public about illegal dumping and proper disposal of solid waste.

Other new business was presentation of paving bids for Bennett Road (renamed Old Groveland Road) and Akins Pond Road. Mr. Wood said these bids were received yesterday and time didn't allow information to be put in formal format for presentation, but was available for review. He explained the Department of Transportation calculates the volumes and the contractors bid on per unit basis. Two contractors, Ellis Wood and Littlefield, extended their bids to numerical amounts, Dykes, who appears to be the low bidder, didn't extend the bid. He said with this fact Warden Akins had to confirm Dykes' volume calculations and extensions to make sure the final amount calculated on their bid is the amount they expect. Bids were: Akins Pond Road, Ellis Wood - \$147,790.; Littlefield Construction - \$142,710.; Dykes - \$128,877. (based on volume unit from D.O.T. and per unit price from Dykes). Old Groveland Road, Littlefield Construction - \$261,655; Dykes - \$244,793 (based on calculations). He said Dykes has done work for county and Warden Akins feels reasonably comfortable in recommending Dykes. He asked the Commissioner to confirm award for both roads to Dykes subject to confirmation of calculated amounts of \$128,877 and \$244,793.

Commissioner Hagin asked Mr. Wood if Dykes would be given calculations made to see if he would agree. Mr. Wood said yes, Warden Akins was asked to do this yesterday. Commissioner Smith commented figures would be confirmed in written contract. Mr. Wood said yes.

Commissioner Alston made a motion to accept bid from Everett Dykes Grassing Co. for amounts calculated, \$128,877 on Akins Pond Road and \$244,793 on Old Groveland Road. Commissioner Hagin seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Beacham asked if motion should give some latitude, not an exact figure which could be off just a little - say \$10.00 as example. Commissioner Alston amended his motion to accept bid from Everett Dykes Grassing Company for amounts calculated with a 1% variance. Amended motion carried.

Commissioner Hodges asked when projects would begin. Mr. Wood advised no required beginning date was set, however required completion date was October 15th.

Commissioner Smith asked status of road projects. Chairman Anderson gave update on Old River Road saying much work as possible was being done until legal work was completed so entire road could be done.

Commissioner Hodges asked if there was an updated list on roads to be paved. Chairman Anderson said no, need to have a meeting to prepare a new list for the coming year.

Commissioner Hodges asked what was the situation with present list, have those roads been done. Chairman Anderson said no, weren't behind, but there were about ten roads on list and work off the top. He added, as everyone knew, some roads were skipped because of right-of-way problems. There was some discussion on paving projects.

Commissioner Alston asked for an update on status of all roads on priority list at next meeting. Chairman Anderson said an update would be prepared for the next meeting.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. Commissioner Alston announced an open house for the new jail was planned for June 27th at 4:00 p.m.

Commissioner Beacham reported Chairmen of subcommittees for zoning had a well-attended meeting on Monday night. He said this Committee is underway and working. He added they had set a goal for completion of December 1st.

Commissioner Alston commented on the report of delinquent taxes and asked when that report is received it be adopted into the records and it be circulated to Board.

Commissioner Alston offered a motion to accept the report on delinquent taxes. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson asked County Manager Scott Wood to report on three items, air conditioning for Grady Street Gym, Teen Center and Health Department.

Mr. Wood said everyone was aware of how hot it was voting at Grady Street Gym and last week Probate Judge Deloach was in a panic. He said Building Inspector has tried unsuccessfully to find temporary unit and on Friday he started working with Congressman Kingston's office and finally was able to local some mobile unit out of Robins Air Force Base in Warner Robins. Mr. Wood said the Congressman's office put a lot of time and effort in this project. He asked the Board to endorse a resolution to Congressman Kingston and his office expressing appreciation on behalf of the citizens fo Bulloch County.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Hodges, and carried, Board endorsed resolution of appreciation to Congressman Kingston and his office for their efforts in this project.

Mr. Wood reported Teen Center has been turned over to occupants. The building is basically completed with a few minor details to be finished. He also reported the Health Center is on schedule.

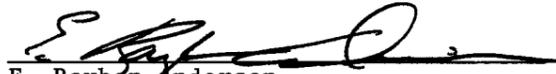
Mr. Wood recalled the presentation for Special Lighting District at the last meeting, and advised he wanted more research required on administration before present to Board for consideration. He said this was presented as a matter of information.

Chairman Anderson announced Public Hearing set for Tuesday, June 22nd at 6:00 p.m. for 1993-1994 Budget.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, meeting was moved into Executive Session to discuss litigation and potential real estate acquisition.

Following Executive Session regular meeting was reconvened. Chairman Anderson asked for further business or comments. Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, meeting was adjourned subject to call.


E. Raybon Anderson


ATTEST

June 22, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

Called Meeting

The Board met at 6:00 P.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Hagin and Commissioner Smith present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and two visitors. County Manager Scott Wood gave the invocation.

Chairman Anderson stated the purpose of this called meeting was to present four Department of Transportation contracts for Board review and action. He presented widening contracts for Ash Branch Road and Arcola Road and paving contracts for Teen Center and Health Department and Groveland (Bennett) Road. Chairman Anderson requested authority to execute contracts with Department of Transportation for paving projects.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, contracts with Department of Transportation for widening of Ash Branch Road in the amount of \$31,918.93, widening of Arcola Road in amount of \$110,277.69 and paving for Teen Center and Health Department in amount of \$24,583.29 and Groveland (Bennett) Road in amount of \$201,027.43 were approved.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioners Hodges and carried, meeting was adjourned.


E. Raybon Anderson


ATTEST

June 22, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

PUBLIC HEARING

Immediately following the called meeting Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order for a Public Hearing to present the 1993-1993 Budgets for any discussion. He remarked all required notices of this Public Hearing had been given. He asked for any comments on the Budgets.

Mr. Paul Nessmith said he had not seen the budget but was there any increase of taxes in this budget. Chairman Anderson responded, if this budget is adopted and if normal growth in present digest is as estimated, there will probably be no increase, if any, it would be very nominal. Chairman Anderson commented, however, there is no way to foresee what effect reevaluation will have.

Mr. Nessmith asked if there was anything that could be cut out to lower the amount of the budget. Chairman Anderson said this is budget the Board has formed and if there are any areas of special concern, the Board will certainly review those items. He commented the Board had put a lot of hours into this budget.

Commissioner Smith comment making a comparison with other counties might not be appropriate but Bulloch County's millage is probably one of the lowest of a compatible size and compatible makeup. Commissioner Alston added Bulloch County is in lower portion of millage rate for all counties in the state.

Commissioner Smith said there are a number of line items in the budget over which the Commissioners have no control. These are mandates from Federal and State government.

Commissioner Alston comment collection of delinquent taxes could have an impact on the budget, perhaps not this year, but if could these delinquent taxes are collected, would increase reserves for next budget year.

Mr. Nessmith asked Chairman Anderson if he felt hiring of County Manager was a wise investment. Chairman Anderson answered yes, problems involved in running county governments today need professional staff. He added in three years counties with this county managers/administrators have increased from 39 to over 100.

Commissioner Alston commented Mr. Wood has been involved in projects which have saved county money, he is earning his salary.

Chairman Anderson asked for other comments 1993-1994 budgets. Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, Public Hearing was adjourned.


ATTEST


E. Raybon Anderson

June 29, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

Called Meeting

The Board met at 8:30 A.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commission Hagin and Commissioner Smith present. Commissioner Alston was absent.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and four visitors. Commissioner Simmons gave the invocation.

Chairman Anderson said the purpose of this called meeting was to adopt the 1993-1994 budgets, approve a resolution adopting Bulloch County's Comprehensive Plan and to have an Executive Session to discuss property negotiations for a solid waste minicompactor site.

Chairman Anderson said the budgets for 1993-1994 had been finalized with an amount of \$10,645,522. for the general operation budget. He remarked this amount represented a small change once all figures were compiled, net change was \$26,800 from previous amount. He gave amount of all budgets; General Operation Budget - \$10,645,522.; 911 Emergency Service - \$351,678.; Jail Add-on Fee - \$64,214.; Civil Defense - \$24,000.; Fire District - \$210,591. He asked if there were any questions or comments on any of these budgets.

Commissioner Hodges offered a motion to adopt the 1993-1994 budgets. Commissioner Beacham seconded the motion and it carried.

1993-1994 budgets as adopted

General Operation	-	\$10,645,522.
911 Emergency Service	-	351,678.
Jail Add-on Fee	-	64,214.
Civil Defense	-	24,000.
Fire District	-	210,591.

Chairman Anderson presented a resolution for adoption of Bulloch County' Comprehensive Plan. He commented John Karrh had worked on this Plan and would answer any question.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, resolution adopting Bulloch County's Comprehensive Plan was approved. See exhibit #1993-23.

Commissioner Beacham remarked there has been some discussion of some form of recognition, maybe a resolution, commending those who worked on this Plan. He asked if a resolution could be prepared for action at next regular meeting.

Mr. Wood commented he had already asked Mr. Franklin to prepare a resolution. Commissioner Hodges asked if Committee would be invited to next meeting and present resolution to them.

There was some discussion for recognition of Jail Committee. Mr. Wood commented this was handled by Chairman of Jail Committee.

Chairman Anderson said it was a good idea to publicly recognize this Committee and any time complete a project such as this, need to recognize participants. He remarked recognition should be handle uniformly by Commissioners.

It was agreed members of Comprehensive Plan Committee will be invited to next Commissioners' meeting to be recognized for their work on this Plan. It was also agreed from here forward members of committees will be publicly recognized by Board when they completed their project.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. Question was asked how location of speed limit signs was determined. Chairman Anderson explained Department of Transportation handled state roads and also make suggestions for speed limit signs on county roads. He added an ordinance for speed signs on several roads was adopted recently.

Comment was made that Lakeview Road did not have any speed limit signs. Chairman Anderson asked Safety Director Ted Wynn to investigate this situation.

Commissioner Smith comment established speed limit is 55 MPH but with this road being narrow, speed limit might need to be reduced in some locations along this road.

Commissioner Beacham asked if some criteria should be established for speed limits on county roads. There was some discussion on signs being removed. Commissioner Smith asked was there a county resolution dealing with removal of signs. Mr. Franklin said this was a state law. Commissioner Smith asked if any ordinance could be drafted to make it a misdemeanor, with a stiff fine, to have possession of a road sign. Mr. Franklin will handle drafting of proper ordinance.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. He said an Executive Session was need to discuss property negotiations.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, meeting was moved into Executive Session to discuss property negotiations.

Following Executive Session regular session was reconvened. Chairman Anderson said Bob Smith had presented information for local of solid waste mini-compactor site on recreation park property and alternatives to this site. He asked for Board action on property negotiations for this site. Upon motion by Commissioner Hagin, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, solid waste mini-compactor site will be on recreation park property to be continually maintained and be a model site.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, meeting was adjourned subject to call.


E. Raybon Anderson


ATTEST

July 6, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 6:00 P.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham and Commissioner Hodges present. Commissioner Hagin and Commissioner Smith were absent.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and nineteen visitors. Commissioner Hodges gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on June 15, 1993, Executive Session on June 15, 1993, called meeting on June 22, 1993, Public Hearing on June 22, 1993, called meeting on June 29, 1993 and Executive Session on June 29, 1993 were presented. Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, minutes of regular meeting on June 15, 1993 and Executive Session on June 15, 1993 were approved as presented. Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, minutes of called meeting on June 22, 1993, Public Hearing on June 22, 1993, called meeting on June 29, 1993 and Executive Session on June 29, 1993 were approved as presented.

Chairman Anderson said the first order of business was a resolution to recognize members of the Bulloch County Comprehensive Planning Committee. He commented these people worked very hard, for a long time, without pay to have this plan completed on schedule so Bulloch County could retain its "qualified local government" status. He commented at times it seemed the Plan would not be completed on schedule, but the deadline was met and as proof he displayed the Certificate of Qualified Local Government for Bulloch County received today. He asked members of Bulloch County Comprehensive Planning Committee to stand to be formally recognized. Twelve members of this Committee were present and stood to be applauded for their contribution in development of this Plan.

Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, resolution recognizing members of Bulloch County Comprehensive Planning Committee was adopted. See exhibit #1993-24.

For old business Chairman Anderson said the Solid Waste Advisory Committee was discussed in the previous meeting and the Board felt this Committee should be increased by three additional members, a total of eighteen instead of fifteen. He presented a list of members of this Committee and a Resolution expanding the Solid Waste Advisory Committee to eighteen members and giving terms for appointments of the Committee.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, resolution expanding Solid Waste Advisory Committee to eighteen members was adopted. See exhibit #1993-25.

Another item of old business was Ordinance for illegal possession of road signs. Chairman Anderson said signs being torn down, taken and destroyed were a great concern of the Board. He continued this matter has been one of much discussion and the Board has asked this Ordinance be drafted. He explained this Ordinance made it a misdemeanor to remove, destroy, damage, deface or to have illegal possession of any road signs.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, Ordinance regulating removal, destroying, damaging, defacing or possessing roads signs was adopted. See exhibit #1993-26. Commissioner Hodges instructed a copy of this Ordinance be provided to State Court Judge Turner.

Chairman Anderson said subdivision lighting plan had been previously discussed and some research has been done on this project. He asked for further discussion for this plan.

Attorney Steve Rushing said, based on the Georgia Constitution, special districts for various purposes including lighting are authorized for counties either by Ordinance or Resolution. He presented a draft of a proposed Ordinance to establish a special tax district for the purpose of street lighting. Mr. Rushing gave a summary of the Ordinance and reviewed procedure to petition the county to establish a special lighting tax district and procedure to enact and setup such a district. He remarked the Ordinance has a ceiling of up to 15% for an administrative fee which the Board can set at their discretion. He explained cost of power of street lights and administrative fee would be added to annual ad valorem tax bill for each lot in lighting district. Mr. Rushing added this draft had just been completed and certainly needed discussion and careful review.

Chairman Anderson said the Tax Commissioner and Tax Assessor were present and he asked if they would like to comment on proposal.

Ms. Johnson said her concern was, after meeting with Georgia Power representative and reviewing their proposal, the way it was explained to her this would be a fee not a tax. She said if this is in fact a fee and a resident of a subdivision decides they don't want to pay,

she couldn't make them pay. She explained her greatest concern is she can't levy on a fee, it's not a tax. She continued the Code had been checked thoroughly and the law does not allow her to levy on a fee, need to be very cautious with language in Ordinance.

Mr. Rushing said he couldn't give an opinion on section of Code which refers to Tax Commissioner but did try to address this in proposed Ordinance. He continued they were relying on section in Constitution, which he quoted, but he couldn't address Ms. Johnson's concerns which would need research.

Commissioner Hodges asked if discussion on this plan could be tabled until county attorney, Tax Commissioner, Georgia Power representatives met and draft a suitable Ordinance.

Chairman Anderson commented whatever Board decides. He said he would ask if anyone else would like to speak on the issue and recognized Tax Assessor John Scott.

Mr. Scott said he had just learned of this proposal and hadn't had opportunity to read draft prepared by attorney. He remarked there were several things which concerned him, different subdivision would have different fees based on number of lots and size of subdivision, possibility of having to have more than one special tax lighting district created. He questioned, saying this is not a role of Tax Assessors' Office but, if it was good for Bulloch County to be in a position of collecting this fee when it seems it would be very simply for it to be added to monthly utility bill. He said he understood the public safety concerns but wonders about the legality of enforcement, legality of collection - what happens if they refuse to pay, legality of rate increases - who will protest these - who legally has legal authority for this. He said he would certainly like to see more study of this proposal.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Salter of Georgia Power if he had any comments. Mr. Salter said Georgia Power offered their assistance to help the county work through this issue and answer any question they could.

Commissioner Alston said he like to look at both side of the question and his question didn't mean he was against the proposal, but what was the down side of asking residents in subdivision to equally divide power bill amount themselves and pay Georgia Power.

Mr. Salter replied in such situations not everyone contributes and get into problem of not collecting enough to pay for lighting.

Chairman Anderson comment what would be difference, county would be enforcer, the collector, rather than Georgia Power.

Commissioner Beacham remarked 93% of residents in one area have petition for this service and should try to provide it. He continued there are some street lights in subdivision provided by developer who plans to discontinue them soon. He added many counties are in street lighting in various degrees and Bulloch County should provide this service.

Chairman Anderson said that 93% of residents in Irongate have agreed to lighting plan but the 75% requirement in proposed ordinance concerned him.

Mr. Rushing said plans for other counties had been used as model for Ordinance and 75% was generally used. He added this percentage could be set at Board discretion, it could be 90%, whatever Board decided.

Ms. Johnson said she didn't want her comments to be interpreted that she was against lighting districts, she just wanted it to be a tax not a fee and need to look very closely at the long term, how many districts will eventually be established.

Commissioner Hodges offered a motion to table discussion on Special Lighting Tax District with someone from Commissioners, Georgia Power Company, Irongate Subdivision, Tax Commissioner, Tax Assessor and attorney getting together to recommend a solution. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion and it carried.

Before going into new business Chairman Anderson said a special guest was present and asked Extension Director Myrtis Akins to introduce this guest.

Ms. Akins said she was delighted to introduce Wes Harris, the new county extension agent for Bulloch County. She said Mr. Harris was with Burke County Extension Service for five years and served there as County Director.

Chairman Anderson welcomed Mr. Harris to Bulloch County and offer any assistance the Commissioners could give.

In new business Chairman Anderson presented two D.O.T contracts, one for paving of Akins Pond and one for widening of Cypress Lake Road.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, Department of Transportation contract for paving Akins Pond Road in the amount of \$103,851.86 and widening of Cypress Lake Road in the amount \$25,438.79 were approved.

Chairman Anderson presented a beer and wine license application for Robert J. Donaldson for Northside Minit Mart and a beer and wine license application for Harold Marsh of Middleground Community Store. He explained both of these applications were for off-premises licenses and Sheriff Akins had approved both applications.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, off-premises Beer and Wine License was approved for Robert J. Donaldson for Northside Minit Mart and off-premises Beer and Wine License was approved for Harold Marsh of Middleground Community Store.

Chairman Anderson referenced a letters from Sheriff Akins and Ted Wynn, Public Safety Director, concerning a dangerous intersection at Aden-Lanier Road (#221) and Sinkhole Road (#204). He called attention to map attached to Mr. Wynn's letter and said this intersection had been labeled by the Sheriff, Mr. Wynn and many others as a safety hazard. He said there had been discussion with property owner since January but he has not cooperated in attempt to clear this blind spot, less than a quarter of an acre is needed. He said this was presented for information, negotiations with property owner had been reopened and hopefully some solution could be reached. He added if this couldn't be reconciled, would possibly asked for authorization for condemnation.

Chairman Anderson asked County Manager Scott Wood to give report on progress for health department building. Mr. Wood reported wall and partition framing had been substantially completed and 85% of structural steel framing was completed. He added front parking lot and stripping for Options Center was complete. He said there was some problem with soil base but Warden Akins' crews will handle replacement of the soil base.

Chairman Anderson said an item not on the agenda, being presented for discussion at next meeting, was notification of vacancy on Library Board. He added letter from Library Board included a recommendation to replace Mr. Abercombie who is retiring. He said this item would be on agenda for next meeting.

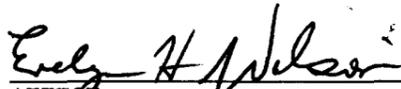
Chairman Anderson asked if Commissioners had any comments or business for consideration. Commissioner Beacham said members of the Historical Society had concerns that Bulloch County has a centennial celebration coming up in couple of years and need to plan ahead. He added Commissioners should put themselves on notice and perhaps someone would come forward to chair committees necessary for this celebration.

Chairman Anderson thanked Commissioner Beacham for presenting this information.

Mr. Rushing said proposed agreement between City of Statesboro and Bulloch County in regards to county housing inmates in new jail was prepared. He added a draft of this proposal agreement was ready for Board review.

Mr. Wood said draft was not received in time for Commissioners' review prior to the meeting. Chairman Anderson said it would be discussed after Commissioners have reviewed.

Chairman Anderson asked for any other business or comments. Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, meeting was adjourned subject to call.


ATTEST


E. Raybon Anderson

July 20, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 8:30 A.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hagin and Commissioner Smith were present. Commissioner Hodges was absent.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the press and nine visitors. County Manager Scott Wood gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on July 6, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, minutes of regular meeting on July 6, 1993 were approved as presented.

Chairman Anderson said first item of old business, subdivision lighting plan, would be deferred to give attorney's office time to delivery draft of ordinance.

For other old business, Chairman Anderson said, as discussed at last meeting, Library Board has a term which is expiring and has made a recommendation of a person to fill this

vacancy. He asked Commissioners' action on this Board appointment.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hagin and carried, Mrs. Laura Jennings was appointed to a three year term on the Library Board of Trustees.

Chairman Anderson presented an agreement between the City of Statesboro and Bulloch County for housing city inmates in the new county jail. He commented the city was in agreement with the terms of the agreement and Sheriff Akins had submitted a letter expressing his acceptance of the agreement.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, Jail Construction and Staffing Agreement with City of Statesboro was approved. See exhibit #1993-27.

Chairman Anderson recognized Tax Commissioner Carlene Johnson. Ms. Johnson presented report on collections of delinquent taxes for June. She said she was pleased with results of property advertised for sale, had started with twenty-nine parcel to be advertised, seven were actually put in paper and now have only three remaining. She commented two of original twenty-nine would probably go to sale. She added thirty day FiFa notices for 1992 taxes would be mailed the first week in August.

Commissioner Smith said, with property going to sale, obviously there was expenses involved and asked if these expenses were recouped. Ms. Johnson explained all expense involved with collection of delinquent taxes, advertising, title search fees, etc. was added to tax bill, tax payer pays all fees.

Chairman Anderson thanked Ms. Johnson for her report.

Chairman Anderson advised draft of subdivision lighting plan had been delivered and was ready for discussion.

Mr. Wood said there had been some question of the Tax Commissioner's authority to levy on property for nonpayment of this fee. Mr. Franklin responded that this question has not been addressed by any Court or the Attorney General. He said he believed courts would construe Tax Commissioner would have this power because it is a Constitutional Amendment with specific language that allows special tax districts. He said this is not a absolute answer but believes Tax Commissioner could collect.

Commissioner Smith said, with there being no case law involving lighting plan, does that indicate there hasn't been any controversy with the law. Mr. Franklin said there was one case to go to the Court of Appeal, this case involved Douglas County not complying with its own Ordinance which called for a Public Hearing prior to establishing a tax district.

Commissioner Smith asked if Board was in compliance as far as Public Hearing is concerned. Mr. Franklin explained the only time a Public Hearing would have to be held was if a tax district did not have 100% of residents sign petition, but there was no requirement of Public Hearing for adoption of the Ordinance, However, since this is a redraft, he suggested presenting this Ordinance today for consideration and discussion then adopt it at the next or a later meeting.

Commissioner Smith commented there has been one application but if it's approved, there will probably be more in the future and this will take some administrative charges which should be addressed in fee charges. He continued it's not something which should cost county taxpayers other than those involved.

Commissioner Beacham said fees in other counties have been compared and generally are between 10% and 5%. He said different scenarios were considered and said they proposed a 7% administration fee. He continued, to make sure anything wasn't overlooked, they proposed to table action until the next meeting, give a copy of draft to media, invite comments, make sure there was no glitches before final adoption. He said the purpose was to protect citizens who want street lights as well as citizens not involved.

Chairman Anderson asked if there was a provision for review of administration fee from time to time and allowance for fee to be increased or decreased based on such review.

Mr. Franklin pointed out section in ordinance on administration charge and said this section was drafted to allow adjustment of fees based not only on track record but also by individual tax district. He said there could be a radical difference in performance of one tax district compared to another.

Commissioner Alston commented the petition requires the affirmative of 75% of property owners which front the street. Mr. Franklin said it required signatures of 75% of the lots, it could be the signature of one person.

Commissioner Smith said a case of 75% signatures of lot owners would necessitate a Public Hearing. Mr. Franklin said that was correct, unless petition has 100% signatures a Public

Hearing is required.

Commissioner Alston asked who identifies the 100%. Mr. Franklin explained that responsibility is placed on County Manager or his designee, most probably the Tax Assessors' Office. Mr. Franklin continued some of the Ordinance reviewed stated once a petition is submitted the County Manager would provide a plat, the Ordinance being proposed required the petitioner will submit a plat of the proposed district.

Mr. Franklin said he did have some concern about the cost of making the collections and whether a 7% or 5% fee would cover these cost. He said he realized this was a policy matter not a legal matter but didn't know what billing, accounting, collections would cost.

Commissioner Beacham said other counties used between 10% and 5%. Chairman Anderson said he has asked some of these counties to advise if they are making money or losing money but have had no response. He said before final vote on this plan he would like to know what it will cost. He added he thought it was owed to entire population for this to be self-sustaining, not a cost to anyone but those receiving the service.

Mr. Wood asked, considering fact that county will be billed on monthly basis and will collect on an annual basis, should Mr. Studstill of Georgia Power should speak in respect to any rate change.

Mr. Studstill explained it normally takes about six months to change utility rates and the stability of lighting rates seem to be very stable. He added the county would know of a rate change well in advance.

Chairman Anderson said if lighting plan starts September 1st, citizens would be billed for September, October, November and December. He asked Mr. Studstill when the bill would be due to Georgia Power by the county.

Mr. Studstill responded bill would be payable on monthly basis. Chairman Anderson asked how county would go about having funds to pay Georgia Power on monthly basis. Mr. Franklin commented, unless fee is on this year's tax bill, county will be sixteen months behind before get receipt from property owner.

Chairman Anderson said he thought Commissioner Beacham had made a good suggestion, to present this plan for information and table for two weeks until some of these details can be researched.

Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, action on Ordinance for Special County Tax Districts was tabled to allow clarification of some items. Mr. Wood said, his understanding, points being considered for clarification were initial funding and administration fee. Commissioner Alston said he would like clarification of who will identify the 100% eligible to sign petition in a special tax district.

Moving into new business, Chairman Anderson recognized Ms. Adele Davenport. Ms. Davenport introduced herself as Area Director of GSU Senior Companion Program. She gave an overview of the program for older adults and gave names of twenty volunteers in Bulloch County working in the program. She said her purpose today was to thank the Board for their support of this program and to present a Certificate of Appreciation to the Commissioners.

Chairman Anderson thanked Ms. Davenport for this presentation and said Commissioners appreciate service this program provided to older citizens of Bulloch County.

Chairman Anderson said a new Regional Board for Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse was being formed and Bulloch County would have one appointment on this board. He continued he had met with mental health and substance abuse agencies in the county and they have a nominee they would like the Commissioners to consider. He added several names have been submitted from several agencies and groups. He stated the nominee submitted from mental health, mental retardation and substance abuse was Andrea Re. He commented Ms. Re worked in this field at one time and has agreed to serve if nominated.

Commissioner Beacham said he had been contacted by Stephanie Mays representing Statesboro Alliance of Mental Health concerning this appointment.

After some discussion on requirements for nominees to this Board Commissioner Alston offered a motion to appoint Ms. Andrea Re to the Regional Board for Mental Health, Mental Retardation & Substance Abuse. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson advised a term was expiring on the Development Authority. He continued this position has been held by Mr. H.W.B. Smith who is willing to serve for another term if appointed. Chairman Anderson said Mr. Smith has served capability on this Board.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, Mr. H.W.B. Smith was reappointed to a six year term on the Development Authority of Bulloch

County.

Chairman Anderson said Mr. Emit Deal has submitted a letter resigning from the Altamaha Georgia Southern RDC Board. He commented this item will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

Commissioner Smith asked the makeup of the RDC Board. Commissioner Alston responded the Board was made up of county elected officials and public sector representatives, he, Chairman Anderson and Mr. Deal served on this Board. He added the RDC governing board was undergoing some new configuration which he will provide to the Commissioners.

Chairman Anderson said more information will be provided by the next meeting.

Chairman Anderson said an agreement between the Hospital Authority and the Board of Commissioners had been distributed. He explained this agreement is a result of the needs assessment study conducted for the Hospital Authority. He added this agreement has been reviewed and revised several times and is ready for action by Commissioners to be sent to the Hospital Authority for their action.

Commissioner Smith offered a motion to approve Resolution for agreement between Board of Commissioners and the Hospital Authority. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion and it carried. See exhibit #1993-28.

Chairman Anderson presented items for information purposes. He said an attorney in Evans County has presented a request for joint action to close a county road adjoining Bulloch and Evans Counties. He advised this same request was received about three years ago and no action was taken but warning signs were placed at each end of the road. He stated he told the attorney he would prefer Evans County take action prior to Bulloch County taking action. He said if Evans County pursues closing this road, it will be on the next meeting agenda.

As another matter of information, Chairman Anderson said he was approached by Mr. James Newsome on Mill Creek Road who feels he was mistreated when this road was paved. Mr. Newsome had said he gave right of way to get road paved, his neighbor was given fencing but he didn't get any fencing. Chairman Anderson commented Mr. Newsome was not in the livestock business.

Commissioner Hagain asked if Mr. Newsome's neighbor was in the livestock business. Chairman Anderson said yes, he had livestock then and continues to have livestock now.

Chairman Anderson said next regular meeting scheduled for August 3rd was an evening meeting and due to a conflict he would ask the meeting be changed to a morning meeting. He asked if this would present any problem. With no objections, time for meeting on August 3rd was changed to 8:30 A.M.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business. Commissioner Alston presented a proposal for security lighting for new jail. He said Sheriff Akins has looked at existing lighting and approved this final design which will cost \$5170 to install at monthly cost of \$201.50.

Commissioner Alston offered a motion to approve security lighting plan for jail at cost of \$5170. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried.

Commissioner Simmons said he was in a meeting for Human Health Services where Pat Wharam from Department of Transportation discussed a grant to develop transportation for counties. He asked Ms. Wharam be on the agenda for the next meeting to present this program to the Board.

Commissioner Beacham announced the Zoning Committee is proceeding, subcommittees are meeting and working to establish Zoning Ordinance for Bulloch County.

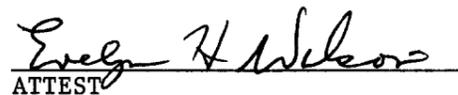
Chairman Anderson asked for other business and said an Executive Session was needed to discuss an real estate matter and a legal matter

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, regular session was moved in Executive Session to discuss real estate matter and a legal matter

Regular session was reconvened. Chairman Anderson said action was needed on John Scott's recommendation to the Board concerning the penalty assessed by Department of Revenue on the 1992 digest.

Commissioner Hagin offered a motion to pay 1/4 mill penalty assessment on 1993 digest by Department of Revenue in total amount of \$30,826. and to appeal the \$5.00 per parcel charge. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business. Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.


ATTEST


E. Raybon Anderson

July 23, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

Called Meeting

The Board met in the Community Room of the North Main Annex at 8:00 A.M. for a called meeting. Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commission Simmons, Commissioner Hagin and Commissioner Smith were present. Commissioner Beacham and Commissioner Hodges were absent.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the media. Commissioner Alston gave the invocation.

Chairman Anderson announced the purpose of this called meeting was to discuss real estate matter which would necessitate an Executive Session.

Upon motion by Commission Hagin, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, the meeting was moved into Executive Session to discuss a real estate matter.

Regular session was reconvened. Chairman Anderson asked for any business or comments. Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, meeting was adjourned subject to call.


ATTEST


E. Raybon Anderson

August 2, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

Called Meeting

The Board met in the library of the North Main Annex at 2:30 P.M. for a called meeting. Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Hodges and Commissioner Smith were present. Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hagin and Commissioner Simmons were absent.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and said the purpose of this meeting was to discuss a real estate which would take an Executive Session to be followed with an open meeting for further action. He asked if there was any discussion before meeting went into Executive Session.

Mr. Wood introduced Kirk Tatum, County Engineer, and said this was Mr. Tatum first day on the job. He added hiring an engineer had taken a little longer than anticipated but with road projects and other problems he was certainly glad to have Mr. Tatum on board.

Chairman Anderson asked for other comments. Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, meeting was moved into Executive Session for discussion of real estate matter.

Regular session was reconvened. Chairman Anderson asked for action on Resolution giving Development Authority authority to enter into agreement with North Arkansas Wholesale Co., Inc. Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, Resolution authorizing Development Authority of Bulloch County to enter into agreement with North Arkansas Wholesale Co., Inc. was approved. See exhibit #1993-29.

Chairman Anderson asked for action on Agreement between the Development Authority of Bulloch County, City of Statesboro and Board of Commissioners of Bulloch County for terms of acquisition, funding, development and sales of Riggs property. Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, Agreement between Development Authority of Bulloch County, City of Statesboro and Board of Commissioners of Bulloch County was approved. See exhibit #1993-30.

Chairman Anderson asked for further comments or business. There being none, upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, the meeting was adjourned.


ATTEST


E. Raybon Anderson

August 3, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met 8:30 A.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Hagin and Commissioner Smith present. Commissioner Simmons and Commissioner Beacham were absent.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the news media and twenty-two visitors. Commissioner Smith gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on July 20, 1993, Executive Session on July 20, 1993, called meeting on July 23, 1993 and Executive Session on July 23, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, minutes of these four meetings were approved as presented.

For the first item of old business, Chairman Anderson said subdivision lighting plan had been discussed at some length and copy of final draft of Ordinance had been distributed. He asked Mr. Franklin to discuss this Ordinance.

Mr. Franklin said some revisions were made as late as yesterday. He said included in this draft was a provision that upon petition for designation for special district for lighting the petitioner will present certified funds equal to cost estimated by power company to provide that service from time of inception of service to time of next tax billing. He explained, basically, services would be paid for in advance rather than paid after the fact. He said there were some other editorial changes but this was only change of any substance.

Commissioner Smith asked how administrative fee was handled in this draft. Mr. Franklin responded administrative fee was not changed, still allows up to a 15% administrative fee (cap of 15%) to be set by Board. He pointed out a provision for a minimum fee of \$50. was added to this draft.

Commissioner Hodges asked had administration cost been established or was that still unknown. Mr. Franklin said he would administrative fee based on each application for petition based on size, the number of parcels and other factors. He added this was just a suggestion, this would be part of process of accepting applications, this can adjusted from district to district.

Commissioner Hodges said one district could have a 12% fee where another might have a 6% fee based on actual cost. Mr. Franklin said that was correct. He said there was one very close to being ready to start and there was no problem in setting fee on that particular one.

Chairman Anderson said one thing bothered him and that was, he didn't believe it was possible to keep districts separate. He added all departments involved had to cooperate, had to keep timely detailed records. He continued everyone is going to try their best to keep district separate, but to inform everyone up front this could be a problem.

Commissioner Alston said procedure would be to adopt this Ordinance and signatures would be collected on petition and at time it will be determined if Public Hearing is necessary. He asked time frame for Public Hearing.

Mr. Franklin explained the Public Hearing has to be held 10 days prior to time petition is be considered.

Commissioner Hodges said administration cost would have to set before that 10 day period and before Public Hearing so that district would know what that cost. He added all cost of running ads, posting signs, etc. would be a part of the administration cost. Chairman Anderson said that the way he understood it.

Commissioner Hodges said he wanted to make sure that area where street are installed, those customers are paying for this service, not any other tax payers. Chairman Anderson said that was the intent.

Chairman Anderson said there were already some up front legal cost and he thought this would have to amortized over a period of time.

Chairman Anderson asked Board's consideration on this Ordinance. He said first the Ordinance needed to be adopted and if Board wanted to deal with administrative fee on this district or wait until the next meeting.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to adopt the Ordinance and set maximum on the administrative fee, saying if maximum is excessive, it can be reduced later. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion.

In discussion Mr. Wood commented the maximum fee is 15% and he thought this might propose some significant problems for Irongate. Mr. Jay Studstill said in beginning of discussion for administrative fee they were prepared to deal with 5% to 10%. He added 15% has not been discussed and they felt it could be handled with a 5% charge. Commissioner Hodges asked what

were figures showing. Chairman Anderson responded in looking at figures different percentages have been considered and feel comfortable with 10%. Opposition of plan was voiced from floor and question was asked about cost to change computer in Tax Office to handle this program. He said his main interest was fees and he thought 5% was ridiculous, 15% was almost ridiculous. He asked where money would come from to pay legal cost when Tax Commissioner has to levy for nonpayment. Chairman Anderson said this is third meeting in which this plan has been discussed and Commissioners have tried to address all these issues and this is not intended to cost any other taxpayers any money. Chairman Anderson asked Ms. Johnson what computer cost would be. Ms. Johnson said figure previously given had not changed, at this time it appears this cost will be approximately \$1000. Mr. Studstill commented Ordinance drafted by Mr. Franklin has flexibility to protect the county. He said there is no perfect Ordinance, but in looking at other Ordinances around that State, this one is best by far.

Chairman Anderson asked for vote on motion as stated. Motion carried with three votes in favor and one against. Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Alston and Commissioner Hagin voted in favor of motion, Commissioner Hodges voted against motion. See exhibit #1993-31.

Chairman Anderson said next item on agenda, RDC Board Appointment, would be tabled until information was received from RDC office. He added item of space utilization would be handled informally at end of meeting.

For new business, Chairman Anderson said it had been brought to his attention that an employee had performed an outstanding service for Bulloch County. He recognized Ted Wynn, Public Safety Director, to give details. Mr. Wynn said it was difficult to recognize one employee in the emergency service business because there are so many people involved in a call. The first one to take a call is the 911 operator who initiates the response. He explained the 911 operator, in a life and death situation, keeps the caller on the line until help arrives. This was the case on July 2nd when Ms. Kelli Barnard took a from an obstetrical patient where both the mother's and baby's life were in danger. He said, according to the physician, the advise given by Ms. Barnard changed the situation from a life and death situation. He added emergency medical calls are the most difficult to handle and he thought Ms. Barnard's handling of this call speaks well of Ms. Gracen's training problem. He asked Ms. Barnard and Ms. Janice Gracen, E911 Coordinator, to come forward to be recognized. Mr. Wynn presented Ms. Barnard with a Certificate of Appreciation accompanied by a round of applause from the audience. Mr. Wynn also recognized Ms. Barnard's parents, Bobby and June Cato.

Chairman Anderson thanked Ms. Barnard and Ms. Gracen for all they do. He said the county has a lot of good employee and he wanted to take time to recognize Ms. Barnard.

Chairman Anderson said Mr. Kirk Tatum, County Engineer, had been introduced yesterday and asked Mr. Tatum to stand for benefit of those who might not know him. He added he was glad to have the County Engineer position filled.

Next item on agenda was Resolution on Solid Waste Management Plan Addendum. Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Bob Smith to present this item. Mr. Smith advised the Solid Waste Plan was presented to RDC in early July but did not meet compliance because of some total cost analysis in the plan need to broken into more specific detail. He said the Addendum does not change the basic plan but does make changes that RDC requires. He added this involves not only Bulloch County, but all municipalities in the county.

Commissioner Hodges offered a motion to approved Resolution authorizing submission of Solid Waste Management Plan Addendum to RDC for review. Commissioner Hagin seconded the motion. In discussion Mr. Wood asked if municipalities had supplied anything needed. Mr. Smith said municipalities were to respond directly to RDC and he has followed up two. He added they will have to approved this Addendum in a Council meeting and not all have met. Motion approving Resolution authorizing submission of Solid Waste Management Plan Addendum to RDC was carried. See exhibit #1993-32

Another item was for discussion by Mr. Smith was equipment for solid waste compactor sites. Mr. Smith advised bids were let for equipment for four collection sites with advertisement in local newspaper and with invitation sent to seven companies with five companies responding. He added invitations were sent to three fencing companies, who all responded. He reviewed bids received for equipment for collection sites and fencing for sites. He continued Marathon Equipment was low bid on three items (compactor, recycling containers, 20 yard roll-off container) and Mayo Equipment was low bid on one item (40 yard roll-off container). He remarked Eagle Fence Company was second low bid for fencing, Central

Fence Company of Swainsboro was low but Eagle Fence is a local company and bid was within 5% range of low bid.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Smith to explain how purchase of this equipment would be financed if approved. Mr. Smith responded this equipment would be financed by special local optional sales tax. He added the total cost for equipment for one site was \$29,515.95 with fencing cost for one center of \$4,584.

Commissioner Hodges offered to accept Mr. Smith's recommendation for purchase of equipment and fencing for solid waste compactor sites. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried. Equipment to be purchased from Marathan Equipment - 5 compactors, \$50,340.50; 8 recycling containers, \$29,204.40; 12 20 yard roll-off containers, \$24,795. Equipment to be purchased from Mayco Company - 8 40 yard roll-off containers, \$23,792. Fencing to be purchased from Eagle Fencing Company for approximate cost of \$4,584.68 per site.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Wood to address next item, change order for health department construction.

Mr. Wood present proposed change order for health department construction and said some of this was discussed at previous meeting. He continued because of soil condition some changes were needed at an additional cost of \$1956 and due to weather conditions earlier in year, an extension of 47 days for completion was needed. Mr. Wood gave updated report on construction, saying structural steel framing at front has been erected and masonry was completed up to window sills.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Hagin and carried, change order for Health Department was approved.

Next item for discussion was closing of county road #232. Chairman Anderson remarked this road was off Highway 301 South adjacent to Gracewood Baptist Church. He said with acquisition of right-of-way for the by-pass there was a commitment by the previous administration to close this road. He presented a County Road Abandonment Certification and advise signatures of all property owners have been obtained.

Commissioner Smith said this road is used frequently as connector to Old Register and he felt it would be wrong to close road, unless there is a urgent reason, before by-pass is opened.

Commissioner Hodges said as soon as this road is closed people will begin using perimeter road even if it's not open.

Chairman Anderson asked for Warden Akins' comment. Mr. Akins said contractor, Reeves Construction, has requested road be closed because construction of curb and gutter work cannot be completed on Highway 301 unless this road is closed. Mr. Akins explained, originally there was to be a cul-de-sac on end of road by church but church was afraid when people came down to cul-de-sac they would cut across church lawn and grounds. For this reason, church had asked for road to be completely closed. Mr. Akins said for contractor to complete by-pass, curb and gutter work has to be done, which will close the road on Highway 301.

Commissioner Smith asked if this short section of by-pass could be opened. Chairman Anderson asked if this could be tabled for two weeks and check with D.O.T on opening this section of by-pass. Mr. Akins said this would delay contractor.

Mr. Akins said he could possibly make contact D.O.T. this morning. Chairman Anderson said if Mr. Akins could contact D.O.T. before meeting adjourned, this could be deferred until end of meeting. Mr. Akins said he would try to contact D.O.T.

Chairman Anderson said Ms. Pat Wharam of D.O.T. was to discuss transportation plan and asked if she was present. Ms. Wharam had not arrived and Chairman Anderson said maybe Ms. Wharam could make presentation later.

Chairman Anderson asked for any other business or comments. Ms. Jenny Anderson said she was representing United Way of Southeast Georgia. She said the 1994 United Way Campaign would be launched soon and they were coordinating a "Day of Caring" instead of usual kick off. She explained she had been asked to Chair this "Day of Caring" which will be September 8th through September 10th. She said this "Day of Caring" will actually bring together volunteers from corporations, small business, community service groups, as well as any other citizens who want to make a difference in the community. She said during these "Days of Caring" volunteers will be teamed to complete needed projects in United Way agencies as well as other projects in the community. She said at a later date they would asked the Commissioners and City Council to jointly issue a proclamation declaring September 8th through 10th as a "Day of Caring".

Chairman Anderson thanked Ms. Anderson for her presentation.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments before Board went into Executive Session. Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, meeting was moved into Executive Session to discuss legal matters.

Regular session was reconvened. Chairman Anderson said closing of county road #232 had been discussed earlier and action delayed pending contact with Department of Transportation on status of opening by-pass. He asked Mr. Akins if he had been able to make contact with D.O.T.

Mr. Akins advised he had made contact with Jimmy Driggers, Area Engineer, who said it was a must that road be closed on Highway 301 end so curb and gutter work can be done as well as ditching. Mr. Driggers said this end (on Hwy 301) had to be closed and it was either close both ends or let traffic go through church's yard.

Commissioner Smith asked if they would allow that stretch of the by-pass to be used. Mr. Akins responded no, Mr. Driggers said it would be early to mid September before the by-pass could be used.

Commissioner Smith comment it seemed Board didn't really have a choice. He offered a motion to close county road #232. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion and it carried. See exhibit #1993-32 - County Road Abandonment Certification.

Chairman Anderson comment that Ms. Pat Wharam had arrived and asked her to explain the Department of Transportation Plan.

Ms. Wharam said she had meet with a group of Bulloch County citizens who were interested in rural public transportation and this is program D.O.T. has offered for some time. She explained the goal of the program is to provide transportation to area residents to place they need to go and D.O.T. role is to administer in partnership with local county government. She reviewed D.O.T. role as well as county's role and said it's basically a transportation system design to fit the needs of the county. She said a goal set for vehicle utilization is 500 one way passenger trips per month per vehicle which is not difficult to obtain. She added the county is asked to generate at least 20% of operation budget in fares or revenues, if 20% is not met, it becomes part of the local match. She gave the funding ratios, capital - 80% federal funds, 10% state funds, 10% county funds; operating - 80% of administrative cost is funded and 50% of deficient (remaining cost after application of 20%) operation cost is funded. She said time is of the essences if Bulloch County choses to get into this program for next year, applications have to be to Atlanta by October 1st. She said if Bulloch County wants to apply for funding for '94, need immediate action.

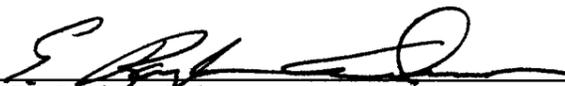
Mr. Wood asked what was involved in application process. Ms. Wharam said the immediate action would constitute a letter of commitment for application for funding. Mr. Wood asked if this application could be somewhat conditional to make sure mechanization is in place and also there are no funds in this year's budget for this program. Ms. Wharam said delivery of equipment would not take place until probably this time next year, budgeting wouldn't be problem.

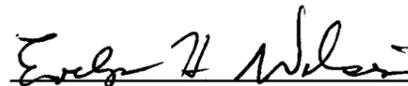
Mr. Wood asked how binding a letter would be. Ms. Wharam said the letter is not binding but county needs to commit to writing a letter this week, needs to be in Atlanta by August 10th, that would suffice for today with a resolution adopted in next Board meeting.

Chairman Anderson suggested letter of commitment be given and asked Mr. Wood and Commissioner Simmons to research plan to present to Board for further consideration.

Commissioner Smith offered a motion authorizing Mr. Wood to write letter of commitment for Bulloch County. Commissioner Hodges seconded motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson asked other business or comments. Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, meeting was adjourned subject to call.


E. Raybon Anderson


ATTEST

August 17, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 8:30 A.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hodges and Commissioner Smith present. Commissioner Beacham and Commissioner Hagin were absent.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the news media and twelve visitors. Commissioner Alston gave the invocation.

Minutes of the called meeting on August 2, 1993, the Executive Session on August 2, 1993, the regular meeting on August 3, 1993 and Executive Session on August 3, 1993 were presented. Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, minutes of the four meetings were approved as presented.

The first item of old business was a report on delinquent taxes by Tax Commissioner Carlene Johnson. Ms. Johnson presented a report which showed collections of unpaid taxes and also a computer list of delinquent taxpayers. She reported two property were put on sale on the first Tuesday of August, one property sold and with no sale on the other. She continued since the sale she has had about twenty-two call concerning the no sale, this property will be advertised again and will sell at the next offering. She advised there were 30-35 properties being prepared for the next sale which would be the first Tuesday in October.

Commissioner Smith asked, when property sold in excess of taxes owed, were other expenses involved in the sale recouped. Ms. Johnson said yes, these expenses were included in the sale of the property.

Chairman Anderson thanked Ms. Johnson for her report.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Wood to give update on the D.O.T. Transportation Plan.

Mr. Wood remarked on Pat Wharam's presentation on this Plan at the last meeting and said several agencies had met to discuss this plan which has an application deadline on October 1st. He commented questions to be answers were, who would administer this program, who would benefit and how much it would cost. He said plan was to present formal recommendation to the Board at the first meeting in September.

The next item for consideration was partial closing of county road #153 (Jimps Road). Chairman Anderson commented the request was to close this road from the railroad right-of-way to Cypress Lake Road. He said the reason for the closing was the new industry to be located on this site. He added the property on both sides of road was now owned by Development Authority but previous owners had signed petition to close this portion of the road.

Commissioner Hodges said the portion of road from Highway 301 to railroad would remain open. Chairman Anderson replied yes, it would remain open, be moved and upgraded.

Commissioner Smith offered a motion to close portion of county #153 (Jimps Road) from railroad to Cypress Lake Road. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion and it carried. See County Road Abandonment Certification, exhibit #1993-33.

Chairman Anderson remarked roads to be considered for paving had been discussed for some time and called attention to list of twenty-two roads for consideration. He reminded everyone of Department of Transportation recent requirement for eighty foot right-of-way. He commented property owners on a few roads on this list have already agreed to eighty feet but roads which have petitions designating sixty feet will have to have petition designating eighty feet resubmitted.

Commissioner Hodges said for example, if eighty foot couldn't be obtained on road #2 it would drop down and road #3 would move up if it was ready. Chairman Anderson said that was correct, the only deviation would be if #3, #4 or #5 were ready before #2 and need to move, would pick up on #5 while waiting on signatures on #2, #3 or #4.

Chairman Anderson asked if order in which roads were listed needed any change. He said order could be changed at any time, this is just a projection.

Mr. Wood commented petition for Rolling Woods Subdivision had been submitted on a sixty foot right-of-way. Chairman Anderson said according to Jimmy Driggers of Department of Transportation these roads could be paved on sixty foot because it was in a subdivision. He said Rolling Woods could be added if Board approved.

Commissioner Hodges said if Rolling Woods has already been approved and signature obtained, why not add it to the list. Chairman Anderson commented, when this subdivision was developed, sixty foot roads were built. It was agreed Rolling Woods Subdivision would be added to road paving list as road 22.

Commissioner Alston offered a motion to approve the road paving priority list with addition of Rolling Woods Subdivision. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and it

carried.

Next item of business was roofing bids and recommendation for North Main Annex. Jimmy Dodgen advised this project was advertised and three bids received, Southeastern Roofing Systems - \$26,000; Coastal Roofing - \$27,836; Wallace Wiggins Company - \$30,420. He said, after reviewing bids and specifications, acceptance of low bid from Southeastern Roofing Systems was recommended. Mr. Dodgen presented a contract which had been reviewed by County Attorney's Office and said contract along with other documents, including worker compensation certificate, would be required execution. He added he recommended no payment be made until entire project was completed.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, bid of \$26,000 from Southeastern Roofing Systems for re-roofing of North Main Annex was accepted.

Chairman Anderson asked for other old business. Commissioner Hodges reported the cemetery which was thought to be on the Recreation Department property on Highway 24 had been investigated by him and the County Engineer and the cemetery is not on the county's property. He recommended a letter being written to Mrs. Yates explaining this cemetery was not on county property and also some contact be made with Mr. Mikell.

Going into new business Chairman Anderson explained the Airport owed the City and County a debt which occurred with the city and county put funds into the airport account to build hangers several years ago. He said this debt had been paid down to roughly \$14,000 and the airport is operating at a deficit with level of funding from city and county. He said in a meeting of the airport committee an increase in city and county funding was discussed and it was decided not to increase the contribution but to forgive the debt. He explained the airport was paying a payment each month to the city and county and by forgiving debt these payment would be eliminated with no increase in contribution. He commented City Council had already approved to forgive debt owed by Airport to City.

Commissioner Hodges offered a to forgive the debt owed by Airport. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson recognized Mr. David Fountain concerning road paving project. Mr. said he understood there would be an attempt to get necessary signatures to pave Oak Grove Church Road and a petition signed by a number of people had been submitted. But in looking at the list for paving, the road is not on the list.

Chairman Anderson responded the road was on the list as item #3 (Ponderosa Road). Mr. Fountain said that was Ponderosa not Oak Grove Church Road, Oak Grove crosses Ponderosa. Chairman Anderson explained this project would be a combination of portion of Ponderosa and Oak Grove.

Chairman Anderson remarked the 80' requirement has occurred since he spoke with Mr. Fountain and now a petition signed by all property owners agreeing to give 80' right-of-way would need to be submitted to Commissioners.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business. There being no other business, Chairman Anderson remarked an Executive Session was needed to discuss personnel matters and real estate acquisition.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, meeting was moved in Executive Session to discuss personnel matter and real estate acquisition.

The regular session was reconvened. Chairman Anderson asked for further business or discussion. Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

Evelyn K. Wilson
ATTEST

E. Raybon Anderson
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September 7, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 6:00 P.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Simmons and Commissioner Smith present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order welcoming news media and visitors. The Chairman asked for a moment of silent prayer in remembrance of the late Commissioner Hagin and Commissioner Simmons followed with the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on August 17, 1993 and Executive Session on August 17, 1993 were presented. Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, minutes of the two meetings were approved as presented.

The first item of old business was the D.O.T. Transportation Plan with a presentation from Mr. Earl Cummings. He explained that the plan objective is to provide transportation in Bulloch County for education, training, and employment as transportation has been identified as the second major barrier to these opportunities. Pat Wharam with the D.O.T., in earlier discussion, gave the opportunity to make application to operate two vans in Bulloch County. Mr. Cummings stated in order to qualify the vans would be required to make five thousand passenger trips per van, per year, for a total of ten thousand passenger trips. In determining the level of need for Bulloch County several agencies were surveyed showing that Bulloch County would well exceed over twenty thousand trips per year. Mr. Cummings explained that the county would be responsible for only ten-percent of the financial obligations of these vans with the state and federal government paying ninety-percent of the capitol expenses. He also stated that the state and federal government would pay a higher percentage of the operating costs of these vans. He said this information was available at the Commissioners' requests.

Commissioner Hodges asked if these vans would be handicap accessible. Mr. Cummings replied it is mandatory that one of the two must be handicap accessible. Mr. Cummings suggested that Ogeechee Technical Institute might be considered in the operation of the plan but that there were other agencies also to be considered.

No action was taken by the board on the Transportation Plan but it is to be reviewed by the County Manager's Office who then will make a recommendation to the board.

The second item on the agenda was bids for widening of Arcola, Cypress Lake and Ash Branch Roads. Four bids were submitted with the low bidder being Reeves Construction. A motion was made by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, to accept the low bid totaling \$248,594.19 from Reeves Construction.

The next item of old business was the Lighting District Petition for the Irongate Subdivision. County Manager Scott Wood advised the petition submitted had been verified by Tax Assessor John Scot who confirmed it consisted of more than seventy-five percent of the property owners in the subdivision. He recommended the board proceed, post signs and schedule a public hearing. A motion was made by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried to post signs for the Public Hearing to precede the regular session board meeting on September 21, 1993. The hearing will begin at 8:00 A.M.

The next item of business was condemnation of properties to proceed with the paving of Old River Road; properties of Lonnie Brown, Jr., Clifford & Charlotte Murray and Mrs. R.H. Tyson. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried to adopt Resolutions and condemn all three properties. See exhibits #1993-34, #1993-35, #1993-36.

The last item of old business was regarding the re-roofing of the North Main Annex. Chairman Anderson advised re-roofing would be readvertised and rebid due to legalities.

Going into the new business, the Fee Schedule for Environmental Health Services with the Bulloch County Health Department was discussed. A motion was made by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried to readopt the existing schedule which had been previously adopted by the Board of Health. See exhibit #1993-37. Commissioner Alston asked that the Health Department survey surrounding counties to verify that Bulloch County is in the same range fee.

The second matter of business was an Amendment To The Bulloch County Code of Ordinances - on site sewage management systems, the waiting period and the amount of fill. A motion was made by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried to adopt the amendment. See exhibit #1993-38.

The next matter of business was a second Amendment To The Bulloch County Code of Ordinances - pertaining to onsite sewage management systems, flood plain, bed system and bond. After some discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried to adopt the amendment. See exhibit #1993-39.

On August 19, 1993, bids were opened for a wheel loader and an all wheel drive motor grader with a \$4,842 difference between Carlton Company and Industrial Tractor on the wheel loader and \$4,593 difference on motor grader. Bids were as follow: Carlton Company - Wheel Loader \$119,342.00 and Motor Grader \$159,543.00; Industrial Tractor - Wheel Loader \$114,500.00 and Motor Grader \$154,950.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried to accept the low bid totalling \$269,450 from Industrial Tractor.

Ted Wynn, Public Safety Director, briefed the board on recent accomplishments of the public safety division along with a future three to five year growth plan including proper facilities, training, and staffing of medical and fire programs.

Tina Hendrix, with Main Street, addressed the issue of the downtown parking highlighting the courthouse area. The plan proposed to add approximately twenty-four parking spaces and changing Siebald and Courtland Streets into one-way traffic around the courthouse square. She stated that the plan had been tested and also reviewed by professional traffic engineers. She also commented that the main purpose of the plan was to make the downtown area more pedestrian friendly. She noted that the City of Statesboro would be preparing to begin the project of restripping as soon as proper notification was given.

Gerald Hughes came before the board with a petition of over seven hundred signatures of Bulloch County residents asking for help from the Commission on saving and improving the local river landings. He also submitted a letter from the Department of Natural Resources stating it's willingness to assist in adding river ramps for boaters. After discussion and suggestions from Mr. Hughes and others in the group, the board agreed to study the problem more closely considering appointing a committee to begin a plan for the project, also asking for cooperation from the communities in patrolling these landings against violators. Another interest of the board was available land to be donated to aid in providing adequate landings for citizens.

Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, the meeting was moved into executive session to discuss personnel matters and land acquisition.

Regular session was reconvened. Chairman Anderson asked for further business or comments. There being no other business upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.


ATTEST


E. Raybon Anderson

September 13, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

Called Meeting

The Board met in the library of the North Main Annex at 5:30 P.M. for a called meeting. Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges and Commissioner Smith were present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and stated the purpose of this meeting was to discuss a personnel matter which would require an Executive Session. He asked if there was any business to discuss prior to Executive Session.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, meeting was moved into Executive Session to discuss personnel matter.

Regular session was reconvened. Chairman Anderson asked for action on staff attorney position.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Alston and unanimously carried, County Manager was authorized to proceed with process to fill a staff attorney position. Board asked Mr. Wood to keep them informed during this process.

Chairman Anderson asked for further business or comments. Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, the meeting was adjourned.


ATTEST


E. Raybon Anderson

September 21, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

PUBLIC HEARING - 8:00 A.M.
Irongate Subdivision Lighting District

Persons present: Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham and Commissioner Hodges. News media and 10 citizens.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and announced the purpose of this Public Hearing was to discuss proposed establishment of Irongate Lighting District. He explained a motion was passed at previous meeting to create this special lighting district and property owners in this area would be asked to pay a 15% administrative fee in addition to bill from Georgia Power. He asked for public comments on this proposed lighting district.

Mr. Jay Studstill commented he had submitted the petition containing 85% of property owners and they certainly would like to have this lighting district established in their neighborhood.

Tax Commissioner Carlene Johnson asked if this district is established, charges for lighting will be on the '93 tax bill. Chairman Anderson said yes, charges would be on '93 tax bill.

Commissioner Beacham said there had been some discussion on the administrative fee and Commissioner Smith's original motion set the maximum administrative fee of 15%, saying fee could be reviewed later. He said there was an obligation to review that fee and suggested administrative fee be reviewed after tax bills are out and a collection record is established.

Chairman Anderson said Mr. James "Bud" Johnston had asked to be heard at this hearing but due to his wife's sudden illness he could not attend. Chairman Anderson said Mr. Johnston had sent a statement which he would read into the record.

Mr. Johnston objected on two points, 15% administration fee and prepayment. His statement was objection to 15% administration fee and having to prepay for service. He thought 15% was excessive and paying for service in advance was unfair, residents of Iron Gate were not going to move away and leave bills unpaid.

Commissioner Alston said he had commented on administrative fee to Mr. Studstill during this process, saying there was no history to evaluate to establish this fee and it can be reviewed once that history is established.

Chairman Anderson said he thought this was understood, fee would be reviewed after full year operation and collection of taxes.

Chairman Anderson asked for other discussion or public comment on the Irongate Lighting District.

There being no other comments, upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, Public Hearing was closed.


ATTEST


E. Raybon Anderson

September 21, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 8:30 A.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commission Beacham and Commissioner Hodges present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the news media and seven visitors. Commissioner Beacham gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on September 7, 1993, Executive Session on September 7, 1993, called meeting on September 13, 1993 and Executive Session on September 13, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, minutes of these four meeting were approved as presented.

Chairman Anderson called on Tax Commissioner Carlene Johnson to give a report on delinquent tax collection. Ms. Johnson presented a computerized listing of tax collections since July 1st and said she was very proud of what they have been able to accomplish. She remarked there were four properties remaining for sale on the first Tuesday in October but she has received information that these taxes will be paid before the first Tuesday.

Commissioner Alston asked how much had been collected since the last report. Ms. Johnson advised that \$193,000 of '92 taxes have been collected since July 1st and report shows detail for each year.

Commissioner Hodges asked if penalties and interest were collected on delinquencies. Ms. Johnson said yes, penalties, interest, as well as collection cost, were being collected.

Commissioners thanked Ms. Johnson for her report.

Item of old business was RDC Board appointments. Chairman Anderson explained RDC is going through reorganization and makeup of RDC Board has changed. He said it has been recommended the county have two appointments, the city have one appointment, with one other appointment such as City of Brooklet since it is the next large city. He asked approval for Commissioner Alston and Commissioner Beacham to represent the county. He said City of Statesboro has made their nomination but the City of Brooklet has not.

Commissioner Hodges offered a motion appointing Commissioner Alston and Commissioner Beacham to a one year term on the RDC Board. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and it carried.

Moving into new business Chairman Anderson said the Public Hearing for proposed Irongate Lighting District was held this morning and next step in process was approval of resolution creating this Lighting District.

Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, resolution to create a streetlight tax district for Irongate Subdivision was approved. See exhibit #1993-40.

Chairman Anderson presented a contract with Department of Transportation for pipe replacement at Buck Creek on Old River Road and at Big Branch on Westside Road, total amount of contract is \$75,318.00.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, contract with Department of Transportation for pipe replacement was approved.

Chairman Anderson asked Bob Smith, Environmental Manager, to present information on Clean Community Ordinance.

Mr. Smith presented a proposal to amend the existing Clean Community Ordinance and said one of the major complaints concerns junk yards, salvage yards, stored junk/wrecked vehicles and auto repair businesses. He advised this amendment would allow the county to require fencing and screening around existing and future junk yards, salvage yards and auto repair businesses.

Commissioner Hodges asked if this amendment is adopted, an established junk yard owner, etc., will have to erect a fence and buffer. Mr. Bob Smith said yes, a six foot in height fence with buffers on roadways and between residential areas. He added there was a gray area on type of plants to be used for buffering, he and Mr. Franklin have discussed specifying type of plants.

Commissioner Beacham commented, ultimately, all this will be addressed in the zoning ordinance but do need something in the interim.

Mr. Smith said zoning will restrict with districts also, this is not as strict as zoning ordinance will be.

Chairman Anderson asked if this amendment passes, how long will established businesses have to comply.

Mr. Smith said review of some zoning ordinance with this clause show allowance of up to one year to comply which he thought was reasonable.

Commissioner Hodges asked if action would be taken on this amendment today. Mr. Franklin said this was the first draft, he and Mr. Smith would review and present final draft for adoption at a later meeting.

Chairman Anderson said a copy of resolution had been distributed to Board concerning another ordinance dealing with multi-family housing which needs some review and asked Jimmy Dodgen, Building Inspector, to address this subject.

Mr. Dodgen said they felt this resolution was needed for two reasons, city annexation and county zoning. He continued some developers are trying to go into areas of county now which will be annexed on January 1st to beat annexation and city zoning. He remarked he was trying to cooperate with city to try to prevent someone doing something just to beat annexation. He added it was well known that county zoning is in planning stage and history shows that before zoning become effective everyone tries to beat zoning ordinance. He said there was a section in the Subdivision Ordinance, Article VIII for plan development which covered mobile home parks, apartment complexes, condominium, planned unit development and commercial complexes. He explained this was a catch all for anything that didn't fit another section of ordinance. For example, if someone buys ten acres and does not create a subdivision, then they could argue that they don't fall under the subdivision ordinance. But under Article VIII a subdivision does not

have to be created, just a plan development. Mr. Dodgen said they were asking the Board's approval for enforcement of Article VIII to include developments other than subdivision so Planning Commission has more control in these areas.

Commissioner Alston offered a motion to adopt Resolution proposed by Bulloch County Planning Commission authorizing full compliance for all multiple-family, commercial and industrial projects with terms of Article VIII of the Subdivision Regulations for Bulloch County. Commissioner Beacham seconded the motion and it carried. See exhibit #1993-41.

Chairman Anderson reviewed letter received Mrs. Faye Hagin and the Hagin Family thanking the Commissioners for their support during Commissioner Edgar Hagan tenure as County Commissioner and during his illness and funeral.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. There being no further business or comments, upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.


ATTEST


E. Raybon Anderson

October 5, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 6:00 P.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges and Commissioner Smith present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the news media and nine visitors. Commissioner Hodges gave the invocation.

Minutes of the Public Hearing on September 21, 1993 and the regular meeting on September 21, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, minutes of these two meetings were approved as distributed.

Chairman Anderson said Ms. Adele Davenport had presented a proclamation for his signature and asked her to give details of this proclamation. Ms. Davenport explained that Governor Miller had proclaimed the week of October 3-9 as the Week of the Child and today, October 5th, as the Day of the Child. She said this is to recognize the importance of children in the state of Georgia and this proclamation was to proclaim the October 5th as the Day of the Child in Bulloch County.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, proclamation for October 5th as the Day of the Child in Bulloch County was approved. Chairman Anderson signed and presented this proclamation to Ms. Davenport.

For old business, Chairman Anderson called on Susan Hill for an updated on progress of zoning committees.

Ms. Hill said as part of Bulloch County commitment to maintaining and improving the quality of life in the county it's important for government and citizens to work together to plan for growth. She continued the Comprehensive Plan is being followed closely and the Zoning Plan will be the tool to plan growth. She advised the zoning subcommittees have been meeting weekly and most or all of written portions have been completed. She said, hopefully, by first part of December plan will compiled and presented for Board's review with Plan to be presented to public the first of next year. She announced the zoning plan was on schedule.

Commissioner Beacham commented zoning committees were working hard and process was moving forward.

Chairman Anderson thanked Ms. Hill for her report and said Board was pleased that project was on schedule.

Next item for consideration was the D.O.T. Transportation Plan. Chairman Anderson said this Plan had been discussed in previous meeting and asked Mr. Wood for his comments.

Mr. Wood said he had submitted this Plan to the Board along with a letter pointing out some issues but with no recommendation. He asked if there were any questions regarding his letter and said staff was prepared to respond to Board's decision.

Commissioner Smith said, in reviewing Plan, state and local funds would be providing some \$22,835 and what portion of that amount would be local funds. Mr. Wood said, if he recalled correctly, the state participates in subsidizing the operating deficit (50% of operation less fees collected). He commented, according to information, everyone has an operating deficit.

Chairman Anderson asked if recommendation was to hold action until have further study. Mr. Wood said it was difficult to make a formal recommendation, this is a program of long term, on going consequence. He added there hasn't been an abundance of time for study for a program of this magnitude.

Commissioner Simmons commented time to meet funding for this year has passed, it was due the middle of September. He said he would like continued consideration for next year.

Commissioner Hodges offered a motion for continued study of D.O.T. Transportation Plan with update to Board later in year. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion and it carried.

The first item of new business was discussion of Hospital Board appointments. Chairman Anderson advised Board member, Mr. Tom Wood, had resigned. He said this is being presented for information and asked Commissioners make recommendations for nominations to be made at next scheduled meeting. He stated a new position for another physician on the Hospital Board will be filled later this year and Commissioners need to make nominations for this position before Hospital Board meeting in November. He suggested nominations for one position be made in the next meeting and nominations for physician position be made in the following meeting. He said list of physicians would be requested from Hospital to be provided to Commissioners. He added if list physicians was received and could be disbursed to Commissioner, both nominations could be made at next meeting.

Chairman Anderson recognized Mr. Don Lanier and asked if he would like to make any comments. Mr. Lanier said he was representing some of the major industrial employers and presented a resolution signed by representative of several industries. The petition requested all terms of appointments and recommendations of appointments made by Commissioners to existing boards, authorities, commissions, etc. be limited to two year terms with a maximum of three two year terms.

Commissioner Alston commented there could be some conflict in limitation of two year terms, some appointments are governed by State Law.

Commissioner Hodges asked if Commissioners could be furnished with information on Board appointments which are regulated by State Law. This information will be researched for Hospital Authority appointments as well as other appointments.

Chairman Anderson asked for presentation of bid results and recommendation on loader rake. Mr. Wood said Warden Akins had been involved in this process and recommended purchase of loader rake from Industrial Tractor which was the low bid. He remarked there were three companies who submitted bids: Carlton Company - \$4,617.; Industrial Tractor Company - \$4,246.; Strum Equipment Company - \$4,472 (Rockland) and \$4,532 (Pemberton).

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, bid of \$4,246 for loader rake from Industrial Tractor was accepted.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Wood to present bid results and recommendation for roll-off hoist for compactor site. Mr. Wood remarked seven companies were invited to bid on this equipment with five submitting bids: Mayo Equipment - \$18,782; Consolidated Equipment - \$15,996; Park-Built Body - \$16,325; Transport Equipment Co. - \$17,206; Municipal Equipment - \$15,642. Mr. Wood said he along with Bob Smith, Environmental Manager, recommended purchase from Municipal Equipment.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, bid of \$15,642 for roll-off hoist from Municipal Equipment was accepted.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. Commissioner Alston commented he and Commissioner Beacham had attended the meeting of the RDC Board last Thursday and there was some discussion on the Economic Development Districts proposed by the Governor's Office. He added there was some concern that RDC lines might take same lines of these Economic Development Districts but RDC Board did not make any official comment. He advised the next RDC Board meeting in November would be held in Bulloch County.

Commissioner Beacham said, in his opinion, a most significant point in this meeting was the high esteem of Mr. Emit Deal by that group. He commented they passed a resolution to be properly signed and distributed to various counties in the RDC.

Chairman Anderson recognized Mr. Bruce Hope saying Mr. Hope represented Georgia Southern Motorplex and wanted to present proposal for racetrack to the Board. He remarked Mr. Hope had met with him several times and, although the Commissioners didn't have a lot discretion over a racetrack, Mr. Hope wanted to do what was best for Bulloch County. He advised Mr. Hope to contact Register Community, Fire Department, Sheriff Akins and several others before proceeding.

Mr. Hope presented plans for a drag racing facility southwest of the intersection of highway 301 south and highway 46. He said he had met with the two residents nearest the facility and they have no objection to the racetrack. Also the Register City Council have been contacted and they have no objection at this time. Mr. Hope said the jurisdiction of the racetrack comes under the State Fire Marshall and all these requirements will be met. Racetrack has also been discussed with Sheriff Akins who said he had no objection as long as it's operated in orderly manner. Mr. Hope said there will be no alcohol beverages sold on the premises. He added two churches in the area have been considered with races on Sunday not beginning before 1:00 P.M. and races rescheduled in case of special church events. He said there was a noise factor involved with the racetrack but thought location was in an area where this wouldn't be a major problem. He asked if there were any questions.

Commissioner Smith asked what special consideration for safety would effect the county, such as fire protection, emergency, etc.

Mr. Hope said regulations of State Fire Marshall's Office will be met and there will be an ambulance with two attendants on premises during the entire time of a race. He added county will be paid of cost of ambulance and crew, this has been discussed with Lee Eckles.

Commissioner Smith asked if there was a buffer area. Mr. Hope responded yes, with wooded area.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Franklin if he knew of any requirements not covered. Mr. Franklin said he wasn't aware of any other requirements, it appears that Mr. Hope has done his homework.

Chairman Anderson thanked Mr. Hope for giving Commissioners details on this project.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business. Mr. Franklin said he was concerned with deadline on Cable TV occurring before the next Board meeting. He said the only action needed at this time was application for certification.

Mr. Wood said, if he understood correctly, making application did not bind county to any regulatory requirement. Mr. Franklin said that was correct, it just qualifies the county. Mr. Wood asked if it would be appropriate for Board to authorize Chairman, after further consultation with counsel, to file an application.

Mr. Franklin gave a brief explanation of Cable TV action saying under 1992 act of Congress regarding regulation of cable TV a bill passed giving right to local cities and counties to regulate rates of basic cable TV service. If cities and counties do not take affirmative action and make application by deadline, October 15th, or there would be no regulation of basic service. Mr. Franklin said FCC will continue to regulate additional service. He added the City of Statesboro has applied for certification which is an automatic grant to regulate the basic cable TV rates within City. He said the question is, does county want to make application for certification. He suggested Chairman be given authorization to make application and then answer question to do nothing or decide on methods of how to regulate. He said the certification will not mandate what county does, but if don't apply, then would have no regulatory authority.

Commissioner Smith said if there was nothing binding in making application, he thought Chairman should be give discretion to further review with counsel and use his authority.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, Chairman Anderson was given authority to file application for certification based upon advise from counsel.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. There being none, upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, meeting was adjourned subject to call.

Eugene H. Wilson
ATTEST

E. Raybon Anderson
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October 19, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 8:30 A.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges and Commissioner Smith present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed the news media and ten visitors. Commissioner Smith gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on October 5, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, minutes of October 5, 1993 meeting were approved as distributed.

Chairman Anderson said a Proclamation for "Red Ribbon Week" had been prepared and asked Mr. H.W.B. Smith to give details. Mr. Smith said he was representing the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council and the week of October 23rd through October 31st was "Red Ribbon Week" in Georgia, a campaign for support of alcohol and drug abuse programs.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, October 23rd through October 31st was proclaimed "Red Ribbon Week" in Bulloch County. Chairman Anderson signed and presented the Proclamation to Mr. Smith.

For old business Chairman Anderson said an amendment to the Clean Community Ordinance had been presented in previous meeting and Mr. Bob Smith, Environmental Manager, and Attorney Jimmy Franklin had completed final amendment for approval. He asked Mr. Franklin for any comments.

Mr. Franklin explained the amendment was really a separate Ordinance addressing a specific problem of junkyards, salvage yards, used auto parts yards, etc., but since there was no place to insert it in the Code it's an extension of the Clean Community Ordinance.

Commissioner Smith said one question was some definitions of junkyards versus service area, were these clear enough to make a determination. Mr. Franklin replied they had tried to define and make as clear as possible. He added they tried to give environmental officer some discretion while, hopefully, preserving the constitutional rights of property owners.

Commissioner Hodges said Ordinance required a fence not less than six feet for junkyard, salvage yards, etc. and this is required for businesses already established, how much time would established businesses have to comply with Ordinance. Mr. Smith responded established businesses would have six months to comply with Ordinance.

Commissioner Beacham noted the last paragraph called for penalty of violations as provided by the Code, what was the penalty. Mr. Smith said penalty was up to \$1,000 and/or up to 60 days in jail.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, Amendment to Bulloch Code of Ordinance was adopted. See exhibit #1993-42.

Another item of old business was Hospital Authority Board nominations. Chairman Anderson remarked the Commissioners submit three names to the Hospital Authority who then appoints one to serve on the Authority. He added at present there were two openings on the Authority, one newly created position for a physician and another position vacated when Mr. Tom Wood resigned. He said nomination for physician would be handled in this meeting, other nomination would be handled at later meeting. He said a slate of names of physicians had been distributed to the Board and asked for nominations.

Commissioner Hodges offered a motion to nominate Dr. Steven White, Dr. Steve Gottlieb and Dr. Gary Harrison for position on Hospital Authority. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson asked for other old business. Commissioner Hodges said he had several calls concerning boat landings on the river and was a committee to be appointed for this. Chairman Anderson said the Warden has been instructed to do a better job of maintaining and upgrading all the landings on route basis. He said he had discussed one problem area with the Sheriff who will make recommendations to the Board to clean that one up.

Moving into new business Chairman Anderson said the Airport Committee was proposing to hire an architect to begin recommendations for a terminal building. He commented he and Commissioner Smith serve on the Airport Committee but Commissioners and City Council will have to authorize contract with architect. He explained monies for this project will come from extended sales tax but Airport Committee would like to begin primary plans.

Commissioner Smith said it needs to be emphasized to Airport Committee and architect that this is the first month of collection of a four year sales tax and starting construction within the first year would substantially increase the cost or reduce the final product because of having to finance construction.

Chairman Anderson said this was a good point, the Committee is aware of this fact and he and Commissioner Smith will continue to emphasize this fact.

Commissioner Alston asked if final cost of this project had been established. Chairman Anderson said no, project was just in primary stages.

Commissioner Smith made a motion giving Chairman Anderson authorization to act on behalf of Commissioners to negotiate contract, in conjunction with city, for architect for airport terminal. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Alston commented he hoped a set of drawings developed could be paid for, be a nice terminal on paper but couldn't be financed. Chairman Anderson said the Committee had visited several airport terminals in the cost range of sales tax appropriations and he assured Board he would not approve any amount over money allocated. Motion giving Chairman authorization to negotiate contract, along with city, with architect for airport terminal was carried.

Chairman Anderson asked for other new business. There being no other business he recognized Mr. John F. Brannen who wanted to petition the Board to close a road.

Mr. Brannen said he and his cousin, W.S. Hanner, wanted to close a segment of county road 360, M.P. Martin Road. He presented a map marked with segment of road to be closed. He said this road has become a real problem for vandalism, trespassing, dumping of stray dogs, poaching and other such activities. He continued the road is approximately 3 miles long with timber on each side and he has the only house on the road. He said his request was to close approximately 1.5 miles of the road and if road was closed, Bulloch County would not have to give any service for the portion closed.

Chairman Anderson pinpointed the road, connecting roads and other property owners for Board. Commissioner Beacham commented it appeared this road was a direct route from Mudd Road to Highway 80. Chairman Anderson said it maybe the most direct route for the Martin family but this was a real sandy road and there is other access to Highway 80.

Commissioner Hodges asked if Martin family had been contacted. Chairman Anderson said no, he wanted Mr. Brannen to present his petition before anyone was contacted.

Commissioner Hodges asked what the next step would be, contact property owners. Chairman Anderson said Mr. Franklin advises all property owners have to be identified and notified by letter that the Board would consider this request at a meeting in the future and they need to be present at that meeting to express any objection to the Board. He said after this process is completed, the Board will make a decision.

Mr. Franklin said the test is, has the road ceased to serve a public purpose.

Chairman Anderson said John Roger Akins, Warden, and Kirk Tatum, Engineer, have both looked at the road and have no problem with Mr. Brannen's request. He said Ted Wynn, Public Safety Director, will review for public safety purposes.

Chairman Anderson advised Mr. Brannen that other property owners would be contacted and this request would be put on agenda for a later meeting.

Chairman Anderson recognized Mr. Dearl Deloach who had requested addressing Board on subdivision, rules, road and other matter. Mr. Deloach said his first item was appointment to Boards and Authorities by Commissioners, he knew of no appointments from southern part of the county. Chairman Anderson advised there were about 35 people appointed to Zoning Committee this year and several were from the Nevils Community and one member of Hospital Authority was from that area.

Mr. Deloach said his next item was subdivision regulations. He continued he agreed controls and regulations were needed but average working families should be considered in development of regulations. He remarked he had request from several people who would like to purchase from one to three acres of land and even though he has parcels with seventeen acres and five acres he couldn't cut out three acres to sell because it had already been subdivided. He said subdivision regulations wouldn't allow property to be divided into one and two acre tracts and if develop more than five lots, have to build road 60 feet wide and if develop more than ten lots, road has to be paved, this cost is passed on to the average working family who can least afford it. He said rules and regulations need to be used as guidelines, each and every piece of property being subdivided should be considered individually, force developer to put covenants on property but not to the extent that the average working family cannot own property. He added the subdivision regulations should be simplified and made fair for the entire county.

Mr. Deloach said the county has miles and miles of dirt roads which are approximately thirty feet wide but if new road is developed, as mandated by state, it must be sixty feet wide. Once again this cost would be passed on people who can least afford it. He remarked Bennett Road of approximately six miles, with about fifteen-twenty living on the entire road, his question was

why was it paved.

Chairman Anderson said this road was paved before this administration took office but it was approved by State who makes the determination that a road meets criteria.

Mr. Deloach said he held no animosity toward the Commissioners but something must be done for the average working family. He thanked the Board for their attention.

Commissioner Smith said the county has a very comprehensive zoning committee working which, in all respects, does not address this problem but many of questions concerning planning will be addressed in the final version of the comprehensive zoning plan. He added citizens from all areas of the county and all walks of life are involved in development of this plan.

Mr. Deloach presented two sketches to the Board and asked, if either should be approved, should both be approved, or should one be approved and one not approved.

Chairman Anderson said the Board didn't routinely get involved in these developments, but would study and give him their opinion but that wouldn't be debated in this meeting.

Commissioner Alston said from time to time the Board looks for citizens to serve on different Boards and if anyone wanted to serve or if anyone knew of someone who would like to serve, pass these names to the Board.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business. Mr. Wood said he and Chairman Anderson had met with city engineers, mayor pro tem and city administrator regarding award of contract to engineering consulting firm to be responsible for sampling, monitoring and reporting of ground water, methane gas, etc. at the landfill. He continued the recommendation from engineers is the award be made to Golder & Associates, an Atlanta based firm. He said bids were received from seven different firms with Golder being the second lowest bid, the lowest bid was from a firm they did not feel totally comfortable with the full scope of their capability and some prior work history with that firm. He explained cost would be paid from joint tippage fee account and more than adequate funds are available. He advised the first year's contract will be for \$71,800. He asked the Board to ratify the award of the contract.

Chairman Anderson commented the second year will be approximately \$35,900 and the landfill will have to be monitored for thirty years and he asked the engineers what to expect for the next thirty years, they said to expect nothing less. He said when new landfill is developed, it will also have to be monitored.

Commissioner Beacham commented the reasons for disqualifying the low bidder were well founded. Mr. Wood said he felt comfortable with recommendations made by city engineers who evaluated the bids and do have a prior work record with the lowest bidder.

Commissioner Beacham asked if the contract was renewal from year to year. Commissioner Hodges said contract was \$71,800 this year, \$35,900 next year and then contract would be negotiated again. Mr. Wood said that was correct.

Commissioner Alston offered a motion authorizing Chairman Anderson and Mr. Wood to negotiate contract for monitoring at the landfill. Commissioner Beacham seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson asked for any other business or comments. Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned.


E. Raybon Anderson


ATTEST

November 2, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 6:00 P.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Lee and Commissioner Smith present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcome the news media and 26+ visitors. Commissioner Alston gave the invocation.

Chairman Anderson recognized Commissioner Lee, who was sworn in this afternoon to fill term of Commissioner Edgar Hagin, and welcomed him to the Board.

Minutes of regular meeting on October 19, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, minutes of October 19, 1993 meeting were approved as distributed.

First item of old business was a report from Zoning Steering Committee. Chairman Anderson

asked Garrett Nevil, Co-chairman of the Committee, to give this report.

Mr. Nevil said the Zoning Committee had been working diligently and were proud of work that they had done. He advised the first draft was almost complete and was available for Commissioners' review, the next phase was the mapping. He presented a proposal for Commissioners' consideration.

Commissioner Lee asked when this Ordinance would take effect. Commissioner Beacham said Committee had been charged with January 1st effective date. Mr. Nevil added January 1st was still their goal.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Wood to present written report from Zoning Committee. Mr. Wood read report which gave status of draft for comprehensive Zoning Ordinance and a recommendation for obtaining legal counsel. The report stated committee was at stage where they recommended, in order to meet deadline and to insure legal compliance, an attorney with expertise in land use be consulted to review the rough drafts. The Committee recommended Frank Jenkins, an Atlanta based attorney, who is widely recognized as an expert in this field at a estimated cost of \$4,000 to \$6,000 based on 200 pages. The report also stated rough drafts were available for review by the Commissioners and asked that rough drafts be returned by Monday, Nov. 8th, for revisions before being sent to attorney. Mr. Wood concluded report was signed by Zoning Steering Committee and Co-Chairmen.

Chairman Anderson asked for questions on report from Steering Committee. Commissioner Beacham commented he had heard several programs by Mr. Jenkins and he is a recognized expert in this field. He added monies were budgeted for zoning.

Commissioner Smith offered a motion to accept the report from the Zoning Steering Committee and to authorize contacting Mr. Jenkins to assist in finalizing the Zoning Ordinance. Commissioner Beacham seconded the motion.

In discussion Commissioner Alston asked if RDC staff could comment on draft or Board review draft before make a decision to submit it with this expenditure. He said he didn't know enough to vote yes or no. Commissioner Hodges said comment was made money was in the budget for zoning to cover legal expense and asked if rate was a flat rate by pages or hourly rate. Ms. Hill said it's based on an hourly rate of \$150 an hour and estimate is based on 200 pages, follow up memos and help with public hearing process. Commissioner Lee asked if any local law firms had expertises for this work. Mr. Nevil said the Committee was not aware of anyone locally with this type of expertises. Mr. Beacham said a goal of January 1st had been set for this Committee, they were working hard and need to move on to achieve this goal. Mr. Wood stated RDC staff was consulted concerning assistance with zoning plan and they basically said they were swamped by work on comprehensive plans and not to count on much help from them.

Motion to accept the report from the Zoning Steering Committee and to authorize contacting Attorney Frank Jenkins to assist in finalizing the Zoning Ordinance carried with Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Smith voting yes, Commissioner Alston voting no.

Next item of old business was a report from Courthouse Committee, Chairman Anderson asked Commissioner Smith to make this report. Commissioner Smith said the Courthouse Committee had met on October 25th and at this time the Committee has two recommendations, (1) possible land acquisition (need Executive Session to discuss); (2) two phase approach to courthouse, phase 1 - build a judicial annex on the current EMS site, phase 2 - renovate existing courthouse as separate project. He said at this point they request authorization to obtain proposals from architects so Committee can begin a selection process and make a recommendation for architect to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Smith offered a motion authorizing request for proposals from qualified architects for judicial annex. Commissioner Beacham seconded the motion and it carried.

Another item of old business was request for closing portion of county road #360, M.P. Martin Road. Chairman Anderson said this request had been received in a previous meeting and, as required, all property owners on the road had been notified of this request. He said most property owners had responded and some were present. He continued the side for closing had been heard and anyone opposing would be given an opportunity to be heard.

Commissioner Smith said it was his understanding that one criteria for closing a road is if it has ceased to of value to the public. He added a number of people who would like to see this road remain open had contacted him and said it was definitely of value to the public.

Commissioner Smith offered a motion the matter be dropped and county road #360 not be considered for closing. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion.

In decision Chairman Anderson said notification was received from Board of Education that this was a school bus route. He stated eight property owners on the road opposed closing plus numerous residents in that community request road not be closed. Mr. John Brannen, who had request road closing, said in his contact with Board of Education he was told school bus used this route only when the road in good condition. He remarked the road is not in good condition much of the time and he thought the road was a nuisance. Chairman Anderson recognized Ms. Donna Martin who said her children rode the school bus which used this road.

Motion dropping matter of closing portion of county road #360 was carried. Chairman Anderson announced this road would remain open.

First item of new business was bid results and recommendation for fire houses for Nevils, Brooklet and Stilson. Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Wood to give details. Mr. Wood said Commissioners had been provided a letter of recommendation which itemizes the particulars for each station. Mr. Wood said advertisement had been run in Statesboro Herald and the Ginn Company was only bidder with total bid for three buildings of \$75,750.00.

Commissioner Lee asked if use of existing fire stations been considered. Mr. Wood said yes, basically those facilities were inadequate to handle the new equipment and/or planned substation expansions.

Chairman Anderson remarked with passing of sales tax four years, citizens voted to put \$800,000 into rural fire and Commissioners have to consider this money is designated and already collected for this purpose. Mr. Wood added this was an important point, these cost will be funded by sales tax monies and not maintenance and operation monies.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, bid of \$ 75,570 for three fire stations from The Ginn Company was accepted.

Other item for consideration was bid results and recommendation for motorgrader. Chairman Anderson said recommendation from Mr. Wood had been distributed, but after some discussion today he thought recommendation would now be to purchase the new motorgrader rather than one used for demo or rental. Chairman Anderson said the recommendation would be to purchase new motorgrader from Caterpillar, low bidder for new machine. He advised this motorgrader would be funded by sales tax monies for roads.

Commissioner Smith commented he had been in discussion with Chairman Anderson, Mr. Wood and couple of others who work with equipment and the general feeling was not knowing hours put on these machines. These were probably leased machines and many times when machines are leased they are not given same care as one which is owned so have no real knowledge of type work done with these machines. He said general consensus was it would be better to purchase new machine.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, purchase of new motorgrader from Caterpillar at cost of \$113,107 was approved. Other bid was \$113,790 from John Deere.

Chairman Anderson said there was one item not on printed agenda which needed action, this was bid results on chassis for fire truck for Leefield. Ted Wynn, Public Safety Director, explained there was one fire department which did not receive building appropriations under the current sales tax, that was Leefield, they built and paid for their building. He said he met with that department and it was decided, to bring them in line with sales tax appropriations for other departments, to remount fire tank and pump in good working condition onto a new chassis. He said they would do the work of remounting themselves, only cost would be purchase of new chassis.

Chairman Anderson said recommendation was to purchase chassis from Joiner International at cost of \$30,404.72. He remarked this was not the low bid, Robert GMC bid \$29,993 was low, but Joiner was local dealer and bid was well within five percent tolerance for local businesses. He said another factor in recommending Joiner International was delivery time, Joiner had six weeks delivery, Robert GMC had six months delivery.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, bid of \$30,404.72 for chassis for fire truck for Leefield from Joiner International was accepted.

Chairman Anderson remarked Tax Commissioner Carlene Johnson was present and a decision for collection of taxes had to be made. He said there was an option to have a voluntary method versus a court order through Superior Court. He asked Ms. Johnson to explain these options.

Ms. Johnson said could have a court order, called a temporary collection order, from Superior Court Judge to collect '93 taxes or could ask the citizens of Bulloch County to make voluntary tax payment based on '92 taxes. She stated it would be January, hopefully, before '93 digest was completed to submit to Revenue Department. She said representatives from Statesboro,

Portal, Brooklet, Board of Education and county had met to discuss these options. She continued Board of Education, represented by Dr. Bice, needs money on January 1st; county, represented by Chairman Anderson and Mr. Wood, needs money on January 1st and cities are no different. She said she and John Scott, Chief Appraiser, checked with Revenue Department and if get a temporary court order, can actually run a tax bill but it's only temporary and once the digest is finalized will have refund ones overpaid on temporary billing and rebill ones underpaid. If go with voluntary tax method, an appeal is made to taxpayers to voluntarily pay based on '92 taxes. She stated her recommendation was the voluntary method for this reason, Bulloch County was going through something it's never done, reevaluation is going to cause appeals and if send a temporary notice of tax due and then when digest is approved another tax notice is sent, some people will have refunds, some people will get additional bill. She added if voluntary method is used, there will some refunds but when digest is approved one bill will be sent for difference of what was paid on voluntary basis and what is actually is owed. She said their plan, after a lot of research from counties which have gone through this already, is to contact the largest taxpayers by letter and by phone and request they pay '93 taxes based on '92 taxes. She added a lot of these will want to pay for income tax purposes. She said she felt, with help from news media and a good education program, voluntary method would work.

Commissioner Hodges asked if there was an idea of percentage who would voluntary pay before December 31st. Chairman Anderson commented based on last year which had due date of January 20th, roughly twenty-five percent paid in December. Ms. Johnson said tax bills were mailed on December 4th and by December 31st had collected \$2.7 million.

Commissioner Hodges asked what happens if don't collect enough monies through voluntary method. Chairman Anderson said funds will have to be borrowed and, as everyone knows, since July 1st county has been operating on carry over funds and monies collected from delinquent taxes.

Commissioner Smith asked, once digest is approved, how soon can tax bills be prepared. Ms. Johnson said as soon as digest is approved she will call from Atlanta and bills can be run in a day.

Commissioner Simmons said this question had been asked but he wanted to understand, if go with voluntary method and don't get desired response, what recourse do Commissioner have. Ms. Johnson said this was discussed in the meeting, if something does happen, have appeals and go into February, then will have still have option temporary court order. She said this have everyone in the meeting thinking not to go with voluntary method but after contacting the Revenue Department she felt enough money would be collected from voluntary method to get by until digest is approved. She said decision is for the Board to make and she would follow their direction.

Commissioner Hodges asked if city had made decision. Chairman Anderson said they were all in the meeting, he couldn't speak for them but, City of Statesboro was probably leaning toward court order.

Attorney Franklin said he was not at the meeting but Steve Rushing was present and had advised it was his impression from the meeting was to get a court order. He added in conversation this morning with Mr. Brannen, attorney for city of Statesboro, he was told the three municipalities and Board of Education had agreed to use court order.

Chairman Anderson said the three attorneys at the meeting recommended the court order but after the meeting the Tax Commissioner and Chief Appraiser contacted the Revenue Department who didn't want any court orders.

Ms. Johnson commented the Revenue Department frowns on a temporary court order in a county that has never had a complete reevaluation and in a county which has been given until November 15th to get their assessment notices mailed or pay \$500 day penalty for every day their not mailed. She said, in other words, they sure do like the sound of voluntary payment.

Mr. Franklin said he had two questions, there would still be need for court order to sell tags and mobile home decals and if city decides to get a court order for early billing, county would have to bill for those taxes. Ms. Johnson said yes, sales of tags and mobile home decal are handled differently and Department of Revenue has said to go ahead and get court order so will be able to sell tags January 1st. In answer to second part of question, she said, cities do their own billing for ad valorem taxes, county won't be involved if they have a court order.

Commissioner Hodges asked if decision should be postponed until know what city plans are. Chairman Anderson said whatever the Board wants, if postpone will need called meeting. Ms. Johnson said need to have decision no later than next week.

Commissioner Beacham offered a motion to use method recommended by Department of Revenue and Tax Commissioner. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion. In decision Commissioner said county could use voluntary method with cities using court order method. Chairman Anderson said

yes, that was correct. Motion to use voluntarily method for '93 tax collections as recommended by Tax Commissioner, Chief Appraiser and Revenue Department carried.

Chairman Anderson said there was another item for consideration, authorization for testimony at Senate hearing to be held on Monday, Senator Hill is chairing this hearing on the RDC lines and CEDO lines. He presented diagrams showing boundaries for CEDO, lines drawn by Governor for economic development Governor has drawn for economic and present RDC lines. He pointed out Bulloch County location on each diagram and said this is happening all over the state, it's not unique to Bulloch County. He suggested County Manager be authorized to give this testimony.

Commissioner Smith offered a motion to authorize a representative to speak in favor of reorganization which will follow the lines of CEDO district. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion.

In discussion Commissioner Smith commented with present RDC lines Bulloch County is some seventy-eighty miles from headquarters but would be in middle of CEDO district. Chairman Anderson said this has been discussed with city who have same feelings and will probably go with unified effort. Commissioner Lee said his impression, as an observer in RDC meeting, was no action would be taken until hear what comes out of meeting with Senator Hill. Commissioner Beacham said the RDC was in favor of lines remaining as drawn but did want to look at proposal. He said he wasn't absolutely sure what the proposal was, couldn't tell who was voting. Commissioner Lee said that was the consensus and his concern was that one thing was said at that meeting and, by suggesting realignment, another said at Senator Hill's meeting. Chairman Anderson said, in order to get better service, CEDO district was most feasible and he thought four other counties would probably have same testimony with most counties north and west of Altamaha River in favor. Commissioner Hodges said motion was for someone to testify desire to realign along CEDO lines and in light of what has been said should motion be changed to authorize testimony that something be done as far as redistricting. Commissioner Beacham said testimony should that Bulloch County wants better service from RDC. Mr. Wood said a total of about thirty percent of their local government participation comes out of Bulloch County, eight counties and one pays almost thirty percent.

Commissioner Smith amended his motion to read, to authorize testimony for better service from RDC with redistricting as consideration in order to obtain this service. Commissioner Hodges seconded amended motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson asked if there was other business or comments. Resident of Windy Hill Road addressed the conditions of Old River Road and Windy Hill Road. He said he realized Old River is being paved which will cause problems but were concerned with school bus getting stuck, mail not being delivered and simply getting out from their homes. He said they realized Windy Hill Road was a dead end road but it was the only road to get out and then have to get onto Old River Road. He said they have presented a petition for paving Windy Hill Road, however, would like some action to correct the immediate problem of not being able to get out from their homes.

Chairman Anderson said he as well as the County Engineer and Warden were aware of the situation. He asked Mr. Tatum, County Engineer, to make this a priority to see if situation can be improved until Old River Road is paved. He added Mr. Tatum has the petition for paving Windy Hill Road and he hoped they understood that process. Chairman Anderson assured them the Warden and County Engineer would do what they could to improve this situation but if they didn't agree with results, contact Mr. Tatum or Commissioners.

Chairman Anderson asked for other comments. Mr. Ronnie Tremble asked about re-stripping of Burkhalter Road from Highway 80 to Highway 24. He said there were some older citizens in this area, lines were faded and difficult to see especially on foggy mornings.

Commissioner Hodges asked if this road was on list to be stripped. Chairman Anderson said he thought it was taken off for some reason, but would see if this road could be considered again.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. There was no other regular business, upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, meeting was moved into Executive Session for discussion of property acquisition and litigation.

Vice-Chairman Alston reconvened the regular meeting and asked for other business or comments. There being none, upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.


ATTEST


E. Rayben Anderson

November 2, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

Public Meeting - Solid Waste Landfill Site

The Bulloch County Board of Commissioner and Statesboro City Council held a public meeting at 8:00 P.M.

Mayor Hal Averitt opened the meeting in the Community Room of the North Main Annex and announced, due to must larger public response than expected, meeting would be moved to Courthouse.

Mayor Averitt reconvened meeting at Bulloch County Courthouse with County Commissioners, City Council, other officials and 250+ citizens present. He announced this was a joint meeting between the City and County for solid waste landfill site decision. He called on Mr. John Scott to gave the invocation.

Mayor Averitt asked Robert Cheshire, City Engineer, to give report from Solid Waste Landfill Site Committee. Mr. Cheshire gave makeup of the Committee and process they had used to evaluate acceptable landfill sites and criteria site had to meet before it could be considered. He said over seventy-five sites were reviewed and the committee recommended a tract known as Altman North Tract as number one site for solid waste landfill.

Mayor Averitt called on Mr. Sam Brannen, City Attorney, to discuss public meetings and future public meetings. Mr. Brannen reviewed required series of meetings, public notices for site selection process. He commented there were eleven opportunities for public input and public hearings as this process moves forward. He gave list of meetings which would follow this one. He said to keep in mind that no one knows if the site recommended tonight will meet all the criteria, if it fails any one requirement, it will have to be scrapped and another site selected.

Mayor Averitt recognized engineers, Mr. DeYoung and Mr. Lovett of Hussey, Gay, Bell & DeYoung. Mr. DeYoung gave description of municipal landfill and said days of open uncontrolled garbage dump is gone. Landfill construction and operation is one of most rigorously controlled and protected items governed by State of Georgia. He give description of phases to construction and stated today's landfill cost \$240,000 an acre to develop. He defined acceptable items which could go into a municipal landfill and and unacceptable items. He said a first class landfill is inspected by State once a month and anything less is inspected at least once a week.³ He added only nuclear power plants are more rigorously controlled. He reviewed specific requirements set by the State for location of landfill site. He added a factor not included which has to be considered is potential life of a landfill, with development cost of \$240,000 an acre, to be financial responsible, have to design one with minimal life of 35 years. He said the next question is what happens next. He stated if joint governing body agrees to accept this site, that doesn't mean the State will accept this site or that it will ultimately be a landfill. He went through steps of hearings, reports, applications, inspecting and investigation before State would accept a site and once accepted by State, more public hearings are held and then the State will deliberate to its satisfaction that public interest has been served and indicate whether they're going to issue a permit. Mr. DeYoung said report to the Site Committee was, of the eight sites considered, the North Altman Tract was the best site and it was their primarily opinion that the site was suitable for a landfill. He presented a map and pointed out site located off Old River Road to west of Highway 301.

Mayor Averitt thanked Mr. DeYoung and announced a five minutes recess and anyone in audience who would like to speak would need to sign up to make comments.

Mayor Averitt reconvened meeting and said those who had signed would have three minutes to speak. He reminded group that comments in this meeting was limited to the site, as explained there would be other meetings for other comments. He asked Commission Chairman Anderson to call on each person who signed to make comments. Chairman Anderson said twenty-six people had registered.

Individuals who make comments were: Wilford Smith, Lorriane Pugliano, Carol Hendrix, R.C. Yarbrough, John Brown, Tim Powell, David Lee, Mike Hendrix, Richard Hice, Bill Spradley, C.B. Brannen, Mrs. C.B. Brannen, June Waters, Trai Brannen, Ricky Maloy, James Lariscey, Frank Franch, Harold Hodges, Billy Tillman, Charles Brannen, Wade Hodges, Virginia Maloy, Charles Hodges, Belina Joyce, Larry Brown and William Lee.

These individuals voiced opposition of this site being selected as a landfill site because of vast area of wetlands, two major creeks which run the full length of tract with many branches running into these creeks and on into Ogeechee River, tract being too close to Ogeechee River, pollution of river, destruction of natural resources and wild life, devaluation of adjoining

property, smell, hazardous or toxic waste, increased traffic in area, access routes to the site, unknown actions of future administrations.

At conclusion of public comments Mayor Averitt announced a three minute recess.

Mayor Averitt reconvened the meeting and asked Commissioner Chairman Anderson to poll the County Commissioners on this proposed site.

Chairman Anderson asked the Commissioners to indicate by raising their right hand if they were in favor of this site being considered as a landfill site. There were no votes in favor. Chairman Anderson asked for those who opposed this site being considered to raise their right hand. Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Lee raised their hands as opposing this site being considered. Commissioner Hodges abstained.

Mayor Averitt polled the City Council, who also voted to oppose this site being considered.

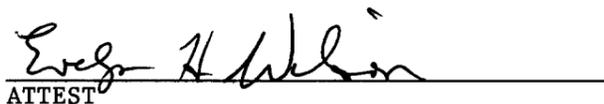
Mayor Averitt asked legal counsel to explained what happened next. County Attorney Jimmy Franklin said both governing bodies voting in the negative would constitute a decision on this site and this site could only be considered again in the future by an action asking for a reconsideration with another siteing meeting advertised. He added the result, by vote from both bodies, is to terminate consideration of this site.

Mr. Franklin announcement received a tremendous amount of applause.

Mayor Averitt thanked everyone for their attendance and announced the meeting adjourned.



E. Raybon Anderson



ATTEST

November 16, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 8:30 A.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Lee and Commissioner Smith present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and welcome the news media and 12 visitors. Commissioner Simmons gave the invocation.

Minutes of regular meeting on November 2, 1993, minutes of Executive Session on November 2, 1993 and minutes of public meeting on November 2, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, minutes of these three meetings were approved as distributed.

First item of old business was nomination for position a hHospital Authority. Chairman Anderson said several weeks ago the Commissioners were asked to submit three names for appointment to fill unexpired term of Mr. Tom Wood who had resigned. He said the Board had given this much consideration and were ready to make these nominations.

Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, nominees for appointment to Hospital Authority to fill unexpired term of Mr. Tom Wood were Arthur Howard, Ed Wynn and Kay Wimberly.

Chairman Anderson advised Mr. Wood had a copy of Hospital's Certification of Need Application if Commissioners wanted to review and make comments. He said this was a 400 page application which would be submitted to Atlanta for expansion project.

Commissioner Alston asked time frame for comments. Mr. Wood said there was no cover letter with application and deadline wasn't given.

For other old business Chairman Anderson asked County Manager Scott Wood to give progress report on Health Department building. Mr. Wood advised masonry veneer is 95% complete with most of roof was in place. He said the building is taking shape and is going to be a pretty building when completed. He remarked change orders have been discussed with one of administrative staff and a couple of minor changes have been approved. But they have been asked to refer some major change orders and requests for furniture, fixtures, computers, telephone equipment and other items to the Health Board for that Board to make recommendation or request to Commissioners

Chairman Anderson said request have received from several county agencies for present building once it's vacated by Health Department. He stated the building is in need of major repairs, has water damage, termite damage, needs new roof plus other repairs. He said Pineland Mental Health has shown a lot of interest and as a State agency they can't pay rent but can pay a

maintenance fee. He continued no commitments have been made. He commented this could be on agenda for next meeting.

Commissioner Alston asked if need to considered widening road or have turn lanes for road which services area of new Health Department. He said the increased use in this area will affect the traffic on that road (Pulaski Highway).

Chairman Anderson said this a good point and Department of Transportation will be asked to conduct survey and made recommendation.

Chairman Anderson said report on delinquent taxes would be deferred, Ms. Johnson was on the agenda to give this report but she had left the building for some reason. He asked for other old business.

Commissioner Beacham stated draft ordinance for zoning had been distributed to Commissioners for their review and comment. He said the Board's comments were needed, members of the Committee are willing to meet with any Commissioner to answer any question. He commented this project was moving and draft will be submitted to expert for review at end of this week. He invited the press to state that public input was needed and requested. He commented there hasn't been much public participation other than by members of the Committee.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Nessmith and Ms. Hill if they had any comments. Mr. Nessmith reported the RDC had given some assistance here at end and have made some recommendations. He said Mr. Nevil, Ms. Hill and he planned to meet this week to review these recommendations before draft is submitted. He added if anyone had questions or comment to please let them know. He thanked the Commissioners for their support and said Ms. Hill has done an outstanding job.

Moving into new business, the first item was Solid Waste Advisory Committee Bylaws. Chairman Anderson asked who would present this item. Mr. Wood said Bob Smith, Environmental Manager, was present and Mr. Franklin had also reviewed these bylaws.

Mr. Smith remarked the Solid Waste Advisory Committee thought they needed guidelines for election of officers, setting times for meeting and other business of the Committee, and Bylaws were drafted to serve this purpose.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, Solid Waste Advisory Committee Bylaws were approved. See exhibit #1993-43

Next item for consideration was bid result and recommendation for paving for solid waste compactor site. Mr. Wood said Mr. Smith had solicited bids from local contractors for paving for first solid waste compactor site on Simons Road. Mr. Wood commented he purposely stayed out of this process because of relative who was bidding on this project. Three companies were invited to bid and results were: Reeves Paving - \$18.18 per square yard or \$22,725; Ellis Wood Paving - \$12.40 per square yard or \$15,500; Creasy Brothers Paving did not respond. He remarked Mr. Smith's recommendation was to accept the low bid from Ellis Wood Paving.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, bid for paving for compactor site of \$12.40 square yard or \$15,500 from Ellis Wood Paving was accepted.

Chairman Anderson said there was another paving project not on agenda which needed action. He added the reason for asking for action this morning was part of this project involved repair of Deloach Church Road which washed out last March. He remarked the road has been patched, it's passable but needs to fixed. He continued this project was bid some time ago but only received one bid and it held and bid with another small project on Union Church Road.

Commissioner Hodges asked if correction was made to prevent Deloach Church Road from washing out again, considering the pond dam. He said, it seemed to him, once it's repaired and have heavy rain it will washout again.

Chairman Anderson asked the Warden or Engineer if they would comment. Mr. Akins said rip-rap had been put in to protect the shoulder but that's all that can be done, it could washout but rip-rap would help. He commented he thought there should be something somewhere to require a property owner to change runaround to keep water off road.

Commissioner Smith asked if DNR had looked at this situation. Chairman Anderson said yes, DNR said they had no control, it wasn't a large enough dam for them to have jurisdiction.

Mr. Wood gave bid results for both projects, Deloach Church Road and Union Church Road, low bid was \$7,636 from Reeves Paving.

Commissioner Hodges offered a motion to accept bid of \$7,636 from Reeves Paving for repairs on Anderson Road and Union Church Road. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion and it carried.

Commissioner Hodges said someone needs to look at what can be done on Anderson Road because this washout problem is going to continue unless corrected. Mr. Wood will asked Mr. Tatum to review this situation and make recommendations.

In reference to county roads, Mr. Franklin said he had request from Evans County Attorney which has been forwarded to Mr. Wood about closing of road which is boundary between Evans and Bulloch County. He added Evans County has already voted to close portion of that road. Mr. Wood said he wasn't aware of receiving this request.

Commissioner Hodges asked location of this road. Chairman Anderson explained it was on left of Kennedy Bridge Road just before the bridge. He said neither county had maintained this road for eight to ten years and if didn't know it was a road, wouldn't even know it was there. He said this had been in controversy for about three years. He said about three months ago when Evans County Attorney called he asked them to take action first since a majority of road was in Evans County.

Mr. Wood and Mr. Franklin said they would follow up on correspondence from Evans County Attorney for discussion at next meeting.

Chairman Anderson said smoking policy was on agenda for discussion. He said a letter has been received from both Superior Court Judges requesting there no smoking anywhere in courthouse. He said he felt Board would want to discuss such a policy with employees and others who frequent the courthouse. He stated Board will have to make this decision and it will probably be on agenda for next meeting.

Commissioner Beacham commented the Judges' letter did not really make a recommendation. Chairman Anderson said they wanted courthouse to be no smoking area. Commissioner Smith added in meeting with Judges they were very adamant with that expression. Chairman Anderson said there is some controversy, he had calls from employee and others in the courthouse.

Commissioner Hodges asked if policy would be just for courthouse or for all county owned buildings. Chairman Anderson said that would be for Board to decide.

Mr. Franklin said ordinance drafted for Board's information refers to courthouse only but of the scope of the policy would be determined by the Board. He reviewed the State Law with referenced by the Judges' letter and said the ordinance drafted ties it in the Law and makes the penalty for violation of this ordinance the same as any other ordinance.

Commissioner Alston said he is aware of law suits evolving out of secondary smoke, you don't have to be a smoker to get lung cancer.

Chairman Anderson asked the Board to consider this policy and said it would be the next meeting agenda.

On matter of Judges, Chairman Anderson advised Mr. Wood had received a letter from Judicial Council of Georgia regarding a third judgeship for the Ogeechee Circuit. He asked Mr. Wood to explain. Mr. Wood said the letter stated a recommendation was being considered for establishment of a third judgeship in this district and asked for any input Commissioners, individually or collective, would like to make by December 1st.

Commissioner Smith said, from previous studies, this district was at top of list for another Superior Court Judge. He recommended strongly endorsing this third judgeship.

After some discussion Commissioner Smith offered a motion to endorse recommendation of third judgeship for Ogeechee Circuit to Judicial Council of Georgia. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion and it carried. Mr. Wood will draft letter to Judicial Council.

Chairman Anderson said a question on millage rate needs action and asked if this should be discussed in absence of Tax Commissioner. Mr. Franklin said he felt, if were going to get a court order, maybe all that is needed is a motion to allow the Tax Commissioner to go forward with sale of tag and collection of personal property taxes based 1992 millage. He added that would probably be appropriate but do need to consult with Tax Commissioner further, but need something now, if wait two weeks, won't be able to begin selling tags on January 1st.

Chairman Anderson said he thought the Tax Commissioner knew this would be addressed at this meeting, evidently she had some emergency and had to leave.

Commissioner Smith said, basically, court order was needed to collect on these particular items at last year's millage rate. Mr. Franklin said yes, this is what the Tax Commissioner has suggested to him.

Commissioner Beacham said this has nothing to do with Commissioners voting on voluntary tax payment in last meeting. Mr. Franklin said no, this will be for selling tags, collection of personal property taxes, taxes on items not involved in reevaluation.

Commissioner Smith offered a motion authorizing Mr. Franklin to proceed with court order to allow Tax Commissioner to sell tags and collect personal property taxes based on 1992 millage rate until new digest is approved. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion. In discussion Chairman Anderson said one item of concern to him is the Board of Education has asked for additional millage. Mr. Franklin said maybe the Board of Education needs the same resolution

adopted by cities and county. Mr. Franklin said Commissioners were addressing county portion based on last year's millage and would need something from Board of Education addressing what their millage would be. He added he would discuss this with their legal counsel. Motion for court order to allow Tax Commissioner to sell tag and collect personal property taxes based on 1992 millage until new digest is approved was carried. See exhibit #1993-43.

The only remaining item for discussion was the delinquent tax report and since Ms. Johnson was not available Chairman Anderson said this would be postponed until another meeting. Mr. Franklin interjected he couldn't give a comprehensive report but Julie Smith had provided some figures and he could basically give some comparisons between this year and last year. Mr. Franklin gave comparison for penalties and interest, last year (12 months) collections were \$47,561.76 compared to \$135,074.17 for 10 months this year. He said back taxes collected for last year (for years prior to 1992) were \$435,905 compared to \$532,410 collected this year.

Chairman Anderson asked Ms. Smith for collection during October of this year. Ms. Smith said, if her memory was correct, about \$150,000 was collected during this October.

Chairman Anderson asked if she had figures for October of last year. Ms. Smith said, again if her memory was correct, \$19,000 was collected last October.

Mr. Franklin commented he understood there was still a policy of waiver of penalty and interest which, per his memo several months ago, is not allowed.

Chairman Anderson presented several examples to document Mr. Franklin's statement, one showed taxes of \$753.15 which with penalty and interest totalled \$1014.69 but only \$753.15 was paid, other was waived.

Commissioner Lee asked if Board had adopted a resolution that Tax Commissioner's Office collect taxes including all penalties and interest.

Chairman Anderson said no, not to his knowledge. Commissioner Hodges interjected this was a State Law. Chairman Anderson remarked this Board had encouraged the Tax Commissioner on many occasions not to waive penalty and interest. He added Ms. Johnson has told the Board on three different occasions that she didn't waive penalty and interest.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Franklin if Board could adopt a resolution saying penalty and interest could not be waived. Mr. Franklin said yes, a resolution would at least express the sense of the Board that penalty and interest was not to be waived. He reviewed State Law on mandatory collection of 10% penalty in addition to interest which the Attorney General has ruled can't be waived.

Chairman Anderson asked if there was any provision for taking partial payments. Mr. Franklin said partial payments were not contemplated under the law, law does not address partial payments or installment payments, there is no provision for this.

Commissioner Lee offered a motion for Board to adopt resolution for collection of all penalties and interest on all delinquent taxes and including wording that installments or partial payment of delinquent taxes are not acceptable. Commissioner Beacham seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried. It was further stated that all Commissioners will sign this resolution and copy will be provided to Tax Commissioner. See exhibit #1993-44.

Chairman Anderson asked for other new business. Mr. Wood said one item which should have been on the agenda was to commission an architect for the new E.M.S. facility. He said Ted Wynn, Public Safety Director, has secured bids along with some very preliminary sketches for the facility. He continued the two architectural firms who presented proposals were Eckles, Martin & Rule and Robert Hagan. He said the architect fees presented were the same but, after reviewing the drawings and estimated construction cost, he and Mr. Wynn recommended Eckles, Martin & Rule as architects for E.M.S. facility.

Commissioner Alston offered a motion to negotiate with Eckles, Martin & Rule for architectural services for E.M.S. facility. Commissioner Beacham seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Lee asked if difference in two was cost per square foot. Mr. Wood responded yes, difference was rather significant, Eckles, Martin & Rule was approximately \$200,000 less. Motion to commission Eckles, Martin & Rule as architects for E.M.S. facility was carried.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. Commissioner Lee said he was concerned with recently paved road, Mill Creek Road, and asked who was the contractor. He said paving was very wavy and wearing in places, didn't appear to be a good job and needs to be reviewed before accepted. Warden Akins responded the road has not been firmly accepted by Department of Transportation. He said he would look at road and called attention to any problems. Chairman Anderson said this road was done late, built one day and paved the next which

wasn't a good situation but it did need to be right before accepted.

Chairman Anderson said recognized Reverend Early Humphries, representing the New Hope, who had asked to be included on the agenda.

Rev. Humphries said residence of New Hope Community still believe what happened was wrong and was an injustice to the community. He added it's time to come back and get it changed to the way it should be. He said they had been working behind scenes and according to their information the county map was not correct, does not have all tax payers on this road shown on the county map. He said the question was where are those people who are not on the county map and were not recognized when the number of names were presented to the Commissioners. He commented they knew their information was correct and did have an attorney guiding them. He said, in his memory of the vote, there were only two commissioners who voted on the name of the road. He stated they were not going to quit until road name is changed. He asked for reply concerning property owners on this road as shown on county map.

Chairman Anderson said road, as far as can be told by law, was name properly by Board of Commissioners at time of vote. He added road name would be considered by Board if petition containing 80% of owners of property abutting road was presented. He said the list furnished by Rev. Humphries would be given to Tax Assessors Office to verify these property owners and asked why any of these, if applicable, were not included in previous information.

Rev. Humphries said this information will be appreciated and they also asked this matter be called to a vote because they felt no two people should decide a matter of this importance.

Chairman Anderson asked for any other business or comments. He remarked an Executive Session was needed to discuss a personnel matter. Mr. Franklin said he needed to advise the Board on pending litigation.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Lee and carried, regular session was moved into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and personnel matter.

In Chairman Anderson absence, Vice Chairman Alston reconvened the regular session. He asked for action on acquisition of right-of-way for widening of Riggs Road, county road #204.

Upon motion by Commissioner Beacham, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, necessary right-of-way of 20 feet for widening of Riggs Road will be purchased as needed on right side of road until point pass developed property on left of road or, if necessary, condemnation will be pursued to obtain this right-of-way.

Vice Chairman Alston asked for further business or comments. Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, meeting was adjourned subject to call.


ATTEST


E. Raybon Anderson

November 22, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

Called Meeting

The Board met at 11:30 A.M. in the library of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Lee and Commissioner Smith present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and said the purpose of this called meeting was discussion of a personnel matter and an update on property reevaluation. He said Executive Session was be needed for personnel matter which would be handled first.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, regular session was moved into Executive Session for discussion of personnel matter.

In Chairman Anderson's absence, Vice Chairman Alston reconvened the regular meeting. He asked Mr. Wood to process with update on property reevaluation.

Mr. Wood said several Commissioners had asked to be updated on reevaluation process so they would know how to respond when they received calls and questions. He asked John Scott, Chief Appraiser, to explain the process.

Mr. Scott said the County was under an order from Revenue Department to have assessment notices mailed by November 15th but by petition and their mutual agreement this deadline was

extended until December 1st. He stated about 20,500 real property assessment notices and another 3,000 personal property notices would be mailed. He remarked when those notices are mailed, with every precaution, every safeguard, everything possible has been done to assure values are correct, but he hoped everyone realized with this volume there are bound to be some mistakes. He said another factor to be aware of was the percentage of increase between taxpayers, percentage will not be rhythmical. He gave examples of why percentages would be different and said taxpayers need to aware when they are comparing with their neighbors they need to compare the new values not the percentage of increase. He said rural land appraisals will not include any standing timber value, under new guideline standing timber is not taxed until time of harvest. Also rural land schedules are all tied to soil productivity and capabilities, soil rated to productivity and the market then determines what those soil classes are worth. Obviously soil class of property around Georgia Southern won't make a lot of difference.

Mr. Scott remarked one important things for Commissioners to remember was the public will call them. He asked them to please let the system work, not allow themselves to get caught in middle. He said tell anyone who calls to contact his office to make appointment and he would assure that everyone would treated as courteously and fairly as possible. He added, legislatively, the appeal process is in place to give Commissioners insulation, that's the purpose of Board of Assessors and Board of Equalization. He said he didn't want to be offensive, but let the system work, tell everyone to call his office and if they are not treated courteously and fairly, then call back. He said he hoped the Board didn't feel that he didn't want their cooperation, it's essential.

Commissioner Lee asked what assessment notice would show, 40% of fair market value. Mr. Scott explained the notice would have last year's value at 100% and 40% with the same information for this year's value.

Commissioner Lee asked when millage rate would be set. Mr. Scott said the millage rate cannot be set until digest is submitted which will at least 45 days (end of appeal period) depending on appeals. If have appeal of over 5% of number of parcels or 5% of value in dispute (amount of increase from this year over last year), digest cannot be submitted until appeals are brought under 5%.

Mr. Scott asked to address subject of timber ordinance and said this ordinance would provide notification to county by the harvester of timber. It would be for a permit, whether to charge for permit would be up to Board, which puts the county on notice where and when timber is being harvested. This will accomplish two things, first it keys his office to make sure the taxes are paid when timber is harvested, secondly it keys who responsible when culverts are broken, ditches filled in or roads are damaged. He review procedure for permit and reporting by harvester and penalties for noncompliance. He said he thought an ordinance has merit.

Vice Chairman Alston said ordinance should be developed. Mr. Scott said he would review samples and draft an ordinance.

Vice Chairman Alston asked for other comments. Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, meeting was adjourned subject to call.


 ATTESV


 E. Rayben Anderson

December 7, 1993
 Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 6:00 P.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Lee and Commissioner Smith present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order, welcoming the news media and 30+ visitors including students from three local school classes. Commissioner Beacham gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on November 16, 1993, minutes of Executive Session on November 16, 1993, minutes of called meeting on November 22, 1993 and minutes of Executive Session on November 22, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, minutes of these four meetings were approved as distributed.

Chairman Anderson said first order of business was recognition of winners in the Solid Waste Poster Contest. He asked Bob Smith, Environmental Manager, to present these winners.

Mr. Smith said in beginning solid waste program in Bulloch County the Solid Waste Advisory

Committee felt the need for a logo and mascot. Pizza Inn sponsored a a contest for grades K - 7 and all entries had been judged with three winners present. He asked Ms. Rozella Ball, Solid Waste Committee Education Chairperson to help with presentations. Winners were: K-2 - Mrs. Sander's second grade at Sallie Zetterower; 3-5 - Mrs. Peabody's third grade at Marvin Pittman; 6-7 - Mrs. Steadman's seventh grade at William James. The overall winner was Mrs. Peabody's third grade from Marvin Pittman. Mr. Smith remarked he was pleased with participation from all schools and wanted to peculiar thank Pizza Inn in helping to make this program a success.

Chairman Anderson congratulated all the winners and they were given a round of applause.

Moving into old business, Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Wood for an update on Health Department building. Mr. Wood reported roof was completed with electrical work 75% complete and 1/3 of drywall completed. He said condition of present health department building had been assessed and it appears some major repair will be needed. He added at present time it appears there will be an excess of funds in health department allocation from multi-purpose sales tax to cover these repairs.

Chairman Anderson said several agencies have express an interest in the present building once it's vacated and more details will be given at later meeting.

Chairman Anderson said policy on smoking at courthouse was discussed at the last meeting with a letter from Superior Court Judges requesting consideration be given to courthouse be designated as a no smoking area. He commented he had been contacted by constitutional officers, employees and others with all kinds of suggestions both pro and con. He asked for discussion on this subject.

Commissioner Hodges said he would like to see smoking ban on entire second floor of the courthouse and let each elected official make their own policy, designate a smoking area in their office or make their office no smoking. He added he was afraid if eliminate smoking for one building will have to eliminate it for all buildings.

Commissioner Beacham agreed with Commissioner Hodges saying make court environment smoke free and let each elected officer handle their area.

Commissioner Hodges offered a motion to eliminate smoking on second floor of courthouse and each elected official has the right to ban smoking or designate a smoking area in their office. Commissioner Beacham seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Smith asked, if have designated areas, would this be a problem with jurors being on second floor. Chairman Hodges said they could go to the first floor. Commissioner Beacham asked about the third floor. Mr. Wood said the plan was to move both Superior Court Judges' offices to third floor. There was some discussion of hallway on first floor and it was decided to leave this as smoking area at this time with consideration later if this becomes a problem. There was also a question of enforcement. Mr. Franklin said to make this a criminal offense it would need to be in form of an Ordinance.

Commissioner Hodges amended his motion to eliminate smoking on second and third floors of courthouse and each elected official or department head having the right to ban smoking or designate a smoking area in their office. Commissioner Beacham seconded the amended motion and it carried. Mr. Franklin will draft Ordinance for adoption at the next meeting.

Chairman Anderson asked Bob Smith to address next item of business, final adoption of Bulloch County Multijurisdictional Solid Waste Plan. Mr. Smith reported the RDC has advised the Solid Waste Plan and Addendum has been approved by Department of Community Affairs. He said this is just a formally, the Board has already approved the Plan and Addendum but now that it has been approved by DCA it needs final formal adoption by the Board.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, the Bulloch County Multijurisdictional Solid Waste Plan and Addendum as submitted to and approved by Department of Community Affairs was adopted by resolution. Commissioner Lee abstained because he was not a part of Board in initial approval of the Plan.

The next item for consideration was road closing of road on Evans/Bulloch counties line, county road #193. Chairman Anderson said this subject has been in controversy for two-three years and in communication with Evans County, they seem to want it closed, they were asked to take initial action. He continued letters from Evans County Attorney and Chairman were received saying this had been done but in contacts with some Evans County Board members they are not sure it has been done. He said Evans County Board was also meeting tonight and this item could be reconsidered.

Mr. Wood remarked one Evans County Board member thought they had simply authorized advertising the closing. But, he said, the Evans County attorney had sent a copy of a resolution adopted on October 11th closing the road. Mr. Franklin commented he had a call from

Evans County attorney asking if Bulloch County planned to consider closing the road and the impression he gave was Evans County was pushing him to see if Bulloch County was going forward with closing.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Robert Rushing if he could give any information on this subject. Mr. Rushing said an Evans County citizen contacted him and asked him to sign a petition protesting closing of the road. He continued this person told him that members of Evans County Board said if he got a petition signed by landowners and/or users of the road, the road would not be closed. He remarked he signed the petition as a landowner and, as said before, would like to see the road remain open.

Chairman Anderson said a copy of this petition had been distributed to all Commissioners. Commissioner Smith remarked criteria for closing road was if it has ceased to be of value to the public and the petition shows a number of people who state it is of value. Commissioner Smith moved no action be taken to close road.

Chairman Anderson advised that Mr. Rushing was only person who signed petition who has property which abuts the road but these citizens do use the road, mainly for transporting agricultural equipment. He said that was only way road could be travel, by tractors or four wheel drive vehicles. Road has not been maintained by either county for eight or nine years.

Commissioner Smith withdrew his motion for lack of a second. Commissioner Hodges offered a motion that action on consideration of closing of Bulloch County road #193 be tabled until further notice is received from Evans County. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson asked for discussion on next item, river landing enforcement ordinance. Mr. Franklin said there was an Ordinance already in the Bulloch Code which was broad enough for Sheriff's Department to police county river landings. He continued at Mr. Wood's request he had drafted proposed Notice which could be posted at designated landings. He advised this "Notice" could be adopted by Resolution and certain landings designated for sole purpose of boat launching without an additional Ordinance.

Chairman Anderson said the county had four landings, one has a lot of problems such as vandalism, partying, etc., this being Williams Public Landing. He remarked the Board could be asked as early as January to designate this landing and possibly Rocky Ford landing for boat launching only.

Commissioner Lee offered a motion that the "Notice" be adopted by resolution and be posted at all four landings with strict enforcement by Sheriff's Department with valuator be prosecuted to fullest extent. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson stated the County Engineer and Warden have been asked to put regular maintenance of all landings on their work schedule. He asked Mr. Tatum to give status on conditions of landing. Mr. Tatum said a memo of general conditions on all four landings had been provided to Commissioners and Les Ager, State Supervisor of Boat Ramps, plans to come this month or early January to assess landings and advise what needs to be done and also advise if State has any funds to assist with improvements.

Chairman Anderson said he had visited all four sites with Mr. Tatum yesterday and he believes something should be done but they took an inventory of all vehicles at all landings and fifty percentage were from outside of Bulloch County.

Commissioner Lee said recommendation was to restrict Williams Landing to fishing and boating only and asked if there was a reason not to do that now. Chairman Anderson said there wasn't any reason if that's what the Board wants to do. He added that would be in order and he thought the Sheriff would applaud this action.

After some discussion, Commissioner Lee offered a motion restricting Williams Landing to launching and loading of boats only. Commissioner Beacham seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Lee said, personally, he would like to see all landings restricted because he thought once Williams Landing is restricted others will have problems. Commissioner Beacham commented start with Williams Landing and expand to others if they become problems. Chairman Anderson said this might be needed at Rocky Ford because in negotiating with the landowner this could be requested. Motion to restrict Williams Landing for launching and loading of boats was carried.

Moving into new business, Chairman Anderson said a tentative millage rate needed to be set for automobile tag and mobile home decal sales. He said the Tax Commissioner and Chief Appraiser were present and asked them to explain this process.

Mr. John Scott, Chief Appraiser, said temporary collection order was received from Judge

Martin allowing sale of motor vehicle tags and mobile home decals as of January 1st and this temporary collection order authorized the Board to levy a millage rate based on information available from new digest figures. He explained these figures come from computer information in his office but hadn't been verified with parallel information from Computat in Augusta. He said this is just a tentative millage rate for sale of motor vehicle tags and mobile home decals and when final digest is completed, will have to go through process of setting actual millage for taxes from other sources. He gave the tentative millage rates calculated on information available: school rate (based on budget provided) - 7.26 mils; county incorporated rate - 11.72 mils; county unincorporated rate - 10.09 mils; hospital bond rate - .07 mils; library bond - .09 mils; state rate - .25 mils. Total county incorporated - 19.39 mils; total county unincorporated rate - 17.76 mils. He said there were still some unknowns, appeals, corrections, etc., but he felt comfortable with these rates based on available information.

Commissioner Smith asked if these rates are adopted, these will be rates on motor vehicle and mobile home decals for the entire year. Mr. Scott said yes, that was correct.

Chairman Anderson asked what were rates for last year. Mr. Scott said for last year the total county incorporated was 21.56, unincorporated was 19.03; last year school rate was 7.08 and total county incorporated was 14.03, unincorporated was 11.77. He explained totals do show a reduction but some of reduction in county rate was off set by increase in school rate.

Commissioner Lee asked for total value on digest. Mr. Scott said that figure would be available this week but before it was released he would like to have parallel figures from Augusta to make sure all figures are correct. He added there was an increase in the digest. He remarked to keep in mind this represented only about 10% of property to be taxed, actual millage rate would be set on remainder once final digest process was completed.

Commissioner Beacham offered a motion to adopt tentative millage rates as recommend, county incorporated rate - 19.39 mils and county unincorporated rate - 17.76. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion. In discussion Commissioner Lee said he would to know the percentage of increase in the digest and the percentage of decrease in millage rate and percentage of increase in the School Board budget. Chairman Anderson interjected this wasn't setting millage rate on real estate and the only reason for setting this tentative rate was to be able to sell tags and decals on January 1st. Motion to adopt tentative millage rates of county incorporated rate - 19.39 mils and county unincorporated - 17.76 mils was carried.

Chairman Anderson recognized Linwood McNure to present the Forestry Annual Report. Mr. McNure introduced himself as Chief Ranger for Bulloch County Forestry Unit and introduced Dan Gary, District Forester. He said each year an annual report of Forestry Unit is presented to Commissioner. He gave an outline of duties of the forestry unit and said total area covered was 267,500 acres with 218,676 acres of timberland. He reported for the year July 1, 1992 through June 30, 1993 there were 25 wildfires with total acres burned of 78.3. He also reviewed their operating revenues and expenditures with net expenditures of \$281,023.71 of which Bulloch County provides \$8,731. and said fire protection for the past year was approximately \$1.05 cents per acre. Mr. Gary covered different programs offered by the Forestry Service including sale of seedlings and reforestation. He also advised a new unit building in Bulloch was planned for 1995. Mr. McNure and Mr. Gary thanked the Board for support they received from Bulloch County.

Next item for consideration was the Hospital Authority Resolution. Chairman Anderson said this resolution had been requested and gives the Board's support to the Authority. Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, Resolution endorsing application for Certificate of Need submitted by Hospital Authority and expressing appreciation and support for Hospital Authority was adopted. See exhibit #1993-45.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Wood to handle next item for discussion, Public Road Right-of-Way Ordinance. Mr. Wood said the county has had no means of enforcement against people who cut or disrupt county roads. He explained this Ordinance provides some controls and enforcement as well as provides standards in cases where permits are allowed.

Commissioner Hodges asked if this covered dirt roads and roads damaged caused by timber harvesters. Mr. Wood said the Ordinance did cover dirt roads but roads damaged by timber harvesters will be covered in Timber Ordinance which is being drafted.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Hodges and carried, Public Road Right-of-Way Ordinance was adopted. See exhibit #1993-46.

Chairman Anderson presented recommendation from Bulloch County Health Board that Carter Crawford be appointed to MHMRS Community Service Board. He stated Mr. Crawford met qualifications for appointment to this Board.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, Carter Crawford was appointed to MHM RSA Community Service Board.

Chairman Anderson commented on Recreation Board appointments and said Mr. Wood had been in contact with Chairman of the Recreation Board and Recreation Department Director. He said plan was to make Commissioners aware that there were four positions opened and in next two weeks would like for Commissioners to suggest names of people to fill these positions, several names have already been suggested. He said appointments would probably be made at the next meeting in conjunction with the City.

Commissioner Lee asked the Commissioners be furnished list of the present makeup of the Recreation Board. Mr. Wood explained these were five year terms and most, if not all, of these terms have expired but the Recreation Board had asked these people stay on the Board until the Regional Park was opened.

Commissioner Hodges said at one time they had asked that a Commissioner, a Councilman or maybe both serve on that Board as an ex-officio member. He asked if that has been discussed. Chairman Anderson said no, that was request from the Recreation Board but to his knowledge had not been done. He said this would be discussed with City.

Commissioner Lee said Edwin Hill had expressed a desire to have Recreation Board expanded from nine members to eleven members. Chairman Anderson said an increase in Board members hadn't been discussed. Mr. Franklin said he wasn't sure what size Board was allowed by State Law, he will check on this.

For the next item, Beer & Wine License Renewal Application, twenty-one applications were presented. It was explained these were all renewals and all had been approved by Sheriff Akins.

Off-premises Licenses

Jerry Forehand-Stilson Country Corner	Marsha Monkiewicz-Leefield Grocery
Joe I. Anderson-Po-Jo's Gas 'n Go	Wayne Lindsey-Eagles Corner
Robert J. Donaldson-Northside Minit Mart	Jack Edenfield-The Country Store
John G. Morris, Jr.-Morris Family Grocery	Ruel Hendrix-Hendrix Grocery & Gas
James Marvin Brown-301 Grocery	
Harold L. Marsh-Middleground Convenient Store	
Jimmy Eason-Time Saver #8, #9, #17, #22, #24, #26, #33, #54	

On-premises Licenses

Stacy Webb-Forest Heights Country Club	Mary Beth Stafford-Bills Place
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Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, Beer and Wine Licenses Renewals as presented were approved.

Chairman Anderson said next item was presentation of draft for travel regulations. He asked Mr. Wood if action would be taken on this item. Mr. Wood said it being presented for review and suggestion but that was Board's decision.

Commissioner Hodges said this policy has been needed for some time and offered a motion the Travel Regulations be adopted. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried. See exhibit #1993-47

Chairman Anderson presented a request from Regional Youth Detention Center for contribution to fund special needs not provided by state's budget. He remarked last year a \$100 contribution was made.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, contribution of \$100 to Regional Youth Detention Center was approved.

Chairman Anderson presented a request for payment to Payton Mortuary for indigent burial expense. He advised this request has been verified by Director of Department of Family & Children Services.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Simmons and carried, payment of \$250 to Payton Mortuary for indigent burial expense was approved.

Chairman Anderson said one item for discussion not on the agenda was the jail. He remarked everyone was aware of controversy about the jail and a letter has been drafted to Sheriff Akins. He said last week he spent three hours at the jail with the architect and contractor and they promised to be back in contact this week with recommendation to correct problems and who will pay. Chairman Anderson stated he advised architect the Board was not eager to spent any more money at the jail unless it was to improve the facility, not to correct something which should have been done during construction. He reviewed recommendations to eliminate problems and said there were some recommendations for censors, electronic eyes and other surveillance equipment which Board might be asked to provide.

Chairman Anderson presented a copy of letter to Sheriff Akins and said this letter was for benefit of jail staff who received a lot of criticism of jail operations. He asked if everyone agreed with letter to Sheriff Akins. Response was yes. Commissioner Lee said letter may be

worded to say it's the Board's opinion that the problem at the jail is from design standpoint rather than staff operational problem. Chairman Anderson asked if this could be included, would it cause any problem. Commissioner Beacham asked if this could present any legal problems. Mr. Franklin interjected to state it appears the problem is design construction and not operational. Chairman Anderson said letter would be rewritten with proper wording.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. He said an Executive Session was needed to discuss possible land acquisition and pending litigation.

Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Lee and carried, regular meeting was moved into Executive Session.

Regular session was reconvened. Chairman Anderson asked for action on potential acquisition of property at location of Buggy & Wagon building. Commissioner Hodges offered a motion to purchase Buggy & Wagon property for \$40,000 and if needed price can be negotiated up to \$45,000. Commissioner Alston seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Anderson asked for action on property for courthouse judicial building. Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, purchase of ten parcels adjacent to E.M.S. building at cost \$27,500 each, total \$275,000, was approved.

Chairman Anderson asked for other business or comments. Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried, meeting was adjourned subject to call.


ATTEST


E. Raybon Anderson

December 21, 1993
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met at 8:30 A.M. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex with Chairman Anderson, Commissioner Alston, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Beacham, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Lee and Commissioner Smith present.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order, welcoming the news media and 4 visitor. Commissioner Hodges gave the invocation.

Minutes of the regular meeting on December 7, 1993 and minutes of Executive Session on December 7, 1993 were reviewed. Upon motion by Commissioner Simmons, seconded by Commissioner Alston and carried, minutes of these two meetings were approved as distributed.

For first item of old business Chairman Anderson called on Tax Commissioner Carlene Johnson to give delinquent tax report. Ms. Johnson presented computer list detailing delinquent taxpayers and report showing delinquent taxes, \$107,230.76, paid in November. She advised another sale was planned for first Tuesday in February with 25 to 30 accounts to be advertised in January. She also advised voluntary 1993 taxes paid to date were \$452,250 and she expected this to be \$1,000,000-\$1,500,000 by December 31st. She remarked she felt good about voluntary payments.

Commissioner Alston asked if list of accounts to be advertised for sale could be furnished to Commissioners. Ms. Johnson said this list would be provided as soon as possible.

For other old business Chairman Anderson said smoking ordinance for second and third floors of Courthouse was discussed at the last meeting. He asked County Attorney Jimmy Franklin to present this Ordinance. Mr. Franklin said this Ordinance prohibited smoking in all areas on second and third floor of Courthouse but allowed smoking in hall area of first floor with provision for constitutional officers to designate all or any portion of their offices as no smoking areas.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hodges, seconded by Commissioner Beacham and carried, Ordinance designating smoking policy for Bulloch County Courthouse was adopted. See exhibit #1993- 48.

Chairman Anderson asked for other old business. Commissioner Hodges asked status of appointments for Recreation Board. Chairman Anderson said this had been discussed with Recreation Board and City representatives and weren't quite ready to present. He said this would be handled future meeting.

Moving into new business Chairman Anderson asked who would discuss the amendment to the Personnel Policy. Mr. Franklin said this amendment accomplishes two things, first it corrects a missed cite in original Personnel Policy and second it allows constitutional officers, by written

request, to bring their employees under the county adopted Personnel Policy. He explained under the state statute once a county adopts a Personnel Policy the constitutional officers, by written request, can bring their employees under the Policy but when the county's Policy was adopted in 1986 there was no formal request by constitutional officers regarding their employees even though they have been treated as being under the Policy. He continued this proposed amendment was result of case in Wayne County where new Sheriff immediately fired seventeen deputies. He said this case went to Georgia Court of Appeals which basically set the ground rules for application of the statute for constitutional officers and their employees. He said he felt the county needed to be absolutely sure there was no misunderstanding that employees of the Sheriff's Department, Magistrate, Tax Commissioner, Probate Court, Clerk of Court, all constitutional officers, were covered. He said this was discussed in a meeting with all constitutional officers and they were enthusiastic in support of their employees being covered under the Personnel Policy and planned to request this in writing once this amendment is adopted. He said the Personnel Policy as written left some question if constitutional officers could bring their employees under the Policy and this amendment clarified this point.

Commissioner Hodges asked if a constitutional officer elects to do this in 1993 and a newly elected officer in 1994 doesn't elected to put employees under Policy are those employees still under the policy. Mr. Franklin said yes, the law clearly provides that once employees are under the Policy they remain under the Policy, there is no provision to opt out, in Wayne County the previous Sheriff had put employees under Wayne County's Policy the last day in office. Commissioner Hodges said then each new employee hired automatically goes under policy. Mr. Franklin said yes.

Chairman Hodges asked the down side. Mr. Franklin said if employees aren't under Personnel Policy they won't have same protection as employees directly under Board and have no right of appeal, can be terminated for political reasons only.

Commissioner Simmons commented this wasn't saying employees couldn't be terminated but couldn't just come in and terminate everyone. Mr. Franklin said that was correct, employees could be terminated through due process for reasons set forth in Personnel Policy.

Mr. Wood said this was a formal policy which was already practically in place and constitutional officers are requesting Board to endorse this policy supporting their employees' protection. He remarked from a political standpoint they could be least interested, it could be argued they were comprising some of their political autonomy.

Commissioner Smith asked what happens if newly elected officer has a few key personnel he/she want to bring into his/her office. Mr. Franklin said if employees are under Personnel Policy, termination will have to be addressed as provided under the Policy with due process. Commissioner Smith said Wayne County case is extreme example of what can happen but he thought some provision should be made so a newly elected official is not bound to entire staff of a previous elected official.

He commented he wasn't right big on concept of tenure and he thought this tenured anyone from the day they are hired.

Mr. Franklin said the court decision and statute is a little unusual and he wondered if it will stand constitutional attack and if actions of one constitutional officer can put certain limitations on the autonomy of later elected officer. He commented this issue was not directly addressed in the court case.

Commissioner Beacham commented a newly elected official might do things radically different, that's the reason they were elected, but if employee is bonded to old ways, in short period of time they won't be performing and case can be made to terminate for nonperformance. He added, basically, county employees are not paid a lot of money and need to offer security which this policy does. He said this wasn't for second position but for all rank and file. He added he thought tenure went further than this policy.

Commissioner Lee asked if there was any cost involved in this Policy. Mr. Franklin said no, it really doesn't make change in what's been done.

After further discussion Commissioner Hodges offered a motion to table action on amendment to personnel policy pending further information. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried.

Next item for consideration was approval of renewal application for Beer and Wine Licenses. Board was informed that Sheriff had approved these applications and eight were presented for approval:

Off-premises

