

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF McDOWELL  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR SESSION – FEBRUARY 14, 2011**

**ASSEMBLY**

The McDowell County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 14, 2011, in the Commissioners' Board Room, the usual place for meeting.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

David N. Walker, Chairman; Barry E. McPeters, Vice-Chairman; Andrew K. Webb; Michael K. Lavender; and Joshua R. Dobson.

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Charles R. Abernathy, County Manager; Carrie Padgett, Clerk to the Board; Ashley Wooten, Assistant to the County Manager (Filming); and reporter Mike Conley, for THE McDOWELL NEWS.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman David Walker called the meeting to order, mentioning the “packed house” and several people out in the hallway. The invocation was given by Chief Warrant Officer Campbell, followed by the presentation of colors conducted by the Cyber Patriots and one of their members leading in the pledge of allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

With no additions to the agenda noted, Commissioner Lavender made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McPeters, to approve the agenda as presented.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the December 2, 2010 regular session were presented for approval.

Since some of the Commissioners indicated they needed more time to review the minutes, Commissioner McPeters made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Lavender, to table approval of the minutes until the next meeting. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

## **RECOGNITION OF THE CYBER PATRIOT PROGRAM**

This item was tabled until later.

## **RECOGNITION OF COMMISSIONER DEAN BUFF**

At this time, Chairman Walker stated this was a very important part of the meeting as they recognized former County Commissioner Dean Buff. He welcomed Randy Flack, Regional Field Representative for Congressman Heath Shuler, to the podium. Mr. Flack said in 2006 when Congressman Shuler decided to run for Congress, the first person he came to see in McDowell County was Dean Buff. He commented on the relationship they have had with Mr. Buff and the help he had given.

Mr. Flack said the Congressman wanted to be here but was in Washington making this same presentation, a reading of the information contained in the Resolution into the Congressional Record. Mr. Flack then read the account of Mr. Buff's accomplishments and presented the copy to Mr. Buff.

Chairman Walker asked that Congressman Shuler be thanked on behalf of the Board.

The Chairman then asked Mr. Buff to recognize family and others in attendance. They included his wife Martha (better known as Mott) and her sister Mary, his daughter Deanna and son-in-law Mike Marsh and their two sons, his father-in-law The Reverend Hall Hollifield, Mr. Buff's brother and sister-in-law, and a niece.

Others in attendance were practically the whole School Central Office and Dr. Ira Trollinger, former Superintendents Dr. David Ricketts, Dr. Sherron Crawford (Ricketts), church family and friends.

Chairman Walker stated the Board had a resolution for adoption for adoption at this time. Commissioner Lavender made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McPeters, to approve the resolution as presented. The motion carried by a unanimously vote. Chairman Walker called on Commissioner Webb to read the resolution aloud. The resolution read:

### **Resolution of Appreciation for Jonas D. Buff for his Service as a McDowell County Commissioner**

**WHEREAS**, Jonas D. Buff was elected to the Board of Commissioners for terms extending from 1988 to 1996 and 1998 to 2010, serving as Chairman for the year 1994; and

**WHEREAS**, the School “Pay as you Go” construction program saw over \$60,000,000 of new schools and school improvements implemented and Mr. Buff was first and foremost, a proponent of improving education; and

**WHEREAS**, Dean Buff helped oversee the purchase of the McDowell County Industrial Park site located on Interstate 40. The Park is now home to Baldor, Baglioni, and Foothills Industries. Mr. Buff was instrumental in working to secure the location and the grants to extend utilities to the site; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Buff sought to recruit the State Prison facility to the County including the purchase of the property, worked with the City of Marion to secure the grants to extend water and sewer service to the site, and recruit the facility. The prison facility now employs close to 400 individuals; and

**WHEREAS**, Commissioner Buff advocated extending water and sewer lines in the community. Many of these extensions were partnerships with the City of Marion and the Town of Old Fort and included extensions on Highway 221 South, further extensions into the Glenwood Community, Sugar Hill Road, Pleasant Gardens, the area south of Old Fort, the Nebo Community on Highway 70, the Morehead Road area, Spaulding Road, and East Marion sewer; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Buff was a proponent of McDowell County owning its own water system in the Nebo Community. This was accomplished in 2008 and McDowell County is now the owner of the “Nebo Community Water System”. Water lines have been extended onto Harmony Grove Road, Highway 126, Wildlife Road, Sherwood Forest Community Highway 70 East, Watson Road and sections of South Creek Road; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Buff is best known as a proponent for securing access to Lake James to serve as a future regional water source for the community. A site has been identified and studies are currently being conducted to make this vision a reality; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Buff was always a strong supporter of volunteer and emergency services. Fire Tax Districts were created during his tenure as Chairman. EMS base Stations were constructed in both Old Fort and Nebo during his time on the Board. McDowell County implemented E-911 and Emergency Medical Dispatch during his term; and

**WHEREAS**, the McDowell County Senior Center was constructed during his tenure. The McDowell County Law Enforcement Center, the Old Fort Nutrition Center, the Old Fort Library, the McDowell Health Department and the McDowell Mental Health Center were also constructed. The DSS facility was also purchased and renovated during his time as Chairman; and

**WHEREAS**, Dean Buff was always a supporter of good local government. He always supported the needs of the McDowell County community. His contributions

extend beyond being a County Commissioner and include Church and Civic Club involvement and being a loving husband and father.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the McDowell County Board of Commissioners extends their heartfelt and sincere appreciation to Commissioner Jonas Dean Buff for his service to the McDowell County community and ask that he continue to serve as an advocate for positive local government.

**ADOPTED**, this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2011.

Representative Mitch Gillespie had secured the “Order of the Long Leaf Pine” from Governor Beverly Perdue. While Representative Gillespie could not be present, Commissioner McPeters read the “Order of the Long Leaf Pine” and presented it to Mr. Buff.

Finally, Chairman Walker unveiled a road sign bearing the name of *Dean Buff* for the access road into the water plant site.

Each Commissioner then spoke concerning Mr. Buff. Commissioner Lavender commented on his working relationship with Mr. Buff. Commissioner McPeters commented on the closeness he has had with Mr. Buff, the wisdom he had instilled in him, his friendship, etc. He mentioned Christian life and the importance of being in attendance at meetings, etc. Commissioner Webb commented on his first meeting with Mr. Buff, the respect he has for him, his educational background, how he led through experience, and was a great example. Commissioner Dobson commented on the respect he has for Mr. Buff and the example he had set, particularly during his last campaign, etc.

Mr. Abernathy spoke on his working relationship with Mr. Buff for 20 yrs. and what one sees from “his side of the table”, the honor, etc., noting the bulk of the people are still positive and Mr. Buff is the embodiment of this.

Chairman Walker thanked Mr. Buff for the privilege of working with him, and Mr. Buff in turn thanked them for this “precious night”. In closing, Mr. Buff spoke of his mother’s teaching and advice to her children, he quoted President Franklin Roosevelt, and others. He mentioned the road sign, the “Order of the Long Leaf Pine”, his many friends that showed up, he thanked the voters, and encouraged the continuation of the current projects, noting that water is our most precious commodity.

Chairman Walker then recognized the Scout groups present (#804, 805, and 806) who were taking notes and working toward their merit badge.

### **PRESENTATION OF BOOK BY MAYOR STEVE LITTLE**

City of Marion Mayor Steve Little came before the Board for the presentation of his book. He said it was a privilege to be meeting, and noted “the working relationship is being enhanced—many paths but one goal”.

Mayor Little said our history is so important and one of the most fascinating aspects is the railroad which came through here. Commenting on the construction of the railroad, which has seven tunnels in the route, he noted the long, hard labor of the men who constructed the railroad. He stated he became interested in the railroad in 1971 while visiting here and came to McDowell County in 1977.

He presented an autographed copy of his book to each Commissioner, the County Manager and the Clerk.

### **BUDGET UPDATE AND AMENDMENTS**

The County Manager gave his monthly budget update of the General Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and changes in Fund Balance for the period ended December 31, 2010. The Finance Officer presented the following budget amendments:

- GF 16 Receives two grants, both of which were previously approved by the Board.
- GF 17 Receives additional grants funds and reallocates funds from Election Expense to Travel for additional training.
- GF 18 Allocates donated funds in the EMS.
- GF 19 Transfers \$900,000 in the Register of Deeds from Postage to Travel. New requirements are taking place that have to be met (some of it concerns on-line training)
- GF 20 Receives donated revenue to the Senior Center.
- GF 21 Receives additional funding in the DSS budget. The bulk of the funding is for emergency assistance.

A Project Ordinance for the Rural Center/Hospital Project previously approved by the Board, and a second Project Budget Ordinance for the PART F Grant and the Senior Center Trail were presented for the Board’s approval.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lavender, seconded by Commissioner Dobson, to approve budget amendments #16-21 as presented. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

## **TAX LIENS AND ADVERTISEMENTS**

Tax Collector Phyllis Ryan came before the Board to present 2010 Real Property Tax Lien Report and to get permission to advertise the Tax Liens in the newspaper. The report showed that as of February 3, 2011, the total amount of 2010 county real property taxes due was \$1,685,216.12 (2009 comparison \$2,057,803.81).

Mrs. Ryan stated last year the Board had awarded the publication of the 2009 tax lien to The News Bulletin of McDowell County. That newspaper has since gone out of business. Therefore, The McDowell News would be the only newspaper for advertising the 2010 unpaid taxes. The McDowell News quoted:

\$1.84 per name; 2391 names  
 \$6.95 per column inch x 126 inch  
 \$876.41 per page X 5 (pages)...\$4,382.05

Their quote was the same as last year. Mrs. Ryan recommended an advertisement date for Wednesday, May 11, 2011.

Commissioner Lavender made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McPeters, to accept the Tax Lien Report for 2010 and to authorize the advertisement of 2010 Liens on Real Property for May 11, 2011 as requested. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

## **PUBLIC HEARING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

Chairman Walker declared the Board in public hearing concerning proposed economic development incentives for a local industry expansion as authorized under NCGS 158-7.1.

Mr. Abernathy, as Economic Development Director, pointed out the unemployment rate is 11.4 and that he would not name the company tonight due to the competitive nature of the project. He advised the industry expansion involves the investment of \$18,500,000 in machinery, equipment and building and the creation of 124 new jobs at wages exceeding the average local wage. The proposed incentive is \$372,000 paid over five (5) years. The County has determined that the value of such public benefit as calculated under NCGS 158-7.1 would be at least equal to the benefits provided.

Continuing, Mr. Abernathy said the County is offering an incentive grant in the amount of \$372,000 that will be paid over five years. As always, the company must perform first in order to receive the incentives.

Chairman Walker opened the floor for comments from the public. Randy Hollifield said the County needs jobs and should provide whatever is necessary to get them. He said he would support the project.

Nebo resident Bobby Bowen stated this is a win-win situation.

Upon motion by Commissioner McPeters and a second by Commissioner Webb, the Board voted unanimously to close the public hearing.

Commissioner Lavender made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McPeters, to authorize the incentive package as presented. The motion carried unanimously

**PRESENTATION AND UPDATE ON THE VIETNAM WALL PROJECT,  
INCLUDING JOINT RESOLUTIONS**

Randy Hollifield, along with County Veterans Service Officer Alan Mainer and others, came before the Board to update them on the status of the traveling war memorial project. The traveling Vietnam Wall will be displayed on the YMCA Soccer Field May 16<sup>th</sup> through May 22<sup>nd</sup> and there will be two weeks of activities, with a “kick-off” date of May 10<sup>th</sup>. The activities will include a ceremony at the High School and on the Courthouse Lawn, a performance by the Reggie Satler Family, with Jack Levine as speaker, and an all veteran reunion on Saturday evening at the Senior Center. As the memorial Wall is moved from the High School to the Courthouse and on to the Soccer Field, there will be motorcycle escort, a Grand Marshall, etc.

Mr. Hollifield asked that May 9<sup>th</sup> to May 15<sup>th</sup> be proclaimed as “Salute to Veterans Recognition Week”.

Retired Lieutenant Frank Dean presented a sample of granite bricks that are for sale to raise money to bring the Vietnam Wall to Marion. Their goal is to raise \$20,000 for this purpose. The bricks sold will be engraved in honor or memory of the veteran named. The bricks will become a permanent part on the grounds of the Senior Center for a walkway and monument going into the greenway. He advised they needed the Board’s permission to erect the memorial at the Senior Center.

Commissioner Lavender made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McPeters, to authorize the erection of the memorial at the Senior Center. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Concerning the Proclamation, the County Manager suggested printing it on larger paper for execution by the County, the City of Marion and the Town of Old Fort.

Commissioner Dobson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Webb, to approve the Proclamation. By a unanimous vote, the Proclamation was approved as follows:

**McDowell County Salute to Veterans  
Recognition Week  
Proclamation**

**WHEREAS**, America is the land of the free and home of the brave; and

**WHEREAS**, American men and women, devoted to liberty and freedom have unflinchingly answered their nation's call to arms to fight in the air, on the land and on the sea, thousands of miles from home, enforcing our founding fathers' vision; and

**WHEREAS**, we still believe today that the blessing of liberty, freedom and justice require constant vigilance, determination, and sacrifice; and

**WHEREAS**, every man, woman and child in our great nation owes a debt of gratitude to those who served their country so unselfishly; and

**WHEREAS**, these brave Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines and Coast Guardsmen were the sons and daughters of our land; and

**WHEREAS**, McDowell County answered the call and 140 of her brave made the supreme sacrifice in World War I, World War II, Korea, Vietnam and Iraq, so we can continue to live free.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the County of McDowell, the City of Marion, and the Town of Old Fort in the great State of North Carolina do jointly declare the week of May 9-15, 2011 "McDowell County Salute to Veterans Week" and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all are asked to commemorate the contributions and sacrifices of those men and women who placed their lives in harm's way, preserving American values and protecting democracy for the world, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the observance of "McDowell County Salute to Veterans Week" appropriately pays honor and expresses gratitude to all those that have ever worn a uniform of any of our great military services and gave so much to the world and our great nation.

Chairman Walker commented on what this all means to each citizen here.

Discussion followed on liability, advertising the event on the cable channel, etc.

### **UPDATE ON TRANSPORTATION STUDY**

In a general update, the County Manager advised the letter was sent to Ms. Merriam Perry, Director of the North Carolina Department of Transportation. He provided a copy of the *McDOWELL COUNTY RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION STUDY PROCESS WITH McDOWELL COUNTY*, as adopted by the Board at the January meeting. He noted the County does provide services to the clients at the Senior Center and Foothills Industries, and that the County does transportation in an efficient manner.



He mentioned what has changed, such as the demand that may have been generated, and suggested placing the item back on the agenda and have a committee structured, etc.

### **WATER SYSTEM AND RFP UPDATE/INCLUDES OPTIONS RENEWAL**

The County Manager advised the contract extension on the property will require \$25,000 for a one-year extension and a second \$25,000 for a second year. The payment would not be refunded if the County does not follow through on the purchase for a reason that is our reason. The process to begin the FERC application has been initiated.

Mr. Abernathy stated the STAG grant is another item, noting that Senators Elizabeth Dole and Richard Burr as well as Congressman Heath Shuler have all been involved in this project. The grant will require a match (45%) and is for \$485,000, but he advised the thing he was not clear about at this point is the length of time for a STAG grant to be available. The process will require an RFP for engineering services and the County will have to follow the federal procurement procedures.

Discussion of the Harmony Grove Road extension followed with Commissioner Webb asking if it would not be prudent to move expeditiously with this project, noting the high priority it is to the County. He acknowledged there are some concerns and they would want to do so with caution. County Attorney Fred Coats gave his thoughts on the relicensing process, keeping in mind that they would not want to upset the effort, etc. Discussion continued of maybe Duke helping with expenses, what our highest priority is, etc.

Commissioner Lavender made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McPeters, to extend the contract for a two-year period at a cost of \$25,000 per year and to allow staff to release an RFP for engineering services to continue with the STAG process. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Concerning the Harmony Grove Road extension, which was scheduled to get underway this date, Mr. Abernathy passed out a memo dated December 2, 2010 which contained information on the project for the benefit of the Boy Scouts who were attending the Board's meeting.

Mr. Abernathy then reviewed the two grant amounts and the bid amount, noting there was about \$70,000 extra. He had previously recommended using these funds to extend the line further on Harmony Grove Road or perhaps by going out South Creek Road since it is critical to tie in to loop the system. During tonight's meeting, the idea of extending the line out Watson Road was mentioned as another possibility. Use of these funds would be driven by contractor's bid price, etc.

### **BUILDING INSPECTIONS/HEALTH DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

Chairman Walker recognized the County Manager who provided an update on this item.

Mr. Abernathy advised the relocation of the Building Inspections Department will occur the first week of March as painting and other work is underway. They will be able to operate more efficiently and better serve the public being close to the Health Department where permits are issued, etc.

The *Memorandum of Agreement Between McDowell County and the Rutherford, Polk, McDowell Health District*, signed by the County Manager and the District Health Director based on the Board's previous action, was included in the Agenda packet for the Board.

In general discussion, Mr. Abernathy pointed out that Mr. Hines had looked at the Health Department and the County will be gaining space with this move. Commissioner Webb commented on the energy audit. Commissioner McPeters pointed out the Health Board is supportive of the move.

### **FACADE GRANT UPDATE**

The County Manager briefly addressed the two input sessions held, noting there was sufficient interest shown to see active participation and improvement with this project. Mr. Abernathy provided information on the revised guidelines and grant application.

There were no questions from Board.

### **ENERGY GRANT BIDS**

The County Manager pointed out that last year the County had applied for, and in the fall was awarded, an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant in the amount of \$59,279 for the replacement of the lighting fixtures in the County Administration Building and several City of Marion buildings. The Contracts had been received, signed and sent back; therefore, the process should start. County staff had worked with the State Energy Office to put together a request for proposals that was advertised. Six companies had submitted bids for the project. Not many local contractors submitted a bid as most of them were from out of state. The six bids received were as follows:

<b><u>BIDDER</u></b>	<b><u>BID AMOUNT</u></b>
Tom Jacques Electric	\$42,320.00
Camp Electric	\$63,585.00
Leonine Protection Systems	\$66,362.00
Bresco, LTD.	\$69,120.98
KC Byrd Electrical	\$72,400.00

Emory Electric \$85,755.00

Thomas Jacques Electric was the low bidder, and this bid was the one recommended.

Commissioner Webb made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McPeters, to enter the six bids as presented and to accept the low bid from Tom Jacques Electric in the amount of \$42,320.00. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

### **OLD FORT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS AGREEMENT**

Chairman Walker advised the Board had before them the same agreement as previously approved for the City of Marion regarding the conducting of elections, this one being for the Town of Old Fort.

Commissioner McPeters made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Lavender, to approve the **MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT** as presented. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

### **RESOLUTIONS (TWO) FOR RETIRING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

With two more law enforcement employees retiring, Larry P. Lytle and W. Andre Huskins, Sheriff Dudley Greene had submitted a request to allow the sale of their weapon by declaring it surplus and the granting of their badge.

The County Manager made reference to County policy which allows the request, noting that he recommended adoption of a Resolution granting it.

Commissioner McPeters made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Lavender, to adopt the *RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALE OF COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY* (two) as presented. The motion carried by a unanimous vote and the Resolutions were adopted as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALE OF COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY**

**WHEREAS**, The County of McDowell owns a certain item of personal property that has become surplus for its current needs; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina General Statute § 20-187.2 permits the county to donate the badge worn by a Law Enforcement Officer upon their retirement; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina General Statute § 20-187.2 permits the county to sell the service side arm to the retiring Law Enforcement Officer upon securing such

permit as required by G.S. 14-402 or without such permit the weapon has been rendered incapable of being fired.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of McDowell County that:

The Board of Commissioners authorizes the Sheriff to donate the badge and also authorizes the sale in the amount of \$1.00 of the following service side arm which has been declared surplus to Larry P. Lytle.

Sig. Serial P-220  
Serial # G366198

This resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

**ADOPTED** this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2011.

The same resolution was adopted with respect to **W. Andre Huskins**, Sig. Sauer P-220, Serial # G363655.

### **SADDLE AND BRIDLE CLUB LEASE RENEWAL**

The County Manager advised the McDowell Saddle and Bridle Club Lease was up for renewal and the Lease Agreement had been revised. He pointed out the major change was the requirement for the entity to provide insurance liability, which will be required from here on. County Attorney Fred Coats explained the changes involved. The first change, in the description of the metes and bounds, was an addition at the end reading "*excepting any parcels conveyed to other entities*". Under Section 4, in the middle of the paragraph the wording "*Lessee shall not allow or permit any lien to be attached to this described property*" was added.

Continuing, Mr. Coats noted the following was added as Section 5:

***LIABILITY INSURANCE:** Lessee shall provide and keep in force, for the protection of the general public and Lessor, liability insurance against claims of bodily injuries or death upon or near the Leased Premises, sidewalks, streets, services and parking areas adjacent there to the extent of no less than \$1,000,000 for bodily injuries or death to any number of persons arising out of the once accident or disaster and property damage with limits of not less than \$100,000. The insurance carrier shall be authorized to do business in North Carolina and shall have a policyholder's rating of no less than "A" FSC XII in the most current edition of Best's Insurance Reports. Such policy shall list the Lessor as "Additional Insured" on their policy and a copy of the binder shall be submitted to the Lessor.*

Section 6 was restructured to read:

*“DESTRUCTION OF PREMISES: Lessor has no obligation to repair or maintain any improvements to the described property”.*

Under Section 10, the word tenancy was changed to “*this lease*”, and withdrawal was changed to “*termination*”.

Commissioner Lavender made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Webb, to approve the Lease Agreement renewal as presented. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

### **BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

With one applicant for both the Agricultural Committee (Stuart Simmons) and the Nursing Home Advisory Committee (Claudia “Anne” Baker) and their terms expiring, the Board voted on the re-appointments.

When votes were tallied by the Clerk, results were a unanimous vote for both Stuart Simmons and Anne Baker.

### **TAX MATTERS**

The usual listing of tax releases and refunds were presented for the Board’s consideration. In summary, they were:

Releases Under \$100.00	Released amount of \$3,052.39
Releases Over \$100.00	Released amount of \$6,473.55
Motor Vehicle Releases Under \$100.00	Released amount of \$343.52
Motor Vehicle Releases Over \$100.00	Released amount of \$915.48
Release Refunds	Refunded amount of \$6,531.11

The explanation for a release refund for Black Forest was noted and discussion followed.

Commissioner Webb made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McPeters, to approve the releases and refunds as presented. The motion passed by a vote of 4-1 with Commissioner Lavender casting the opposing vote.

### **CITIZEN COMMENT**

Chairman Walker checked the register and Marion resident Frank Denniston had requested to speak.

Mr. Denniston advised he had attended the Transportation Board meeting and briefly explained the action that Board had taken. He mentioned the forms being distributed that are to be filled out and presented to Ms. Perry, the steering committee, etc. He said Ms. Perry did kindly provide a copy of the old transportation plan which he suggested the Board needed to review and understand in order to see what the new plan will be.

### **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

The County Manager suggested a meeting on Monday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 a.m. to further discuss the Revaluation, review central dispatching, and revenue projections.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, upon motion by Commissioner McPeters and a second by Commissioner Webb, the meeting was adjourned.

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DAVID N. WALKER, CHAIRMAN

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CARRIE PADGETT  
CLERK TO THE BOARD