


The Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, Florida, met in regular session on the above date. The Chairman called the meeting to order, Commissioner Fowler led in the Invocation, and Commissioner Batchelor led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.

Commissioners:	Josh Wooten, Chairman; Vicki Phillips, First Vice-Chairman; Roger Batchelor, Second Vice-Chairman; Gary Bartell and Jim Fowler
Attorney:	Robert B. Battista
Administrator:	Richard Wm. Wesch
Clerk:	Theresa Steelfox, Deputy Clerk

#2- **PUBLIC HEARINGS - WORKSHOPS - PERSONS TO APPEAR**

#2-A **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

 Mike Gudis updated the Board on a recent meeting of the Citrus County Veterans Coalition (CCVC). He stated that several officers were elected at that meeting, that a web page was under construction (www.citruscountyveteranscoalition.org), that members were being recruited, and that the CCVC hoped to work with the Board to help the veterans.

#3- **CONSENT AGENDA**

Upon motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Batchelor, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Consent Agenda, as follows:

#3-A Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute the minutes of the special meeting (Attorney/Client Session), and the regular meeting held on February 10, 2004.

#3-B Approved the following warrants: Payroll registers dated 02/17/04 at \$484,530.87 and dated 02/19/04 at \$31,160.58. Accounts Payable register dated 02/20/04 at \$3,424,532.71.

#3-C Adopted and authorized the Chairman to sign the following budget resolutions:

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-039

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE EMERGENCY HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE FOR THE ELDERLY GRANT BUDGET FOR FY 2003-04

WHEREAS, on December 16, 2003, through Resolution 2003-287 the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners approved an application for financial assistance under the Emergency Home Energy Assistance for the Elderly Program and a contract to provide services with the Mid-Florida Area Agency on Aging, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, on January 13, 2004, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners executed Amendment #2 to the contract and on January 20, 2004 the Mid-Florida Area Agency on Aging, Inc. executed the amendment providing additional funds; and

WHEREAS, this was not included in the original budget process; therefore, it is necessary for the Board to amend the budget for fiscal year 2003-04; and

WHEREAS, Section 129.06(d), Florida Statutes, provides that the Board may amend its budget by resolution spread upon its minutes to appropriate and expend funds from a source not anticipated in the Board's regular budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, Florida as follows:

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ATTEST:

/s/ Betty Strifler

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OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

/s/ Josh Wooten

JOSH WOOTEN, CHAIRMAN

EXHIBIT A			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Revenues	188D-331-590	Federal Grant	\$5,000
Expenditures	188D-5331D-54300	Utility Services	\$5,000

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-040

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM GRANT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003-04

WHEREAS, on December 16, 2003, through Resolution 2003-291 the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners approved an application for financial assistance under the Senior Companion Grant Program and a contract to provide services with the State of Florida Department of Elder Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the budget for the Adult Protective Services portion of the grant needs be adjusted; and

WHEREAS, this was not included in the original budget process; therefore, it is necessary for the Board to amend the budget for fiscal year 2003-04; and

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	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Revenues	052C-331-901	Adult Protective Services	(2,500)
		Total Revenues	(\$2,500)
Expenditures	052C-5421C-53436	Stipend – Senior Companion Grant	(200)
	052C-5421C-54000	Travel and Per Diem	(250)
	052C-5421C-54004	Travel – Administration	(300)
	052C-5421C-54005	Travel – Volunteer	(350)
	052C-5421C-54160	Postage	(200)
	052C-5421C-54676	Copier Maintenance	(150)
	052C-5421C-55107	Program Supplies	(650)
	052C-5421C-55221	Meals	(400)
		Total Expenditures	(\$2,500)

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-041

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE AQUATIC SERVICES BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003-04

WHEREAS, on January 27, 2004, the State of Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission issued a purchase order to the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, these funds will be used to reduce 300 acres of floating tussocks in Lake Todd and Lake Dodd of the Tsala Apopka chain of lakes; and

WHEREAS, this was not included in the original budget process; therefore, it is necessary for the Board to amend the budget for fiscal year 2003-04; and

WHEREAS, Section 129.06(d), Florida Statutes, provides that the Board may amend its budget by resolution spread upon its minutes to appropriate and expend funds from a source not anticipated in the Board's regular budget; and

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EXHIBIT A			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Revenues	150-335-390	Other Physical Environment	\$200,000
Expenditures	150-6304-53400	Other Contractual Services	\$200,000

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-042

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE AQUATIC SERVICES BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003-04

WHEREAS, on January 13, 2004, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners executed a Cooperative Funding Agreement with the Southwest Florida Water Management District; and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2004, the Southwest Florida Water Management District executed the agreement providing funds for the removal of floating tussocks from Lake Todd and Lake Dodd within the Tsala Apopka chain of lakes; and

WHEREAS, this was not included in the original budget process; therefore, it is necessary for the Board to amend the budget for fiscal year 2003-04; and

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EXHIBIT A			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Revenues	150-334-399B	Other Physical Environment	\$100,000
Expenditures	150-6304-53400	Other Contractual Services	\$100,000

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-043

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE DRUG COURT BUDGET FOR FY 2003-04

WHEREAS, the Citrus County Court Alternatives Program has received funds from the State of Florida Department of Children and Families; and

WHEREAS, these funds must be used for program related expenditures; and

WHEREAS, this was not included in the original budget process; therefore, it is necessary for the Board to amend the budget for fiscal year 2003-04; and

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EXHIBIT A			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Revenues	040-334-999	State Non-Grant Revenue	\$6,250
Expenditures	040-5750-53400	Other Contractual Services	\$6,250

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-044

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE 5 YEAR CAPITAL PROJECT AND UTILITY EXPANSION BUDGETS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003-04

WHEREAS, on January 27, 2004, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners approved a construction contract for the County Road 486 widening project from Forest Ridge Boulevard to U.S. Highway 41; and

WHEREAS, the budget needs to be amended to reflect the total cost of the contract and the debt issued to partially finance the project; and

WHEREAS, this was not included in the original budget process; therefore, it is necessary for the Board to amend the budget for fiscal year 2003-04; and

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EXHIBIT A			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
5 YEAR CAPITAL PROJECT			
Revenues	326-384-000	Debt Proceeds	1,700,000
	326-400-200	Cash Carry Forward	5,100,000
		Total Revenues	\$6,800,000
Expenditures	326-4110-56361	CR 486 – Forest Ridge to US 41	6,800,000
		Total Expenditures	\$6,800,000
UTILITY EXPANSION			
Revenues	451-400-200	Cash Carry Forward	206,195
		Total Revenues	\$206,195
Expenditures	451-9600-56300	Improvements other than Buildings	206,195
		Total Expenditures	\$206,195

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-045

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE STATE HOUSING INITIATIVE PARTNERSHIP BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003-04

WHEREAS, the State of Florida has established a State Housing Initiative Partnership (SHIP); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with program guidelines, interest earned may be utilized for program application and closing assistance repayments are available for appropriation; and

WHEREAS, this was not included in the original budget process; therefore, it is necessary for the Board to amend the budget for fiscal year 2003-04; and

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	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Revenues	133D-337-350	Recaptured Funds	105,955
	133D-361-200	SBA Interest	11,744
		Total Revenues	\$117,699
Expenditures	133D-5304D-51200	Regular Salaries & Wages	587
	133D-5304D-54630	Emergency Repairs	57,112
	133D-5304D-58200	Non Profit Organizations	60,000
		Total Expenditures	\$117,699

#3-D Approved the following budget transfers: **ELECTIONS:** \$200 from #001-2441-55100 to #-2440-55275. **WATER QUALITY:** \$6,828 from #062-5415-60060 to #-54600. **SSD/SOCIAL SERVICES:** \$5,000 from #001-9999-60050 to #-5220-53106. **CSS/TITLE III C2-0AA:** \$1,000 from #182E-5348E-54005, \$460 from #-54004, and \$1,000 from #-54012 with \$1,600 to #-54603 and \$860 to #-55208. **HSD/LIHEAP:** \$400 from #167D-5373D-51200, \$250 from #-51205, and \$50 from #-52100 with \$190 to #-52200, \$60 to #-52300, \$60 to #-52400, and \$390 to #-54922. **CRYSTAL RIVER AIRPORT:** \$800 from #069-5775-56300 to #-54912.

#3-E Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute Satisfactions of Judgment for Scott Alan Powalish, Case No. 03-000358-CT; Mark Allen Mason, Case No. 02-00548-CF; Robbie D. Lord Sr., Case No. 03-00086-MM; Kimberly Lee Helfman, Case No. 02-02678-MM; Paul A. Fried, Case No. 02-003731-CT; Brian Charles Fredman, Case Nos. 02-

03661-MM and 03-000835-MM; Kennard Clyde Bouk III, Case No. 03-00043-CF; and Tonya Michelle Mesic, Case No. 02-03100-TC.

#3-F Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute Releases of Lien for special assessments that have been paid in full: Resolution No. 2002-142 and Resolution No. 2002-141; James and Cheryl Chilton, AK No.# 1704791 (2A). Resolution No. 2001-202: Safford Blackwell Stokes, AK# 1938864 (1D), and Matthew Max and Sharon King, AK# 1945275 (1D). Resolution No. 2003-158: Martin A. Weenick, AK# 1872324 (3E), and Roger Coiner, AK# 1872235 (3E). Resolution No. 95-87: Billy H. and Joan Jones, AK# 1877148, and certain lands as shown in Exhibit A for the 1995 Road Paving Program. Resolution No. 86-29, reconfirmed by Resolution No. 93-216: Jimmy and Vernida De Vaughn, AK# 2275201 (H).

#3-G Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute Connection Charge Installment Lien Agreements for Citrus American & Italian Social Club, Inc., Vivian Bernice and Billy Lott, and Sabrina L. Cole.

#3-H Accepted the completed Roadway Resurfacing Project, and approved the final payment at \$52.80 and release of retainage at \$99,863.41 to D.A.B. Constructors, Inc.

#3-I Approved the following items for deletion from the County's Capital Assets Listing:

Public Health Dept		
13101	Uptech Computer	Obsolete / non-repairable
11855	NCR 3230 Computer	Obsolete / non-repairable
13099	Uptech Computer	Obsolete / non-repairable
13545	Compaq Computer System	Obsolete / non-repairable
15692	Lexmark Optra S Printer	Non-repairable
16090	Dell Optiplex Computer	Non-repairable
14744	Dell Computer	Returned to State
Detention Center		
12069	John Deere Tractor	Non-Repairable
Extension Services		
10132	Scotsman Icemaker	Non-Repairable

#3-J Approved travel for the Commissioners and the County Administrator to attend the Florida Association of Counties 2004 Legislative Day in Tallahassee on March 24, 2004.

#3-K **(1)** Adopted and authorized the Chairman to execute a resolution for the sale of Parcel 802.01, State Road (SR)-41 (a/k/a SR-45) Section No. 02010-2538, Road Improvement Project at \$5,450; and **(2)** authorized the Chairman to execute a Perpetual Easement to the State of Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for Parcel 802.01, in conjunction with the SR-41 Road Improvement Project, Section No. 02010-2538

allowing installation of an underground drainage pipe on East England Boulevard.

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-046

#3-L Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute the Food Service Contract Amendment #1 to the Community Care for the Elderly and Medicaid Waiver Program 2003/2004 with G.A. Food Services of Pinellas County, which modified pricing for home delivered meals for January 1, 2004, through June 30, 2004.

#3-M (1) Accepted a Permanent Utility and Access Easement Deed for Phase III of the Homosassa Wastewater Collection System from Paul Lee Huffstutler, President of the Blue River Cove East Homeowner's Association, Inc., for West River Holly Path, South Riverpointe Terrace and West Wood Fern Court, and (2) directed the Clerk to place the acceptance stamp thereon and record in the public records.

#3-N Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute the Youth Athletic Organization Agreement with Crystal River Little League for the use of the Bicentennial Park in conjunction with other leagues as necessary for their 2004 Season.

#3-O (1) Accepted the following Warranty Deeds, a Temporary Construction Easement, and a Utility, Drainage and Access Easement Deed for the County Road (CR) 486 Road Improvement Project as follows, and (2) directed the Clerk to place the acceptance stamp thereon and record in the public records.

WARRANTY DEEDS
Parcel 100 - Heritage Land Development, L.L.C. Parcel 139 - SunTrust Bank Parcel 147 - L.L.J.R., Inc.
TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT
Parcel 741 - Andrew C. and Jill A. Jones
UTILITY, DRAINAGE AND ACCESS EASEMENT DEED
Parcel 822 - Cliff and Tracie J. Stokes, his wife

#3-P Approved the establishment of a \$100 petty cash fund for the Floral City Fire Department with Robert Bessler, Chief, as the custodian.

#3-Q Approved the sole sourcing of card reader access system products for the Sheriff's Office Evidence Remodel Project through Security One Systems, Inc., and directed staff to proceed with incorporating this system into the construction bid documents for the security system installation, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.

#3-R Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute the Lease and Management Agreement with the Beverly Hills Civic Association, Inc., for use of the southern half of the Beverly Hills Community Building for a five year term beginning February 24, 2004, at \$1 per year.

#3-S Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute the Floral Park Use Agreement with the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce for the utilization of Floral Park for the 17th Annual Strawberry Festival to be held March 6 and 7, 2004.

#3-T Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute the Short Form Contract Between Client and Engineer with Jones, Edmunds & Associates, Inc., for Geographical Information System (GIS) mapping of public safety data at \$29,602.

#3-U **(1)** Accepted a Permanent Utility Easement Deed with Ruth E. Krysher, Trustee, Harvey V. Delzer, Trustee, Hilda P. Delzer, Trustee, Carl A. Feddeler, Trustee and M. Louise Feddeler, Trustee for sewage lines located in Block 24, Homosassa, Section 27, Township 19 South, Range 17 East, and **(2)** directed the Clerk to place the acceptance stamp thereon and record in the public records.

#3-V Approved revisions to the 2003-2004 Citrus County Health Department's Annual Contract to reflect federal funding increases at \$4,000 for the West Nile Virus and Epidemiology Project Program, \$6,823 for the Immunization Program, and \$5,000 for the Cardiovascular Health Program.

#3-W **(1)** Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute the Partial Statement in Proof of Loss issued by United National Insurance of Pennsylvania at \$507,075.46, and **(2)** authorized the payment voucher issued by Gallagher Bassett Services at \$44,885.96 to Hammer Construction Corporation for the demolition and reconstruction of the Lecanto Senior Center at 1410 South Lecanto Highway.

#3-X Adopted and authorized the Chairman to execute a resolution setting a public hearing on March 23, 2004, at 1:35 P.M. in the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness for Plat Vacation PV-04-01, as petitioned by Avis M. Craig, on behalf of Peter S. and Judith Kammeraad. **RESOLUTION NO. 2004-047**

#3-Y Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute the Title III E - Family Caregiver Program 2004 Facility Based Respite Care contract with Inverness Nursing and Rehab Center (formerly known as Mariner Healthcare of Inverness) not to exceed \$230 (two episodes of service) from January 1, 2004, through December 31, 2004.

#3-Z Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute a Guaranteed Maintenance Agreement with Lanier for the Lanier LD060 copier, Serial No. 25900540, located in the Road Maintenance Division (RMD) from April 1, 2004, through March 31, 2005, at \$1,422 plus \$0.008 per copy.

#3-AA Waived the \$110 fee for use of the Homosassa Area Recreation Park Dazzy Vance Field for the Seven Rivers Christian School Boys Baseball Season to be held February through April 2004.

#3-BB Waived the \$90 fee for use of the Bicentennial Park Fields No. 4 and No. 5 for the Seven Rivers Christian School Girls Softball Season to be held February through April 2004.

#3-CC Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute the Worksite Contract with the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) to provide community service work opportunities within the Library Services Division locations pursuant to law, for youth that had been made the responsibility of the DJJ.

#3-DD Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute the Affordable Medical Transport Services Contract 2004/2005 with Affordable Medical Transport, effective March 1, 2004, which reflected the approved Medicaid reimbursement rates.

#3-EE Acknowledged receipt of the letter from AIG Technical Services, Inc., regarding claimant Tyrone Clark.

#3-FF Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute the contract with the Citrus County Fair Association, Inc., for one educational booth for the Department of Community Services (DDS) during the week of the Fair, March 22 - 27, 2004.

#3-GG Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute the following documents from MACTEC Engineering and Consulting for the design of the CR-486 Road Improvement Project: **(1)** letter for additional services - Pond "D" modifications at \$20,290, and **(2)** letter for additional services - of Take (O.T.) Hearings at \$19,400.

#3-HH **(1)** Approved the Gopher Tortoise Incidental Take Permit for the CR-486 Road Improvement Project at \$32,650, and **(2)** approved and authorized the Chairman to execute the contract with Michael G. Czerwinski, Environmental Consultant, at \$3,450 to relocate tortoises away from the project site to adjacent County-owned property.

#3-II **(1)** Renamed the Fire Services Division (FSD) to Fire Rescue Division (FRD), and **(2)** approved revised striping for new staff vehicles with existing staff vehicles being re-striped at a future date.

#3-JJ Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute a Release of Code Enforcement Lien in Case No. 03-072 filed against Ronnie and Angela Neace, Jr., for a \$350 fine that had been paid.

#3-KK Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute a Release of Code Enforcement Lien in Case No. 95-014 filed against Armistead T. and Kathleen O'Neal for an \$816.50 fine that had been paid.

#3-LL Approved and authorized the Chairman to execute a Release of Code Enforcement Lien in Case No. 02-181 filed against Allen Przewozniczek for an \$815.99 fine that had been paid.

#3-MM Approved payment of attorney's fees and costs related to the business damage claim of New England Pastry and Deli as follows: \$18,480 to Haag, Friedrich & Blume, P.A., and \$21,420 for expert fees (\$15,190 to Kerry Hayes, CMC; \$2,962.50 to Fred B. LaDue & Associates, and \$3,267.50 to David A. May & Associates).

#3-NN Approved a request by the Citrus County Drug Alternative Program to apply electronically for the Drug Court Enhancement Grant.

#3-OO Retained the firm of Zimmet, Unice, Salzman, Heyman & Jardine, P.A. for litigation regarding the property at 1489 South Ozello Trail pertaining to violations of the Citrus County Land Development Code (LDC).

#3-PP Approved the following Bid Committee Report: **(1)** Bid No. 049-04, Public Works Department (DPW), Inverness Health Reception Room remodel, awarded to John Rife, Corporation at \$40,801 as the lowest bidder; **(2)** Bid No. 055-04, Housing Services Division (HSD), home repairs, awarded RHB 2003-035 at the base bid plus flooring allowance total of \$11,468 and RHB 2003-036 at the base bid plus flooring allowance total of \$14,850 to Donle Enterprises, Inc., as the lowest bidder; **(3)** Bid No. 048-01, Utilities Division (UD), groundwater monitoring laboratory services, renewed the current bid with Advanced Environmental Laboratory, Inc., and S.A.C. Environmental Laboratories, Inc., under the same terms and conditions listed in the bid documents; **(4)** Emergency Bid Waiver Request, Maintenance Operations Division (MOD), waived the bid procedures and allowed the division to utilize Restoration Specialists at \$32,100.36, and Florida Pest Control at \$5,014 for the sanitized cleanup of Building No. 3001; and **(5)** Piggyback Bid Request, Aquatic Services Division (ASD), harvesting/tussock removal, allowed the division to piggyback the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FFWCC) Bid No. FWC 99-00-14 with Texas Aquatics for the removal of tussocks from the Tsala-Apopka Lake, Hernando Pool. (1:07 P.M.)

#6 **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

#6-A **JOINT MEETING WITH THE CRYSTAL RIVER CITY COUNCIL (CRCC)**

Mr. Wesch informed the Board that Susan Boyer, Crystal River City Manager, had requested, on behalf of the CRCC, a joint workshop to discuss the Crystal River Small Communities Disadvantaged Wastewater Grant Program (Grant). He stated that a mutually convenient date and time had been established, and Ms. Boyer was requesting the Board's approval to proceed with preparations for the meeting on March 1, 2004, at 3:00 P.M. in the Crystal River Council Chambers in Crystal River. He added that Ms. Boyer's letter indicated that the Grant would assist the City of Crystal River (City) in cleaning up the Kings Bay by removal of septic systems from around the bay.

Motion by Commissioner Batchelor, seconded by Commissioner Fowler, to authorize the necessary arrangements for the joint meeting with the Crystal River City Council on March 1, 2004, at 3:00 P.M. at the Crystal River Council Chambers in Crystal River.

Mr. Wesch responded to Commissioner Phillips' concerns by stating that it was his understanding that the CRCC desired to share this Grant information with the Board, and that he did not know whether a meeting with the Board was necessary as a prerequisite to the Grant filing. He added that he believed that some of the proposed projects would be outside of the City limits. He apologized to the Board for the lack of information being provided for this request, and stated that if the Board required further clarification he could contact the CRCC and relay that information to the Board.

Commissioner Bartell stated that his concern was that the focus of the workshop would be on projects within the City; i.e., Kings Bay area, not areas in the County due to the current interlocal agreement with the City regarding water and sewer projects.

Commissioner Batchelor also expressed concern with the service area that the City wanted to discuss. He discussed the need for a sewer system in the Indian Water Subdivision and hoped that the City could include that subdivision as part of the Grant projects.

Commissioner Fowler wanted to know what the Board's participation would be in the meeting. He stated that the Board needed more information, such as was the meeting open to the public, were motions going to be made by either Board, would other issues be explored by the general public; i.e., annexation.

Mr. Wesch reiterated that he could request further information as to the scope and role of the Board at this meeting and relay that information to the Board.

Discussion ensued regarding the Grant being the only topic discussed at the meeting, any other discussion would be out of order, ask the Clerk to advertise as a workshop to discuss the Grant only, the workshop would be informational only, the need for an agenda prior to the workshop, public input should be relevant to the discussion of the workshop, the interlocal agreement with the City was still in effect, amend the motion to be more specific, schedule the workshop for another time after more information was received, etc.

Commissioner Fowler withdrew his second and Commissioner Wooten seconded the motion.

The Chairman commented that it was difficult to get those type meetings scheduled with all of the members and that the Board should meet with the City as scheduled, that only the advertised issue should be discussed, that the motion should be amended so that the meeting was advertised as a workshop to discuss the Grant only, etc.

Amended motion by Commissioner Batchelor, seconded by Commissioner Wooten, to (1) authorize the necessary arrangements for the joint meeting with the Crystal River City Council on March 1, 2004, at 3:00 P.M. at the Crystal River Council Chambers in Crystal River, (2) instruct staff to advertise as a workshop to specifically discuss the

Crystal River Small Communities Disadvantaged Wastewater Grant Program, and (3) obtain an agenda from the Crystal River City Council prior to the meeting.

Discussion continued regarding the workshop being postponed until more information could be obtained, the need for an agenda prior to the workshop for the Board and the public, the workshop to be specific to the discussion of the Grant, etc.

The Chairman called a question on the motion and the motion carried unanimously. (1:39 P.M.)

#2-B **CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION - JESSICA SANDERSON**

Upon motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Bartell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved and authorized all Commissioners to execute a certificate of recognition to Jessica Sanderson for being selected "2003 Citizen of the Year" for Citrus Springs. (1:41 P.M.)

#2-C **PROCLAMATION - MARCH FOR MEALS**

Upon motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Bartell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved and authorized all Commissioners to execute a proclamation declaring March 17 and 18, 2004, as "March for Meals" days in Citrus County. (1:43 P.M.)

#2-E **CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION - KELLY BURNS**

Upon motion by Commissioner Bartell, seconded by Commissioner Batchelor, and carried unanimously, the Board approved and authorized all Commissioners to execute a certificate of recognition to Kelly Burns for being named one of the Top Youth Volunteers in Florida for 2004. (1:45 P.M.)

The Chairman recessed the meeting and reconvened at 2:03 P.M.

#2-D **PARKS AND RECREATION - YEAR IN REVIEW**

Parks and Recreation Manager Rafael Del Valle presented a PowerPoint presentation (filed with the Clerk's agenda) on the Year in Review of park activities, special events, and programs for 2003-2004. He explained that the County was divided into four squadrons, and each squadron was assigned a recreation program specialist, who worked directly with the communities. He reviewed some activities that were offered to every age, i.e., Start Smart (a sports program for children under five years old), women's volleyball, men and women's softball, flag football for adults, concert in the parks, etc. He advised that the department was focusing on the community, the people, the natural resources, and services. He then reviewed the yearly activity calendar. He stated that he was proud that his staff was dedicated to the citizens of Citrus County. He also thanked the MOD staff for maintaining the parks.

The Commissioners thanked Mr. Del Valle for his presentation, and commended staff for their dedication and efforts on the upkeep of the parks and continued activities.

(2:15 P.M.)

#6-B TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION NO. 79 CONTRACT

Motion by Commissioner Bartell, seconded by Commissioner Phillips, to approve and authorize the Chairman to execute an Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local Union No. 79 (Union), effective February 24, 2004, through September 30, 2005.

Mr. Wesch advised that the contract had been ratified by the Union with a vote of 16 to 1.

The Chairman called a question on the motion and the motion carried unanimously. (2:16 P.M.)

#8- COMMISSIONER VICKI PHILLIPS, FIRST VICE-CHAIRMAN

#8-A RESOLUTION - CITRUS COUNTY VETERANS COALITION

Commissioner Phillips requested that this item be pulled and brought back later, due to the resolution needing revision.

#8-B CITRUS SPRINGS TASK FORCE

Motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Batchelor, to nominate and appoint (1) Irwin S. Katlein, Dominic Christofaro, and Bruce Johnson to fill Regular Member positions on the Citrus Springs Task Force, and (2) Marquis (Mark) C. Gibbs and Doris M. Holdread to fill Alternate Member positions on the Citrus Springs Task Force. (Clerk's note: There was no vote on this motion)

Upon motion by Commissioner Fowler, seconded by Commissioner Bartell, and carried unanimously, the Board ceased nominations. (2:19 P.M.)

#12- COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

#12-A THE MOORINGS AT POINT O' WOODS PHASE THREE (PLT-03-13)

Mr. Battista advised that the preliminary plat for The Moorings at Point O' Woods Phase Three was currently going through the plat review system, and one of the conditions for approval was the granting of a construction variance from the Board. He explained that the applicant was requesting a variance from minimum centerline radii of 180 feet to centerline radii of 125 feet. He added that the DPW, FRD, and the Engineering Division (ED) had reviewed the request and had no objections.

Upon motion by Commissioner Fowler, seconded by Commissioner Batchelor, and carried unanimously, the Board approved a request from the developers of The Moorings at Point O' Woods Phase Three (PLT-03-13) for a variance from the minimum centerline radii requirement of 180 feet as contained in the Land Development Code to a centerline radii of 125 feet. (2:20 P.M.)

#13- ANY OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS - ACCEPTED BY MOTION ONLY

#13-A CITRUS COUNTY BUILDERS ASSOCIATION

Upon motion by Commissioner Bartell, seconded by Commissioner Phillips, and carried unanimously, the Board approved and authorized the Chairman to

execute an Indemnity Agreement with the Citrus County Builders Association for the installation of temporary signs for their upcoming Parade of Homes.

#14- **ANY OTHER BUSINESS OR PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

#14-A **FORGIVENESS OF PENALTIES AND INTEREST ON LIENS - GWEN COOK**

Mr. Battista explained that this item was being brought forward on behalf of Gwen Cook who had appeared before the Board in January regarding forgiveness of penalties and interest that was attached to two liens on property she had acquired through tax deeds. He advised that his office had given Ms. Cook a copy of the information that was provided for the meeting, and she had asked that this item be postponed so that she could study the information and discuss it further with staff.

The Commissioners agreed to postpone this item until the next scheduled meeting.

#13-B **STORM DAMAGE**

Mr. Wesch talked about the severe weather that had passed through Citrus County last night and the damage that was sustained to private homes. He advised that after a presentation from staff, he would respectfully request the allocation of approximately \$36,000 to allow staff to clean up the effected properties by disposing the storm debris. He added that the allocated amount would include staff's time, effort, labor costs, and tipping fee.

Public Safety Department (DPS) Director Charles Polisenio explained that most of the damage occurred north of CR-488 and west of CR-495, with some minor damage south of CR-488 and east of CR-495 in some small subdivisions. He displayed several photos of the area and added that as of noon today there were seven uninhabitable homes, numerous homes that were damaged, power lines down, large amounts of tree damage, etc. He advised that the responding agencies included 45 volunteer firefighters, staff from DPS and RMD, Sheriff's Emergency Management, the Red Cross, and the Homosassa Auxiliary. He stated that damage assessment would be ongoing. He also reviewed the DPS severe weather and damage procedure.

DPW Director Ken Frink explained that the damage occurred in the heavily wooded northwest quadrant of the County, and staff had estimated approximately \$36,000 for debris clearing (\$26,000 for labor and equipment and \$10,000 for tipping fees). He added that one third of the debris was in the public right-of-way and two thirds of the debris was on private property. He requested authorization for staff to work with the public so the debris located on private property could be stockpiled by the residents in an easily accessible area. He estimated that the cleanup would take approximately one and a half weeks.

Motion by Commissioner Bartell, seconded by Commissioner Phillips, to authorize staff to commit labor, equipment, and funds to the storm damaged area for debris removal both on and off private property.

Discussion ensued regarding the County's insurance company inspecting the damage, the contingency fund to be used to cover the costs, compliments to staff for a job well done, etc.

The Chairman called a question on the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

#14-B ***TOWN HALL MEETINGS AND SPORTS COMPLEX UPDATE***

Commissioner Bartell announced that the town hall meetings in Homosassa and Chassahowitzka had taken place, and he thanked staff for the excellent job they did of informing the public about the water/wastewater projects.

He informed the Board that he recently spoke to Brent Hall, who in turn spoke to Mike Hampton, about the Board's concerns on protecting the County's and the taxpayer's best interest financially, and they both fully understood. He advised that there was a meeting this Thursday and that he had asked Mr. Hall to outline specific items the Mike Hampton Foundation would be responsible for and what they expected from the County.

He mentioned that Assistant County Administrator Ken Saunders had been working with a property owner who had approximately 160 acres on two parcels of property, behind the old government building. He requested Board approval to authorize staff to begin preliminary negotiations with the property owner for price and availability.

Upon motion by Commissioner Bartell, seconded by Commissioner Phillips, and carried unanimously, the Board authorized staff to begin preliminary negotiations for price and availability with the property owner of approximately 160 acres on two parcels of property behind the old government complex. (2:38 P.M.)

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the meeting. (2:39 P.M.)

ATTEST: _____, Clerk _____, Chairman