

The Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, Florida, met in regular session on the above date at the Citrus County Courthouse in Inverness.

Present: Gary Bartell, Chairman; Dennis Damato, Second Vice-Chairman; Vicki Phillips and Joyce Valentino

Attorney: Robert B. Battista

Administrator: Richard Wm. Wesch

Clerks: Betty Strifler, Clerk; Glenda Brown and Theresa Steelfox, Deputy Clerks

The Chairman called the meeting to order, Commissioner Damato gave the invocation, and Commissioner Valentino led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

2-A **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

2-A.1 A citizen residing on Gospel Island Road addressed the Board regarding the Gospel Island Bridge Project. He explained that he and his wife had done their due diligence on this issue for approximately three years and he felt that the FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation) had misrepresented the Board and the public regarding the temporary bridge and the construction timeframe.

Mr. Wesch explained that representatives of the FDOT had been working with staff regarding fire protection services and with the Nature Coast Emergency Medical Services concerning emergency medical services. He added that staff would continue to follow the Board's direction to make sure the safety of the citizens was adequately protected.

2-A.2 Morris Harvey, representing Fiscal Watch Committee (FWC) of the Citrus County Council, made comments regarding a report that the FWC had sent to the Board earlier (filed with the Clerk's agenda). He talked about the Board's budget process and submitted several ideas on how to improve the process.

The Chairman stated that he appreciated the FWC information and he believed the proper time to discuss those matters would be at the Goal Setting Workshop.

Discussion ensued regarding the budget requirements for constitutional officers, the Board not having the ability to oversee constitutional officers' budgets, the FWC and the Board requesting constitutional officers' budget information, Mr. Battista explaining to the FWC the budget statutes and process, the need for a parallel between the budget and growth in population, comparisons of budgets being misleading, and so on.

2-A.3 Jim McIntosh suggested asking the legislators to change the law to not allow gifting by lobbyists to constitutional officers.

(1:29 P.M.)

3- **CONSENT AGENDA**

Upon motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Damato, and carried unanimously, the Board pulled items 3-C (Budget Resolutions), 3-D (Budget Transfers), 3-O (American Associates for Retired Persons), 3-P (Seven Rivers Christian School), 3-R (Allweatherinc Maintenance Contract), 3-U, 3-V, 3-W, 3-X, 3-Y, and 3-Z (FDOT Joint Participation Agreements) for discussion, approved the balance of the following consent agenda items, and authorized the Chairman to execute all related documents:

3-A Left blank intentionally.

3-B Payroll registers dated December 6, 2005, for \$617,348.44 and dated December 7, 2005, for \$14,751.34. Accounts Payable registers dated December 8, 2005, for \$30,094.97, dated December 16, 2005, for \$3,703,477.28, and dated December 19, 2005, for \$126 and \$5,112.66.

3-E Satisfactions of Judgments for Janice Corona, Case No. 1998 CO 003571; and Joan Johnson, Case Nos. 1978 MM 000313 and 1978 MM 000812.

3-F Releases of Liens for special assessments that had been paid in full: Resolution No. 80-12, reconfirmed by Resolution No. 93-171 for QMM Holdings Company, Inc., Alternate Key (AK) No. 1823854 (A). Resolution No. 2000-135 for Margaret A. Cass, AK No. 1639484 (OB). Resolution No. 2001-186 for Lois J. Tackett, AK No. 2767031 (1B). Resolution No. 2001-202 for Stanley and Jeanette A. Peterson, AK No. 2546476 (1D) and William Shroyer, AK No. 1970172 (1D). Resolution No. 2004-176 for Thomas C. and Carol Ann Tucker, AK No. 2256532 (4C). Resolution No. 2005-147 for Florida Power Corp Attn Bill Keith, AK No. 1659591 (5A).

3-G Form W-9 Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification for the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners.

3-H Credit Application to be used for Accounts Payable vendors.

3-I Deletion of the following items from the County's capital asset list:

Property Number	Description	Condition
133	Dell Optiplex monitor	obsolete
131	Dell Optiplex monitor	obsolete
125	Dell Optiplex monitor	obsolete
138	Dell Optiplex monitor	obsolete
121	Dell Optiplex monitor	obsolete
154	Dell Optiplex monitor	obsolete
N/A	Dell Optiplex monitor	obsolete

3-J Deletion of the following items from the County's capital asset list:

Systems Management		
15277	Dell PC	obsolete
15684	Dell computer	obsolete
15498	Dell computer	obsolete
15460	Dell computer	obsolete
17221	Dell computer	obsolete
15490	Dell computer	obsolete
15606	Dell computer	obsolete
15493	Dell computer	obsolete
15371	Dell computer	obsolete
15494	Dell computer	obsolete
15489	Dell computer	obsolete
Support Services		
8452	Executive chair	irreparable

3-K Bond debt service payments due January 1, 2006, and letters signed by the Chairman and the Clerk of Courts authorizing wire transfers by Mercantile Bank to SunTrust Bank for Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds; Series 2003-A for \$55,238.75, and to Wachovia Bank, N.A. for Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds; Series 1996 for \$112,703.13.

3-L Deletion of an obsolete card tray tower (Property No. 8876) from the Supervisor of Elections capital asset list.

3-M Replat/Substantially Similar Plat of Peek Place and that the plat be recorded in the public records.

3-N Replat/Substantially Similar Plat of Jadon's Way and that the plat be recorded in the public records.

3-Q Task Authorization No. 2005-04 for \$36,500 with C & D Engineering, Inc., for Fort Island Trail Park Improvements.

3-S **(1)** Acceptance of Nova Casualty Company Surety Rider for Citrus Waste Services, Inc., increasing Bond No. 70127 to \$20,000; **(2)** Waste Disposal Account Agreement with Citrus Waste Services, Inc., establishing a monthly charge agreement for disposal fees up to \$24,025; and **(3)** termination of the Waste Disposal Account Agreement with Citrus Waste Services, Inc., dated December 6, 2005, and transfer of the \$4,025.00 cash security to new agreement.

3-T "Citrus County Detention Facility Procedures for Use of Trusty Labor", which revised the current procedures regarding inmate labor.

3-AA 2005 Emergency Hurricane Supplemental Urban and Community Forestry Grant Program - Part 2, a grant between \$10,000 and \$75,000 offered through the Florida

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to communities that suffered damage to their urban tree canopies because of the 2004 hurricanes.

3-BB Public hearing set for January 10, 2006, at 2:15 P.M. at the Citrus County Courthouse in Inverness to consider adoption of a resolution authorizing the exchange of land or interest in the land between Citrus County and Christ Way Fellowship Church of God, Inc.

3-CC **(1)** Request by the Community Support Services Division (CSSD) to apply for a \$500 grant under the Disney Minnie Grant Program with Youth Service America to help provide enhancements to the Jessica Lunsford Playground; and **(2)** a resolution authorizing the application and execution of a contract for funding of the Disney Minnie Grant Program. **RESOLUTION NO. 2005-297**

3-DD Release of Lien plus costs and interest totaling \$1,533.95 in Code Enforcement Board (CEB) Case No. 0501-060 filed against Laura Myers.

3-EE Release of Lien plus costs and interest totaling \$597.69 in CEB Case No. 89-46 filed against W. W. Caruth, Jr. d/b/a River Lodge Resort.

3-FF **(1)** Water and/or Wastewater Developer's Agreement with Donald A. Horseman for an estimated cost not to exceed \$3,034.10 to extend and install the equivalent of a two-inch water line plus connection fees to property located at 420 South Bauer Road, Lecanto, and **(2)** that the agreement be recorded in the public records.

3-GG **(1)** Water and/or Wastewater Developer's Agreement with Christopher and Paula Cardoza to share in the construction cost to extend a six-inch water main plus connection fees to property located at 95 East Tara Court, Hernando, and **(2)** that the agreement be recorded in the public records.

3-HH **(1)** Revised Annual "Choose Life" Specialty License Plate Report to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV) for fiscal year ending 2004, and **(2)** the Annual "Choose Life" Specialty License Plate Report to DHSMV for fiscal year ending 2005.

3-II Youth Athletic Organization Agreement with Nature Coast Baseball League for the use of the Lecanto Community Park for their 2006 Spring Season.

3-JJ Notice of Commencement with Greg Construction for construction of the Homosassa Public Library, located at 4100 South Grandmarch Avenue in Homosassa, for \$3,719,578.

3-KK Ratification of Wallace Gene McGee, Jr., to membership of the Board of Directors of the Centers, Inc., for a term of six years.

3-LL Federally Funded Subgrant Agreement, Contract Number: 06HM-4@-05-19-01-005, CFDA Number: 97.039 for \$186,631 with the State of Florida, Department of Community Affairs for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

3-MM Appointment of Donald Cox to an alternate member position on the Citrus County Water and Wastewater Authority Board for a term that would expire on October 31, 2007.

3-NN **(1)** Purchase/Sale Agreement with Tropical Highland Investments, Inc., at the appraised value of \$114,000 for a tract of land located at 344 South Fitzpatrick Avenue in Inverness, needed for the South Croft Avenue Intersection Improvement Project; **(2)** staff to close the transaction subject to review and approval by the County Attorney; and **(3)** the Clerk to place the acceptance stamp upon the deed and record in the public records.

3-OO Receipt of Financial Statements and Independent Auditors' Reports for The Centers, Inc., for fiscal year ending June 30, 2005.

3-PP Resolution setting a public hearing on January 24, 2006, at 2:30 P.M. at the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 North Apopka Avenue in Inverness to consider Street Vacation SV-05-04 petitioned by Karen Howard. **RESOLUTION NO. 2005-298**

3-QQ AIA Document B141 - 1997 Part 1 Standard Form of Agreement Between Owner and Architect and AIA Document B141 - 1997 Part 2 Standard Form of Architect's Services with SchenkelShultz, Inc., for the Citrus County Emergency Operation Center and Maintenance Facility for 7.85 percent of construction cost, programming fee of \$69,875, and civil engineering fee of 10 percent of site work cost estimated at \$75,000.

3-RR Public workshop set for January 24, 2006, at 2:15 P.M. and public hearing set for February 14, 2006, at 5:20 P.M. at the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 North Apopka Avenue in Inverness to consider a Notice of Proposed Change to the Land Development Code (LDC) Ordinance No. 90-14, Application No. D-05-02, Stillwell/Barrington Group for Meadowcrest DRI (Development of Regional Impact).

3-SS Public workshop set for January 10, 2006, at 3:00 P.M. and public hearing set for February 24, 2006, at 5:01 P.M. at the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 North Apopka Avenue in Inverness to consider an amendment to the LDC (Ordinance No. 90-14), Application No. OA-05-09, Department of Development Services (DDS).

3-TT Public workshop set for January 10, 2006 at 3:20 P.M. and public hearing set for January 24, 2006, at 5:01 P.M. at the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 North Apopka Avenue in Inverness to consider an amendment to the LDC (Ordinance No. 90-14), Application No. AA-05-018, DDS for Futronix and G & S Development Company.

3-UU Settlement as to claims for owner compensation, business damages, statutory interest, attorney fees, expert fees, and costs at \$292,660 and \$16,140.26 for Parcels 130 and 776 and Parcels 131 and 777, Raymond J. Townsend, for the County Road (CR) 486 Capital Road Improvement Project.

3-VV Goal Setting Workshop set for February 1, 2006, at 9:00 A.M. at the Citrus Springs Community Center, 1570 West Citrus Springs Boulevard in Citrus Springs.

3-WW Property Transfer Form F.S. 29.008 submitted by John Sullivan, Court Operations Manager, in accordance with the requirements of Article V.

3-XX Modification of Agreement No. 1 - Task Authorization No. 1 - Installation of Landfill Gas Monitoring Probes with SCS Engineers in an amount not to exceed \$4,594.

3-YY Bid/RFP (Request for Proposal) Award Recommendations: **(1) Bid No. 020-06, Solid Waste Management, Contractor Services for Roll-off Boxes and Unloading Services:** contract with Sand/Land of Florida Enterprises, Inc., as the lowest bidder; **(2) RFP No. 034-06, Management & Budget, Indirect Cost Allocation Study:** to Maximus at an annual fee of \$10,950 per year for a three year period; **(3) Bid No. 035-05, CSSD Non-Emergency Transportation Services:** Contract Renewal #1 with Dash Transport, Inc., at the adjusted rates as listed in the renewal contract.

3-O & 3-P AMERICAN ASSOCIATES FOR RETIRED PERSONS (AARP) AND SEVEN RIVERS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Commissioner Phillips expressed concern with waiving fees for the Citrus Springs Community Center and stated that she would be requesting staff to review the community center policy, in particular the Citrus Springs Community Center.

Mr. Wesch addressed her question regarding the current policy by stating that the Administrative Regulation (AR) allowed for charitable and 501c3 organizations to request the Board to waive applicable fees; however, it was always at the discretion of the Board. He added that for profit organizations paid the fees. He explained that the Board would be within the parameter of the current AR to grant the waiver of fees for the organizations listed in items 3-O and 3-P. He agreed with Commissioner Phillips' suggestion to revisit this issue during the Goal Setting Workshop.

Commissioner Phillips stated that she pulled those items because of several inquiries she had received. She agreed that the decision to waive fees was at the discretion of the Board; however, historically the Board did waive those fees. She added that if an organization was going to raise funds, they should pay for some of the overhead costs of the community center, and she believed that anyone using the facility should pay the actual costs incurred. She mentioned that prior to the Marion County lawsuit (Donnelly vs. Marion County) the advisory board made recommendations to the Board for the use of the Citrus Springs Community Center. She advised that she would reluctantly make a motion to approve items 3-O and 3-P because the Board had set a precedent in the past.

A motion was made by Commissioner Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Valentino to (1) waive the \$1,200 rental fee for the American Association for Retired Persons to use the meeting rooms at the Citrus Springs Community Center, February 7 through April 11, 2006, for their annual free tax preparation, and (2) waive the \$750 rental fee for the Seven Rivers Christian School's dinner auction to be held at the Citrus Springs Community Center on April 21, 2006.

The Chairman agreed with Commissioner Phillips and stated that he would welcome a discussion of this issue at the Goal Setting Workshop.

Commissioner Damato requested that staff determine the costs of opening the Citrus Springs Community Center, and Mr. Wesch stated that staff could draft a revision to the AR and have it ready for the Goal Setting Workshop. Commissioner Phillips requested that the AR be drafted prior to the Goal Setting Workshop so the Board could discuss it and give direction to staff at that meeting.

Jim McIntosh suggested that if the entity could not afford to pay the fees then the fees be waived. Commissioner Phillips added that the AARP event was a benefit to all citizens and that should also be considered.

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

3-C ***BUDGET RESOLUTIONS***

3-D ***BUDGET TRANSFERS***

3-R ***ALLWEATHERINC MAINTENANCE CONTRACT***

3-U⇒Z ***FDOT - JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENTS (JPA)***

Commissioner Valentino requested the above items be pulled so the public could receive information on all items regarding the Crystal River and Inverness Airports.

Mr. Wesch explained that all items except for items 3-C and 3-D (budget resolutions and budget transfers) were agreements with the FDOT Aviation Division. He added that the FDOT funded 75 percent of all projects at the County's two airports. He advised that the projects listed were consistent with the adopted master plan for the airports and the CIP (Capital Improvement Program). He stated that the budget resolutions and budget transfers involved transferring the finances from the General Fund into the specific budgets. He advised that it had been a long-standing Board policy that all of the budget resolutions be under one item as opposed to being across the entire agenda.

He addressed Commissioner Valentino's questions regarding budget resolutions on today's agenda for JPAs that were approved by the Board in 2003 by stating that staff prepared a year in advance of when any specific item would be funded or any specific program would be carried out. He mentioned the following reasons: **(1)** it was not feasible to get the project done within the calendar year; therefore, the money was placed in a cash carry forward account; **(2)** staff intended to do the project; however, the FDOT did not have matching funds; or **(3)** the FDOT wanted staff to do the project; however, the County did not have matching funds.

Commissioner Phillips mentioned a spreadsheet that staff provided prior to meetings when there were JPAs on the consent agenda, and although staff was providing the information it was still very confusing. She stated that she supported improvements to the airports for safety reasons, but she did not intend to support the business park at the Inverness Airport.

Quincy D. Wylupek, Engineering Project Manager, replied to Commissioner Phillips' question regarding the JPAs being for the business park by stating ANH-82 (item 3-U) was for the widening of Watson Road and the primary purpose of that item was for providing a new access to the airport; however, it would also serve as access to the business park. He added that most of the items were supplements; therefore, the County had already accepted a portion of the money for the JPAs.

Discussion ensued regarding staff highlighting the spreadsheet to indicate the JPAs to be discussed; staff explaining which JPAs were accepted or were for future use; matching the projects to the JPAs; cutting the information from the spreadsheet and pasting it onto the agenda memorandums with other information; staff notifying the Board when issues arose regarding the business park; staff presenting to the Board the chronological blueprint of the business park; the Commissioners meeting with Mr. Wesch individually on ideas of how to present the information with less confusion; and so on.

A motion was made by Commissioner Valentino and seconded by Commissioner Damato to approve the following items:

3-C Budget Resolutions

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-299

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE AQUATIC SERVICES BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-06

WHEREAS, on November 1, 2005, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners approved a budget resolution to account for the aquatic plant control grant in a separate fund and department; and

WHEREAS, the grant budget was originally included as part of the aquatic services operating budget and needs to be removed; 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 2005-06; 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:

1. The Board does hereby amend its budget to include the estimated revenues and expenditures listed in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference.
2. The Clerk of the Board is hereby directed to spread this resolution upon the minutes of the meeting held this date.

ADOPTED, in regular session this 20th day of December 2005 by the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners.

ATTEST:

/s/ Betty Strifler

BETTY STRIFLER, CLERK

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

/s/ Gary Bartell

GARY BARTELL, CHAIRMAN

EXHIBIT "A"			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
<i>Revenues</i>	150-334-396	Aquatic Plant Control	(3,360,522)
	150-400-200	Cash Carry Forward	583,853
		Total Revenues	(\$2,776,669)
<i>Expenditures</i>	150-6304-53400	Other Contractual Services	(2,221,880)
	150-6304-55207	Chemicals	(554,789)
		Total Expenditures	(\$2,776,669)

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-300

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE INVERNESS AIRPORT FUEL CAPABILITY GRANT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-06

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2003, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners executed a Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2003, the State of Florida, Department of Transportation executed the agreement providing funds for fuel capability at the Inverness airport; 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 2005-06; and

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EXHIBIT "A"			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
<i>Revenues</i>	059-334-410	State Grant	60,000
	059-381-001	Transfer from General Fund	15,000
		Total Revenues	\$75,000
<i>Expenditures</i>	059-5782-53100	Professional Services	50,000
	059-5782-56300	Improvements other than Buildings	25,000
		Total Expenditures	\$75,000

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-301

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE CRYSTAL RIVER AIRPORT CORPORATE HANGARS GRANT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-06

WHEREAS, on May 27, 2003, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners executed a Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, on June 10, 2003, the State of Florida, Department of Transportation executed the agreement providing funds for corporate hangars at the Crystal River airport; 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 2005-06; and

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GARY BARTELL, CHAIRMAN

EXHIBIT "A"			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
<i>Revenues</i>	048-334-410	State Grant	176,000
	048-381-001	Transfer from General Fund	44,000
		Total Revenues	\$220,000
<i>Expenditures</i>	048-5784-53100	Professional Services	33,000
	048-5784-56300	Improvements other than Buildings	187,000
		Total Expenditures	\$220,000

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-302

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE INVERNESS AIRPORT INFRASTRUCTURE AND FACILITIES GRANT BUDGET FOR FY 2005-06

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2004, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners executed a Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, on May 5, 2004, the State of Florida, Department of Transportation executed the agreement providing funds for infrastructure and facilities at the Inverness airport; 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 2005-06; and

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GARY BARTELL, CHAIRMAN

EXHIBIT "A"			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
<i>Revenues</i>	041-334-410	State Grant	360,000
	041-381-112	Transfer from Other Fund	90,000
		Total Revenues	\$450,000
<i>Expenditures</i>	041-5796-53100	Professional Services	65,000
	041-5796-56300	Improvements other than Buildings	385,000
		Total Expenditures	\$450,000

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-303

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE INVERNESS AIRPORT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT GRANT BUDGET FOR FY 2005-06

WHEREAS, on November 9, 2004, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners executed a Public Transportation Supplemental Joint Participation Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, on December 1, 2004, the State of Florida, Department of Transportation executed the supplemental agreement providing funds for infrastructure development at the Inverness airport; 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 2005-06; and

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EXHIBIT "A"			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
<i>Revenues</i>	038-334-410	State Grant	450,000
	038-381-001	Transfer from General Fund	112,500
		Total Revenues	\$562,500
<i>Expenditures</i>	038-5795-53100	Professional Services	60,000
	038-5795-56300	Improvements other than Buildings	502,500
		Total Expenditures	\$562,500

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-304

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE INVERNESS AIRPORT RAMP/TERMINAL FACILITIES GRANT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-06

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2004, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners executed a Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, on May 5, 2004, the State of Florida, Department of Transportation executed the agreement providing funds for ramp/terminal facilities at the Inverness airport; 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 2005-06; 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
<i>Revenues</i>	037-334-410	State Grant	160,000
	037-381-001	Transfer from General Fund	40,000
		Total Revenues	\$200,000
<i>Expenditures</i>	037-5794-53100	Professional Services	30,000
	037-5794-56300	Improvements other than Buildings	170,000
		Total Expenditures	\$200,000

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-305

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE INVERNESS AIRPORT RUNWAY/TAXIWAY GRANT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-06

WHEREAS, on June 22, 2004, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners executed a Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2004, the State of Florida, Department of Transportation executed the agreement providing funds for the runway and taxiway at the Inverness airport; and

WHEREAS, on November 9, 2004, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners executed Supplemental Agreement #1 and on December 1, 2004, the Department of Transportation executed the supplemental agreement; 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 2005-06; and

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BETTY STRIFLER, CLERK

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

/s/ Gary Bartell

GARY BARTELL, CHAIRMAN

EXHIBIT "A"			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
<i>Revenues</i>	175-334-410	State Grant	56,200
	175-381-001	Transfer from General Fund	56,200
		Total Revenues	\$112,400
<i>Expenditures</i>	175-5802-53100	Professional Services	112,400
		Total Expenditures	\$112,400

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-306

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE INVERNESS AIRPORT AIRCRAFT PARKING APRON GRANT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-06

WHEREAS, on June 22, 2004, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners executed a Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2004, the State of Florida, Department of Transportation executed the agreement providing funds for the aircraft parking apron at the Inverness airport; and

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EXHIBIT "A"			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
<i>Revenues</i>	174-334-410	State Grant	150,000
	174-381-001	Transfer from General Fund	37,500
		Total Revenues	\$187,500
<i>Expenditures</i>	174-5801-53100	Professional Services	28,000
	174-5801-56300	Improvements other than Buildings	159,500
		Total Expenditures	\$187,500

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-307

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE INVERNESS AIRPORT RUNWAY GRANT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-06

WHEREAS, on June 22, 2004, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners executed a Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2004, the State of Florida, Department of Transportation executed the agreement providing funds for the runway at the Inverness airport; and

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EXHIBIT "A"			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
<i>Revenues</i>	173-334-410	State Grant	120,000
	173-381-001	Transfer from General Fund	120,000
		Total Revenues	\$240,000
<i>Expenditures</i>	173-5800-53100	Professional Services	240,000
		Total Expenditures	\$240,000

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-308

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE CRYSTAL RIVER AIRPORT INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-06

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2005, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners executed a Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2005, the State of Florida, Department of Transportation executed the agreement providing funds for infrastructure at the Crystal River airport; and

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EXHIBIT "A"			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
<i>Revenues</i>	084-334-410	State Grant	160,000
	084-381-001	Transfer from General Fund	40,000
		Total Revenues	\$200,000
<i>Expenditures</i>	084-5840-53100	Professional Services	40,000
	084-5840-56300	Improvements other than Buildings	160,000
		Total Expenditures	\$200,000

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-309

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE INVERNESS AIRPORT AVIATION FUEL FACILITY GRANT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-06

WHEREAS, on September 13, 2005, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners executed a Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, on September 26, 2005, the State of Florida, Department of Transportation executed the agreement providing funds for an aviation fuel facility at the Inverness airport; 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 2005-06; and

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EXHIBIT "A"			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
<i>Revenues</i>	086-334-410	State Grant	96,000
	086-381-001	Transfer from General Fund	24,000
		Total Revenues	\$120,000
<i>Expenditures</i>	086-5842-56300	Improvements other than Buildings	120,000
		Total Expenditures	\$120,000

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-310

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE CRYSTAL RIVER AIRPORT RUNWAY UPGRADES GRANT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-06

WHEREAS, on September 13, 2005, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners executed a Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, on September 26, 2005, the State of Florida, Department of Transportation executed the agreement providing funds for runway upgrades at the Crystal River airport; 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 2005-06; and

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EXHIBIT "A"			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
<i>Revenues</i>	087-334-410	State Grant	50,000
	087-381-001	Transfer from General Fund	12,500
		Total Revenues	\$62,500
<i>Expenditures</i>	087-5843-56300	Improvements other than Buildings	62,500
		Total Expenditures	\$62,500

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-311

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE VOTER EDUCATION BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-06

WHEREAS, in accordance with the 2005 Legislature, \$3,000,000 was specifically appropriated for voter education; and

WHEREAS, Citrus County's portion has been calculated to be \$26,438 and these funds will be used to promote voter education and voter outreach programs; 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 2005-06; and

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EXHIBIT "A"			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
<i>Revenues</i>	001-335-191	Voter Education	26,438
		Total Revenues	\$26,438
<i>Expenditures</i>	001-2443-54160	Postage	14,000
	001-2443-54700	Printing and Binding	10,438
	001-2443-54921	Advertising	2,000
		Total Expenditures	\$26,438

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-312

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE WEST CITRUS COMMUNITY CENTER BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-06

WHEREAS, the West Citrus Community Center received client donations in prior fiscal years; and

WHEREAS, these funds are available for appropriation in the current fiscal year; 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 2005-06; and

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EXHIBIT "A"			
	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Revenues	022-400-200	Cash Carry Forward	7,446
		Total Revenues	\$7,446
Expenditures	022-5423-54700	Printing and Binding	3,360
	022-5423-55210	Miscellaneous Supplies	3,086
	022-5423-56400	Machinery and Equipment	1,000
		Total Expenditures	\$7,446

3-D Budget Transfers: **Landfill:** \$2,400 from #401-5216-56400 to #-55120, \$20,000 from #-5212-60050 to #-54402, and \$120,000 from #-5212-60050 to #-54603. **Fire Training Center:** \$3,834 from #051-3225-56200 with \$3,059 to #-55275 and \$775 to #-54615. **Fire Rescue:** \$3,834 from #154-3200-56400 with \$3,059 to #-55275 and \$775 to #-54615. **Elections:** \$5,000 from #001-2440-54700 to #-2443-54921. **Animal Services:** \$1,100 from #001-5106-55202 to #-56200. **Capital Improvement Program:** \$60,269 from #001-9999-60050 to #-2104-56200. **Article V Technology:** \$28,862 from #093-5703-60050 to #-605-54612. **Aviation - Holden Property:** \$6,144 from #024-7235-55120 to #-56200.

3-R NEXWOS Maintenance Contract with Allweatherinc (AWI) for \$6,350 for the NEXWOS system located at the Crystal River Airport, beginning December 5, 2005, and ending December 4, 2006.

3-U FDOT Public Transportation Supplemental JPA Number 1, Financial Project No.: 41274419401, Contract No. ANH82 for \$702,000 for the design and construction of airport infrastructure and facilities at the Inverness Airport.

3-V FDOT Public Transportation Supplemental JPA Number 1, Financial Project No. 40768719401, Contract No. ANI42 for \$442,000 for the design/construction of new ramp/terminal facilities at the Inverness Airport.

3-W FDOT Supplemental JPA Number 2, Financial Project No: 40774619401, Contract No. ANJ30 for \$500,000 for the design/construction of new aircraft parking apron facilities at the Inverness Airport.

3-X FDOT Supplemental JPA Number 1, Financial Project No: 40754219401, Contract No. ANR25 for \$500,000 for the continued development of aircraft apron and infrastructure requirements at the Crystal River Airport.

3-Y FDOT JPA Financial Project No: 41250919401, Contract No. AO616 for \$70,000 for the Inverness Airport Master Plan and Layout Plan Update.

3-Z FDOT JPA Financial Project No: 41250819401, Contract No. AO789 for \$90,000 for the acquisition of an Automated Weather Observation System for the Inverness Airport.

Commissioner Phillips stated that she would not support the motion if item 3-U were for the business park.

Mr. Harvey thanked Commissioners Phillips and Valentino for pulling the items for discussion. He explained that the FWC had the same confusion that the Board had with those items.

Mr. Wylupek reiterated that item 3-U was for the widening of Watson Road, which was primarily to provide new access to the Inverness Airport after the extension of the runway. Mr. Wesch explained that it would be the recommendation of staff to approve the widening of Watson Road with or without the approval of the business park. Mr. Wylupek affirmed for Commissioner Phillips that supporting item 3-U would not be lending support for the business park, and that staff would be presenting an RFQ (Request for Qualifications) to the Board in the future for the design of the business park. Commissioner Phillips stated that she supported the widening of Watson Road; therefore, she would support item 3-U.

The Chairman called a question on the motion and the motion carried unanimously. (2:04 P.M.)

The Chairman recessed the meeting and reconvened at 2:19 P.M.
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2-B **FLORIDA GOVERNMENTAL UTILITY AUTHORITY (FGUA)**

John Jenkins with the Rose, Sundstrom & Bentley Law Firm presented a PowerPoint presentation of the Acquisition Assessment Report (entire report filed with the Clerk's agenda). He explained that the following professionals assisted his firm in the analysis of the FGUA and the preparation of the report: John White, the County's Financial Advisor; Mike Burton, Burton & Associates; and Ed Vogel of Holland & Knight. Mr. Jenkins discussed the following: the water and wastewater systems acquired by the FGUA, the structure and operations of the FGUA, that Government Services Group (GSG) had been the system manager since the FGUA was formed, the FGUA was a for profit corporation, Severn Trent-Avatar Utility Services, LLC (Severn Trent) was the current contract operator, and the FGUA was in the process of replacing Severn Trent with USWater/Wade Trim. He advised that because the FGUA hired a for profit manager and operations contractor there was a profit motive and an increment of profit that would go to those companies, which would not be seen in a purely governmental operation. He reviewed the advantages of the FGUA ownership as follows: **(1)** economic bargaining power, **(2)** legal advantages, and **(3)** management advantages.

He explained that in 2002, the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Governmental Accountability (OPPAGA), an office of the Florida Legislature, was directed to conduct a policy review of the FGUA and recognized that there were some benefits of intergovernmental authorities; however, additional accountability was necessary. He advised that OPPAGA made the following recommendations: **(1)** that the local government

in which the system was located approved the acquisition, **(2)** allowing counties to request the PSC (Public Service Commission) to be involved in disputed rate cases, and **(3)** that the local government could take back the system. He added that the legislature took the following actions in 2004; the host government had a say in the acquisition by an authority, and required revenues be restricted from being transferred outside of the boundaries of the host government. He stated that the County's interlocal agreement allowed some regulatory oversight of the FGUA and a required transfer when the County wished to do so; however, the decisions affecting the County's customers were made by representatives of other counties. He then reviewed the system management by GSG; the relationship of GSG, Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson (Nabors), and the FGUA; and so on.

He advised that there was a high level of confidence in the County staff in terms of management and in the use of a for profit company. He mentioned that additional staff would be needed, but there was utility expertise on staff with Mr. Wesch and Utilities Regulation Director Robert Knight. He stated that the cost to run the system would be less under County ownership with an in-house management and operations process. He added that it was their opinion that the County was in a position to manage the utilities because they were currently managing an existing utility operation, which could be incorporated. He stated that most of the counties and cities around the state found that once the system reached a certain size, it was most cost effective to do their own operations.

Mr. Burton presented a PowerPoint presentation called "Preliminary Financial Evaluation of County Ownership of FGUA Utilities" (filed with the Clerk's agenda). He explained that the scope of their work was to complete a comparative financial forecast under the continued FGUA ownership and operation or under the County's ownership and operation. He stated that many costs under either ownership would be the same; however, there would be cost savings under County ownership in the administrative and general expenses, regulatory assessment, and management expenses totaling savings of \$501,500, plus a possibility of additional savings if the County oversaw the capital program. He reviewed a summary of comparative results and concluded by saying the subject utilities could be owned and operated by the County more cost effectively than by the FGUA with 15 percent lower cumulative rate increases over the ten-year planning period, higher reserves, lower borrowing requirements, and stronger debt service coverage.

Mr. Jenkins continued his presentation by speaking about the interlocal agreement with the FGUA, the rate changes that had occurred, the charges that could be eliminated through County ownership, the counties that had taken their systems back from the FGUA, the Topeka Agreement for water line extensions, compliance issues, the benefit of consolidating the FGUA systems and County owned systems, financing issues, etc.

Discussion ensued among the Commissioners regarding the elimination of regulatory fees, consolidating systems, debt issues, rate increases, 120-180 day timeframe to acquire the systems, the need for more due diligence, and so on.

Charles Sweat, director of operations for the FGUA, spoke of the FGUA consolidating some of their systems with other systems, for example interconnecting Spring Gardens and Apache Shores Wastewater system, and connecting into the City of Inverness system and the Homosassa Special Water District's systems for eventual savings to the utility and the ratepayer. He stated that there were DEP (Department of Environmental Protection) deficiencies mentioned in the report that were inherited from the Florida Water acquisition, and were being addressed in the FGUA budget to be corrected. He talked about his commitment to the Board that the FGUA would work under the interlocal agreement as the Board interpreted not as the FGUA interpreted, and that the County's regulatory board would scrutinize any charges. He added that all rates and charges were part of the interlocal agreement and that new customers paid the deposits and impact fees. He advised that some statements in the financial portion of the report were not factual, and that David Miles, consultant for the FGUA, would address those issues. Commissioner Bartell asked how the assessment methodology for line extensions and maintenance fees for Citrus Springs and Pine Ridge would affect Sugarmill Woods. Mr. Sweat explained that Sugarmill Woods' water and wastewater infrastructure was completely built out and was deeded to the utility; therefore, there was no need for those type of assessments. He also replied to Commissioner Bartell's question regarding rate increases by stating the FGUA would hold their rates for five years for the existing ratepayers. The Board discussed with Mr. Sweat the following issues: other counties acquiring their own systems from the FGUA, the statutory requirement for two members in order to create an FGUA, the FGUA assisting the County on projects such as Chassahowitzka water and sewer, renegotiating an interlocal agreement in 2009 that would be agreeable to both parties, and so on.

Mr. Miles explained that he had received the report yesterday afternoon and reviewed the information provided. He questioned the costs given in the "Summary of Cost Savings" presented to the Board by Burton & Associates. He explained that there were inconsistencies in the financial information provided in the report compared to the financial records that he prepared for the FGUA. He talked about accountability, and explained the FGUA budget information and the inaccuracies in the report. Commissioner Phillips requested Mr. Miles provide the consultants with the information that he did not agree with in the report. Commissioner Bartell stated that the Board had requested the consultant provide an independent analysis.

Mr. Jenkins stated that his firm had requested 2005 financial information from the FGUA and received it a few days prior to the report being due to the County; therefore, his firm used the budget information, the CAFR (Comprehensive Annual Financial Report), and the financial reports from the FGUA. He added that his firm would make any corrections necessary and send a corrected sheet.

The Chairman suggested that the parties get together with all of the information so that the Board could make an accurate decision. Mr. Battista stated that the information could be provided in the report; however, the reality was that the parties involved may never agree as to the assumptions in the report, but the differential would be constant.

Commissioner Damato made the following statements regarding the issue: **(1)** that this was a purchase decision of a \$20 million asset with no price negotiation and the focus was completely on funding through rates and assessments, **(2)** our staff needed to consider the costs and operations of those systems if the buy out moved forward, and **(3)** the County should borrow enough money to purchase the systems, fund the deficiencies listed in the report and link them to the County's utility capital improvement budget, and then see how those costs would be affected by the rates.

Mr. Battista explained that the FGUA or GSG had requested to be on the January 10, 2006, agenda to make a presentation; however, he was not sure that all of the data the Board was requesting could be ready by that date. He added that some of the information that Commissioner Damato was requesting would not be made available until the transition period. Mr. Wesch suggested that all parties (Mr. Battista, the presenters at this meeting, the FGUA, and himself) come together to identify the issues, work through a timetable to resolve those issues, and then report to the Board with suggestions of how to proceed. He stated that staff could present a preliminary type report as to issue identification at the Board's January 10, 2006, meeting.

Commissioner Phillips advised that she would prefer that Mr. Wesch assign the project to Tom Dick (Assistant County Administrator) and he not be involved in this process. She added that all she wanted to do was to look at what would be best for the water and wastewater customers, and that it did not matter if the systems were with the FGUA or the County. She stated that what was important to her was that the customers had good reasonable rates, an efficient system, and were served well, which had not happened with the FGUA. She mentioned that she had a major concern with the conflicts that had occurred and that she was not sure if she would have a good level of confidence to make a decision when all of the information was provided.

Mr. Wesch said that his obligation was to provide quality service at the best cost, and that he had no problem assigning this to Mr. Dick. He added that his concern was if the Board decided to acquire the systems would they be operated by County staff or continue to be operated by Severn Trent. He replied to Commissioner Bartell's comment regarding Mr. Knight by stating that he had worked on this project throughout and shared an expertise that could be useful as the County moved forward.

Mr. Battista stated that the Board had authorized \$50,000 for this report and asked the Board to increase that amount by \$25,000. He advised that there would be thorough interaction between the parties and they would be prepared to present what they had agreed and disagreed on and staff would present some preliminary information for the Board to decide if they should proceed or not. He explained to Commissioner Bartell that the \$50,000 was a General Fund contingency, and if the Board decided to proceed with the acquisition that cost would come from transaction costs and be part of the financing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Valentino to authorize an additional \$25,000 as recommended by the County Attorney.

Some citizens expressed concerns about the need for the County to know the value of the systems prior to proceeding, the obligations in the interlocal agreement, the Board considering uniform rates, and so on.

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

Discussion ensued regarding the need for at least 30 days rather than rushing to get the information by the January 10 meeting. Mr. Battista recommended a special meeting and Mr. Wesch suggested staff recommending a date for the special meeting at the January 10 meeting.

Mr. Wesch, as an FGUA board member, addressed Mr. Miles concern with the partially signed contract with a new operator for the FGUA systems by stating he should speak with Severn Trent about a contract extension. (4:50 P.M.)

The Chairman recessed the meeting and reconvened at 5:21 P.M.

2-C ***HALLS RIVER ROAD WASTEWATER ASSESSMENT AREA (2004)***

Mr. Wesch stated that this was the Board's last opportunity to take advantage of the non-ad valorem tax collection method for creating any special assessments as provided in Chapter 197, Florida Statutes (FS). He also stated that absent an extension agreement with the Property Appraiser and the Tax Collector, the Board must conduct a public hearing before January 1 of every year of the preceding year of instituting a special assessment. He advised that the Board would not be creating a special assessment today, but in order to establish a levy against any property, a public hearing process was required by statute to take place before July 1, 2006. He explained that the purpose of this public hearing was to include properties located on South Charles Albert Point, West Lenz Lane, South Cox Point, and West Wind Village into the Halls River Road Wastewater Assessment Area Resolution. He requested that following the public hearing, the Board adopt resolutions including those properties and determining to use the Chapter 197 special assessment process for non-ad valorem assessments.

The Chairman opened the hearing to the public and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor or opposition. With no public comment, the Chairman closed the public portion of the hearing.

Upon motion by Commissioner Damato, seconded by Commissioner Bartell, and carried unanimously, the Board adopted and authorized the Chairman to execute the following resolutions: (1) amending Resolution 2004-210 creating the Halls River Road Special Assessment Area (2004) to include the residents of South Charles Albert Point, West Lenz Lane, South Cox Point, and West Wind Village, and (2) determining to use the uniform method for the levy, collection, and enforcement of non-ad valorem assessments within the assessment area and to hear public comment as to the utilization of the uniform method for collecting the non-ad valorem assessment.

RESOLUTION NOS. 2005-313 AND 2005-314, RESPECTIVELY

2-D.1 **ANNUAL ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION**

Mr. Wesch stated this hearing was similar to the previous item involving the following projects:

- Homosassa Wastewater Collection System - Phase 5 (Blue Water Forest and Spring Cove Road);
- Homosassa Wastewater Collection System - Phase 6 (Riverview Mobile Estates and Camp-N-Water Campground);
- Homosassa Southfork Water Improvement Project - Phase 4;
- US 19 and Periwinkle Sewer Service Expansion Project - Phase 1; and
- Inverness Village Unit 4 Project

The Chairman opened the hearing to the public and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor or opposition. With no public comment, the Chairman closed the public portion of the hearing.

Upon motion by Commissioner Damato, seconded by Commissioner Phillips, and carried unanimously, the Board adopted and authorized the Chairman to execute a resolution determining to use the uniform method for the levy, collection, and enforcement of non-ad valorem assessments pursuant to Chapter 197 of Florida Statutes and providing an effective date within the following assessment areas: (1) Homosassa Wastewater Collection System–Phase 5 (Blue Water Forest and Spring Cove Road); (2) Homosassa Wastewater Collection System–Phase 6 (Riverview Mobile Estates and Camp-N-Water Campground); (3) Homosassa Southfork Water Improvement Project - Phase 4; (4) US 19 and Periwinkle Sewer Service Expansion Project Phase 1; and (5) Inverness Village Unit 4 Project.

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-315

2-D.2 **CHASSAHOWITZKA WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM - PHASE 1**

Mr. Wesch explained that the purpose of this public hearing was also to satisfy the requirements of FS Chapter 197 if the Board decided to move forward with a special assessment in fiscal year 2006. He reiterated that the Board would not be creating a levy on properties at this time.

Commissioner Bartell further explained that the Board was in the process of redesigning and reviewing the possibilities of reducing the costs of the water and sewer components of the project, but that this action would only preserve the right to move forward with a special assessment. Mr. Wesch added that the design alternatives would be presented at the Board's meeting on January 10, 2006.

The Chairman opened the public hearing and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor.

Michael Hartley spoke in favor of bringing central water into the Chassahowitzka area if the cost was affordable. Commissioner Bartell reiterated that the request today was only to set the mechanism in place to preserve the right to establish an ad valorem assessment in the next fiscal year.

The Chairman then asked if anyone wished to speak in opposition. Mr. McIntosh declared that this was an unnecessary expensive project because there were affordable filtration systems available to homeowners. He said that not all citizens of the County should pay taxes for other people's water and sewer systems, and asked the Board to abolish the project.

With no further public comment, the Chairman closed the public portion of the hearing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Damato to (1) adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a resolution relating to the Chassahowitzka Water Distribution System – Phase 1 determining to use the uniform method for the levy, collection, and enforcement of non-ad valorem assessments pursuant to Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, and providing an effective date, and (2) to approve March 5, 2006, as the final date for accepting permanent reassignment of development rights applications from property owners of continuous multiple lots who desired to surrender future development rights and have their property recognized as a single assessment unit as provided in Administrative Regulation 11.10.

Dennis Dutcher recommended that the Board postpone the March 5, 2006, as the final date for accepting permanent reassignment of development rights applications until the County received bids for the system and a plan was in place for the assessment. He added that a person's development rights should not be given up if there was a possibility this project did not move forward.

Commissioner Bartell asked Mr. Wesch if the date for accepting the applications could be extended to coincide with the bid date. Mr. Wesch pointed out that a presentation would be made at the Board's meeting on January 10 and staff did not expect the cost of the water component of the project to change substantially. He suggested that the Board postpone a decision on the final date for accepting the applications and staff would re-establish a date to correspond with the revised project schedule.

Commissioners Phillips and Damato withdrew their motions.

Commissioner Bartell affirmed that staff's recommendations for items 2-D.2 and 2-D.3 to approve March 5, 2006, as the final date would be postponed, and that staff would bring back a revised schedule. He added that if the costs were appropriate for the water and sewer systems, staff would provide a final date for accepting the permanent reassignment of development rights applications. He explained to Mr. Hartley that if the Board did not take action today to preserve the right to be able to create an assessment on the project, they would have to wait until the end of 2007, which would jeopardize grants already in place.

With no further public comment, the Chairman closed the public portion of the hearing.

Upon motion by Commissioner Damato, seconded by Commissioner Phillips, and carried unanimously, the Board adopted and authorized the Chairman to execute a resolution relating to the Chassahowitzka Water Distribution System – Phase 1 determining to use the uniform method for the levy, collection, and enforcement of non-ad valorem assessments pursuant to Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-316

**2-D.3 HOMOSASSA WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM - PHASE 4
(CHASSAHOWITZKA WASTEWATER SYSTEM)**

The Chairman emphasized that the Board would be voting only on the process to be able to collect an assessment if they decided to move forward on the Chassahowitzka Wastewater System within the next fiscal year. He opened the public hearing and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor or in opposition.

Mr. McIntosh spoke in opposition and requested that the Board abandon the project. He affirmed that a central sewer system would leak within a few years; it would be costly; most septic systems in the area were functioning well and others could be replaced at minimal cost; and loans were available for those requiring a new septic system. Mr. Hartley agreed with Mr. McIntosh and urged the Board to vote against the project and create a master plan for water and sewer for the entire County.

The Chairman responded to Clay Steinmann's question regarding the DEP and the DOH (Department of Health) responses about the Chassahowitzka sewer problems by stating that both agencies indicated that the problems were local. Mr. Steinmann then questioned if the Chassahowitzka River was a federal body of water and a DOH problem, and what jurisdiction did the County have. Mr. Battista replied that he could not provide an answer because of the threat of litigation.

Mr. Steinmann proclaimed that the Chassahowitzka project was speculation and that it would not correct the overall water quality condition of the river. He expressed concern about spending over \$10.4 million on a sewer system without proper studies when it was unknown where the contamination originated. He specified that septic systems were legal, that the environment should be protected, and that a master water and sewer plan should be established; however, only those benefiting from the project should pay.

John Zeto spoke in opposition because of the expense, but stated that he would be in favor of a \$5,000 assessment.

With no further public comment, the Chairman closed the public portion of the hearing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bartell and seconded by Commissioner Damato to adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a resolution relating to the Homosassa Wastewater Collection System - Phase 4 (Chassahowitzka Wastewater System) determining to use the uniform method for the levy, collection, and enforcement of non-ad valorem assessments pursuant to Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, and providing an effective date.

Commissioner Valentino remarked that she was very reluctant in voting for the assessment resolution today, but she would reserve her comments until the next meeting before making a final decision about imposing an unnecessary assessment.

Commissioner Phillips specified that a central sewer system in Chassahowitzka would cause more harm than good because there would be more development, which would bring more pollution to the river. She stated that the Chassahowitzka River was clear and beautiful, that nothing in the USF report convinced her that eliminating septic systems would improve the river quality, and that the 1999 DOH report specified that the five areas of concern had been abated. She emphasized that the DOH had authority over septic systems, the DEP was responsible for the water quality of the river, and if the County installed a central septic system in that area, the DEP would not do any more to clean up the river. She further stated that she was in favor of the water project, but reiterated that a central sewer system would not solve the degradation of the river, and she thought the Board could wait another year before making a decision on that issue.

The Chairman called a question on the motion. The motion failed due to a tie vote. Voting aye: Commissioners Bartell and Damato. Voting nay: Commissioners Phillips and Valentino.

The Chairman confirmed that the central sewer project for Chassahowitzka was eradicated for 2006; however, Mr. Battista explained that Chapter 197 FS allowed this process to be addressed until March 1 if the Property Appraiser agreed to extend the 2006 tax roll. He added that any Board member could bring the issue back for consideration, and if there was an affirmative vote and the Property Appraiser concurred, the process could be preserved for the 2006 tax roll.

Mr. Wesch answered Commissioner Damato's question about staff's proceeding with the sewer project by stating that if the Board did not object, staff would continue to research alternative sewer systems. A short discussion followed, and the Chairman suggested that due to Commissioner Fowler's absence, the issue be deferred until the January 10 meeting.

2-E AMENDMENT TO IMPACT FEE ORDINANCE - CHAPTER 54

Mr. Maidhof advised that by prior Board action the Beverly Hills Fire District MSBU would be discontinued effective January 2, 2006. He stated that the current impact fee ordinance contained language that exempted new construction from remitting a fire impact fee within that district. He further stated that this amendment would delete that language so fees would now be collected; consequently, the Beverly Hills Fire Service District would be eligible to utilize fire impact fees for approved capital projects.

The Chairman opened the hearing to the public and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor or opposition. With no public comment, the Chairman closed the public portion of the hearing.

Upon motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Valentino, and carried unanimously, the Board adopted and authorized the Chairman to execute an ordinance amending Chapter 54 of the Citrus County Code to update the Impact Fee Ordinance for Fire Services providing for liberal construction and severability; providing for inclusion in the Citrus County Code; providing for penalties; and providing for an effective date.

ORDINANCE NO. 2005-A45

The Chairman recessed the meeting and reconvened at 6:26 P.M.

2-F 2006 LIMEROCK ROAD PAVING PROGRAM (LRRPP)

Mr. Wesch stated that this item was a public hearing to levy a special assessment against properties benefiting from road improvements and for using the uniform method of collection and enforcement of those assessments.

Engineering Services Director Albert McLaurin advised that there were 12 roads under consideration for the 2006 LRRPP, which he read into the record as follows:

- District 1:** North Lazy Trail, North Nathan Point, and South Sioux Road
- District 2:** South Division Avenue and West Mistflower Place
- District 4:** East Shadywoods Court and East Tarpon Court
- District 5:** South Arlene Avenue, East Lee Drive, East Paul Lane, East Porter Street, and South Sands Cut Terrace

He stated that the citizens had approached the County to participate in the LRRPP. He mentioned that the current assessment was \$3.75 per front foot, the total cost for all roads in the 2006 program was \$111,600, and the revenue for the LRRPP was derived mainly from transportation funds. He further stated that the LRRPP was beneficial to the citizens and the County by eliminating continual funds for the costs of maintaining limerock roads. He added that the roads met the AR percentage criteria of those people owning improved properties.

The Chairman opened the public portion of the hearing and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor. Robert Davy expressed support of the program and said it was a major factor in his decision to build a home in Citrus County. He also commented on the

fairness of the assessment and commended County staff for their assistance in various matters.

Dave Schmidt spoke in favor for several reasons and stated that he also was impressed with the response of staff. He questioned if the property owners would incur a direct increase in property taxes by the road improvements. The Chairman advised that the Board could not answer that question because the Property Appraiser was responsible for property taxes.

The Chairman asked if anyone wished to speak in opposition. Susan Calloway expressed adamant objection to paving North Lazy Trail for the following reasons: **(1)** she had been unable to receive an accounting of the revenue collected from the two cent per gallon gas tax that was approved in the 1980s to pave the limerock roads; **(2)** \$3.75 per foot was unfair because the County had previously appropriated footage from her property for public access to the roads, and now she would be charged for both sides of her property; **(3)** she was on a pension and could not afford the assessment; and **(4)** she had not been informed about the petition to pave the roads.

The Chairman asked Mr. Wesch to research Ms. Calloway's concerns. Mr. McLaurin confirmed the Chairman's statement that everyone with improved properties should have been notified, but that he would check to make certain Ms. Calloway was included in the process.

Scott Lojewski who owned investment property on South Sands Cut Terrace spoke in opposition and questioned the process of the program. The Chairman answered that the LRRPP was a citizen-initiated process and suggested that Mr. Lojewski contact Mr. McLaurin for the details.

With no further public comment, the Chairman closed the public hearing.

Upon motion by Commissioner Damato, seconded by Commissioner Valentino, and carried unanimously, the Board adopted and authorized the Chairman to execute a resolution determining to use the uniform method for the levy, collection, and enforcement of non-ad valorem assessments as set forth in Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, for the purpose of assessing paving improvements in the 2006 Limerock Road Paving Program; and providing an effective date. **RESOLUTION NO. 2005-317**

6- **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

6-A **REVISIONS TO DEVELOPMENT REVIEW FEE SCHEDULE**

Mr. Wesch pointed out that the last comprehensive review of the fee schedule conducted by the Community Development Division (CDD) was in 2003, and pursuant to past Board directive, staff had analyzed the average costs for processing most forms of applications.

Mr. Maidhof reported that no changes had been made to the 2003 analysis on the type of staff and amount of time spent on different reviews; however, based upon discussions at the Board's Goal Setting Workshop, salaries were upgraded to the median

level and existing fees were adjusted on that basis. He advised that the fees had previously been CDD based, but there were several other reviews conducted, specifically, by the Fire Prevention and Engineering Divisions. He stated that there was also discussion about trying to populate the GIS (Geographical Information System) and database for permitting purposes, which resulted in new fees, such as road related, slab variance, fire inspection, and so on. He further stated that the information was provided to the Citrus County Builders Association (CCBA) Governmental Affairs Committee in November, and that they had asked for a grace period for collecting the new fees. He added that he would support a 120-day grace period if the Board agreed with the concept.

There was a brief discussion about the CCBA receiving and reviewing the fee schedule and providing a grace period for the existing and new fees.

A motion was made by Commissioner Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Valentino to adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a resolution establishing a fee schedule, pursuant to Ordinance No. 90-14 as amended, for development orders, permits, property research fees, site review fees, and miscellaneous and administrative fees, with a 120-day grace period.

Chuck Sanders, representing the CCBA, confirmed that the fee schedule was provided to the CCBA in November, but that the official document was not received until December 8. He pointed out that the Board would be operating under the current budget until the fall of 2006, and they had decreased the millage rate so the budget should be adequate without the additional fees. He advised that staff had organized an audit team to review the processes for improved efficiencies, and until that was done it would be premature to increase fees. He reminded the Board that the Building Fund currently had an excess of \$3 million, and that the CCBA had supported building permit fee increases a few months ago. He stated that approving the existing fee changes might be prudent; however, he requested that the Board table implementation of the new fees until the audit team had examined the processes within their departments. He mentioned the windfall in property taxes this year due to growth, which he said would continue and bring more fees. He added that he hoped the Board would allow more studies regarding the new fees and requested that if the Board did approve the item they grant the 120-day grace period.

Mr. Maidhof affirmed Mr. Sanders' statements about the budget and the audit team identifying areas of improvement. He stated that the intent of the new fees was to recover the cost incurred by the County; however, if the Board wanted a more detailed discussion, the issue could be tabled to a future date.

Commissioner Phillips asked several questions and Mr. Maidhof responded to them as follows:

- A draft of the fee schedule was presented to the CCBA Governmental Affairs Group in November, but some internal adjustments were made based on late input from the Plat Review Team; however, the new fees stayed essentially the same.

- The fees would better accomplish the recapture of staff's costs in conducting those types of reviews and activities, which was the Board's direction at the Goal Setting Workshop.
- January 1, 2006, was an appropriate time to implement the changes.
- He envisioned two improvements from the audit team review (1) reducing the amount of time spent on each application, and (2) cost savings on the type of personnel that would review the applications.
- The audit team's target date for completing the review was about 120 days, but he expected that process to be almost continual with the involvement of other staff members.
- He had predicted a review of the fees every three years, but it could be done on an annual basis.

Commissioners Phillips and Bartell agreed that it would be better to postpone this issue for 120 days until the audit team had performed their report and to review the fees on an annual basis.

Mr. Maidhof responded to questions from Commissioners Phillips and Valentino about the \$3 million excess fees in the Building Fund by stating that although that amount was in the account, there was one year of operating expenses in reserve. He pointed out that when the Board approved additional building inspector positions, staff was not able to purchase new vehicles, and that the amount in the Building Fund would decrease when vehicles and investments in technology were purchased.

He answered Commissioner Damato's question about deficiencies in technology and personnel by stating that personnel was slightly reduced; however, planners had been hired and technician positions would soon be filled, but there was still a deficiency of building inspectors. He discussed steps that had been taken to upgrade software, which included a computer that would receive the CCBA plans, and if successful, more computers would be added.

Commissioner Damato commented that he thought the Board should postpone the adoption of the new fees until the audit committee had completed their review, but adopt all the other proposed fees.

Randy Clark reiterated Mr. Sanders' statements regarding the \$3 million excess in the Building Fund and that the CCBA had supported the increase in CDD fees in 2003 because they wanted the process to be more efficient; however, he was not sure an increase in fees was the key to better and faster service. He said he thought the variance fee increase from \$100 to \$400 was excessive, but he was more concerned with the 28 new fees, some of which had not been defined and would total \$640 for every new single-family residence. He suggested that the amount of all fees be more clearly defined and that the CCBA have more time to review.

Commissioner Phillips stated that the Board's instructions to staff at the Goal Setting Workshop were to establish fees so that growth would pay for itself; therefore, she thought the Board should adopt the fees as proposed with a 120-day grace period. She

also stated that during the next budget process and after the audit team had completed their report, the fees should be reviewed on an annual basis concurrent with the budget.

Mr. Sanders expressed concern that there was no accounting for the fees deposited into the General Fund, and he recommended that the Finance Department create a method to track the income versus expenses. Mr. Wesch confirmed that there was an accounting of those fees.

The Chairman called a question on the motion and the motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION NO. 2005-318**

6-B **ITEMS RECEIVED AFTER THE CLOSE OF AGENDA DEADLINE**

6-B.1&2 **BICENTENNIAL PARK PHASE 1 AND BLUEBIRD SPRINGS PARK PHASE 1 IMPROVEMENTS**

Upon motion by Commissioner Bartell, seconded by Commissioner Phillips, and carried unanimously, the Board accepted (1) the substantially completed Bluebird Springs Park Phase I Improvements Projects and approved the partial release of retainage of \$2,632.20 to Pave-Rite, Inc., and (2) accepted the substantially completed Bicentennial Park Phase I Improvements Project, and approved the partial release of retainage of \$28,623.12 to Pave-Rite, Inc.

7- **COMMISSIONER, GARY BARTELL, CHAIRMAN**

7-A **CHAIRMAN'S LIAISON APPOINTMENTS**

Upon motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Valentino, and carried unanimously, the Board confirmed the appointments of Commissioner Bartell to serve as the Board's liaison to the Southwest Florida Water Management District and Commissioner Fowler to serve as the Board's liaison to the Economic Development Council.

7-B **BEVERLY HILLS MUNICIPAL SERVICES BENEFIT UNIT**

Commissioner Phillips nominated Darrell Steinke to fill a regular member position on the Beverly Hills Advisory Council for a term that would expire on September 30, 2006.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bartell and seconded by Commissioner Valentino to cease nominations.

Commissioner Phillips mentioned that Mr. Steinke was a member of the Aviation Advisory Board, and although she would stand by her motion, she questioned if there would be a problem with his appointment to this board. Mr. Wesch affirmed that he would check the AR regarding the issue.

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

9- **COMMISSIONER DENNIS DAMATO, SECOND VICE-CHAIRMAN**

9-A **WIDENING US 19 TO SIX LANES**

Commissioner Damato stated that at the last Board meeting there was a presentation by the FDOT, and that both Commissioner Bartell and he were amazed that widening US 19 to six lanes was delayed five years. He requested that the Board adopt a resolution requesting that the FDOT restore the widening of US 19 to the original timeframe due to the deterioration of the road.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bartell and seconded by Commissioner Damato to adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a resolution requesting that the Florida Department of Transportation restore the widening of US 19 to six lanes to the original timeframe and send copies of the resolution to members of the Legislative Delegation.

Short discussion ensued regarding the survey that had already been done, which would be outdated if the project were delayed and continued development and growth along that corridor.

The Chairman called a question on the motion and the motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION NO. 2005-319**

12- **COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

12-A **PRESCRIPTIVE PLAT OF NORTH PAUL DRIVE**

Upon motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Valentino, and carried unanimously, the Board approved and authorized the Chairman to execute the prescriptive plat of North Paul Drive, and directed the Clerk to record the plat in the public records.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the meeting. (7:24 P.M.)

ATTEST: _____, Clerk _____, Chairman