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**DADE COUNTY COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**JUNE 3, 2012**

1                   MR. RUMLEY: We'll go ahead and call  
2 this meeting to order. I appreciate all of y'all  
3 staying through the work session and, as always,  
4 before we actually get started, I ask Brother Goff  
5 to lead us in prayer and also the Pledge of  
6 Allegiance. Please stand.

7                                 (Thereupon, the invocation and  
8                                 Pledge of Allegiance were given.)

9                   BY MR. RUMLEY:

10                   Q                 Thank you, Robert. This is the  
11 regularly scheduled meeting of the Dade County Board  
12 of Commissioners which takes place at the same time  
13 on the first Thursday of every month. Proper notice  
14 of this meeting was given in our legal organ of the  
15 Dade County Sentinel and has been posted in the  
16 hallway of the administrative building. At this  
17 time I do need a roll call. Mr. Cervelli?

18                                 MR. CERVELLI: Here.

19                                 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Goff?

20                                 MR. GOFF: Here.

21                                 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Pittman is absent.

22                   Mr. Smith?

23                                 MR. SMITH: Here.

24                                 MR. RUMLEY: The chair is present.

25                   Thank you. Mr. Smith, do you want to start on your

1 end of the table with the committee report? Do you  
2 have anything for us tonight?

3 MR. SMITH: Yeah, a couple of items.  
4 They're both information. The 911 call center for  
5 the month of May had 2,205 calls. Of those calls,  
6 it was 1,567 law, 125 fire, 266 EMS, 247 rescue.  
7 And it was -- this time last year, there's only six  
8 differences in the calls, virtually the same.

9 On your Georgia driver's license -- and  
10 I've gave both papers a copy of this here.  
11 Beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012, all customers who need  
12 to renew or reinstate a Georgia driver's license or  
13 ID as well as those applying for their first Georgia  
14 driver's license or ID must visit a DDS customer  
15 center in person. You've got to bring one of the  
16 following for proof of identification: A birth  
17 certificate, valid unexpired U.S. passport, a  
18 certificate of citizenship, a valid I551 issued by  
19 the Department of Homeland Security. You've got to  
20 bring proof of your social security by one of these:  
21 Social security card, W-2 form with full social  
22 security number, paycheck showing your name and full  
23 social security number and a couple of other items  
24 you can bring. You have to bring two items to prove  
25 your residence, a mortgage payment, deed or property

1 tax bill, health insurance statement or explanation  
2 of benefits, Medicare or Medicaid statement,  
3 paycheck, pay stub, W-2, school record, Georgia or  
4 federal income tax return for previous years and  
5 they'll take a utility bill or a bank statement or a  
6 rental contract if it's within the last sixty days.  
7 It's part of Homeland Security.

8 Your driver's license will get a little  
9 sticker on it that's supposed to help you get  
10 through the airport a little faster, too, my  
11 understanding the way I read this. Like I said, the  
12 papers have got a copy and hopefully they'll --

13 MR. DEFFENBAUGH: Could you turn your  
14 volume down a little bit?

15 MR. RUMLEY: Hey, John, move to the  
16 back. These legislators come in and start trying to  
17 tell us how to run our business. I can't believe  
18 it. Just look over him.

19 MR. SMITH: Just look over him? That's  
20 not easy to do. The light is shining on him.

21 MR. RUMLEY: Me, too. We go to the  
22 same barber.

23 UNIDENTIFIED CITIZEN: Don't turn it so  
24 low us old folks can't hear you though.

25 MR. SMITH: I would like to inform

1 people so that -- we got a copy this this week by  
2 e-mail and it was the first I heard about it or  
3 noticed about it. You've got enough trouble going  
4 over across the mountain anyhow to get your driver's  
5 license without having to go back two or three times  
6 because you don't have the extra documentation.

7 MR. RUMLEY: We're assured by Senator  
8 Mullis as of -- we talked to him the other day.  
9 He's working on it with Red Dozier, which is  
10 actually the Commissioner of Driver's License, that  
11 they're working on a remedy for that and what  
12 they're looking at, I think I talked about it a  
13 couple of meetings ago was a portable unit, you  
14 know, a bus that they're renovating to bring in the  
15 county at least once a month. If we could do that,  
16 that would really help because it would be a full  
17 service.

18 MR. SMITH: It would help a whole lot.

19 MR. RUMLEY: Hopefully that will be our  
20 answer. Mainly, our mountain communities are the  
21 ones that are really affected by it. We drive a  
22 long way, but over in Rayburn County also, they've  
23 got a long mountain to go over to get to theirs. So  
24 hopefully they can take care of it. Anything else?

25 MR. SMITH: That's all I have.

1 MR. RUMLEY: Brother Goff?

2 MR. GOFF: I would like to begin with a  
3 question for Mitchell. If this makes it easier to  
4 get on a plane, will you get on one?

5 MR. SMITH: I doubt it. He said low.

6 MR. GOFF: I just think a lot of  
7 commissions tonight see this film and say what's  
8 going on down there, but it's great to be light  
9 hearted.

10 MR. RUMLEY: We are doing our job.

11 MR. GOFF: In these days it's great to  
12 be light hearted.

13 Only a couple of things. When we  
14 mentioned a little bit last month at our last  
15 month's meeting that the interviews for our agent,  
16 county agent, agricultural extension agent going on  
17 here in the county. They did hold interviews. They  
18 invited us. I was able to go to the interviews and  
19 meet the people that they had to come over and  
20 hopefully in the next -- they give a date and I'm  
21 not sure, maybe sometime as late as August they  
22 would try to have somebody here. So that's good for  
23 our 4H Club and our school and a lot of kids are  
24 involved in the stock, raising stock and the  
25 different things that goes on in 4H. I was wowing



1 bridge inspection, to touch on that. About every  
2 three years we get an update on all of our bridges.  
3 They do an inspection, the State does, and they  
4 actually recommend or they actually tell you you  
5 have to actually, like Robert said, either clean the  
6 debris out from under the bridges. Fortunately, we  
7 don't have any that's really got any major  
8 structural damage, but we've got a couple that's  
9 going to be kind of a pain because we've got a  
10 little washout under them and we've got to get under  
11 there by hand and put some -- I don't know if he  
12 showed you those. It's going to be a job, but I  
13 have talked to some of our counties in our 15-county  
14 region that there's -- well, Jason has got two over  
15 there that I think they're going to close. Once  
16 they close the bridges, you know, you've got to come  
17 up with the money or hopefully they've got some  
18 money to help you because if it's a main route, you  
19 know, you've got to fix your bridge, tear the bridge  
20 out and fix it. Peter, we'll move to you.

21 MR. CERVELLI: Okay. Thank you.

22 Financial reports, for this month our L.O.S.T. or  
23 local option sales tax, we collected \$173,100  
24 approximately. Last year the same month it was only  
25 144,000, so that's a significant increase over that.

1 And also it's about three percent more than we  
2 collected in April of this year, so sales tax  
3 collections are going well. They're back to what I  
4 would call the new normal. They are -- they've come  
5 back from their drop and I'm just hopeful that it  
6 stays at this new normal level because it's made a  
7 difference. It's making a difference in our revenue  
8 collection and so this is an old story, but shopping  
9 local, I mean, it makes a difference to the finances  
10 of our community.

11 MR. RUMLEY: It really does.

12 MR. CERVELLI: A lot of fuel passes  
13 through this county, so that's a good thing, too.  
14 So far I hope that continues and we don't see that  
15 drop we saw just several months ago getting through  
16 the winter.

17 In terms of our S.P.L.O.S.T, we  
18 collected \$216,382 and that's well above what we --  
19 we projected much more conservatively, so that's  
20 helping us pay for some things that are coming  
21 along. I hope we continue.

22 In terms of closing out our budget  
23 year, we're going to go through a budget report in a  
24 minute. You know, our budget year ends June 30<sup>th</sup>  
25 and we've tried to take a look about where we think

1 we're going to end up and I'm always hesitant to say  
2 we're going to end up as well as we are. We're  
3 close to actually having a budget where we don't  
4 have to dip into our funds, our fund balance, county  
5 fund balance. It's not likely to happen, but we're  
6 very close to that number. We're about \$70,000 away  
7 from that number if all our projections are right  
8 through the next thirty days. There are a couple of  
9 asset issues that if we could resolve them, we may  
10 come up with a number that's pretty close to what we  
11 projected originally for closing the year out.  
12 That's really quite remarkable and we'll see. We'll  
13 know in thirty days and probably in 45 days as we  
14 try to close out the year.

15           We're going to look at the March budget  
16 numbers. That's what Don will be reporting on.  
17 That's about 83 percent of our budget year.  
18 Revenues are about 83 percent, 83.1 percent.  
19 Expenses were at 84.7 percent. Even though I'm  
20 going to report a negative number of about \$331,000  
21 negative for the year, that will come back down  
22 based on -- I hope our CFO over here has done a good  
23 job, \$65,000 by June 30<sup>th</sup>. So I'm hopeful that  
24 that is, in fact, what's going to happen.

25           In terms of our 2013 budget, if you

1 remember we talked about a month ago, we thought we  
2 might have about a \$500,000 gap between where we  
3 were and having to dip into the county's fund  
4 balance. That gap has come down to about \$95,000  
5 right now. A lot of that has mostly been made up of  
6 revenue, some finer tuning of the revenue numbers  
7 and some tuning a little bit on the expense side,  
8 but mostly on the revenue side.

9 We do have some good things we're going  
10 to propose. Ted mentioned that to our  
11 constitutional officers and department heads about  
12 how to maybe close that gap and, again, come up with  
13 a budget where we don't have to dip into our fund  
14 balance. And so we've got -- we've got enough time  
15 to do that even though June 30<sup>th</sup> is not that far  
16 away. I think we have enough time to pose a way to  
17 close that gap. So far so good and we'll know at  
18 our next special called meeting on this topic where  
19 we are.

20 The only last thing I want to say is on  
21 roads, there are a couple of road issues in Piney  
22 and out in Head River. We're looking at helping  
23 improve some safety and once we get those resolved,  
24 we'll report on those as well. That's all I have.

25 MR. RUMLEY: Thank you, Peter.

1           As Peter said, you know, we've  
2 actually -- I'll kind of touch on this, too. On the  
3 shortage, you might call it, we have or the actual  
4 goal we're trying to reach, we're actually going to  
5 go back to the constitutional officers and elected  
6 officials and give them a couple of choices. Peter  
7 and I and Don have talked about it. We're first  
8 going to say, well, okay, we need X amount of  
9 dollars and we'll give them a percentage and we want  
10 that taken off your budget, regardless of how you do  
11 it, that dollar amount or we've got a furlough  
12 worked out here with everyone being involved and  
13 that's nothing -- that's not saying the tax  
14 assessor -- I mean, the tax commissioner is going to  
15 shut down or anything. That's working in-house and  
16 working a furlough through your group of people. It  
17 would be just like if you had someone out sick, they  
18 would find a way to make it work. It's like for  
19 ninety days, anywhere from sixty to ninety days and  
20 that would justify our shortfall or our deficit. So  
21 we'll let you know at our special called meeting  
22 kind of because we're going to talk to them Monday  
23 and we'll kind of let you know how that goes.  
24 Hopefully, they'll -- I feel they will because we've  
25 got a group of people in the office. There's no

1 doubt and they've been real conservative, so we  
2 feel -- I feel good about the whole budget, don't  
3 you, Peter?

4 MR. CERVELLI: Yeah.

5 MR. RUMLEY: There's a lot of counties  
6 right now that would be glad really to have relief  
7 to actually be -- not so much in the shape we are,  
8 but as far as being able to have a balanced budget  
9 without having to find a million and a half or  
10 \$2 million. A lot of them that I've talked to in  
11 the last few months, they're that far off. I feel  
12 good about it. But that's what it takes being tight  
13 with your money and we try to do that.

14 The first of the month we had a real  
15 nice day at our court facility here. We had law  
16 enforcement day and it was a lot of people. We had  
17 it in the large courtroom at the new courthouse and  
18 it was a special day. We honored special people  
19 from the County, the City and GSP police department  
20 and it was really kind of touching. We had also, of  
21 course, Memorial Day on the square here. We had a  
22 decent turnout, but I did speak with the mayor, he  
23 and myself. We did speak and I did mention in my  
24 speech that we should have filled the whole square  
25 with people. I mean, the whole place would have

1 been full of people and it's something we take for  
2 granted, you know, people that's given their lives  
3 for us. So hopefully, you know, next year we can  
4 promote it more and maybe get more people involved  
5 in it because it really was kind of sad to see the  
6 people that did turn out, I mean, the people we  
7 lacked.

8           The jail kitchen, I want to touch on  
9 that. That's been a priority here in the last month  
10 or so and we've got equipment now coming in over  
11 there they're delivering. We're putting it over in  
12 the side room over there. They just lack probably  
13 another seven, five, six days total and we'll start  
14 actually hooking it up. Our date is July 1<sup>st</sup>. We  
15 feel that we would be up and running July 1st. I  
16 talked to Hugh today and he feels good about that.  
17 Maybe we can smell some hot food cooking here before  
18 long.

19           MR. CERVELLI: That's the date the  
20 budget expects it to start.

21           MR. RUMLEY: That's right. So we're on  
22 time. We're on budget.

23           The Georgia Forestry building, they're  
24 really getting close to completing it. Of course,  
25 that's -- county dollars are not involved in that,

1 but we did play a big part in keeping that facility  
2 here and we did do a land swap with those people.  
3 We're glad that they chose to stay. I'm sure it  
4 will be in the paper. We'll have a ribbon cutting.  
5 I'm sure everyone in the county will want to attend  
6 that or hopefully they will because it is a nice  
7 facility. It's down just south of our four fields.  
8 When you see that on Evan's station or in the paper,  
9 try to attend that. It will be a big event,  
10 hopefully.

11 I've been actually over to the river a  
12 couple of times since I've talked to y'all where  
13 we're talking about maybe drafting water out of the  
14 river for Atlanta. There's a lot of -- quite a bit  
15 of, I guess -- I started to say input, but concern  
16 with that and I had Todd Long. He came up. He's  
17 actually our deputy commissioner of the Georgia  
18 Department of Transportation, he and one of his  
19 assistants. He had never been over there. It's  
20 pretty interesting if you ever get time to go over  
21 to that part of Georgia, the northwestern corner. I  
22 took him over there. We spent -- we did a little  
23 photo shoot there with him. It was a pretty  
24 interesting day and while he was here -- of course,  
25 the main reason he came up was to listen to some of

1 our road problems that we have on some of our state  
2 roads and to actually offer help on some of our  
3 county roads for some advice. We talked about ice  
4 and snow removal, which is not a good time to talk  
5 about that, but we've got a whole new group down  
6 there right now. He's been with the Department  
7 twenty years plus, but he's just been moved up to  
8 deputy commissioner. We've got a new commission and  
9 they really seem like they are eager to help us, you  
10 know, more so maybe than in the past and the big  
11 thing, of course, is money. Hopefully, this next  
12 year we'll put them to the test. They did assure me  
13 that the interstate would be mowed in the next  
14 couple of weeks. That's something he noticed almost  
15 instantly when we turned up going to the interstate.  
16 He looked at his assistant and he said, why is this  
17 grass so high. And the guy, he got on his little  
18 laptop there and he said, sir, it will be mowed in  
19 two weeks. So anyway, it was a good visit,  
20 productive visit.

21 Of course, as you know, it's election  
22 time in Dade County, so we do have -- we've got  
23 signs all over the county and we have had some  
24 complaints pertaining to these on the square,  
25 especially with the courthouse here and Ms. Eloise,

1 she actually, she does a really good job on her  
2 plants and planters out there. So we have let them  
3 put them right there on the green of the wall. It's  
4 just, of course, temporary. The election will be  
5 here before you know it and gone. I don't really  
6 see a problem with that as long as they keep it  
7 neat. Try to -- you know, of course, we'll have a  
8 meeting before the election, but to try to really  
9 talk to these people that are running whether it's  
10 sheriff or legislators or whoever. Get to know  
11 these people because it's so important to vote, not  
12 only to vote, but to know who you're voting for.

13           So if they come to your house, you  
14 know, whether you look at them and you think, well,  
15 I'm not going to vote for that guy, just talk to him  
16 and listen to him, just find out because it's so  
17 important because they're the people that will be  
18 making decisions for you to be enforcing the law.  
19 So give them the time of day anyway, please.

20           We touched on the bridge inspection.  
21 Oh, yeah. I've got a note here from the library,  
22 last but not least here. Marshana Sharp, she could  
23 not be here tonight. She's our local librarian and  
24 she wanted me to read this letter here to you. It  
25 says the Dade County Library has enjoyed the support

1 and respect of this community for many years and we  
2 hope to be a part of the education and civic  
3 community of Dade County for many years to come.

4 The Dade County Commission has been a great  
5 supporter of our library and we are grateful.

6 That's us. So she's thanking us from the bottom of  
7 her heart. And we do try to support the library  
8 with every dime that we feel we can afford to put in  
9 it. We've not cut them any. This letter will  
10 address this, but they are really being hit, being  
11 cut over in Walker by the school board and possibly  
12 our school board and, you know, times are hard.

13 So she goes on to say to meet the  
14 demands of a smaller budget, the library will be  
15 reducing hours and days open to the public, reducing  
16 benefits and hours to employees, reducing staff size  
17 and limiting operations overall. The library will  
18 be moving into the renovated and expanded Court  
19 Street building in August. Funds for the  
20 construction were granted to the Dade County Library  
21 during more prosperous years and it will make our  
22 library ready to host new technology, demands and  
23 provide a safe public useful building for the next  
24 twenty years. Chazler Construction Company and Mr.  
25 Hugh Blevins have made sure that we have a topnotch

1 facility.

2 Georgia public libraries have adopted a  
3 statewide increase in the overdue fee for a book  
4 kept longer than the checkout date. The fine  
5 increased from ten cents to twenty cents per day  
6 beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>. Peter, you better take that  
7 book back you've had for two years.

8 MR. CERVELLI: The library police are  
9 coming.

10 MR. RUMLEY: It says we hope that  
11 better economic times are just around the corner and  
12 we look forward to restoring library services and  
13 staffing levels as soon as possible, sincerely  
14 Marshana Sharp. So we look forward to that in  
15 August, having a grand opening of the library.  
16 Expect to have different hours. I'm sure they'll be  
17 posted in the paper, but we do appreciate our  
18 library. We appreciate Marshana. She does a good  
19 job.

20 MR. CERVELLI: She's does a very good  
21 job. She's been very supportive of a number of  
22 events we've had in this community with the kids and  
23 it's a shame that our -- the workers have to take  
24 such a large hit. I hope they've worked hard on  
25 their administrative budget and overhead.

1                   MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Do we have -- is  
2 the mayor or anyone from the City here tonight? He  
3 wasn't sure if he was going to make it tonight.  
4 Okay. Everything must be running pretty smooth with  
5 the City.

6                   MR. SMITH: One more thing. Ted spoke  
7 about Memorial Day a minute ago. I spent some time  
8 walking through about three cemeteries that weekend  
9 looking at some servicemen's or hunting, to be  
10 honest with you, servicemen's resting places and  
11 looking at them and I would like somehow, whether  
12 the families do it or whatever, the possibility that  
13 next Memorial Day that all those servicemen be  
14 honored in their resting place with a small flag or  
15 whatever put upon their grave during that week in  
16 time. You can find them for all different prices, a  
17 dollar and a half a flag or cheaper. It might be --  
18 you would have to have some help from families  
19 because like some of the cemeteries I went to, I  
20 know some of the men and women that's there, but  
21 their graves aren't necessarily marked that they  
22 were in the service and some of them are. So it  
23 will take some help from some of the families or  
24 whatever to know for sure who and what -- who they  
25 served. I think it would be a very kind gesture

1       somehow someway next Memorial Day for all the  
2       servicemen and women who are beneath our soil in  
3       Dade County to be honored.

4               MR. RUMLEY:  They used to put the  
5       veterans flags up the road.

6               MR. SMITH:  They had those.

7               MR. RUMLEY:  But in Ringgold, I don't  
8       know if you've been there.  We went through there  
9       the other day and they've got a cross for every one  
10      of their veterans, Korean, Vietnam.  When you go  
11      through Ringgold that weekend, they were lined up on  
12      both sides.  I mean, they were big enough to read  
13      the names.  It will put cold chills on you.  It was  
14      a really good feeling.  It's a good idea, Mitchell.

15              MR. CERVELLI:  Mitchell, I think we can  
16      work some program out that I'm sure the American  
17      Legion would cooperate and help keep that and maybe  
18      once we knew where those folks were, go out and  
19      distribute flags.  I think there are two of us here  
20      from the American Legion.  Some will be willing to  
21      take -- play a part in that.

22              MR. RAPER:  They do have the crosses  
23      with the flags that they post at the American Legion  
24      in front of the museum that goes on for all passing.  
25      If there was another way that they needed to be

1 displayed, I'm sure the Legion would work with  
2 anybody who wanted to do a program.

3 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Move down to number  
4 four. Don Townsend is our county clerk. Don, do  
5 you want to give us our monthly financial report,  
6 please?

7 MR. TOWNSEND: As of May 31st, 2012,  
8 our general fund had a balance of 195,654; Federal  
9 Asset Fund, U.S. Treasury, \$288; Sheriff's Special  
10 Fund, \$1,483; Drug Abuse Education Fund, \$107,826;  
11 Supplemental Juvenile Services Fund, 19,857; Victim  
12 Assistance Fund, \$6,170; Jail Fund, \$27,852, Federal  
13 Asset Fund, Department of Justice, \$3,162 and  
14 payroll account, 64,344.

15 As we discussed earlier, 2004  
16 S.P.L.O.S.T funds remaining is \$364. That's the old  
17 principal and interest account. That will be closed  
18 out by next month. Hopefully, we will no longer see  
19 that blue column there.

20 2009 S.P.L.O.S.T. funds, projects  
21 account, we have \$108,395. Proceeds account  
22 \$1,121,497. Construction account \$19,140. Just a  
23 note there, the proceeds account, that has been  
24 accruing there for a while, so as you can see, we  
25 pretty much accrued what we need to to make our

1 November payment. So beginning soon, we could make  
2 it through this month, which we may need to transfer  
3 a little bit of this month. Pretty soon 100 percent  
4 of what we bring in from June through November or at  
5 least October will be dedicated to the projects  
6 account, so perhaps we can see some more public  
7 money -- anyway, money for the Public Works  
8 Department to pave roads or do whatever you need to  
9 do there.

10                   Then you see the fire departments  
11 listed below there. The three departments, New  
12 Salem, South Dade and Trenton, new trucks and those  
13 payments will be due later in the year. They each  
14 have a balance of \$100,972. Davis has a balance of  
15 \$4,847 and West Brew after tonight's payment will be  
16 \$9,431.

17                   The reports as of April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012,  
18 actual -- we have revenues for the month ending  
19 \$538,385. Which we had budgeted 639m121, so we were  
20 a bit short, a little over \$100,000 short. However,  
21 for the year we collected \$7,894,420. What we  
22 budgeted was 7,381,000. So that's about 113,000 in  
23 access. And then actual expenses for the month was  
24 \$588,034. Budgeted was 600,493, so we were actually  
25 under there and that was -- that's good on the

1 expense side of 1,258. Unfortunately, 8,206,083  
2 spent here to date budgeted \$7,938,983, which is  
3 267,000 short -- I'm sorry, over to which basically  
4 still a lot of the S.P.L.O.S.T -- it's not  
5 S.P.L.O.S.T. Sorry, the FEMA. Even though we've  
6 taken an account of that, there's still some money  
7 lingering out there.

8 So revenues less expenses for April is  
9 49,649 and revenues less expenses year to date is  
10 3011 (CK). Budget attained is 83.33 percent.  
11 Revenues attained so far is 83.13, so pretty much on  
12 target and expenses attained 83.71 percent.  
13 Commissioner Cervelli reviewed the S.P.L.O.S.T, so I  
14 won't repeat that.

15 MR. RUMLEY: Thank you, Don. Any  
16 questions for Don? Like you mentioned, what really  
17 makes that one line on there look bad is the  
18 storm -- lingering storm money or call it what you  
19 want, FEMA money out there. But once we get this  
20 past us and get, you know, back to normal, things  
21 are looking better.

22 MR. SMITH: Is there a time that  
23 they'll let us know if we get any more?

24 MR. RUMLEY: Well, there's some  
25 counties that I know close to us that they're still

1 waiting on money from three years ago when they had  
2 the floods across the mountain, the final draw, the  
3 final closeout.

4 MR. SMITH: That's what this is.

5 MR. RUMLEY: What you call final  
6 closeout.

7 MR. TOWNSEND: I spoke with Alex Case  
8 about that and we have, I think, five pending bills  
9 with the company that cleaned up Dade County and  
10 Trenton, so if those are -- come to fruition and  
11 they're completed, then we may -- it's a possibility  
12 we could collect maybe \$180,000, \$200,000 more.  
13 There is a \$285,000 transfer that has not been made  
14 yet and that's really going to help.

15 MR. CERVELLI: Right. That's why it  
16 gets so much better. We've got a big transfer  
17 coming.

18 MR. RUMLEY: Usually the last one  
19 though, we've got that coming in for sure, but the  
20 last one is the one that they can override you on.  
21 Hopefully, they won't because we kept everything we  
22 had. Alex is pretty, you know, strict on actually  
23 keeping records. We kept good records.

24 Any other questions for Don or  
25 comments? If not, I'll entertain a motion to

1 approve our financial statement as presented by  
2 Mr. Townsend. Do I hear a motion?

3 MR. GOFF: I make a motion we approve  
4 it as read.

5 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. I have a motion.  
6 Do I hear a second?

7 MR. SMITH: Second.

8 MR. RUMLEY: I'll call a vote. Mr.  
9 Cervelli?

10 MR. CERVELLI: Yes.

11 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Goff?

12 MR. GOFF: Yes.

13 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Smith?

14 MR. SMITH: Yes.

15 MR. RUMLEY: The chair votes yes.

16 Thank you very much.

17 Robin, do you have anything you want to  
18 go -- any legal items you want to discuss with us  
19 today?

20 MR. ROGERS: No. The only thing I  
21 probably need to update is at last month's meeting I  
22 had reported that there was a hearing scheduled for  
23 the TAS bankruptcy matter on May 31st and that  
24 hearing date got continued to July 5<sup>th</sup>, so it's  
25 not happened, but it's been rescheduled for that

1 day.

2 MR. CERVELLI: By any chance might that  
3 be the last day that this will get dealt with?

4 MR. ROGERS: Don't know. It's hard to  
5 say. It's -- you know, bankruptcy is just a  
6 process. You have to go through it and stay with  
7 it, but it's a process that I don't know if it's by  
8 design, but certainly by its nature, it's lengthy  
9 and kind of frustrating. We'll just keep plugging  
10 away at it. I doubt that it will be concluded on  
11 July 5<sup>th</sup>, although that hearing for that aspect  
12 will be held.

13 MR. GOFF: Robin, do you have any idea  
14 whether or not what just went on in the Federal  
15 Court with those people from Marion County, if that  
16 would have any bearing on that?

17 MR. ROGERS: I suspect there will be  
18 some fallout from that. The bankruptcy was filed by  
19 TAS, LLC, so it's a different entity, but certainly  
20 that's related. That would not surprise me at all  
21 if it were to have some bearing on the bankruptcy.

22 MR. RUMLEY: To the positive or would  
23 it be --

24 MR. ROGERS: Well, you know, legally  
25 it's two separate entities and so -- legally, it

1 would not have any sort of direct effect, but as a  
2 practical matter --

3 MR. RUMLEY: It could.

4 MR. CERVELLI: Given the transfer of  
5 assets back and forth, I would think it would, but  
6 that's just me.

7 MR. RUMLEY: Anything else, Robin?

8 MR. ROGERS: No.

9 MR. RUMLEY: Any questions for Robin?

10 Okay. Unfinished business, new  
11 business. The reading of the minutes of our  
12 previous month's meeting and any special called  
13 meeting will not be required since all commissioners  
14 have been furnished copies in advance. The minutes  
15 are public record and available for review in the  
16 county commission office. The minutes are included  
17 in the consent agenda. At this time I would like to  
18 ask Don to go through our consent agenda and brief  
19 us on that. If there's any comments or corrections,  
20 we can make that before we entertain a motion to  
21 approve.

22 MR. TOWNSEND: All right. At this time  
23 we have the approval of previous meeting minutes, a  
24 review of the employee head count report, the  
25 proclamation for National Cancer Survivor Day is

1 June 5<sup>th</sup>, four model two 700 megahertz radios  
2 purchased by West Brow Fire Department, S.P.L.O.S.T  
3 projects account, American Express Corporate  
4 membership rewards program agreement, automobile  
5 liability amendment through ACCG -- agency  
6 changing -- reducing our premium from one million,  
7 liability coverage from one -- two million to  
8 one million, Alcohol Beverage Control Board  
9 recommendations to increase license administrative  
10 fees as of -- let's see, that would take those to  
11 \$1,000 annually with \$150 administrative fee and  
12 also increase the manager's license fee to \$150 and  
13 require it to be renewed annually.

14 Renewed negotiation of the Local Option  
15 Sales Tax distribution was approved and to be sent  
16 to the City for their approval and if approved, then  
17 both documents, both signatures are required. A  
18 document called the certificate of distribution that  
19 will be sent to the Commissioner of the Georgia  
20 Department of Revenue for their approval and then  
21 after executed, that one goes into effect, I  
22 believe, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013.

23 Amendment to the resolution creating  
24 the Hospital Authority of Walker, Dade and Catoosa  
25 Counties, which I won't read the whole thing, but

1 that's basically it.

2 MR. ROGERS: It changes the -- it  
3 increases the members of the board to 13 to be  
4 allocated five members to Catoosa County, five  
5 members to Walker County and three members to Dade  
6 County.

7 MR. TOWNSEND: Official approval of the  
8 five-year short term work program update for 2013  
9 through 2017, disposal of surplus property as  
10 recommended Resolution R14-12 A and B, which was  
11 reviewed. Radio Shack music mixer, Yamaha cassette  
12 player, Grade All, homigicom (phonetic), IBM Real  
13 Writer 1500 series and a fax machine. I said all  
14 that for Commissioner Robert Goff. And the ASCAP,  
15 which is the American Society of Composers, Authors  
16 and Publishers, license agreement of \$320 and that  
17 was it. That's a lot, but that's it.

18 MR. RUMLEY: Thank you, Don. Any  
19 comments or corrections?

20 MR. GOFF: None.

21 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. If not, I'll  
22 entertain a motion to approve the consent agenda as  
23 presented by Mr. Townsend. Do I hear a motion?

24 MR. SMITH: Motion to approve the  
25 consent agenda.

1                   MR. RUMLEY: I have a motion. Do I  
2 hear a second?

3                   MR. GOFF: I second.

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

6                   MR. CERVELLI: Yes.

7                   MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Goff?

8                   MR. GOFF: Yes.

9                   MR. RUMLEY: Pittman is absent.  
10 Mr. Smith?

11                   MR. SMITH: Yes.

12                   MR. RUMLEY: The chair votes yes.

13 Thank you. Anyone want to come talk to us tonight?  
14 Come up to the podium and feel free to come up.  
15 We've got our Chamber.

16                   MS. TINKER: I just want to invite  
17 everybody to the Chamber luncheon this month. It  
18 will be at Guthrie's Chicken next Friday at 12:00  
19 and we will be having the Department of  
20 Transportation, a representative from Northwest  
21 Georgia Regional Commission coming to speak to  
22 everybody on the transportation S.P.L.O.S.T, but  
23 what we'll be voting on in July whether to pass this  
24 or not and we really want the public informed and  
25 hope everybody will come out and we're also going to

1 try to set up another meeting possibly in this  
2 public room later on, but everyone really needs to  
3 understand this. And I personally, not speaking for  
4 the Chamber, but think it would be a very good  
5 thing. It would give us money for our roads here in  
6 Dade County that it seems that we have not had and,  
7 but we did want to invite y'all to come to that.  
8 Those are open meetings to the public. It doesn't  
9 have to be just a Chamber member and then I think  
10 Butch has possibly got a couple of events that's  
11 going to be coming through. Thank you.

12 MR. RUMLEY: Thank you. Butch, do you  
13 have something for us?

14 MR. RAPER: Nothing really as far as  
15 events, but I did have a question in regards to the  
16 closing out of the 2004 S.P.L.O.S.T. There was  
17 moneys for the old courthouse and there has been  
18 discussion with friends of the courthouse about the  
19 outside elevator. Is that now coming out of the --

20 MR. RUMLEY: It's actually -- the  
21 courthouse is listed on the existing S.P.L.O.S.T,  
22 too, so it will come out of that actually. It will  
23 be about 30,000. I think it's 29,000 something  
24 dollars.

25 MR. CERVELLI: And I do pledge to

1 recall a meeting of friends of the courthouse. I'll  
2 put something in the paper this time to do that.

3 MR. RUMLEY: Our priority right now  
4 though, Butch, has been that jail. Not that it robs  
5 from one to the other. It hasn't, but we need to --  
6 Don recommended we close it out, so we went ahead  
7 and done that. We've got money appropriated to do  
8 that, to do the elevator and also any other thing we  
9 see to actually get us started on -- well, actually  
10 where we can actually occupy it again. So it's --  
11 and immediately when we finish the jail and get it  
12 up and everything is running, that's the next  
13 project that we're going to be on. We can't let it  
14 just sit there. We've got to get it accessible and  
15 actually get it -- get some life back in it you  
16 might say because that's the worst thing in the  
17 world for a building to sit like that.

18 MR. CERVELLI: We'll be open to  
19 recommendations for who would like to rent some  
20 space. We want to make it cost neutral, but we're  
21 not looking to make a huge profit, but just cost  
22 neutral and make it available for other activities  
23 that might be useful across the county, but we've  
24 got to make it cost neutral.

25 MR. RAPER: Just one more thing. I

1 don't want to turn this into a political platform or  
2 anything, but a few of you are running for  
3 reelection this year, some unopposed and some  
4 opposed. Y'all have done a great job as far as  
5 taxpayers dollars being spent wisely, but I would  
6 like to hear from you all in the near future as far  
7 as the debates and different things, any revenue  
8 generating platforms that you are sitting on,  
9 working with the IDA or JDA to create new jobs or  
10 create new revenues to go along with all the  
11 savings.

12 MR. RUMLEY: Not a problem.

13 MR. CERVELLI: I know that the chairman  
14 of the IDA has an aggressive objective, set of  
15 objectives that he's working on with his board that  
16 I fully am in agreement with and I certainly as a  
17 commission member or not, fully supportive of what  
18 they're trying to accomplish.

19 MR. RUMLEY: Did you say they are not  
20 supportive?

21 MR. CERVELLI: No, we are. I am.  
22 Let's be clear. I support what they're trying to  
23 do. I think you've got some plans.

24 MR. RUMLEY: We're going to actually  
25 get the -- hopefully by the end of this month we can

1 go ahead and get started on the road. We're going  
2 to build the road into the new property, not --  
3 well, it will be the road actually that will come  
4 from the industrial park, the property we have now  
5 into the old property. The railroad crossing is  
6 going to take some time. We found it's going to be  
7 really involved to get that widened, but we are  
8 going to build a nice road in there where we can  
9 access it. And also like Peter said, the IDA has  
10 got some really good ideas with a couple of our  
11 industries that really I think you'll see not only a  
12 new look, plus we'll hopefully have more employees  
13 employed. So that's something that they're working  
14 with two different groups right now. I feel good  
15 about that.

16                   Anyone else want to talk to us? Come  
17 up and --

18                   MR. SMITH: While we're on that sort of  
19 item there, has there been any movement or whatever  
20 with the Food Lion building?

21                   MR. RUMLEY: Well, that's --

22                   MR. SMITH: Any movement, yes or no.

23                   MR. RUMLEY: Peter, I think weren't you  
24 asked that?

25                   MR. CERVELLI: I think Debbie has been

1 more on top of that. There's very little  
2 information coming.

3 MS. TINKER: We haven't had anything  
4 since I talked to the representative of Zimmerman  
5 Associates that owned the building itself, not Food  
6 Lion and they have had someone else call that five  
7 different kinds of businesses and she has told them  
8 to contact me. Of course, she couldn't give me  
9 names right out, but told them to contact me and as  
10 of yet, they have not contacted me.

11 MR. RUMLEY: I know I talked to one of  
12 the pizza -- the pizza place that's over there,  
13 Little Caesar's a month or so ago and I asked them  
14 about their business, you know, and they said it's  
15 actually gotten better since they closed. That's  
16 hard to believe. I don't know why that would be.  
17 Even that evening they were backed up. They did  
18 comment.

19 MS. TINKER: Well, there was a lot of  
20 cars there and everything, several calls about what  
21 the movement was and everything up there and some of  
22 the paper had fallen down in the building, so I went  
23 and talked to the neighbors, you know, and they said  
24 what that was is people are parking their cars to go  
25 to work and leaving them there.

1                   MR. RUMLEY: Okay. If there's no  
2 further, anyone want to add -- Mitchell want to say  
3 anything? If not, I'll entertain a motion to  
4 adjourn.

5                   MR. CERVELLI: So moved.

6                   MR. RUMLEY: I have a motion. Do I  
7 hear a second?

8                   MR. GOFF: Second.

9                   MR. RUMLEY: All in favor, say aye.

10                  ALL COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

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