

DADE COUNTY COMMISSION  
WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 1, 2015

1 MR. RUMLEY: It's 6:00 according to my  
2 phone here. We'll go ahead and call the meeting to  
3 order. Any changes or comments on the agenda?

4 Okay. Everyone has had the minutes, I know, for a  
5 week or so. Any comments or changes on that?

6 Okay. Turn to three, personnel status.  
7 We have had a few changes. It seems like every  
8 month we report on it. We've had two or three  
9 changes in the jail. We shifted a couple around  
10 and, of course, replaced Mike Garner -- Mark. And  
11 then they've -- I think they hired another one in  
12 the jail. So other than that, there's -- you know,  
13 even back when we had the previous sheriff, it  
14 seemed like the jail, that area always went through  
15 employees. Any questions on that?

16 Okay. Move down to number four, board  
17 appointments and proclamations. We have Fire  
18 Prevention Week October 4th through the 10th. I'll  
19 go through all of these here because we pretty much  
20 do these every year. This is October 4th through  
21 the 10th. It's a proclamation for Fire Prevention  
22 Week and a proclamation for National Breast Cancer  
23 Awareness Month, which is October 1st through the  
24 31st. Proclamation for the Red Ribbon Week.  
25 That's October 23rd through the 31st.

1 Resolution -- well, we'll do the  
2 proclamations. Anyone got any questions on the  
3 proclamations? Everybody fine with it? We'll put  
4 it on the consent agenda. Robin, are you keeping up  
5 with this?

6 MR. ROGERS: I am.

7 MR. RUMLEY: We'll move down to D.  
8 This is Resolution R-45-15, appointment of the  
9 member of the DFACS board for an unexpired term.  
10 That would be Diane, my wife. She's resigning from  
11 the DFACS board. We've got a little granddaughter  
12 now that's taking a lot of our time. She's been on  
13 there, I guess, twenty years. She's been on there a  
14 long time. Tinena Bice, we talked to her, you know,  
15 previously when we thought Ms. Pullen was coming off  
16 and found out that Ms. Pullen didn't want to come  
17 off.

18 I would highly recommend her on that  
19 board. She's really good. She's a counselor, if  
20 you don't know her. Anyone got any comments on  
21 Tinena or any other people that you want to put in  
22 the hat? It's really a tough board to serve on  
23 because you see a lot of things that break your  
24 heart. Okay. Put that on the consent agenda.

25 Move down to E, appointment of a member

1 of the Board of Assessors for an unexpired term.  
2 Allan has been looking and is still looking. It's  
3 hard to replace that person. Allan, do you have to  
4 report on that?

5 MR. BRADFORD: I've got a couple of  
6 people I'm working with right now.

7 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. That will be good.

8 Let's move down to number five. That's  
9 approval on our S.P.L.O.S.T. and capital equipment.  
10 Turn back on five. We do have some things here to  
11 look at tonight and consider. Number one is  
12 something we just need to table. This is something  
13 we've been talking about on the paver because we've  
14 got -- we've been having not really any issues with  
15 it, but on some of these really tight roads, we've  
16 got another paver. It's made by the same company.  
17 It's called a B model. Billy checked on trading  
18 ours in since we've really kept good care of it.  
19 We'll look at it during the winter and just see if  
20 we can't get a decent deal on it. We put that in  
21 there for your information.

22 Let's move back to installation of  
23 water lines. That's on -- that would be on your  
24 Item B. This is at the Public Works Department,  
25 which it's not really -- it's down at our transfer

1 station. We've been having problems for a year or  
2 so down there with leakage. The water bill has been  
3 real high. They'll fix it and it will bust again.  
4 So we realized that all the lines down through there  
5 were just rotten. For whatever reason, I don't  
6 know. They did go ahead and bid it out, replacing  
7 all the lines there. You can see the bid there. We  
8 had Mr. Sutton, H&H Plumbing and Better Plumbing.  
9 There's three bids on it. Mr. Sutton was the low  
10 bid on it at 7,760. And it's something really -- I  
11 wish we had went ahead last year or year before last  
12 and went ahead and replaced everything, but we  
13 didn't realize it was that bad. We could have  
14 probably paid a third of that with water bills.  
15 Anyone got any questions on that? Okay. So that  
16 will go to James Sutton.

17           Let's move back to Item C, Parks and  
18 Recreation Department. This is something we've been  
19 talking about for a year or so. It's the  
20 installation of new nets behind our backstops in  
21 fields one, six and seven. There's six nets total.  
22 Stacy is here tonight if you have any questions on  
23 that. He did bid this out. We have two bids of  
24 3,000. Rocky McBryar had one from Faith-Full Fence  
25 and Deck. I think they're in Walker County. That

1 was for 3,000 and Quality Fence. And so we've got a  
2 tie there. Of course, we try to patronize our Dade  
3 County people, taxpayers, which Rocky, his dad and  
4 family are taxpayers here. I don't think that's --  
5 that's a no-brainer really. There's no process we  
6 need to go through, is there, Robin?

7 MR. ROGERS: That's right.

8 MR. SMITH: Just what the fields are.  
9 Which fields are they?

10 MR. STEPHENS: It's the three big  
11 fields of the original four with the 300-foot  
12 fences. It's the fences that keep the spectators  
13 from getting hit by foul balls.

14 MR. ROGERS: Mr. Chairman, did we  
15 approve one of the bids of the installation of the  
16 water lines on the --

17 MR. RUMLEY: On Sutton. Sutton is the  
18 low bid. He is also a Dade County person here.  
19 Okay. Any questions on this?

20 Move to item D. This is the Parks and  
21 Recreation Department also. This is installation of  
22 new water lines, purchase and installation of  
23 commercial water heater to the restroom. This is  
24 something also we've been talking about for a long  
25 time. It needs to be done, should have been done

1 last year, but this goes to the other back restroom.

2 MR. SMITH: The original restroom

3 MR. STEPHENS: No. Mitchell, it's for  
4 the new one on the soccer field.

5 MR. SMITH: Okay.

6 MR. RUMLEY: But we are -- there were  
7 three bids on it, plumbers. Case Plumbing, Jim  
8 Sutton and R&W Contractors and they are -- all are  
9 licensed plumbers. Case come in, it looks like,  
10 Case Plumbing, which he's a Dade County person, too,  
11 \$3,373.32. Sutton was 3,500 and R&W was 4,416. Are  
12 you fine with Case Plumbing? That's the low bid.

13 MR. BRADFORD: Yeah, low bid.

14 MR. RUMLEY: All right. Put that on  
15 the consent agenda.

16 Okay. And this is Item E. This is, of  
17 course, out of S.P.L.O.S.T. This is two new  
18 vehicles for the sheriff's department. They did bid  
19 this out. That was by the sheriff's department and  
20 Don helped them put the bids out. We did open the  
21 bids back in the back here a week or so ago. We had  
22 Prater Ford, Mountain View Ford, Jackie Jones, Gin  
23 Motor Company and Automation. I don't know who  
24 Automation is.

25 Tommy, come up here just a minute. Are

1 you satisfied with the bids on this, the low bid?

2 MR. TOMMY BRADFORD: Yes.

3 MR. RUMLEY: Which that will be Prater  
4 Ford down in Calhoun. Anything you want to ask  
5 Tommy about the vehicles? Anything you want to  
6 comment on, Tommy? I appreciate you being here. So  
7 we'll go with -- everybody is fine with Prater Ford.  
8 Okay. And the specs on all these are in the back  
9 with the details of what they are.

10 Move down to number six, proposed --

11 MR. SMITH: We have the prices on  
12 everything else. The price on the two Explorers is  
13 \$26,167.46, which is 8, \$900 cheaper than the next  
14 vehicle.

15 MR. RUMLEY: Which the second one was  
16 Jackie Jones.

17 MR. PITTMAN: Why is this Automation,  
18 why is their quote so high?

19 MR. TOMMY BRADFORD: What is their  
20 quote?

21 MR. PITTMAN: Automation comes in at  
22 like 64.

23 MR. RUMLEY: I've never heard of them  
24 before.

25 MR. SMITH: That's the total of both.

1 Oh, yeah. You bid the Tahoes, too.

2 MR. TOMMY BRADFORD: They were way out.

3 MR. RUMLEY: That's the Chevrolet.

4 MR. GOFF: So they were going with the  
5 Ford.

6 MR. RUMLEY: Billy was happy, too.

7 MR. PITTMAN: Oh, yeah. I'm sure Billy  
8 way happy.

9 MR. RUMLEY: Move down to number six,  
10 proposed ordinance to enforce public safety at the  
11 parks and recreation. Robin and Stacy, I'll let you  
12 go ahead and talk about that. It's not something  
13 we're going to vote on tonight, but you can bring us  
14 up to date on what's going on, what's been going on.

15 MR. ROGERS: At the commission meeting  
16 last month, there were several issues raised with  
17 regard to various activities at the park. And so at  
18 that time we requested that we gather some  
19 information for you and Stacy has done it. He's  
20 gotten the ordinances from several counties there in  
21 the packet. Tonight was for feedback, is that  
22 correct, or do you have anything else you want to  
23 add to that?

24 MR. STEPHENS: Well, the package that  
25 you have, I went through and highlighted some of

1 them, some of the suggestions that I have for you to  
2 look at. Of course, the whole ordinances from the  
3 counties are in there, but if you have something  
4 else you would like to add. Some of the counties  
5 like -- a lot of them have the same ordinances.  
6 It's just written up a little different. There's  
7 several besides that in there like speed limit in  
8 the parking lot, vehicle control in the parking lot.  
9 So maybe the sheriff's department will have some way  
10 to stop people from doing donuts. There's other  
11 issues in there.

12 MR. ROGERS: So when you review those,  
13 if you have things you particularly like or don't  
14 like, let Stacy or me know and we'll try to gather  
15 it for you next month.

16 MR. RUMLEY: And, of course, Stacy, you  
17 can call him during the day or whatever, at night.  
18 He'll answer anything you have. That's just for  
19 information.

20 All right. Let's move down to number  
21 seven, Ordinance 10-01-15. This is a supplement to  
22 our Dade County Code of Ordinances. This is our  
23 final reading on it. We went over that last week --  
24 I mean, last month. Are there any questions on it?  
25 Robin, do you have anything to add to that?

1 MR. ROGERS: This is just one of the  
2 things we do every so often. The service we have  
3 that puts together our code of ordinances, they take  
4 all of our ordinances we attach from the previous  
5 years and combine them into our existing ones and  
6 provide this to us. It's kind of a housekeeping on  
7 our part to have our code up-to-date and have our  
8 most recent ordinances.

9 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Everybody fine with  
10 that? Okay. Put that on the consent agenda.

11 Okay. Industrial Development  
12 Authority, medical facility and Vanguard. This is  
13 something I'll talk a little bit about when I give  
14 my report. Peter is not here. We were going to  
15 have someone here from Vanguard tonight, but they've  
16 not been able to work hardly any down there this  
17 week, so there's no one available. But it's just an  
18 update on what's going on down at the facility and  
19 also with Memorial.

20 Let's move down to number nine,  
21 Resolution R-46-15, the IDA MOU with Vanguard  
22 Trailer Corporation.

23 MR. ROGERS: There's not a resolution  
24 required for us. These MOUs or memorandums of  
25 understanding are done primarily by the Industrial

1 Development Authority and typically the role of the  
2 County Commission in those MOUs are extremely  
3 limited and this particular one, there's none at  
4 all. There's really nothing for the County  
5 Commission to even approve on that.

6 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. That's good. Let's  
7 move down to number ten, Resolution R-47-15. This  
8 is something we do every year on our LMIG list that  
9 we turn in to the State. Each year we submit a list  
10 of roads. Billy has been working with all of y'all  
11 in different ends of the county and we submit this  
12 list. Of course, we don't get to do all of them  
13 normally. They base -- they give us X amount of  
14 dollars for the roads we turn in. So, you know,  
15 it's kind of a no-brainer. It's kind of a win-win  
16 for everybody, but we do have to do this in the form  
17 of a resolution.

18 MR. PITTMAN: Especially since we have  
19 our own paving machine now.

20 MR. RUMLEY: It makes a big difference.  
21 Any questions on that? Okay. We'll put that on the  
22 consent agenda.

23 Anyone else got anything else they want  
24 to talk about here at the table in the work session?  
25 Okay. We'll go ahead and adjourn the work session.

1 I would like to take -- just as soon as we can we'll  
2 go back into -- go into our regular meeting because  
3 we need -- if we can, my mother is in the hospital  
4 tonight and I'm going to try to go to the hospital  
5 as soon as we get over the meeting. We'll take a  
6 five-minute break or whatever and then we'll go  
7 straight into the meeting. Robin, do you have  
8 anything you want to add?

9 MR. ROGERS: No.

10 (Thereupon, a brief recess was  
11 taken.)

12 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. We'll go ahead and  
13 call the meeting to order. It's October 1st,  
14 2015. It don't seem like -- the year has gone by  
15 really fast. We appreciate everybody being here  
16 tonight. Robert, as always, before we begin our  
17 meeting, I would like to ask you to lead us in  
18 prayer and Pledge of Allegiance of the flag.

19 (Thereupon, the invocation and  
20 Pledge of Allegiance were given.)

21 MR. RUMLEY: Thank you, Robert. This  
22 is the regularly-scheduled meeting of the Dade  
23 County Board of Commissioners, which takes place on  
24 the first Thursday of every month. Proper notice of  
25 this meeting was given in the legal organ of Dade

1 County and has been posted in the hallway of the  
2 Administrative Building. At this time I do need a  
3 roll call. Mr. Bradford?

4 MR. BRADFORD: Here.

5 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Goff?

6 MR. GOFF: Here.

7 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Pittman?

8 MR. PITTMAN: Here.

9 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Smith?

10 MR. SMITH: Here.

11 MR. RUMLEY: The chair is present.

12 Mitchell, do you want to start with your committee  
13 report?

14 MR. SMITH: This past month, Ted and  
15 myself met with I guess you call it the fire chiefs  
16 association for the county, the volunteer fire  
17 chiefs to discuss part of their S.P.L.O.S.T needs  
18 that will be coming up such as turnout gear and  
19 truck certification and stuff like that, get started  
20 on their needs there.

21 And I would also like to bring up, back  
22 on September 2nd, Mr. Hayes, the CEO of Hutcheson,  
23 made the statement in bankruptcy court that he  
24 believed there would be a formal offer for the  
25 hospital within seven days. I haven't heard any

1 action taken or whatever, but for the eight months  
2 prior to that, roughly about \$5 million of  
3 additional loss at the hospital, according to what  
4 was said, which is roughly the tune of \$625,000 a  
5 month. You know, I'm sorry, folks, but it's time  
6 something gives. That's my personal opinion and  
7 I'll probably get lashed and whipped and all that  
8 over it, you know. But sooner or later, it's going  
9 to come down to all of us sitting here is going to  
10 wind up having to come up with some money to pay all  
11 this debt off if it keeps going and going. It's not  
12 going to be a pretty picture to be honest with you  
13 from what I see and what I hear. That's all I've  
14 got.

15 MR. RUMLEY: Okay.

16 MR. PITTMAN: I talked to Stacy. We've  
17 still got our soccer teams playing. Football teams  
18 have started practicing and playing. All that seems  
19 to be going fine. I haven't had any complaints from  
20 the parents, so that's always a good thing. Stacy  
21 has been working on the ball fields, putting some  
22 new dirt on. It seems to be a never-ending  
23 struggle, but Stacy does a real good job. He keeps  
24 the grass cut and keeps everything looking good. I  
25 like to brag on him every now and then.

1           It's been two weeks since we had our  
2 liquor by the drink meeting. I've had just a couple  
3 of phone calls from random citizens, nobody that --  
4 nobody that is against putting it on the ballot.  
5 I'll say that. Some of the people I've talked to in  
6 no way support or won't vote for it, but they said  
7 it's only right to put it on the ballot, give  
8 everybody an option to voice their opinion. My  
9 phone is still open if anybody wants to call me and  
10 talk to me, sit down and talk to me, whatever y'all  
11 want to do. But right now my opinion hasn't  
12 changed. We need to bring that up for a vote pretty  
13 soon and put it on the ballot to be voted on next  
14 year.

15           MR. RUMLEY: Well, I want to get the  
16 committee's feedback, too. You know, you're for  
17 sure going to be on it. We've already had one  
18 pastor volunteer and you need to find someone in  
19 your area. I'm going to talk to one of the -- I  
20 know Jamey is here tonight for the business people.  
21 He might want to serve on it.

22           MR. PITTMAN: I don't know that a  
23 committee would do anything that we haven't done and  
24 different people that have come up and talked. I  
25 don't know that that would change anything.

1 MR. RUMLEY: Well, I don't know.

2 Whatever the majority of the commissioners, you  
3 know, feel.

4 MR. PITTMAN: Yeah. I mean, if the  
5 majority feels like we should have the committee,  
6 that's fine.

7 MR. RUMLEY: I took that census the  
8 other night. Isn't that what you feel?

9 MR. GOFF: Well, it was just mentioned  
10 that we have people. I agree, I don't know that --

11 MR. RUMLEY: We couldn't vote the other  
12 night.

13 MR. PITTMAN: The way I feel about it  
14 is it would be easier on us to go ahead and take the  
15 heat than to put a committee and put the blame on  
16 them for the people that are totally against it,  
17 because there are some people that are totally  
18 against it and there are some people that are  
19 totally for it. But most people are of the opinion  
20 to put it on the ballot and let the whole county  
21 vote on it.

22 MR. RUMLEY: Well, between now and the  
23 next meeting, we'll --

24 MR. PITTMAN: I would feel different  
25 about the committee if I was getting phone call

1 after phone call and it was split down the middle,  
2 but even the people that have called me and said  
3 they don't drink, they're good Christian people,  
4 they said the right thing to do is let the county  
5 vote on it.

6 MR. SMITH: The people that's talked to  
7 me, which has been few. It's been few. And most of  
8 them has made the statement, you know, let me have  
9 my voice heard at the ballot box. And most of them  
10 are those that's going to vote no on election day  
11 against it, but they want their voice heard.

12 MR. GOFF: I got a text the day after  
13 the meeting from somebody obviously that was at the  
14 meeting because I read the ones that I had received  
15 that day, just the gist of them. This lady said, I  
16 probably should have stood up and said something.  
17 And she said, I am against it, but I do think people  
18 have the right to vote and that seems to be, you  
19 know -- that's all I've heard. I've heard -- like  
20 Mitchell said, I've heard very few. I've had no  
21 comments. If there were, I probably instituted the  
22 question before anybody else did to me.

23 MR. RUMLEY: Allan, do you want to  
24 comment on it?

25 MR. BRADFORD: Well, I'm kind of like

1 Scottie. I don't know that a board is going to  
2 really help. You know, one more quick meeting, and  
3 everybody knows, I am totally against it, but I  
4 think people have a right to vote on it in our  
5 county. That's the democratic way to go. But if  
6 anybody wants to know what I'm doing, I'm voting  
7 against it no matter where it goes, how it goes.

8 MR. PITTMAN: You're voting against it  
9 on the ballot?

10 MR. BRADFORD: Yes. Not on the ballot.  
11 I'm talking about on my personal, yeah.

12 MR. PITTMAN: Right. You wouldn't be  
13 opposed to it going on a ballot?

14 MR. BRADFORD: No. Most of the calls  
15 I've had is for the ballot.

16 MR. RUMLEY: Legally we have to put --  
17 the next meeting, we ought to vote on it then.  
18 We've had time to look at this. If y'all really  
19 don't think we need to do a committee --

20 MR. PITTMAN: I just hate to bring five  
21 people in or four people and myself and them catch  
22 heat. We're kind of used to catching heat. We get  
23 blamed for something whether we do it or whether we  
24 don't. You get some innocent people involved  
25 instead of politicians and they start catching heat.

1 To me, it should be --

2 MR. BRADFORD: I think if the people  
3 that want to be on a board, if they want to do that,  
4 that would be fine.

5 MR. PITTMAN: Well, we had people stand  
6 up and give us numbers one way or another. It's  
7 like everything else, whichever side you're on,  
8 that's the numbers you're going to find. Like me,  
9 I say this week Alabama will probably beat Georgia  
10 by two touchdowns. Alabama fans probably won't.

11 MR. RUMLEY: All right. Have you got  
12 anything else?

13 MR. SMITH: I've got just one question  
14 still on that. When we take the vote here to put it  
15 on the ballot or not, whichever way, it goes on the  
16 ballot, how soon do we have to put it on the ballot?

17 MR. ROGERS: The statute puts out  
18 different times of the year that this vote can be  
19 taken. And I think -- I haven't looked at it  
20 since -- it's been a few months, but I think it was  
21 the presidential primary.

22 MR. RUMLEY: That's what you told me.  
23 The big election, presidential. That's why we said  
24 last time when we had this meeting we had plenty of  
25 time because it was not on the primary or anything.

1 So, you know, we've got time.

2 MR. SMITH: I just didn't know if it  
3 come to it, vote next month one way or the other, it  
4 would have to be done in the primary. You know what  
5 I'm saying?

6 MR. ROGERS: Yeah. Let me take a look  
7 at that. I can get you that information. It's been  
8 a while since I looked at it. As I recall, the  
9 statute set out two or three times a year when that  
10 vote can be taken. I can look at that for you and  
11 let you know.

12 MR. SMITH: Whatever time it needs to  
13 be voted on to put it on the presidential primary,  
14 to me that's the time we need to vote on it.

15 MR. PITTMAN: General election.

16 MR. SMITH: General election. I'm  
17 sorry. Not the primary, the general election.

18 MR. PITTMAN: In November, the general  
19 election when the majority of the citizens will be  
20 out to vote.

21 MR. GOFF: We have a list of all  
22 election days and possible runoff days in the very  
23 back of our packets. So that presidential  
24 preference primary will be March 1st, but the  
25 general election, as always, is in November. It

1 will be November 8th. So that's the reason I said  
2 earlier we didn't have to be in a hurry to do it.  
3 And as far as the only thing with the people in the  
4 committee is somebody -- we've all heard, "Well,  
5 they say, they say," but nobody ever knows who  
6 "they" are. So if somebody has ironclad concrete I  
7 talked to this restaurant, this is what they say,  
8 and that seemed to be the gist of everybody -- I  
9 don't look at it and never have and don't think it's  
10 going to be -- will ever be a save-all of revenue.  
11 It may bring in some revenue, but it's not going to  
12 be a save-all. But that was where I was coming from  
13 is people say, "Well, I know this or I talked to  
14 these," but they never have any concrete evidence of  
15 who they talked to and what the numbers were that  
16 they had.

17 MR. BRADFORD: Maybe a board could come  
18 up with something like that if we do a board.

19 MR. GOFF: Well, they could, but I  
20 think Scottie is right, too. You can't have a board  
21 of only people who are for something or a board of  
22 only people who are against something. So I guess  
23 when it comes to that -- and I agree. It's easier  
24 for us to take it than it is to get citizens maybe  
25 looking at each other that, you know, and maybe

1 getting -- sort of this discord among the brethren,  
2 I guess, so to speak.

3 MR. PITTMAN: Well, it would be  
4 different if we were voting to put liquor by the  
5 drink, legalize it.

6 MR. GOFF: Which we cannot do. People  
7 need to realize we can't -- we do have without going  
8 back to the legislature, we have the authority to  
9 put it on the ballot.

10 MR. PITTMAN: I agree with you, Robert.  
11 I don't feel like it's going to bring in a ton of  
12 money either. I mean, it may bring in one  
13 restaurant, maybe two, if that. We have no idea.  
14 But most people that call me want to put it on the  
15 ballot, so that's what I'm bringing it up for.

16 MR. SMITH: The majority of the revenue  
17 brought in won't be by the drinks. It will be by  
18 the food that's bought at the restaurant.

19 MR. RUMLEY: Robert, while you're  
20 talking, go ahead and do your report.

21 MR. GOFF: Well, I'm going to do or try  
22 to attempt later --

23 MR. BRADFORD: Go ahead and do the  
24 financial, too.

25 MR. GOFF: You want me do it now?

1 Everybody has noticed our illustrious county clerk  
2 is not with us tonight. He's on vacation. And he  
3 blamed me for that, by the way, because I said  
4 people need to take their vacation and he took it  
5 literal. But anyway, that's where Don is at  
6 tonight. I will not give as thorough an account as  
7 he does, but we will look at our numbers so that  
8 everybody knows.

9           First of all, our L.O.S.T -- and it has  
10 been on a steady decline. We were talking before  
11 the meeting, if you go back just year after year  
12 since about 2012, it has been on a decline month  
13 after month. This month was \$135,219 and that is  
14 the second lowest of the year that we've had and  
15 it's about 17,000 under a year ago, same month a  
16 year ago.

17           S.P.L.O.S.T is \$169,024. That also --  
18 would be also the second lowest, but it's about  
19 21,000 under a year ago when we had some  
20 representatives from the school here. We're looking  
21 at that drop in our S.P.L.O.S.T, then they're  
22 looking at it in E.S.P.L.O.S.T as well. So if we  
23 lost 21, that means the county lost a total of  
24 42,000 when you look at it in those terms. L.O.S.T.  
25 is different because the City gets part of L.O.S.T.

1 So that's the reason. I've had people ask why are  
2 those numbers not matching. A penny is a penny.  
3 S.P.L.O.S.T. comes to the County and L.O.S.T. is  
4 negotiated between the City of Trenton and so  
5 there's some other things involved there.

6 One day I just hope we know if we're  
7 actually getting our money and any county is  
8 actually getting the money that they should because  
9 it went from just a few years ago more than 220,  
10 240, sometimes a quarter of a million dollars a  
11 month and now it's down to 169,000, so that's a  
12 pretty good drop.

13 Our budget attained is 16.67. The  
14 expenses attained are 16.18. And revenues attained  
15 are at 8 percent. I'm sure that everybody got your  
16 letters from Ms. Moreland this past -- probably this  
17 past week or week before. Your Howdy, good to see  
18 you and hope to see you by December 20th, I guess  
19 it is. But they were mailed out. Tax statements  
20 were mailed out. So that's done and that money will  
21 be -- of course, that's the biggest influx of our  
22 money to the county that comes in. We've got in the  
23 thing -- and this is all I'll read.

24 In our general fund, we have \$26,764.  
25 We have on deposit \$400,000. That's the two

1 \$100,000 CDs, two in each bank here in Trenton. So  
2 that is a total of 426,764.

3 Federal Asset Fund, U.S. Treasury,  
4 \$288; Sheriff's Special Fund, \$13,302; Drug Abuse  
5 Education Fund, \$91,299; Supplemental Juvenile  
6 Service Fund, \$24,726; Victim Assistance Fund,  
7 \$2,635; Jail Fund, \$25,613. Federal Assets Fund,  
8 Department of Justice, \$742; Employee's Flexible  
9 Spending Fun, 46,475 and the payroll account,  
10 \$182,660.

11 In the 2009 S.P.L.O.S.T. that we're  
12 quickly winding down, in the construction account is  
13 \$150. Projects account, 96,113. The proceeds  
14 account -- and this is the payment on the bond that  
15 will be mailed this month will be the final one on  
16 that is \$1,199,250. And so that brings that total  
17 for all of those is 1,295,513.

18 2015 S.P.L.O.S.T fund, there's nothing  
19 in the projects account showing or in anything else.  
20 And in the series -- the 2013 Bond for the IDA  
21 County Construction Series B \$155,105. And that is  
22 all, Mr. Chairman, I'll give tonight.

23 MR. RUMLEY: Any questions for Robert?  
24 I'll go ahead and make a motion -- entertain a  
25 motion to approve our financial statement right now.

1 We'll do that right now.

2 MR. BRADFORD: I'll make a motion.

3 MR. PITTMAN: Second.

4 MR. RUMLEY: I'll call a vote. Mr.  
5 Smith?

6 MR. SMITH: Yes.

7 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Pittman?

8 MR. PITTMAN: Yes.

9 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Goff?

10 MR. GOFF: Yes.

11 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Bradford?

12 MR. BRADFORD: Yes.

13 MR. RUMLEY: The chair votes yes.

14 MR. GOFF: Mr. Chairman, just a couple  
15 more things. Can somebody tell me -- Diane, you may  
16 know. Is the Relay for Life tomorrow night?

17 MR. RUMLEY: Tomorrow night, yeah.

18 MR. GOFF: So I wanted to make sure  
19 everybody knew that. It's an off night. Usually  
20 they do it on a night that we're just having an away  
21 game, but there's not a game at all tomorrow night.  
22 So hopefully the weather will permit and they'll  
23 have a good one.

24 MRS. RUMLEY: They've decided to put it  
25 inside no matter what now. The survivor walk is at

1 7:00.

2 MR. GOFF: And that goes all night,  
3 pretty much all night long.

4 Also, if you live in the city or know  
5 people who do, we're talking about election years.  
6 This is election year for the City of the Trenton  
7 for some of the offices there. That will be  
8 November 3rd. So we need to get out and vote for  
9 people in the city if you're here. I know I'm the  
10 only commissioner that is.

11 Mitchell mentioned the hospital. I'll  
12 go real quick there. There's a lot of things going  
13 on and there was the fact that they were  
14 continuously losing money. The hospital has cut a  
15 lot over the last month. They've cut the Women's  
16 Center. It's back out again. Things that they were  
17 doing in the ER, they're not doing any emergency  
18 surgeries or anything, I think, there. They're  
19 going ahead and telling all the EMTs, EMS that they  
20 will be sending them somewhere else. Because that  
21 was a question is how do you continue to go in debt  
22 if you're so far in debt.

23 So they're doing -- there is a lot  
24 going on. Hopefully in the next little while  
25 something will turn over there. But I will say and

1 I know, Chairman, probably you will speak to this a  
2 little better. But the bright side of the whole  
3 thing for us is we were able to maintain -- to keep  
4 our medical facility. We have Primary Healthcare,  
5 but we were able to keep the one down here that we  
6 call Dr. Weksler's, I guess. She was here a long  
7 time. But we were able to keep that in the process  
8 of all the things being done at the bankruptcy  
9 court, allowed them to say, yes, you can sell that  
10 and it was able to be sold at a very good price, I  
11 think. And so we have somebody moving in there that  
12 will start. And, again, you know much more about  
13 it, I guess, than I do.

14 So there's a lot happening up there. A  
15 lot still to happen. But slowly, I hope things work  
16 out as good as they can and I don't think that will  
17 be great.

18 MR. RUMLEY: Thank you, Robert. Allan?

19 MR. BRADFORD: Well, at the transfer  
20 station this month, we done 513 tons of garbage.  
21 And Brandon and those guys do a good job. I've had  
22 a lot of people praise them for what they're doing  
23 down there. They really appreciate the guys getting  
24 the garbage out for them. We did have a couple of  
25 problems. Some of the trustees were smoking when

1 you opened up the doors and people complained about  
2 that and we've got that handled. He's doing an  
3 excellent job down there.

4 We had 223 work orders and all those  
5 are done and Billy went out on Lookout Mountain out  
6 in the Head River area. How many signs, eight was  
7 missing, road signs?

8 MR. MASSENGALE: I think all of them  
9 was gone out there.

10 MR. BRADFORD: So if you see anybody  
11 with these signs, tell them to bring them back and  
12 nothing will be said, but if we catch them, it will  
13 be a different game. But anybody, all those road  
14 signs are replaced. It's a shame that people steal  
15 those because they don't realize that costs you and  
16 I. It costs everybody that lives in our county to  
17 pay for those.

18 Again, I would like to talk about  
19 Shonda Walker. Her mother was Vicki that worked in  
20 the tag office down there for many years. She's not  
21 in good shape at all. She had a lot of break-ups in  
22 her body, bones and stuff.

23 The New Salem Festival is next month if  
24 anybody wants to go. Then they have the Cloudland  
25 Canyon -- it's this month. Yeah, I forgot it's the

1 first of next month. Then also the first of next  
2 month is Cloudland Canyon has a festival, which is a  
3 really nice art show, craft show thing out there.

4           One thing I would like to say is we're  
5 going to have a movie star in our area even though  
6 he lives in Walker County. I don't know how many  
7 have ever heard of Desmond Doss. They're making a  
8 movie of him now. He was a World War II veteran.  
9 He didn't carry any kind of weapon, not even a  
10 knife, but he saved 27 people during the war, World  
11 War II. I know Rodney knows him. He was a really  
12 neat person to talk to. He just passed away here  
13 probably about ten years ago. But if you get a  
14 chance, it will be coming up here in the spring. It  
15 will be a good thing to go see because he is from  
16 our area.

17           And as far as the veterans, our rep  
18 will be here from now on. There was a mistake last  
19 week, but he'll be here Wednesday, the fourth  
20 Wednesday of every month from now on. There was  
21 kind of a mess-up last time, so he promised that  
22 would never happen again and he seems to be doing a  
23 real good job helping people out. That's all I've  
24 got going.

25           MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Thank you. The New

1 Salem Festival, it's October 10th and 11th, so  
2 it's coming up. Time has flew. This year don't  
3 even seem like it.

4           Also, like Robert said, the Relay for  
5 Life is tomorrow night. I think it starts around  
6 6:00, 5:30, 6:00. It will go all the way into the  
7 wee hours of the morning. Some people stay over  
8 there all night.

9           We were talking about Vanguard over  
10 there. They're really moving a lot of dirt down  
11 there. They're going to stay on schedule it looks  
12 like on the pad. Billy and I have been keeping  
13 almost daily contact with the people there that's  
14 got the contract to try to -- if there's anything we  
15 can do to help them make things smoother. It's  
16 really going good. The bid is supposed to be in the  
17 paper this next week, the Chattanooga paper and also  
18 what they call the Dodge Report on the road going  
19 from Highway 11 to the railroad crossing and then  
20 going across the crossing into that. That's a  
21 separate -- totally separate bid, separate money.  
22 So hopefully we can get some bids on that, get some  
23 people interested in it. They need to really get  
24 going on it because of the weather. We're getting  
25 into the winter on it. Hopefully, we'll get some

1 people that can get in there and get it done.

2           So we've got -- and October 15th, our  
3 governor is going to be here. He'll be here around  
4 9:30, between 9:30 and 10:00. We're going to have  
5 an event down there, right there on the site  
6 overlooking where the building is being built.  
7 We've got enough seating -- I think they're going to  
8 set enough chairs up for about 150, 200 people.  
9 Everybody is invited to that. It will last 30 to 45  
10 minutes, maybe an hour. And then the IDA is putting  
11 on a reception at the Civic Center, City Civic  
12 Center here immediately after that and they're going  
13 to have, from what I understand, food and  
14 refreshments and all that. I don't know how long  
15 that will last. But, you know, if you're free that  
16 day -- I think that's on a Thursday. I didn't look  
17 at my calendar, but I'm pretty sure it's on a  
18 Thursday. Try to come to it. That's -- it will be  
19 a historic event because it's a big -- that's going  
20 to be one of our larger employers in the county.

21           Also, if you've got anyone, kinfolks or  
22 you yourself that needs a job, you want to work, you  
23 can contact the Georgia Department of Labor and  
24 mention the Vanguard project here and they're  
25 already getting teamed up with them. They can tell

1 you and lead you through what you need to do to get  
2 your name in there, get on the list. So that's a  
3 good thing.

4           On the Memorial Hospital issue here  
5 with our clinic, their first day of operation, we  
6 understood, was going to be today, but they ran into  
7 some problems with their internet service, Charter  
8 and some phone issues and stuff, whatever.  
9 Actually, the first day of business is going to be  
10 Monday. So they're down there. They've been  
11 working every day this week. The sign will be  
12 changed out and they'll be up and running on Monday  
13 morning. We're going to try to do a little thing  
14 there that morning. You're welcome to come by  
15 there. It won't really be a ribbon cutting or  
16 whatever, but we're just going to have a little  
17 thing, table maybe set up with some refreshments  
18 just to welcome them. Because that is another  
19 historic event. That's something that will be here  
20 hopefully way after you and I and all of us are  
21 gone. It will be here permanently, that presence of  
22 Memorial Hospital in Dade County. We're glad to get  
23 that behind us.

24           Our south sewer here, we had some  
25 issues there back a year or so ago we brought to the

1 Water Authority, give you a report on that. We had  
2 some houses there that was failing that was just  
3 across the road from the sewer line. And there's a  
4 Georgia law that if you're within 200 feet of a city  
5 sewage, you have to allow them access to it. So we  
6 have about finished that. I think they just lack a  
7 little grass seed on that. Actually, last week I  
8 think he was real close.

9           The Secretary of State did come in two  
10 weeks ago -- last week. Had a really good evening  
11 with him, Brian Kemp. He came in like a tornado,  
12 left like a tornado. He comes in shaking hands.  
13 You can tell he's a professional politician, but  
14 he's a good guy. He remembers faces. You know, you  
15 can see him down in Atlanta and he'll come up and --  
16 I know Evan was telling me a story. He hadn't seen  
17 him in a year or two and then he was just walking in  
18 when he came up and ran him down and remembered him.  
19 It seems like he's a good guy. He seems like he  
20 does a good job. At least he knows where Dade  
21 County is because he's been here several times. He  
22 came during the tornadoes. We rode him around most  
23 of the day. He seems like a sincere person.

24           We do have an announcement. Well, it  
25 does pertain to Dade County, but it mainly pertains

1 to Walker County. As y'all know, Puckett Ambulance  
2 Service, they're our provider here in Dade County  
3 and Bebe Haskell shared some information with me  
4 last night. They actually have taken over or are  
5 taking over Walker County. They're buying all their  
6 ambulances and they'll be actually permanently  
7 involved in that over there. So how will that help  
8 us, it will give us better service, better backup,  
9 quicker backup because they will be -- from what I  
10 understand, there will be two units on Lookout  
11 Mountain. They'll have two different places. Of  
12 course, they'll be in Walker County, but it's just  
13 right there on the Dade County line. I'm glad she  
14 did go with them. I think it was a good move.

15           That's all the important stuff. Of  
16 course, I appreciate everybody's prayers for my  
17 mother. She's doing good. Hopefully, she'll come  
18 home Saturday. We had a real close call with her  
19 and we appreciate everybody's prayers. I did have a  
20 couple of hernias that I had fixed a few days ago.  
21 That was minor compared to her, and I appreciate  
22 everybody calling me on that, too.

23           Anybody else got anything to say?  
24 Okay. Let's move down to our -- Ms. Marshanna  
25 Sharp, manager of the Dade County Public Library.

1 Marshanna, do you want to come up and give us a  
2 report?

3 MS. SHARP: I just want to go over a  
4 couple of things. We have several things going on  
5 this month. Three of our major things is we're  
6 having an Excel beginner's class, so if you want --  
7 need to -- want to know anything about Excel, we  
8 have limited space, but you can call the library.  
9 On the 13th at 6:00 is when we'll be having that  
10 class.

11 On the 20th, we'll be having a class,  
12 GLS. It's just Georgia Library Services for anybody  
13 who cannot pick up a book or read from arthritis or  
14 any disability or has any visual troubles at all.  
15 We have a simulator kit that will be there all  
16 month. If you're just curious, maybe you have a  
17 family member that has an eye disease and you're  
18 just curious what they see, you are welcome -- and I  
19 have it here if anybody wants to try it. But it has  
20 all the lenses of the different vision problems  
21 people have. It makes you have a little sympathy  
22 for them, especially some of the ones that they have  
23 to see every day. This is a service for everybody  
24 in Georgia. It's free. You can get -- they send  
25 you digital machines to do digital downloads and

1 they're going to be coming the 20th at 11:00 and  
2 we'll have a reception, light refreshments and you  
3 can come and they'll help you sign up or if you sign  
4 up, they have a lot of new equipment. They'll  
5 switch your equipment out with them and show you  
6 what's available.

7           And then the big one on the 24th, we've  
8 decided to -- we've got some people helping us this  
9 year, so we are going to actually open the library  
10 back up. Everybody kept saying, please open it back  
11 up and let us go back through. So we're doing Peter  
12 Pan this year. So we'll have all the different  
13 scenes of Peter Pan inside. So we're going to open  
14 the library back up for trick or treat this year and  
15 Zach is going to be telling you more about it.

16           MR. RUMLEY: I was going to be sure --  
17 I didn't want to say anything about it in my report.  
18 Be sure to keep that date out there.

19           MS. SHARP: Yeah. I figured Zach --  
20 are you going to do the report on it or do you want  
21 me to go ahead?

22           MR. STONE: You go ahead.

23           MS. SHARP: Okay. Well, it is going to  
24 be on the square like always. We're going to do it  
25 this year from 5:30 to 8:00, but we are going to

1 open the library back up and they can trick or treat  
2 through the library and then they'll be trick or  
3 treating out in the businesses. We have tons of  
4 businesses already calling. I don't know for sure  
5 how many has signed up yet, but I know I've had a  
6 lot call and I've told them to call the Chamber.

7 Don't know if the linemen are going to  
8 do the haunted -- I'm talking with them now. They  
9 are going to help us on the inside, but I don't know  
10 if they're going to do the haunted trail again, but  
11 we hope so because the kids loved that. We're all  
12 geared up and everybody is excited. We hope to have  
13 as many as always. I think we had about a thousand  
14 last year. So anybody that's interested in setting  
15 a booth up, you can call the Chamber and they'll put  
16 you in a place.

17 MR. RUMLEY: Any questions for  
18 Marshanna? Okay. Thank you.

19 Okay. Next. We have our 4-H  
20 representative here tonight. Young man, tell us  
21 your name.

22 MR. JOSEPH HICKS: Hello. My name is  
23 Joseph Hicks and I will be representing Dade County  
24 4-H. Livestock judging team competed at the  
25 Northwest Georgia Regional Fair September 9th.

1 Brett Dyer placed third as an individual in the  
2 competition. Our monthly 4-H club meetings occurred  
3 the third week of September, September 15th  
4 through 17th. Mr. Rich and Mrs. Henderson carried  
5 cotton -- CCRPI lessons on marketing to the fifth  
6 grade classrooms September 22nd through the 24th.  
7 Thirty-one class officers met at the Ag Center for  
8 officer training September 23rd.

9           Grace Hunter, Carol Ann Cash and Jacob  
10 Gass participated in the lamb and goat show at the  
11 Walker County Fair on September 18th. Grace  
12 Hunter placed second in the class and second in  
13 showmanship in the lamb show. Carol Ann Cash placed  
14 first in showmanship and had Reserve Champion in the  
15 goat show. Jacob Gass also competed in the goat  
16 show and won Grand Champion and second in  
17 showmanship.

18           Brett Dyer traveled to Perry for the  
19 Labor Day Classic Goat Show where he had the third  
20 and fourth overall market wethers. The 17th  
21 Annual Dade County Fall Livestock Show was held at  
22 the Ag Center September 28th. Grace Hunter placed  
23 first in showmanship and had the Champion market  
24 sheep. Brett Dyer won Champion Showman and had the  
25 Champion Market Goat as well as overall specie.

1 Carol Ann Cash won Reserve Champion  
2 Showman and had Reserve Champion goat. Jacob Gass  
3 placed second in showmanship and second and third in  
4 market goat weight classes.

5 4-H Thursdays began this month and have  
6 been very popular. Each Thursday a different club  
7 meets at the Ag Center. The four clubs are Science  
8 and Technology, Arts and Crafts, Photograph, and  
9 Horse Club.

10 Mr. Rich completed his CDL training. A  
11 poultry biosecurity meeting was held in response to  
12 the threat of Avian Influenza. The session was  
13 recorded and available to a number of people who  
14 were unable to attend the original session.

15 Ms. Katie, in collaboration with five  
16 other female extension agents, held their first  
17 Women in Ag training in Athens. At this training,  
18 women received hands-on training on basic farm  
19 concepts in a stress-free environment. The program  
20 was successful and by popular demand a second  
21 training is being scheduled in Calhoun in the  
22 spring.

23 The 2015 4-H Forage Field Day will be  
24 held on October 5th at the Dade County Ag Center.  
25 It will feature forage specialists from the

1 tri-state area and the results of the tri-state hay  
2 contest will be announced following the last  
3 speaker. The program begins at 6:00 p.m. and is  
4 free of charge.

5 Ms. Katie attended the Epsilon Sigma  
6 Phi annual meeting, grazing school and the heifer  
7 management workshop. Judged chickens at the Walker  
8 County Fair and tonight she is with Jacob Gass and  
9 Carol Ann Cash as they show goats at the Dade County  
10 Fair. Any questions?

11 MR. RUMLEY: Good job.

12 MR. GOFF: I would like to say, you  
13 know, every month somebody like this young man or  
14 one of the young ladies comes up and reads and you  
15 just keep noticing that our kids place first and  
16 second and third and they're placing in everything  
17 going on and that is a great tribute to them, the  
18 kids that are out there working. But I want to tell  
19 you something, they're not here tonight, so I'll  
20 brag on them. Katie and Rich, we are blessed to  
21 have them in that program over there for all the  
22 kids. We're second to none in Dade County. I  
23 appreciate everything y'all do.

24 MR. RUMLEY: I think Katie is gone  
25 to -- maybe Rich, too, to Fort Payne down there

1 tonight to some kind of show. Thank you a lot. I  
2 appreciate you. I appreciate the parents, too, and  
3 the sisters and the brothers.

4 All right. Mr. Zach Stone, the  
5 executive director of the Chamber of Commerce, our  
6 third quarter report.

7 MR. STONE: I just want to say before I  
8 get started, I really miss Don already.

9 The Memorial Hospital, about the ribbon  
10 cutting, I actually talked to Andrew on Tuesday and  
11 that's going to be in two to three weeks when they  
12 do the ribbon cutting. That's going to be a few  
13 weeks off.

14 MR. RUMLEY: I was going to leave that  
15 to y'all. We're going to have some stuff down there  
16 Monday just to open the day for them. The  
17 Commission is going to do that just to kind of  
18 welcome them.

19 MR. STONE: Oh, yeah. He didn't  
20 mention anything about that.

21 MR. RUMLEY: Well, he don't know about  
22 it.

23 MR. STONE: So first off, I want you to  
24 know that our new president elect for 2016 is  
25 Dr. Cantrell, who I think most of you guys know.

1 And we're really happy that he's stepped up. I'm  
2 really excited about it. Anyway, just thought I  
3 would mention that real quick.

4           Let's see, this month we actually added  
5 all of our small business that had ten and under  
6 employees to the Georgia Chamber Federation  
7 membership. So what that is, is they automatically  
8 are now Georgia Chamber members. They don't have to  
9 pay anything. So, you know, a lot of new benefits  
10 with that.

11           We've been partnering with the Business  
12 Owners' Association here for a Christmas project  
13 called Dade Discount Days and there will be more  
14 information on that here soon. We've restarted our  
15 junior chamber at the high school and there will be  
16 some other things that go along with that. I don't  
17 know if I mentioned this or not, but I'm doing  
18 Walker County's leadership program through their  
19 Chamber. That way I can kind of go through one and  
20 then see how we could do one next year. So you guys  
21 have the Chambergram, so you guys know most of all  
22 that.

23           One of the cool things that we've  
24 actually started to have here recently is we've had  
25 a lot of people start coming in and talking with us

1 for new members to join. We've had multiple lunches  
2 and dinners with new members, nonmembers, community  
3 groups that have been coming back after, you know,  
4 we've had this year and so that's been really nice  
5 to see, kind of bridge that gap, you know, that  
6 happened.

7                   Was at the Joint Development Authority  
8 Workforce Development meeting today with  
9 Dr. Cantrell, had the Georgia Leads the Fanning  
10 Institute is doing. That's for the leadership,  
11 Northwest Georgia Leadership Institute and it's the  
12 north -- it's the nine counties here in the  
13 northwest. The only county that's not been  
14 represented and hasn't been represented so far is  
15 Murray. So I'm glad we're actually going and have a  
16 seat at the table at that.

17                   Of course, you guys mentioned, I  
18 believe, our luncheon that we had. Public Service  
19 Commissioner, Bubba McDonald. Secretary of State,  
20 we hosted the meet and greet for him here. Trick or  
21 trick alley, as Marshanna said, that will be  
22 October 24, 5:30 to 8:00.

23                   Next luncheon is going to be November  
24 20th and Representative Graves is going to be here  
25 for that. We've got our Christmas parade coming up

1 on December 12th and this is the final one. If  
2 you guys have anyone that you would like to nominate  
3 for the board or our ambassador nominations, our  
4 deadline is October 31st this year. This is the  
5 earliest we've ever done this before, so I'm pretty  
6 happy about that. We're going to be voting in  
7 November and have it all in place before December.

8           One of the things I'll brag about on  
9 this is that we have an awesome slate of candidates  
10 that are coming forward and calling us and  
11 volunteering to be on it. So I'm really, really  
12 excited about that. But, you know, if you guys have  
13 other people that you think would also do well, just  
14 send them our way. We've got our board application  
15 and bio. That's about it. Do you guys have any  
16 questions?

17           MR. RUMLEY: No. I mentioned Bubba.  
18 That's something I didn't really go into because I  
19 know that was y'all. Y'all are the ones who had him  
20 up here. Tell them who Bubba McDonald is and a  
21 little bit about him. He's kind of a figure there  
22 in Atlanta.

23           MR. STONE: So Bubba McDonald is --  
24 he's statewide elected for the Public Service  
25 Commission, but there's -- I believe there's five of

1 them and they each have a district. So he is our  
2 district representative. And what the Public  
3 Service Commission does is more or less they  
4 regulate, work with, try to solve problems with a  
5 lot of public utilities.

6 MR. RUMLEY: Really all public  
7 utilities, electrical, phone.

8 MR. STONE: Natural gas. Exactly. So  
9 he came up here, kind of explained that, talked  
10 about how some of the taxes that are, you know, on  
11 your bills and how they go back in effect and what  
12 they go for and pay. And I'll say this about this  
13 guy, you mentioned -- this was by far the best  
14 politician I've ever met.

15 MR. RUMLEY: He reminded you back in  
16 the old days.

17 MR. STONE: I was like, man, he's  
18 smooth.

19 MR. RUMLEY: He even tried to make it  
20 sound really good that they were paying for this  
21 nuclear plant on our power bill. I don't think  
22 anybody agreed with him, but he tried to really make  
23 it sound like it was doing us a great deal.

24 MR. STONE: Yeah. He was great. So  
25 anyway. All right. Anything else, sir?

1 MR. RUMLEY: Appreciate it.

2 All right. Robin, do you have any  
3 legal matters you want to go over with us?

4 MR. ROGERS: I do not, Ted.

5 MR. RUMLEY: All right. If you would,  
6 let me read this right here. The reading of the  
7 minutes of last month's regular meeting and any  
8 special-called meeting will not be required since  
9 all Commissioners have been furnished copies in  
10 advance. The minutes are public record and  
11 available for review in the County Commission  
12 office. The minutes are included in our consent  
13 agenda. At this time, Robin, if you'll go over the  
14 consent agenda, I will entertain a motion to approve  
15 the consent agenda.

16 MR. ROGERS: On the consent agenda  
17 tonight we have the approval of the agenda, the  
18 approval of the previous meeting minutes. Under  
19 board appointments and proclamations, we have a  
20 Proclamation for Fire Prevention Week of  
21 October 4th through the 10th, Proclamation for the  
22 National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, October 1st  
23 through the 31st, Proclamation of Red Ribbon Week,  
24 October 23 through the 31.

25 We have approval of Resolution R-45-15,

1 the appointment of Tinena Bice to the unexpired term  
2 of the Dade County Department of Family and  
3 Children's Services Board. Under the approval of  
4 S.P.L.O.S.T capital equipment, we have, in fact,  
5 approval of four bids. The first bid being in the  
6 Public Works Department for the installation of new  
7 water lines with five hydrants. We are approving  
8 the bid of James Sutton in the amount of \$7,760.  
9 Second bid is for -- under the Parks and Recreation  
10 Department for the installation of new nets behind  
11 the backstops of fields one, six and seven. It's  
12 the approval of the bid of Rocky McBryar in the  
13 amount of \$3,000.

14           Next bid is Parks and Recreation  
15 Department for the installation of new water lines  
16 and purchase and installation of a commercial water  
17 meter to the restrooms. That's approval of bid of  
18 Case Plumbing in the amount of \$3,373.

19           And finally we have the approval of the  
20 Dade County Sheriff's Office for the purchase of two  
21 new vehicles, two 2016 Ford Explorers from Prater  
22 Ford in the amount of \$26,167. Two items on the  
23 consent agenda, we have the second and final reading  
24 of Ordinance 10-01-15, which is approval of  
25 supplement to the Dade County Code of Ordinances.

1 And approval of Resolution R-47-15 for the  
2 application or participation in FY2016 Local  
3 Maintenance and Improvement Grant Program.

4 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Any questions or  
5 comments?

6 MR. SMITH: Just one comment. The  
7 price on the vehicles, everybody understood, but  
8 just to make sure, that was each.

9 MR. RUMLEY: Yeah. That was each. It  
10 would be nice if it wasn't each.

11 MR. SMITH: I just wanted to make sure  
12 everybody knew it was each.

13 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. If we don't have  
14 any questions, I'll entertain a motion to approve  
15 the consent agenda read by our attorney.

16 MR. SMITH: Motion to approve.

17 MR. RUMLEY: All right. Do I have a  
18 second?

19 MR. GOFF: Second.

20 MR. RUMLEY: I'll call a vote. Mr.  
21 Smith?

22 MR. SMITH: Yes.

23 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Pittman?

24 MR. PITTMAN: Yes.

25 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Goff?

1 MR. GOFF: Yes.

2 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Bradford?

3 MR. BRADFORD: Yes.

4 MR. RUMLEY: Chair votes yes. Okay.

5 Anyone want to talk to us tonight? We've got time  
6 here for anyone that wants to come up. Got anything  
7 there? I started to say president, but I'll call  
8 you Doctor.

9 DR. CANTRELL: That will be fine. I  
10 think I pretty much know everybody. I've been here  
11 four years and I just felt like it was a good  
12 opportunity for me to share my experience and  
13 expertise with other individuals from the local area  
14 here so we can take the Chamber and hopefully we can  
15 take it from where it's at and go further and grow  
16 it to a better institution than we have. Of course,  
17 we're always wanting to improve. I'm not saying  
18 there's anything wrong, but we want to get it better  
19 and better as we go along and hopefully we can  
20 institute some things that really make a difference  
21 in the future. I just wanted to say that. That was  
22 all.

23 MR. RUMLEY: Appreciate you being here.  
24 Come back anytime.

25 Audrey, do you have anything on the

1 phone, our cable or fiber, any kind of report, kind  
2 of what y'all are doing?

3 MRS. CLARK: Oh, yeah. We're still --  
4 we're developing another area out on Sand Mountain.  
5 We should be able to start installing within the  
6 next two months, depending on how long all the rain  
7 lasts and also on Lookout Mountain and we're making  
8 our plans for 2016. We're going to start trying to  
9 list the roads in the county where it's available.  
10 I'll be using Evan's, well, digital newspaper. Is  
11 that what you call it, Evan? We're going to start  
12 putting it in there. We can't list them all, but we  
13 might take a section of the county at a time and  
14 list the roads that it's available on and hopefully  
15 get it to the website, too, so people can look there  
16 or check with him or his newspaper and see if it's  
17 available in their area yet.

18 MR. RUMLEY: What section of Sand are  
19 you on now?

20 MRS. CLARK: From the Davis School out  
21 to the Ellis Road area and then we're already on 301  
22 to the Alabama line. We'll connect with that. It  
23 will involve -- I forgot the road. Call tomorrow.  
24 I've got the list.

25 MR. RUMLEY: That will be good for

1 those people out there.

2 MRS. CLARK: And then we'll be on the  
3 Miller Farm area. What is that road? There's a  
4 section there and I'll have those listed by next  
5 week.

6 MR. RUMLEY: All right. Good report.  
7 Anyone else? Tom, do you have anything tonight?

8 MR. BLACK: Not anything tonight.  
9 We'll have a meeting next week, so I'll have  
10 something for the next one.

11 MR. RUMLEY: All right. Anyone else?  
12 Yeah, Jamey, come on.

13 MR. JAMEY BLEVINS: I just wanted to  
14 get an update on the courthouse, see how that's  
15 going and see what our plans are for the future on  
16 that.

17 MR. RUMLEY: The elevator, we finished  
18 everything as far as we're waiting on the elevator  
19 itself, you know, the people. And they were here  
20 last week and they'll be back next week and  
21 hopefully they'll start assembling and getting it  
22 all ready. Hopefully, by the end of October we'll  
23 have that up and working, the handicap and all that.  
24 We're going to actually -- the volunteers that have  
25 already come forward, the groups like the historical

1 people, the Chamber, we'll start inside with --  
2 well, actually, we've got to clean it out first.

3           We do have our building. That's  
4 something we didn't talk about tonight. We did get  
5 our dry storage building down here practically  
6 finished. We'll finish it probably in about two  
7 weeks, partitioning it off inside. And we'll start  
8 moving all the stuff out that's good over there that  
9 we've got to keep and put it in there. So, you  
10 know, hopefully by the whole month of November there  
11 will be a lot of cleaning, painting, you know.  
12 We've got a little more roof work we want to do it  
13 on around the top around the chimney. We've got it  
14 stopped right now, but we've got to do some  
15 permanent cut-in on that, put some flashing and  
16 stuff on it. It's going to be a good winter inside  
17 job.

18           MR. JAMEY BLEVINS: I would just like  
19 to make an appeal that we get a plan, you know, to  
20 get that thing fixed up the way it needs to be. I  
21 think that's kind of the only architectural feature  
22 the county has and I hate to see it --

23           MR. RUMLEY: At least you don't want to  
24 tear it down. I've got a lot of people --

25           MR. JAMEY BLEVINS: I would be happy to

1 talk to any of those people.

2 MR. RUMLEY: I've got about ten people  
3 that really --

4 MR. JAMEY BLEVINS: That's kind of the  
5 center of the town in every facet you can put a name  
6 to and I hate to see it in the shape it's in.

7 MR. RUMLEY: Have you been through it  
8 really and looked at the --

9 MR. JAMEY BLEVINS: I haven't.

10 MR. RUMLEY: Structurally it's a good  
11 building. We've got some structural reports we did  
12 back years ago and it's really concrete  
13 structurally. It's in good shape.

14 MR. JAMEY BLEVINS: I think we would be  
15 better served as a community if we went ahead and  
16 allocated funds from S.P.L.O.S.T or however we're  
17 getting money to go ahead and fix that back  
18 historically accurate the way it should have been  
19 the whole time. That's all.

20 MR. RUMLEY: Thank you, Jamey. All  
21 right. Anyone else? I appreciate everyone being  
22 here tonight. Be careful going home. It's a gloomy  
23 night out there. I hope you have a good October.  
24 Try to get out and hopefully the leaves will work  
25 this year with us and be beautiful and get out and

1 enjoy the fall. Do y'all have anything else you  
2 want to say? If not, I'll entertain a motion to  
3 adjourn.

4 MR. PITTMAN: Motion we adjourn.

5 MR. BRADFORD: Second.

6 MR. RUMLEY: I have a second. Okay.

7 Mr. Smith?

8 MR. SMITH: Yes.

9 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Pittman?

10 MR. PITTMAN: Yes.

11 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Goff?

12 MR. GOFF: Yes.

13 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Bradford?

14 MR. BRADFORD: Yes.

15 MR. RUMLEY: The chair votes yes.

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