

TERM OF COMMISSION: September Session of the August Adjourned Term

PLACE OF MEETING: Boone County Government Center Commission Chambers

PRESENT WERE: Presiding Commissioner Don Stamper  
District I Commissioner Karen M. Miller  
District II Commissioner Linda Vogt  
County Counsel John Patton  
Deputy County Clerk Melanie Stapleton

The meeting was called to order by the Acting-Presiding Commissioner Vogt at 1:00pm.

Commissioner Vogt stated that Commissioner Stamper was currently attending a SDA meeting. She stated that he should be arriving shortly.

**Subject: Presentation of the Management Letter for 1998 Audit**

County Auditor June Pitchford introduced Steve Smith from the Williams Keepers Audit Firm. She stated that Steve Smith was here to present the Management Letter to the County Commission.

June Pitchford stated that this document would normally accompany the CAFRE that was presented to the County Commission in June of this year. She stated that the Management Letter was delayed due to loose ends that needed to be tied up and information that was needed from some of the County offices.

June Pitchford stated that in her opinion there were not any glaring, significant issues that delayed the presentation of the document. She stated that they wanted to give the Commission an opportunity to be presented with useful information, other than just financial data. She stated that she also extended the invitation to attend the presentation to the other County officials.

Steve Smith stated that he agreed with June Pitchford in that there are not any glaring issues in this letter. He stated that he would be report on the status of prior items and on the status of one new item. He stated that the purpose of the Management Letter is to alert the County to any significant weaknesses in its internal control (over County assets) or process that would affect the annual financial statement used to conduct the audit. He stated that the only new comment in this letter is concerning the Neighborhood Improvement District projects.

Steve Smith stated that while preparing the financial statements, they had attempted to derive the total amount due by all of the NIDs over the next several years. He stated that the taxpayers within these NIDs typically opt to repay the improvements over a ten-year period. He stated that the *total* amount of the future payments really needed to be reported within the financial statements. He stated that (from a generally accepted accounting principle) it would not affect any of the revenues and expenses because any future payments of this type are deferred as revenues.

Steve Smith stated that they found that the total amount of receivables from all taxpayers involved with the NIDs was not available and would not be easy to come by. He stated that they tried to work with the IT Department to come up with a figure and finally decided that a reasonable approximation of the number could not easily be determined. He stated that they prepared the Management Letter from that standpoint so that a figure could be prepared in advance.

Steve Smith stated that in coming up with a computer program that might answer the question, the County also would want to consider other issues and incorporate those into the program as well. He stated that also included in the Management Letter was the County's response that it concurs that these computer applications should be developed and that all of the other issues will be examined.

Commissioner Vogt asked June Pitchford if she had an idea what some of the other issues would be that the County might want to address through this computer program.

June Pitchford stated that the County needed to have a computer infrastructure that would provide the answers that are often needed. She stated that she felt this could be an opportunity to bring together all of the offices involved with the Neighborhood Improvement District program in order to reduce policy, financial decisions, and procedures into computer applications. She stated that this computer application would encapsulate policy on the NIDs.

Commissioner Miller stated that the NIDs are all treated differently and therefore there would be a lot of parameters within this computer program in order to allow the flexibility needed.

June Pitchford stated that this would lead to more complexities in the computer program. She stated however that information needed to be reduced into reliable computer applications that would produce the information that is needed.

Commissioner Vogt asked how long it would take to create a program.

Commissioner Miller stated that this would depend on what is critical i.e. what has to be done first. She stated that the function of the IT Advisory Committee is to determine which needs are critical. She stated that this issue would have a higher priority since it affects so many offices.

Commissioner Vogt stated that it should also be regarded as critical since the need was outlined in the Management Letter.

June Pitchford stated that this would be the County's first venture into special assessments, which require and trigger a different approach in terms of financing and financial reporting. She stated that the development of a program always requires more effort than the refining process.

Pat Lensmeyer stated that the Information Technology Department has been very supportive with the automation that is already in place. She stated that when the County Collector's Office first began collecting assessments on NIDs, there were no computer applications in place. She stated that now there is an assemblage of an automated NID file. She stated that this file does not go beyond her responsibility in the annual assessment and collection process. She stated that it has become very obvious that this system needs to be expanded in order to include the total financial picture.

Pat Lensmeyer stated that she is supportive of how far the County has come, but stated however that the County does have a long way to go. She stated that she was present to reinforce that resources do need to be devoted to the improvement of the NID process.

Steve Smith stated that one of the items (reported on in the 1997 Management Letter) was the status of the certain computer problems. He stated that in 1997, the letter stated that the County would address those concerns in 1999, so therefore it would be premature to report beyond that on the status of those items. He stated that this item was also placed in the 1998 Management Letter in order to remind the County of that action plan so that those issues could be monitored throughout the rest of 1999. He stated that there were no indications that the 1997 letter issues were not addressed in 1998.

Steve Smith stated that the next item—self-insurance health fund--was a carryover issue. He stated that they wanted to draw the County's attention to some of the risks that are present when a third party administrator handles the self-insured health claims. He stated that in a lot of those types of arrangements, there is an independent audit performed on the third party administrator by an outside auditing firm. He stated that then the audit is usually provided to all of the outside users of the third party service.

Steve Smith stated that the purpose of that kind of audit is to alert users to any internal control problems that the third party administrator might have. He stated that the bottom line is whether or not the third party is administering claims properly. He stated that they would want to ensure that claims that are paid and charged to Boone County are in fact for covered individuals and medical conditions.

Steve Smith stated that the County's present third party administrator does not provide an audit. He stated however that there is nothing in the Management Letter to suggest that claims that are being paid for non-covered individuals or conditions. He stated that the letter does mention the action that the County could take to conduct a third party audit or to compensate for the absence of an audit. He stated that the letter also contains a recommendation that the County try to address some of those issues before it renegotiates the contract with the third party.

Steve Smith stated that the Management Letter also stated that the County should work to increase the specificity in the bid policy and the types of transactions that are covered. He stated that those recommendations were addressed through the Purchasing Policy that was adopted in November of 1998.

Commissioner Miller stated that the IT Department does have a lot of work to do in order to overcome some of these issues. She stated however that the Commission has been supportive of full implementation of the staff and has also outsourced some of the work in order to address these issues.

Commissioner Vogt thanked Steve Smith and June Pitchford for their presentation.

**Subject: Security for the County**

Commissioner Stamper stated that the County Commission was addressed by a vendor (about a week ago) that wanted the County to bid the security installation.

Commissioner Stamper asked the other members of the Commission if they were ready to move forward with a decision on the how to conduct the security installation.

Commissioner Miller stated that she believed that this issue should have been addressed a long time ago. She stated that the County should take the opportunity to utilize the cooperative contract.

Commissioner Vogt stated that she feels that the County takes every opportunity to put out requests for bids on all of its items. She stated that the County belongs to these cooperatives mainly because it gives small communities an opportunity to utilize the bid and increase their choices. She stated that the security issue is one issue where the County has chosen, out of necessity, to use the cooperative contract to secure the County's buildings. She stated that she fully supports the County using this opportunity. She stated that the Purchasing Department is also supportive of a cooperative purchase.

Commissioner Stamper moved to authorize the Facilities Maintenance Department to engage an alarm communication company, ACC, for the installation of security devices as discussed and to move forward with that installation. And further authorize the funds for the expenditure to be taken from the Emergency Fund with paperwork to follow.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 390A-99**

**Subject: Public Hearing for Budget Amendment on Fairgrounds Financing**

Commissioner Stamper convened a public hearing on the budget amendment.

Commissioner Stamper reported for the public record that there have been some changes in the negotiations with the Boone County Agricultural and Mechanical Society. He stated that the BCAMS recently agreed to sale the north 80 acres to a private individual for an amount that is a little more than the appraised value. He stated that Boone County would then be negotiating for 134 acres rather than 214 acres. He stated that this would also alter the acquisition cost from

\$2.8 million to \$2.590 million. He stated that if anyone had comments or questions they should come forward at this time.

There was no one that wished to speak.

Commissioner Stamper closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Stamper stated that Vicki Russell, president of the Fair Board was present today. He stated that they needed to address the acquisition of the facility. He stated that he would like to bring a motion forward indicating the County Commission's commitment to purchase the 134 acres and request that County Counsel make the legal arrangement for said purchase.

Commissioner Miller stated that there needed to be an agreement in place so that there are no misunderstandings.

Commissioner Vogt asked if there was a special meeting planned to make sure that everyone was in agreement.

Commissioner Stamper stated that he and John Patton discussed holding that meeting on Monday. He stated that they had not finalized the date of this meeting.

Commissioner Vogt stated that the budget amendment is for \$2.8 million. She asked if the County Commission still intended to move the full amount into an account.

Commissioner Stamper stated that he had not intended to modify the budget amendment at this point. He stated that they could handle the surplus funds in whatever manner that the Auditor recommended.

Commissioner Stamper moved to authorize a budget amendment as follows:

<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>(increasing) ACCOUNT</b>
\$320,000	1190-91800 Land Purchase (General Revenue funding)
\$480,000	1190-91200 Buildings (General Revenue funding)
\$800,000	2090-91800 Land Purchase (Profit Share funding)
\$1,200,000	2090-91200 Buildings (Profit Share funding)

For a total of 2.8 million.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

Discussion: Commissioner Vogt stated that even though there was a lot of controversy, she believed that the citizen input is what drove the County Commission to make the purchase. She stated that this was one of the times that the public came forward and made their wishes known.

Commissioner Miller stated that she felt stronger about her support of the purchase today, than she did on the day that she voted for it. She stated that this was a result of the public input that she has received since that time.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 391-99**

Commissioner Stamper moved that the Boone County would agree (by this motion) to purchase the 134 acres known as the Boone County Fairgrounds for a price not to exceed \$2,590,000 and request that County Counsel prepare documents for closing to include the necessary documents for a land acquisition in addition to a lease between the Boone County Agricultural and Mechanical Society and the Boone County Commission.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

Discussion: Commissioner Miller asked Commissioner Stamper how he derived the \$2.590 million figure.

Commissioner Stamper stated that the County Commission originally agreed to pay \$2.8 million for 214 acres. He stated that this is 75% of the appraised value of the property. He stated that they applied the 75% value to the 80 acres, which results in the figure \$2.590 million.

Vicki Russell stated that the only thing that she was concerned about was that technically this agreement would be for 133.4 acres.

Commissioner Vogt stated that all of the Planning and Zoning issues were made for a certain number of acres more or less.

Vicki Russell stated that she felt that it is important to move this issue forward as quickly as possible. She stated that during the 14-month discussion on this issue, the interest on the property had increased by about \$300,000. She stated that there was some urgency on their part and on the part of their creditors to bring this to a close. She stated that she would be happy to answer any questions.

Commissioner Stamper stated that the purchase of the north 80 acres would not impede the ability of the County to achieve its goals. He stated that he believed that the recreational masterplanning process could be completed and the County could end up with a tremendous facility that would benefit the community for a long time to come. He stated that while this was a sudden development, it would not upset the County's goals.

Vicki Russell noted that they did speak with Commissioner Stamper before making the decision to sale the 80 acres. She stated that they would not have made that decision if they felt that it would become an issue.

Commissioner Miller stated that she agreed that this would not impede the goals of the County. She stated however that this was one of the things that could happen when there is only intent and not a finalized agreement.

Vicki Russell also noted that the 80 acres is north of the Fairgrounds (proper). She stated that it is landlocked and has a dirt road that leads up to it. She stated that to her knowledge that piece of land was never used for any of the Fairgrounds activities, with the exception of the Balloon Nationals when it was used for overflow parking.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 391A-99**

**Subject: Acknowledgement of Former County Commission Don Sanders**

Commissioner Stamper stated that he would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the passing of former-County Commissioner Don Sanders. He stated that the funeral would be held at 2:30pm this afternoon. He stated that the County Commission had moved the time of the meeting in order to be able to attend his funeral.

Commissioner Stamper expressed the sympathy of the County Commission for the family of Don Sanders and the community on the lost of such a great citizen.

**Subject: Discussion of conditions for Mertens Construction (Riggs Quarry) CPU**

Commissioner Vogt stated that at the end of the September 21<sup>st</sup> Planning and Zoning County Commission meeting, the County Commission decided that it would take time to work with the neighborhood and the operators of the quarry to create the actual conditions that would be placed on the quarry.

Commissioner Vogt stated that she sent a sketch of the conditions that were stated during the meeting to County Counsel John Patton. She stated that John Patton had been working with the neighborhood and the Mertens since that time. She also stated that the Mertens held a meeting with the neighborhood last night to discuss those conditions.

Commissioner Vogt stated that they asked Skip Walther, attorney for the Mertens to give a report on last night's meeting.

John Patton stated that the neighborhood and the Mertens (through Skip Walther) came to an agreement on certain things last night, but not others. He stated that they were about 90% in agreement on the issues. He stated that there probably would not be a permit issued today. He asked Skip Walther to give the County Commission a briefing on what conditions met with consensus and what conditions were still outstanding.

Commissioner Vogt asked the people from the Riggs neighborhood to raise their hands.

There were 5 people present from the neighborhood.

Commissioner Vogt noted that Doug and Ken Mertens were also in the audience.

Skip Walther, (offices at) 700 Cherry stated that prior to the meeting, they received a list of conditions that the Riggs neighborhood would like to see included in the conditional use permit. He stated that the list was the subject of the meeting that was held last night.

Skip Walther stated that in the process for the Central Quarry CUP, negotiations took place without the necessity of whether a permit should be approved or not. He stated that in that case, the neighborhood association entered into an agreement with the quarry operator and brought it to the County Commission. He stated the County Commission then issued a permit.

Skip Walther stated that this process is slightly different in that there were not any negotiations with the neighborhood prior to the public hearing on the CUP. He stated that they are now faced with trying to establish conditions that are favorable to both the neighborhood and the quarry. He stated that there is also the distinguishing factor that not everyone in the neighborhood has unanimity of purpose or interest. He stated that he did not know if there would be a way, through this process, to have a unanimous agreement between the neighborhood and the quarry.

Skip Walther stated that it was his impression that some of the neighbors are satisfied with the conditions (that reached consensus) and some are not completely satisfied. He stated that a majority of the issues have been resolved. He stated that there was still a question about the use of the buffer area in the existing quarry.

Skip Walther stated that he did not think, in principle, that the quarry disagreed with the neighborhoods' concern regarding the use of the buffer in the new quarry area. He stated that the central problem that the neighbors have is that there is a haul road on top of the buffer on top of a berm that is within 200 ft of Williams Rd. He stated that the neighbors are able to see the trucks and the activities that go on in that area.

Skip Walther stated that from the quarry's perspective, it would be an extreme hardship to do anything about that in the existing quarry because they have built a structure that serves as the scale house, and the road to get to the structure is the berm. He stated that it would cost a huge amount of money to relocate the scale house away from the buffer area and move the road.

Skip Walther stated that this is an existing use and to impose a condition that required the quarry to relocate that use would be an economic hardship. He stated that he understood the neighbors concern, however the Mertens planned to seed the berm area by October 15<sup>th</sup>, so there would not be any scraping in this area. He stated that they would still like to maintain the road however.

Skip Walther stated that they have agreed to relocate the entrance to the quarry to the east. He stated that therefore the scale house would also be moved closer to the new quarry entrance, and the haul road on top of the berm would no longer be used. He noted that this would take some time.

Skip Walther stated that there was also a question about the timetable for paving Williams Rd. He stated that there are certain things that are outside the control of the Mertens. He stated, for example, that the plans for the paving of Williams Rd must first be approved. He stated that the

County is responsible for installing the culvert pipes for Williams Rd, which would also take time. Skip Walther stated that the weather could also prevent the Mertens from paving the road until the spring. He stated that due to the weather concerns, it is difficult for the Mertens to put a time period on the paving of the road. He stated however that the Mertens would be willing to accept a 12-month deadline (from the adoption of the CUP) for paving the road, with the understanding that they intend to pave the road as quickly as possible. He stated that it would save the Mertens money to be able to pave the road quickly because then they would not have to expend money on dust suppression. He stated that in fact, it would be in the best interests of the Mertens to have the road paved by April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Commissioner Miller stated that her concern was that if the road could not be paved before the major haul for the Hwy 63 project began, then it would be put off until the Fall. She stated that she spoke with Public Works Director Frank Abart about this yesterday. She stated that Frank Abart indicated that there could be some things that the department could do to speed up the process of paving the road. She stated however that there were time issues that people (neighborhood) needed to understand.

John Patton stated that he might have some possible solutions to these problems. He suggested that a deadline be set for the relocation of the scale house and haul road. He stated that in regard to the paving of Williams Rd, the Mertens could be given a time frame and then allowed to apply for an extension as needed.

Skip Walther stated that these solutions were plausible. He stated however that he did not know what the time line would be for the scale house, since they had to deal with the quarry engineers and receive a permit (from the County) to put a haul road across an intermittent creek that runs through the property. He noted that the time line solutions did make a lot of sense.

Skip Walther stated that there was also some concern about the blasting hours and hours of operation (for the crusher). He stated that their proposal was for the crusher operating hours to be limited to 8am-6pm (identical to the APAC permit). He stated that they would be willing to accept an 8am-2pm crusher operation on Saturdays.

Commissioner Miller suggested an 8am-12pm operation of the crusher on Saturday.

Skip Walther stated that the only problem with those hours was that their employees wanted to work a full day.

Commissioner Miller stated that this was not a good enough reason in her mind. She stated that she felt the neighborhood should be able to enjoy their weekends.

Commissioner Stamper suggested that the Commission hear all of Skip Walther's comments before stating their opinions.

Commissioner Vogt stated that Skip Walther had stated that not everyone was in agreement with the conditions, and he was reporting on those conditions that had not yet reached consensus.

Skip Walther stated that most of the neighbors agreed on the 8am-4pm blasting hours with up to three blasts per day. He stated that some of the neighbors would like to have less than 15 blasts per week. He stated that he wanted to explain why the 15 blasts were important to the quarry from an economic standpoint. He stated that unlike the Central Quarry, the Mertens had agreed to limit size of the blast. He stated that limiting the size of the blast would define how much could be dropped. He stated that for the operation to be profitable, the Mertens would need to have 15 blasts per week. He stated that the benefit to the neighborhood in this situation was that the blasts would be relatively low impact explosions.

Commissioner Vogt stated she could attest to the low impact of the explosions at the Mertens quarry. She stated that she was at the Nickels Golf Course on Monday when one of the quarries in the area blasted. She stated that the blast in comparison was tremendous (loud). She stated that she now has an understanding of a large blast in comparison to a small blast.

Skip Walther stated that his clients would also be more than happy to discuss the concerns about the vibrations (as they arise).

Skip Walther stated that there was also a question about the hours of operation of the portable asphalt plant. He stated that the Commission indicated that they would restrict the hours of operation to the same as the crusher.

Skip Walther stated that some of the neighbors also did not want to hear the generators that operate the asphalt plant. He stated that the problem with this was that the Mertens would not own the asphalt plant. He stated that if the permit were granted for the Hwy 63 project, then the Mertens would subcontract and allow someone else to come onto the property to set up an asphalt plant. He stated that to put a condition on a permit that would limit the power supply to the generator would be an undue burden (on the asphalt plant operator) that could adversely affect their ability to operate profitably.

Skip Walther stated that his clients do not know (since the asphalt plant will be portable) if they will be able to get the electrical cooperative to send power to the site if it is only going to generate revenue for 4 to 5 months.

Commissioner Stamper noted that generating one's power is probably cheaper than buying it from someone else.

Skip Walther stated that another issue was the overloading of the haul trucks. He stated that most of the trucks that go in and out of the quarry are not owned by the Mertens. He stated that it is not a simple matter to figure out whether someone is overloaded. He stated that the Mertens would not intentionally overload a truck, and would do everything possible to prevent that from happening. He stated however that he did not know how his clients could prevent overloading from occurring.

Commissioner Vogt stated that she wanted to take an opportunity to hear comments from some of the residents of the Riggs neighborhood.

Skip Walther stated that last night's meeting was very productive and cordial.

Commissioner Vogt asked if there was another meeting planned.

Skip Walther stated that there was no present intention or plan for another meeting, however his clients would be willing to hold another one if it were deemed necessary.

Commissioner Vogt asked if Skip Walther believed that he had 80% agreement on the conditions. She wanted to know if he was handing over the remaining points to the County Commission for a decision.

Skip Walther stated that this could be the best solution. He stated that there were residents that were not represented by the neighborhood association and this has sort of become a problem.

Commissioner Vogt stated that she told the people (who spoke with her this past Friday) who stated that they were no longer going to have legal counsel that she was then assuming (by that decision) that they were then trusting the County Commission to make the proper decision. She stated that all of the residents had been very good about working with the Mertens to come to an agreement. She stated that she believed, ultimately, the County Commission would have to make the final decision.

Commissioner Vogt asked if there was anyone from the neighborhood who wanted to give comments.

Trudy Pulley, 2202 W Williams Rd stated that if a timeline could be placed on the haul road and the paving of Williams Rd, with the conditions that should weather conditions could warrant an extension, then that would probably be acceptable to most of the residents.



Trudy Pulley stated that she agreed that not everyone in the neighborhood was in agreement on all of the issues. She stated that it also needed to be understood that the disagreement had to do with the proximity of the resident to the quarry (as far as which issue is most important to that resident). She stated that for the most part, the people who were in agreement with the blasting hours and crushing hours, lived the furthest away from the quarry. She stated that the neighbors who have property that adjoin the quarry [she listed a number of those residents] would like to limit the hours of the crusher, the asphalt plant, and the facility in general.

Trudy Pulley stated that she had spoken with other quarries in the town about their hours of operation. She stated that with the exception of APAC, none of the other quarries operated on a 6am-6pm schedule. She stated that she did not feel that the hours for the Riggs quarry necessarily had to be the same as the hours for the APAC quarry, since this is a different situation.

Trudy Pulley noted that one of the reasons that the Planning and Zoning Commission denied the CUP was based on the long hours of operation.

Commissioner Vogt asked if it was just the hours of operation of the crusher that they were concerned about.

Trudy Pulley stated that their primary concern was the noise level. She stated that they agreed on the blasting hours, as long as it was not done on Saturday and Sunday. She stated that the noise involved in the crushing plant and the scraper activity was the major concern.

Don Johanning, 2520 Williams Rd stated that he is still concerned about the overloading of the trucks. He stated that he called the State Highway Patrol and there is nothing that they can do about the overloading of the trucks. He stated however that the trucks could be measured to determine what size load a truck is supposed to haul.

Don Johanning stated that he currently works in an asphalt plant. He produced a copy of a legal weight limit chart. He stated that the only thing that needed to be done was to use a tape measure to measure from the center of the front axle to the center of the back axle and then count the number of axles total and determine the plates on the truck. He stated that if the plates are 54,000 then this is what would determine the haul limit. He stated that he did not believe that it would be that hard for the Mertens to try to help keep the trucks at a legal limit.

Don Johanning stated that his other concern was the running of the generators at night. He stated that he was afraid that the noise would be very disturbing to his family.

Alan Hoefelman stated that he thought that the Mertens had stated during the September 21<sup>st</sup> meeting that they did not have a problem with having only a single entrance to the quarry. He stated that he would like for that to be one of the conditions.

Commissioner Vogt stated that she was the one who had expressed concern about the single entrance. She stated that if a certain percentage of the quarry's business was directed north, then in her estimation they would not be using the route that they have been required to pave. She stated that her concern is that if the trucks are going north, then they will come out of the quarry and go along Creed Rd to get to Rte N because there is no other way out. She stated that the trucks needed another way out of the quarry if there were going to be heading toward Rte N.

Jan Bell, 1125 W Creed Rd stated that last night's meeting was very productive and everyone was very cooperative. She stated that her concern was that while Williams Rd was being paved, residents would have to take an alternative route. She wanted to know if there could be dust control for the alternative route (at least in front of the houses on the alternative route).

Commissioner Vogt stated that the County Commission would have to leave shortly, therefore she wanted to make a suggestion. She suggested to the County Commission that the conditions for the Riggs Quarry CUP be brought back for resolution on the Commission agenda of the first Tuesday in October (that she would be in town).

All parties agreed on the October 12<sup>th</sup> date for discussion and resolution of the matter.

**Commissioner Reports**

*Commissioner Miller*

Commissioner Miller reported that the County invited all elected officials that represent the Boone County communities to a joint session that was held last night to start the visioning process. She stated that in the process the facilitator Kent Newman was brought in by the Joint Center of the National Association of Counties and the Urban Conference of Mayors. She stated that this meeting gave the officials on opportunity to get acquainted with each other.

Commissioner Miller stated that the facilitator asked the officials to put aside their positions and think about the things that they value as citizens of this community. She stated that the ended up with multiple pages of values and the different things that bring people to this community. She stated that they came to a point of discussion about what they could do as elected officials to move the visioning process forward. She stated that a lot of the emphasis was on a planned growth model that integrates.

Commissioner Miller stated that the County Commission would be working with the Planning and Building Inspection staff in order to put together a briefing from the meeting. She stated that this process has been a long time coming and she is very proud to be a part of it.

*Commissioner Vogt and Commissioner Stamper stated that they would give their reports at a future meeting.*

There was no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 2:25pm.

Attest:

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Don Stamper  
Presiding Commissioner

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Wendy S. Noren  
Clerk of the County Commission

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Karen M. Miller  
District I Commissioner

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Linda Vogt  
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