AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD IN AND FOR GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA ON AUGUST 19, 2014, AT 6:00 P.M., THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD, VIZ:

Present: Eric F. Hinson, Chairman, District 1

Brenda Holt, Vice-Chair, District 4

Doug Croley, District 2 Gene Morgan, District 3 Sherrie Taylor, District 5

Robert Presnell, County Administrator

David Weiss, County Attorney Marcella Blocker, Deputy Clerk

#### INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Chair Hinson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., called for a silent prayer and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag. A silent roll call was taken by Marcella Blocker.

#### AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Hinson asked if there were any amendments to the Agenda and Mr. Presnell said he would like to pull Item 13.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CROLEY AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER MORGAN AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER CROLEY, THE BOARD VOTED 4-0 BY VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT.

## AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS AND APPEARANCES

## 1. Proclamation Recognizing National Breastfeeding Month, August 2014

Chair Hinson said this was the National Breastfeeding Month and in support asked the Board Members to come forward, he read the Proclamation aloud and presented it to representatives of the Healthy Start Program.

Emily Rowan asked them if they found that the number of mothers' that was breastfeeding had increased and they said yes.

#### **CLERK OF COURTS**

The Clerk was not present and there was nothing to report.

#### **CONSENT**

Commissioner Croley asked to pull items 3 and 4 from the Consent Agenda.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HOLT AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER CROLEY, THE BOARD VOTED 4-0 TO APPROVE ITEMS 2, 5, AND 6 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA.

#### 2. Approval of Minutes

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- 3. Approval of Adopt A Road Agreement with the Little River Plantation for Shady Rest Road (Highway 12 to Lanier Road) Item Pulled for Discussion
- 4. Approval of Adopt A Road Agreement with the Little River Plantation for Lanier Road (from Shady Rest Road south 1.9 miles)

  Item Pulled for Discussion
- 5. Approval of Contractual Agreement Between CenturyLink and Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners
- 6. Approval of Commissioner Hinson's Travel to the Florida Association of Counties Policy Conference & Board Orientation

#### ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

**3,4** Commissioner Croley applauded Little River Plantation for this undertaking of policing Lanier Road and Shady Rest Road and then moved for approval of this item.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CROLEY AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER HOLT, THE BOARD VOTED 4-0 BY VOICE VOTE TO APPROVAL THIS ITEM.

#### CITIZENS REQUESTING TO BE HEARD ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no citizens that requested to speak.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

7. PUBLIC HEARING- Adoption of the Amended Housing Element to the Comprehensive Plan
Mr. Presnell introduced the above item and said it had been before the Board previously,
changes had been made and it had been forwarded to DCA for approval and was approved with
no changes that needed to be made and was now before the Board for the final adoption.

Chair Hinson asked if there were any citizens that wished to speak on this matter and there were none.

Commissioner Taylor appeared at this juncture.

Commissioner Taylor stepped back out.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CROLEY AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER HOLT, THE BOARD VOTED 4-0 BY VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE THE ITEM.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

8. Approval to Accept the FY 2014 Third Quarter Report

Mr. Presnell introduced the above item and stated this was seeking approval to accept the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Financial Report.

Commissioner Croley move to approve the item.

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Commissioner Morgan asked the County Administrator to summarize for the public the County's financial condition.

Commissioner Taylor returned.

Mr. Presnell said the third quarter report gives a snapshot of where the County is in the budget, showed they are about 75% on spending, which was met or exceeded, with just a few line items where it was over, but overall, they were ahead on the budget. Mr. Presnell added that it was estimated that approximately \$200,000 would be added back into the fund balance.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CROLEY AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER HOLT, THE BOARD VOTED 5-0 BY VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE THIS ITEM.

## 9. Appointment to the CareerSource Capital Region Board

Mr. Presnell introduced the above item and said it was for an appointment to the CareerSource Capital Region Board. He added there was a recent resignation from the Board and they had received a recommendation for Pam Gay, who is the Senior Vice-President of HR Risk Management with Capital City Bank to serve on the Board.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER MORGAN AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER CROLEY, THE BOARD VOTED 5-0 BY VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE PAM GAY TO THE BOARD.

## 10. Approval of the State Housing Initiative Partnership (SHIP) Annual Report

Mr. Presnell introduced the item and said it was for approval of the State Housing Initiative Partnership (SHIP) Annual Report, which was due to the State and gave an overview of the SHIP program.

UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER CROLEY AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER HOLT, THE BOARD VOTED 5-0 BY VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE THIS ITEM.

#### 11. Approval of Engineering Consulting Services for Gadsden County

Mr. Presnell introduced the above item and stated that on August 14<sup>th</sup>, the Board interviewed engineering firms and Staff was directed to bring it back at this meeting for the Board to select the engineering firm or firms.

Chair Hinson said they went by the proper procedures and thanked all the firms for participating.

Commissioner Morgan said he would like to move for approval of Preble Rish.

Commissioner Croley said he would be happy to second the motion and asked that there be consideration of an amendment that DPB and Associates be added strictly for the housing and related grant writing and that the surveying and civil engineering continue with Preble Rish.

Commissioner Morgan said the motion stood as was announced.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER MORGAN AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER CROLEY FOR APPROVAL OF PREBLE RISH, BEFORE THE VOTE WAS TAKEN, DISCUSSION WAS CALLED.

Chair Hinson said they needed to talk about it first.

Commissioner Holt said she had no problem with two firms because they needed to look at the economic opportunities.

Chair Hinson suggested putting this item off for two weeks and everyone disagreed.

Commissioner Croley said he seconded Commissioner Morgan's initial motion and they should vote on that.

Commissioner Taylor said she also wanted to have multiple engineering firms because of their history and they need a second set of eyes and did not want to put restrictions on a second company because of the services they may be able to provide and moving forward with one company might prove to be counter-productive.

Commissioner Morgan said Commissioner Taylor mentioned that they should look at the history and that was what he would like to do, that they all were very good firms. He said they should look at the facts, as presented by the existing engineering firm, 96% of their costs were covered by grant funds and they have given back to the county. He added that if a company did not have 100% commitment from the County, the County would not have 100% commitment from the company. He further stated he had not heard a reason for an additional firm.

Chair Hinson said he needed to make sure "that everyone could swallow what they want to do", that he did not come with a second choice in mind and would like to go ahead and do the motion and second and if they want to bring up a second choice, to bring that back at the next meeting.

Commissioner Croley interrupted to say that he had no problem with having one engineering firm, Preble-Rish, because of their knowledge of the small, rural county coalition and things with the roads, civil, surveying and engineering services especially. However, he did recognize the difference in opinion around the Board and if there were other specialty needs, he was willing to entertain that as well, but would like to vote on the motion.

Commissioner Holt said they could choose two firms and that way the Manager knows the jobs and Preble Rish has more experience for the roads. She said that Preble-Rish had experience with the roads and Commissioner Taylor was correct, they could come back and look at other items and specialties that other engineering firms may be able to do. She stated to go ahead and call for the vote, that Commissioner Morgan was not going to withdraw his motion and Commissioner Croley was not going to withdraw his second, that she was not voting for it and time to move it.

Chair Hinson said he wanted to make sure he had his right second company down. He asked if the packet was available.

Commissioner Croley passed Chair Hinson his engineering firm packet.

Commissioner Taylor said he had the right one.

Commissioner Morgan said he wanted to make sure where Commissioner Croley was coming from, he was the first one that brought up a second firm.

Commissioner Croley said he was willing to vote on the motion, if three votes were gotten, he was fine with it, but if there was going to be a second firm, it needed to be a specialty firm that could bring a great deal of resource in a manner that would enhance what the county was getting now.

CHAIR HINSON CALLED FOR THE VOTE. THE BOARD VOTED 2-3 BY VOICE VOTE. COMMISSIONERS HINSON, HOLT AND TAYLOR VOTED AGAINST THE MOTION. MOTION FAILED.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CROLEY VOTE THAT THE CIVIL ENGINEERING AND SURVEYING BE AWARDED TO PREBLE-RISH AND THE HOUSING AND SPECIAL GRANTS INITIATIVES RELATED TO THAT BE AWARDED TO DPB AND WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TAYLOR AS LONG AS IT DID NOT TIE THE MANAGER'S HANDS AND IT BE AT HIS DESCRETION AS TO HOW HE WOULD LIKE TO USE THEM, THE BOARD VOTED 5-0 BY VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE.

## 12. Appointments to the Gadsden County Industrial Development Authority

Mr. Presnell introduced above item and said it seeks Board approval to appoint or reappoint members to the Gadsden County Industrial Development Authority and added that three of the five seats were up for reappointment. He added that the members with expired terms were Nick Bert, District 2; Calvin Dawkins, District 3 and Barry Haber, District 5. He said that Nick Bert had informed staff he was no longer wished to serve; Mr. Dawkins said he would like to continue and Mr. Haber had made no contact with staff.

Commissioner Croley stated that Larry Clayton was willing to serve on this Board to replace Mr. Bert.

Commissioner Taylor stated that she would like to reappoint Mr. Haber.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CROLEY AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER HOLT, THE BOARD VOTED 5-0 BY VOICE VOTE TO APPOINT LARRY CLAYTON IN DISTRICT 2 AND REAPPOINT MR. DAWKINS IN DISTRICT 3 AND REAPPOINT MR. HABER IN DISTRICT 5.

- 13. Approval of Interlocal Agreement with the City of Quincy for Mosquito Control Services
  Item pulled
- 14. Consideration of Offer from TCC for the County to Purchase the W.A. Woodham Building Mr. Presnell introduced the above item and said this was presented for Board consideration of an offer extended by Tallahassee Community College regarding the future use of the W. A. Woodham Building that was currently housing the Sheriff's Office. He added that the County currently had a lease agreement with TCC to lease the building until 2049 for \$1.00 per year and TCC has offered to sell the building to the County for \$100,000 rather than continue the current lease agreement. He added that TCC has indicated that the sale proceeds would be endowed by the College Foundation to provide scholarships for Gadsden County residents each academic

year and the County Commission would receive recognition for the endowment. He also stated that the Board was advised at a previous workshop by Staff the need for extensive repairs that needed to be done to the building.

Commissioner Croley asked Mr. Presnell if they could continue to occupy the building as was presently being done and make necessary minimal maintenance as needed until such time as TCC should dispose of the building.

Mr. Presnell said the current lease ran through 2049.

Chair Hinson said according to the Board members, TCC was trying to dispose of the building now and if they did so, room for the Sheriff would need to be found somewhere.

Commissioner Croley asked if it was in the budget to complete the administrative 911 and Emergency Management facility.

Chair Hinson said they had not come to an agreement regarding that matter.

Commissioner Croley asked if that was included in the budget.

Mr. Presnell said it was included in the Budget Workshop proposal to build a new Emergency Management/Sheriff's Office in front of the jail.

Chair Hinson said if it were decided by TCC that they were going to tear the building down, and he said he was told that was what they were going to do, either sell the building or tear it down, and if that happened, the Sheriff would need to find a place to go. He said TCC was being pressured by the audit firm to make a decision regarding the building now.

Commissioner Holt said as far as the funding for the Administration Building, they had not voted on the final budget yet and while they may decide to "get the building or not get the building" and they did not "need to put cart before the horse", they needed to vote on the budget first and then vote on the building.

Commissioner Morgan said if they did nothing and left it as it was it didn't matter if the Sheriff's Office stayed or moved because the County would still be leasing the building for \$1.00/year until 2049 and as long as the Sheriff was housed there, they would not tear the building down. He added it was his opinion that TCC was one of the best partners the County had. He further stated the County did not need another building for the sake of having a building and he would not agree to pay for another building and he thought TCC might agree to give the building to the County and if it would help TCC, he did not have a problem with that. He said, as it had already been pointed out, they had already budgeted for the annual cost of the new administration building to the sum of \$212,000 per year and the administrative costs would be much less in the new building. He said this was already budgeted, they would have a much more efficient building, a place where the Sheriff's Office makes more sense to be, would be helping with what the Sheriff asked them to do and would only leave the IT Department that is currently in the building and they could be moved into a small space in several different locations. The building could sit there and the dollars that were set aside to put into the building would not be spent on an antiquated building. He added if the City of Quincy wanted to stay there and make necessary

maintenance repairs, it would be OK, but he had talked to the City about that and they wanted to get out on their own. He said that would solve the problems with everyone and the County would be in a more efficient building and the empty building could be marketed for sale.

Mr. Weiss said he wanted to point out that in looking at the lease, either party could terminate it with 90 days' notice.

Chair Hinson said they had talked about adding a new tax to be able to build the building.

Commissioner Morgan stated he was not for adding any taxes.

Chair Hinson said he had talked with staff and if they invested \$1.5 Million in renovating a 44,000 square foot building, that would be better than paying \$3 Million for a 20,000 square foot building.

Commissioner Morgan said he did not know how he was figuring that when it would cost more to operate said building.

Chair Hinson said if you went to FAMU or Florida State, where they had renovated buildings, it looked brand new after they were finished. He also added that he understood from Staff that it would cost \$1.5 Million to refurbish the building and would cost \$3 Million to build the Sheriff his new building. He then asked Mr. Presnell how they planned on paying for the building.

Mr. Presnell said the new building proposes a \$2.5 Million loan and the annual payment, the service loan would be \$212,000 and half of the payment would come from the utilities savings from the Woodham building and the Board would be funding approximately \$100,000 a year from General Revenue. He added from the presentation that was presented that night, the estimate was \$3 Million.

Chair Hinson stated he was more in line with Commissioner Morgan, if they wanted to give the building to the County, he was fine with it, but could not afford \$100,000 right now.

Commissioner Croley said, as Mr. Presnell said, it would cost \$2.9 Million to renovate an antiquated building from the 1950's and if the building was any good, TCC would not want to get rid of it. He said it was not good business to take \$2.9 Million of the taxpayers' dollars and put into that building, especially when the utilities were so much. He would rather put money into a new building that would be paid for and would multi-serve the Sheriff, 911 and Emergency Management. He added that he was not willing to take the building; it was a ridiculous business move.

Commissioner Morgan felt it was the right thing to do to let them know and make an offer of what they were willing to do.

Mr. Presnell said they would need to vote on it.

UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER MORGAN AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER HOLT, THE BOARD VOTED 3-2 BY VOICE VOTE TO HAVE THE ADMINISTRATOR CONTACT TCC AND ADVISE THEM THAT THE COUNTY WAS WILLING TO TAKE THE BUILDING AT NO CHARGE.

## COMMISSIONER TAYLOR AND COMMISSIONER CROLEY OPPOSED. MOTION PASSED.

Commissioner Croley also wanted to disclose, if they take the building, there are drainage issues now with adjoining property owners and they need to make sure before taking it, they look into all legal ramifications associated with the drainage matters.

Commissioner Taylor said she voted against it because she felt that \$100,000 they were asking was a fair amount because it would be used for the scholarships for students and wanted to support the initiative and felt they could use the building and did not want to see it become a "dinosaur" because it would devalue property value when a building sat unused. She pointed out they had lost a Social Security Office, a Child Support Office, Environmental Office that was next to H&R Block, there was a need for more Judges' chambers, and added the building could be a great incubator for businesses and said they could get someone to go after a USDA grant and make the building more energy efficient and be an incentive for people to open up businesses.

# 15. Approval of Interlocal Agreement with the City of Gretna to Provide Building Inspection and Plans Review Services

Mr. Presnell introduced item and said this seeks Board approval for an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Gretna and the Gadsden County Building Inspection Department for inspection and plans review services.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CROLEY AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER HOLT, THE BOARD VOTED 5-0 BY VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE THIS ITEM.

## 16. Appointment of Commissioner and Alternate to the Canvassing Board

Mr. Presnell introduced item and said it sought Board approval to appoint a Commissioner and alternate to the County Canvassing Board.

Chair Hinson stated that while he did not have anyone biologically related to him running in the election, his uncle's wife was running for a position on the School Board and did not want any conflicts.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CROLEY AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER HOLT, THE BOARD VOTED 4-1 BY VOICE VOTE TO APPOINT COMMISSIONER MORGAN TO THE BOARD AND COMMISSIONER TAYLOR TO BE THE ALTERNATE. COMMISSIONER TAYLOR OPPOSED.

#### CITIZENS REQUESTING TO BE HEARD

\*When this agenda item was originally reached in the meeting, no citizen had requested to speak. After the Board started discussing General Business, a Speaker form was filled out and the Agenda was amended to let the citizens speak at this time. Commissioner Croley moved that they entertain at this time, the request for the citizens to speak. Commissioner Holt said no motion was needed because the meeting had not been closed.\*

Mr. Alphonso Figgers appeared before the Board and asked the Board why the Dental Clinic had closed and why the citizens had not been informed.

Mr. Presnell said the Health Department was not under the BOCC, although the County did provide the facilities and some equipment, it was a State ran operation.

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Mr. Figgers also said since the bypass was near to completion, would there be sidewalks for Strong Road from High Bridge Road and said he had also talked with Commissioner Croley regarding sidewalks from Strong Road to South Chalk Street.

Commissioner Croley said they were trying to get the sidewalks in under the safety money and they were on the list, including Strong Road, and if there was any money left-over on the project, it might be able to be moved over for the sidewalks and said maybe Mr. Justin Ford, with Preble-Rish, the engineering firm, could elaborate where things stood with the sidewalk.

**Justin Ford, Preble-Rish**, addressed the Board and said the sidewalks on Strong Road had been brought up several times, but this was the first he had heard regarding the one on (Highway) 90, but made a note to bring that matter up at next Community Traffic Safety Team meeting. He added that cycle would come up in the Spring.

Commissioner Taylor asked Mr. Ford about the additional funds that might be left from the project, could it be used for the by-pass...

Commissioner Morgan pointed out they were discussing non-agenda items and needed to be careful.

Chair Hinson said he would give Commissioner Taylor a chance to speak since Commissioner Croley had an opportunity and then move on.

Commissioner Morgan asked the attorney if they could do that.

Mr. Weiss said they should be careful when they were taking general public comments to not discuss any non-agenda items.

Commissioner Taylor asked Mr. Ford if he could answer the question.

Mr. Ford stated they did not have anything to do with that project, it was a DOT project, and he did not know if there would be any funds available and he could approach DOT with that request.

Mr. Figgers said he had noticed that a bike lane had been established on the north side of Blue Star Highway and wanted to inquire about the south side and his last question was regarding that Madison or Live Oak just constructed a new hospital and asked if there were any plans for this hospital to go into full operation.

Chair Hinson asked Mr. Presnell if he had any response to Mr. Figgers statement.

Mr. Presnell said there were no plans to expand the services at the hospital.

Commissioner Morgan left the meeting at this juncture of the meeting.

**Mr. Peter Okonkwo, Spectra Engineering & Research**, spoke to Board regarding the selection process of the engineering firms and said he had submitted his request to speak while they were discussing that item.

Commissioner Croley pointed out that the presenters were not able to add anything new and the attorney would not have allowed it to be heard.

Mr. Weiss added it would not have been appropriate to allow the firms that were under consideration to come forward and add any further presentation after it had happened. It was questioned if he could speak as one of the engineering firms that had bid on the job and he pointed out he was there to speak as a Leon County citizen doing business in Gadsden County.

Commissioner Holt said he could speak as a citizen, even though he filled the form out that he was speaking on Item 11 (Approval of Engineering Consulting Services for Gadsden County).

Mr. Okonkwo said the commissioners had already voted on the item, but in listening to the commissioners speak and give different ideas as to which firm they must select for the engineering services and wanted to share that having diversity in their procurement process was not a bad thing. He added that several counties hire more than one firm and establish relationships with those firms. He said the reason there were only 6 responses received when they should have received 20 or more is the perception that Gadsden County has the niche of one firm, and nothing could be changed. He said for a while they had stopped submitting bids, but decided to submit again this time. He added that diversity was always good.

Chair Hinson said he was very impressed with his presentation and the Board was committed to minority business and hiring local.

Commissioner Croley pointed out they were not to engage in too much dialogue.

Commissioner Holt thanked him for coming and said he was correct that their record did not look good and needed to improve on diversity.

#### **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

## 17. Update on Various Board Requests

Mr. Presnell said the digital books were up and running at the library now.

He said there was a request for a meeting Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. from TCC to discuss drainage issues that were mentioned earlier by Commissioner Croley and the commissioners were invited to attend or they could designate someone.

Chair Hinson stated in order for that to happen (more than one Commissioner to attend) there had to be an advertisement.

Commissioner Holt said TCC had more money than the County to fix drainage problems so what was the purpose of the meeting.

Chair Hinson said it was not about what TCC wanted; there was a situation from a private person versus a public entity.

Commissioner Croley asked why the Chair would need to attend and pointed out it had nothing

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to do with the County Commission and was not an issue if he was not present.

Mr. Presnell said they were contacted by an aid to the President of the University...

Commissioner Croley interrupted to ask if they requested Commissioner Hinson to attend.

Mr. Presnell said they requested two commissioners from the Board and he refused to do that.

Chair Hinson said he did not want to go because it was Commissioner Croley's property.

Commissioner Croley corrected him it was not his property.

Chair Hinson said it was Commissioner Croley's mother's property and the intent was to come after TCC to let them clean up the drainage problem.

Commissioner Croley stated that was not his intent.

Chair Hinson said "that was Commissioner Croley's problem, it's not Eric Hinson's problem and I don't need to attend." He added there was no reason for him to attend because it was a private issue.

#### **COUNTY ATTORNEY**

## 18. Update on Various Legal Issues

Mr. Weiss said there was a need to call for a recess at this time for the private meeting.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CROLEY AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER HOLT, THE BOARD VOTED 4-0 TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO MOVE THE SHADE MEETING AFTER THE COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS.

## 19. Recess BOCC Meeting for a Private Attorney-Client Session

(Pending litigation pursuant to Section 286.011(8), Florida Statutes-Vickie Dilliard d/b/a Escape Lounge vs. Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners)

## 20. Reconvene BOCC Meeting

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS**

#### 21. Report and Discussion on Public Issues and Concerns Pertaining to Commission Districts

#### **Commissioner Taylor, District 5**

Commissioner Taylor asked that the \$100,000 request be placed back on the agenda for the scholarship.

Mr. Presnell said it did not have to be tied to the building, they could discuss the scholarship.

<sup>\*</sup>Decided to move private meeting to end of Commissioners comments\*

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She said she hoped when they negotiated the engineering firm contract, they received a better rate like they did with the attorney firm.

## **Commissioner Morgan, District 3**

### **Commissioner Croley, District 2**

Commissioner Croley had nothing to report.

## **Commissioner Holt, Vice Chair, District 4**

Commissioner Holt said she thought the sidewalk issue was good and would like to look at doing something from Atlanta Street going out the City of Quincy and have lights added also.

She said the diversity issue is a problem and they need to look at hiring and contracting, they could get in trouble.

Mr. Weiss said if they wanted to implement minority business consideration, they need to change the procurement policy.

Commissioner Holt asked that the policy be brought back and Mr. Presnell informed the Board that Mr. Lawson was currently working on that.

#### Commissioner Hinson, Chair, District 1

Chair Hinson thanked everyone for a great meeting tonight.

At this time the Board recessed for the private meeting at 7:31 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 7:54 p.m.

## **RECEIPT AND FILE**

## 22. Florida Department of Economic Opportunity

(Gadsden County On-Site Monitoring – July 18, 2014)

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

August 21, 2014-Budget Workshop @ 4:00 p.m.

September 2, 2014-Regular Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.

September 11, 2014-1<sup>st</sup> Public Hearing (FY2015 Budget) @ 6:00 p.m.

September 16, 2014-Regular Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.

September 22, 2014-2<sup>nd</sup> Public Hearing (FY2015 Budget) @ 6:00 p.m.

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# **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, CHAIR HINSON ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 7:54 P.M.

	GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA	GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA	
	ERIC F. HINSON, Chair		
ATTEST:			
NICHOLAS THOMAS, Clerk	<del></del>		