

DADE COUNTY COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 7, 2013

1 MR. RUMLEY: As always, before we get
2 started, I would like to ask Robert to say prayer
3 and also the Pledge of Allegiance.

4 (Thereupon, the invocation and
5 Pledge of Allegiance were given.)

6 MR. RUMLEY: This is the regularly
7 scheduled meeting which takes place at the same time
8 on the first Thursday of every month. Proper notice
9 of this meeting was given in the legal organ of Dade
10 County and has been posted in the hallway of the
11 Administrative Building. At this time I do need a
12 roll call. Mr. Bradford?

13 MR. BRADFORD: Here.

14 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Goff?

15 MR. GOFF: Here.

16 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Pittman is absent.
17 Mr. Smith?

18 MR. SMITH: Here.

19 MR. RUMLEY: The chair is present.
20 Okay. Mitchell, do you want to start with your
21 committee report?

22 MR. SMITH: Okay. First off, I would
23 like to congratulate all the graduates that we've
24 had. Best wishes on all of their future endeavors.
25 Also, I want to thank all of the emergency

1 personnel, the fire department, rescue, sheriff's
2 department, road crew and the citizens that helped
3 out on Sunday, May 19th, during and after the
4 flood in the north end of the county. I haven't
5 seen it come down like that and be that disastrous
6 that quick in quite a while. So I would like to
7 thank everybody that helped out during all of that.
8 And I did want to say thank you to Puckett also.
9 I've had a lot of positive feedback in the last
10 month or so concerning their personnel's
11 professionalism, so I thank you to them. I've just
12 got thank yous. That's all.

13 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. You sound like who
14 is that on the Grand Ole Opry? Howdy. Thank you,
15 thank you, thank you.

16 Robert Goff, I'll turn it over to you.

17 MR. GOFF: Well, in honor of Scottie, I
18 don't want y'all to tell him I didn't have much to
19 say tonight. We talked about the budget. I'll
20 point out again in our local option sales, our
21 L.O.S.T. and our S.P.L.O.S.T are both down over the
22 same month a year ago and certainly a little bit
23 over our last month and I don't know what drives
24 this. We say it all the time. I don't know. I
25 think one thing is our fuel fluctuates so much that

1 sometimes people go out of the county and buy fuel
2 and sometimes they buy it in the county depending on
3 where they're going to and that's the only thing
4 that I can see.

5 Been working on the budget and I know
6 hats off to you and Don. I know y'all have done a
7 lot more than -- I've been in on a few of them, but
8 y'all have done a lot more. It looks like it's
9 going to be -- I think as good as it can be under
10 the circumstances with uncertain revenues and all
11 this, but we are where we are and I think we'll do
12 well and hopefully things will pick up throughout
13 this year and into next year, the economy continues
14 to get better and we'll be able to enjoy a little
15 better times down the road as far as our economy
16 goes and that's it for me.

17 MR. RUMLEY: Allan?

18 MR. BRADFORD: I really don't have a
19 whole lot. We've had a lot of excitement up in Rhea
20 County that started down here at the transfer
21 station. We had a trustee that took one of our
22 vehicles and took a long ride, had a lot of fun.
23 But anyway, that's all taken care. All the keys are
24 put away where they can't get them anymore. And one
25 thing that I would like to say, they're going to put

1 the trustees back tomorrow. I've been asked that
2 question several times because elderly people really
3 like the people that come down there and help them
4 out, empty their cars and all that stuff and I think
5 that's a great thing. So I talked to our sheriff
6 this afternoon and he said he hoped to have them
7 back tomorrow, which is a great thing.

8 Another thing I would like to say that
9 Burkhalter Gap, it seems like it has rained every
10 other day since we started doing that. I would like
11 to thank the employees that's been out there
12 working. That's been a tough job and also the
13 county crew. Billy and his men are doing a great
14 job.

15 And another question I've been
16 receiving a lot of is what are we going to do with
17 136. Well, I talked to the State the other day and
18 he assured me that after the first of the year, that
19 it was going to be repaved. But if they don't do it
20 sooner than that, I don't believe the highway is
21 going to be there, but that's what they're telling
22 me because it's really getting in poor condition.

23 That's the only thing I've got going.
24 He did assure me they were going to pave up from 136
25 from Walker County to the end of the Walker County

1 and the next year do 136 if it lasts that long.
2 Another thing, I want to thank Billy for all the
3 work they've been doing down on Creek Road. I know
4 that was a tough job.

5 MR. RUMLEY: We hope to -- we actually
6 had it -- it's opened back this evening, right,
7 Billy? That's been a job. As Mitchell mentioned
8 and Allan and Robert and all, we had -- in the north
9 end of the county, we had roughly seven inches of
10 rain that fell the other day in 45 minutes, for
11 those of you who live in the south end or didn't get
12 the rain. So it really washed a lot of our culverts
13 and our roads out. Billy -- we've put them back
14 temporarily, most of them, and we just have started
15 the actual task of putting them back permanent.

16 We actually had to buy over \$50,000
17 worth of tile that was delivered last week. We
18 started on Creek Road. That's the largest tile and,
19 like I said, they've actually opened it back up
20 today. We should really be complete with it next
21 week, shouldn't we, as far as the Water Company and
22 everything because they've still got to tie the
23 lines back in. We've got a lot of work to do in
24 Murphy Hollow, Sand Mountain. So just bear with us
25 on it. That's another thing we were talking about,

1 expense. You know, it's an unexpected expense for
2 the county. Talking about Burkhalter gap, we made
3 the last pour of concrete out there yesterday. The
4 wall -- we're going to let everything set probably
5 through next week and start backfilling the
6 following week. We don't want to get on it too
7 soon. It will take -- what do you think, Billy, a
8 good week, five days to get it built back?

9 MR. MASSENGALE: Depends on the
10 weather.

11 MR. RUMLEY: Yeah, with the weather.
12 But that will be really an improvement on that, a
13 necessity we had to do. We've put it off for
14 several years and we did -- we hoped we could put it
15 off at least one more year, but Mother Nature, she
16 made that decision for us when it started cracking
17 and dropping again. But anyway, it's going to be
18 behind us. Of course, that's another expense.
19 That's going to be an expense between 150 and
20 \$200,000, you know, from what it looks like right
21 now. And that is a lot of money, but like I said at
22 the last meeting, we had some estimates on that
23 slide up there that went up to right around
24 \$2 million, a million and a half, \$2 million, so we
25 decided to go ahead and do it in-house and do all

1 the work we could ourself and sub our work out and
2 we've got a really good finished product up there.

3 Let's see here. I get back on -- I
4 know I bring this up about every other meeting, but
5 I did make contact with our railroad here. We are
6 planning in the future, not near future, but
7 hopefully within a year or so to have all the
8 permitting in and actually we're going to try if we
9 can get the money and the grants to do this, to
10 build a bridge over the railroad behind the Spinning
11 Mill into the Industrial Park. That's about the
12 only thing that's ever going to completely eliminate
13 our train blockage in Trenton in the downtown area
14 and the Industrial Park so hopefully we can get the
15 paperwork started on that in the next week or so and
16 it's a long process to permit anything on that, like
17 that on the railroad. We're hoping to get some
18 assistance, you know, state and possibly some
19 federal assistance, too, but I'll give you a report
20 on that every other month and let you know how
21 that's going.

22 Let's see here, I already talked about
23 Burkhalter. Don, I know you mentioned tonight on
24 our health insurance and also our liability. That's
25 something we've been working on all month, trying to

1 get that together because that is a big ticket item
2 on our budget and we feel we've done really good on
3 it. We're looking at -- after all the numbers are
4 in, at probably a one percent, maybe less increase
5 in our health insurance and that's really good.

6 On the -- let's see here. I did attend
7 our regional commission meeting as I always do every
8 month. That's the third Thursday. The State, we
9 had a couple of actually people come up from the
10 State and talk to us about our elderly and our vans
11 like we were talking about and, of course, there's
12 been a lot of cuts in the State budgets, but that's
13 one thing that they have not, you know, cut on. The
14 thing that kind of worries us in our region and
15 statewide is actually the Meals on Wheels. There's
16 some things going on with that that kind of worries
17 me, you know, on the funding.

18 The good thing for Dade County anyway
19 is we hoped as soon as we eliminate the contract or
20 actually pay the contract out that we have now,
21 that's -- it was one of the intentions when we built
22 the jail kitchen and there's several counties that
23 do that and hopefully in the near future to be
24 pulling our meals directly out of our kitchen in the
25 back and the meals will be fresher, hotter, you

1 know. So that's something else that we'll report on
2 as we go along and hopefully that will happen in the
3 near future.

4 I just want to touch on the -- Billy,
5 like Allan was -- a while ago -- we've got all -- we
6 keep a slim crew on our work crew anyway, but we
7 were in the middle of our paving on the mountain
8 when all this weather hit and of course, Burkhalter.
9 So we've pretty much done all the paving we can do.
10 We've got one road finished, don't we, Billy, on the
11 mountain? You lack, what, 100 feet or so?

12 MR. MASSENGALE: Lookout Mountain has
13 about 20-something feet on one road.

14 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. And we really
15 because of funding, you know, because we were
16 putting everything we've got into these road repairs
17 right now for the summer and I don't know that we'll
18 be able to do a whole lot more paving this summer,
19 but we do appreciate Billy and the road crew. I
20 mean, I know they get paid for what they do, but
21 there's a lot of them that put a lot of hours in
22 that really you don't understand, especially Billy
23 back there. I mean, he gives over and beyond and
24 he's never paid for it.

25 Anyway, Mitchell, do you have anything

1 else you want to add?

2 MR. SMITH: No, sir.

3 MR. RUMLEY: Anything else y'all can
4 think of?

5 Okay. I don't think Nathan or -- Peter
6 was here tonight. We want to get them to talk to us
7 on the IDA. Peter had to leave.

8 Don, you want to go ahead and give us
9 our financial report, please?

10 MR. TOWNSEND: As of May 31, 2013, the
11 general fund had a balance of \$209,619; Federal
12 Asset Fund, U.S. Treasury, \$288; Sheriff's Special
13 Fund, \$36,138; Drug Abuse Education Fund, \$55,016;
14 Supplemental Juvenile Services Fund, \$21,558; Victim
15 Assistance Fund, \$6,087; Jail Fund, \$17,327; Federal
16 Asset Fund, Department of Justice, \$3,160; payroll
17 account, \$21,347. Construction account under
18 S.P.L.O.S.T, \$14,372; projects account, \$116,916;
19 proceeds account, \$546,621.

20 You can see on the next page we have
21 the general fund as of April 30th, 2013. The
22 actual revenues for the month was \$435,793.
23 Budgeted though was \$644,231. It was short just for
24 the one month \$208,437. The big one -- well, a very
25 large one there was the TVA payment in lieu of taxes

1 did not settle the same month that it traditionally
2 has, so there perhaps will be next month a bump up.
3 It looks a little worse than it actually probably
4 is.

5 And also, of course, L.O.S.T., as
6 Commissioner Goff said, did come in short. That
7 affected it and then also under the jail, we had a
8 little bit of a shortage and a lot of times what
9 that is is the -- I'm sorry, not the jail. The tax
10 commissioner, tax commissioner, 55,000 -- \$55,000
11 short off of what we projected, which they collected
12 81,000 and monthly projection is 137,000.

13 Year-to-date revenues was \$7,224,220
14 out of a projected \$7,503,413. So although the
15 month is off 208,000, the whole year is only off
16 279,000. Only off 279,000 is huge in Dade County.
17 I mean, it still hurts, but at least it's not that
18 per month. That could be huge. So actual
19 expenditures for the month was 800,686. Budgeted
20 613, so unfortunately that was the other way,
21 \$186,165 over and for the year, \$7,826,755, out of
22 budgeted year-to-date was 7,326,815, so almost
23 500,000 over for the year.

24 So budget attained so far through
25 April 30th was 83.33 percent. Revenues attained,

1 81 percent. Expenses are at 87 percent. So that
2 spells gloom and doom. Sorry.

3 MR. RUMLEY: Did you get that, Robin?

4 MR. TOWNSEND: I hate to put it that
5 way. I'm probably going to be quoted all over the
6 paper this week.

7 Anyway, revenues less expenses -- that
8 should say April. Sorry. Revenues less expenses
9 for April is down or short \$364,892. Revenues less
10 expenses year-to-date is short 602,534. So it's
11 been a very hard month and I will say this, we have
12 already had to dip into our reserve -- not reserve.
13 I wish we had a reserve, our tax anticipation note
14 and I think we're in right now about \$350,000 out of
15 800,000. It's a long time before October gets here.
16 October as we start talking about, we'll get the
17 insurance premium tax.

18 L.O.S.T. is down again and I wish I
19 knew why and -- because we could fix it, but we
20 don't know why. Well, we know why. People
21 aren't -- didn't spend the same amount as they did a
22 few years ago. For instance, May of 2010 was 140 --
23 well, May of 2009 it was 157,000. May of 2011 it
24 was 144,000. May of last year was 173,000. May of
25 this year, 154,000. It's up and down. It's like a

1 yo-yo. And when local option sales tax is down,
2 S.P.L.O.S.T is also down. Same thing. We usually
3 project about 200,000. We like to see it around
4 200,000 and it came in at around 193,000 and
5 unfortunately, we corrected Burkhalter and then we
6 had a flood on top of that. We have literally
7 drained the S.P.L.O.S.T account. So we have not
8 necessarily frozen the S.P.L.O.S.T account, but we
9 have -- we are attempting not to spend anything out
10 of S.P.L.O.S.T until we have accrued -- because
11 legally we have to do this. We have to approve our
12 bond payment.

13 MR. RUMLEY: That's right.

14 MR. TOWNSEND: Bond payment is due
15 November 1st and we literally will be collecting
16 up to October 31st to make that bond payment and
17 it's just --

18 MR. RUMLEY: Providing the collections
19 are on --

20 MR. TOWNSEND: Oh, yeah.

21 MR. RUMLEY: Which I feel like they
22 will be.

23 MR. TOWNSEND: I do, too. I feel like
24 we'll make it and there will be no problem. It's
25 just going to be very disciplined the next few weeks

1 and months and we're going to have to pay some
2 expenses out of the general fund that traditionally
3 we've been paying out of S.P.L.O.S.T., mostly
4 capital or all capital and we're talking about
5 roads, correction, fixing roads. So that's going to
6 hurt. You know, y'all are going to Atlanta tomorrow
7 and I hope --

8 MR. RUMLEY: That's something I didn't
9 report. I will elaborate when you finish on that.
10 That's the one good thing.

11 MR. TOWNSEND: Yeah. I hope you find a
12 pot of gold down there and bring it back.

13 MR. RUMLEY: I doubt we find a pot of
14 gold.

15 MR. TOWNSEND: But it's going to be
16 difficult. You know, I don't want to spell doom and
17 gloom totally, but it's going to be hard. I just
18 want y'all to know it's not like we have pile of
19 money sitting somewhere.

20 MR. RUMLEY: Well, we know that anyway,
21 but that's what we're elected to do. You know, when
22 the going gets rough and you talk about gloom and
23 doom, you know, the easy thing would be for the
24 Commission to say, okay, let's go up two mils, three
25 mils. Well, that's not going to happen. You know,

1 it's times like these that we actually have to
2 tighten up. We're tight with money anyway, but we
3 have to actually -- these are unexpected things that
4 happen, you know, and we're going to make it work.

5 MR. TOWNSEND: So hopefully, if we have
6 no more disasters, we'll be okay. But if we have
7 another disaster, I don't -- we have no more money.

8 MR. RUMLEY: That's out of our control.
9 Mother Nature -- you know, just be thankful we're
10 living in Dade County and breathing Dade County air.
11 We've got a good group of people right here.
12 Scottie included. I'm not going to talk about him
13 without him being here. We're going to handle it.
14 It's just -- we're all on the same wavelength and I
15 appreciate my Commissioners. I appreciate all the
16 constitutional officers because all of this goes
17 right into them. Without their cooperation, we
18 would be even more in a bind. So I just want to
19 thank all of them.

20 Talking about Atlanta though, we do
21 have a meeting in the morning with the Department
22 of -- the actual GDOT, Georgia Department and we've
23 not been promised, but we've been given a really
24 good feeling that we're going to get some aid for
25 our flood damage. Now, this is not coming through

1 Georgia Emergency Management, but this is actually
2 Georgia Department of Transportation and we're
3 meeting with the commissioner. Robert is going down
4 there with me and Todd Long, which is the second in
5 command in the state and we hope to -- we won't
6 bring back any money tomorrow, but we feel good that
7 they're going to actually help us some on this,
8 these damaged roads that we have. So keep your
9 fingers crossed and put us in your prayers on that.
10 Hopefully, we'll have some good news to report from
11 our meeting for that.

12 Does anyone have any questions for Don?
13 Any questions, any corrections? Okay. If not, I
14 I'll entertain a motion to approve our financial
15 statement as presented by Don Townsend.

16 MR. GOFF: I make the motion we approve
17 the financial statement as read.

18 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Do I hear a second?

19 MR. BRADFORD: Second.

20 MR. RUMLEY: Did I hear a second?

21 MR. BRADFORD: Yes.

22 MR. RUMLEY: Well, speak up.

23 MR. BRADFORD: Second.

24 MR. RUMLEY: I'll call the vote. Mr.
25 Bradford?

1 MR. BRADFORD: Yes.

2 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Goff?

3 MR. GOFF: Yes.

4 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Smith?

5 MR. SMITH: Yes.

6 MR. RUMLEY: The chair votes yes.

7 Okay. Robin, do you have anything tonight?

8 MR. ROGERS: I do not. There have been
9 no new developments on the bankruptcy matter and
10 other than the hospital, which you've already
11 reported on.

12 MR. SMITH: They didn't do anything
13 today?

14 MS. FORD-WALLACE: You're asking me?

15 MR. SMITH: Yeah, one of you. Somebody
16 reported on it.

17 MS. FORD-WALLACE: He's the one that
18 gets paid to talk to you. They canceled that
19 meeting. They said in about a month maybe. I'll
20 send you my bill.

21 MR. SMITH: You work for my
22 brother-in-law. He's cheap.

23 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. The -- we've got --
24 actually, the consent agenda. We're having to break
25 two items out of that. Do you want to go ahead and

1 do that first and then cover the whole consent
2 agenda?

3 MR. TOWNSEND: Do you want to -- what
4 about the 4th of July, moving that date?

5 MR. RUMLEY: We didn't do it officially
6 tonight because there could be some changes in --
7 I've got to talk to Scottie. Scottie may -- if he's
8 got a conflict, we might have to have it on another
9 day.

10 MR. TOWNSEND: All right. I'll go over
11 the consent agenda.

12 MR. RUMLEY: Wait just a minute. The
13 reading of the minutes of the last month's regular
14 meeting and special-called meeting won't be required
15 since all commissioners have been furnished copies
16 in advance. The minutes are public record and are
17 available in the commission office. But Don, do you
18 want to go over our consent agenda and actually,
19 don't want to forget to take those two items out.
20 We'll have to vote on them separately, so if you
21 would go over that.

22 MR. TOWNSEND: The approval of the
23 agenda as amended by adding number 19, which is
24 R-37-17, U.S. Department of Justice, COPS grant.
25 The approval of previous meeting minutes, review

1 employee head count report -- I'm sorry, employee
2 head count report as reported, board appointments.
3 We had Resolution R-28-13, which is reappointment of
4 Diane Rumley to be a member of the Department of --
5 oh, no. Sorry. Take that off.

6 Approval of RFP to seal and paint
7 buildings -- no, we're not going to do that one
8 either.

9 MR. RUMLEY: That's another one.

10 MR. TOWNSEND: I tell you what, y'all
11 are just catching me on every one of them. I want
12 to ask Erin to clean all this up for me on the
13 record.

14 Okay. Let's start over. Resolution
15 R-30-13, Transit Alliance Group, Department of Human
16 Services Region One Transportation Services. It's a
17 grant application. Resolution R-31-13, appointment
18 of county safety coordinator, which is Mary Bailey.
19 Resolution R-32-13, appointment of workplace
20 wellness policy and coordinator, which is Mary
21 Bailey, Resolution R-33-13, agreement with Georgia
22 Department of Drivers Services. Resolution R-34-13,
23 which is the GEMA, emergency performance grant
24 application CFDA 97.042 for \$5,000. It's \$5,000.

25 And then Resolution R-35-13, agreement

1 with C.W. Matthews Contracting Company,
2 Incorporated. Resolution -- I believe that's it
3 actually -- no. Well, it was item number 19,
4 R-37-13, again, that's an application for the United
5 States Department of Justice, make application for
6 the office of Community Oriented Policing Services,
7 COPS hiring program for CHP funding and that's just
8 the application for one employee for a three-year
9 period.

10 And Resolution R-29-13, surplus
11 property for a 2005 Grasshopper, model number 722D2.
12 I think that was it. That was very jumbled, but
13 hey. That has to be the worst I've ever done in
14 seven years.

15 MR. RUMLEY: All right. Any questions?
16 Corrections? If not, I'll entertain a motion to
17 approve the consent agenda as presented.

18 MR. SMITH: Motion to approve.

19 MR. RUMLEY: Do I have a second?

20 MR. GOFF: Second.

21 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. I'll call a vote.
22 Mr. Bradford?

23 MR. BRADFORD: Yes.

24 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Goff?

25 MR. GOFF: Yes.

1 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Smith?

2 MR. SMITH: Yes.

3 MR. RUMLEY: The chair votes yes. Now
4 we have two other items.

5 MR. TOWNSEND: We do. Under new
6 business we number four, which is on the agenda and
7 that's Resolution R-28-13, a reappointment of Diane
8 Rumley to the Department of Family and Children
9 Services board and that is for a term beginning
10 July 1st, 2013 and expires 6/30/2018, five-year
11 term.

12 MR. RUMLEY: Do I hear a motion?

13 MR. BRADFORD: I make a motion to
14 approve.

15 MR. SMITH: Second.

16 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. I'll call a vote.
17 Mr. Bradford?

18 MR. BRADFORD: Yes.

19 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Goff?

20 MR. GOFF: Yes.

21 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Smith?

22 MR. SMITH: Yes.

23 MR. RUMLEY: And I abstain from voting
24 on that. All right. Next one?

25 MR. TOWNSEND: Number seven on the

1 agenda was approval of RFP to seal and paint
2 buildings at the Parks and Recreation Department.
3 The winning bid was Gregory -- Greg Bradford
4 Painting for a total cost of \$2,585.

5 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Do I hear a motion
6 to approve?

7 MR. SMITH: Motion to approve.

8 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Do I have a second?

9 MR. GOFF: Second.

10 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. I'll call a vote.

11 Mr. Smith?

12 MR. SMITH: Yes.

13 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Rumley votes yes. And

14 Mr. Goff?

15 MR. GOFF: Yes.

16 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Bradford?

17 MR. BRADFORD: I'll have to abstain.

18 That's my brother.

19 MR. RUMLEY: Thank you. Anyone want to
20 come up and talk to us tonight? About everybody has
21 left. They got tired of waiting on us.

22 MR. BELDYCK: My name is Richard
23 Beldyck. I'm the public information officer, one of
24 them, for the Georgia Section of the Amateur Radio.
25 I'm also involved in the Dade County areas group.

1 The group just starting with the amateur radio
2 emergency services. Just here today to invite you
3 to our field day, which will be here at Cloudland
4 Canyon on June 22nd through the 23rd. If you --
5 we're going to be there 24 hours a day passing
6 messages, doing emergency training exercises.

7 As you know, we've had several
8 incidents recently. You know, back May 19th we
9 had the floods. Members were out passing messages,
10 doing welfare checks. There we also last -- the
11 29th at our meeting at the sheriff's office, we
12 were getting welfare messages from Oklahoma. We're
13 not just local, but we're handing out. We're doing
14 things nationally. You know, area members, they
15 have an FCC license. They have had four FEMA
16 courses. They have gone through a course on
17 emergency communications and passed a test by the
18 state and also have passed a background check.
19 We're here to serve, you know, the community. We
20 believe very much in the community. Let me just
21 pass these out. These are just -- find yours and
22 pass it out.

23 MR. RUMLEY: The public is invited to
24 this?

25 MR. BELDYCK: Public is definitely

1 invited. We want to show off what we can do. If
2 the public comes out, if you want to, we will pass a
3 test message to somebody out of state via ham radio,
4 you know, testing our system. The press is invited.
5 I will be sending out a press release via
6 alternative communications, you know, from up there.
7 So everybody is welcome.

8 MR. RUMLEY: I appreciate the
9 invitation.

10 MR. GOFF: I would like to say thank
11 you to you guys because there's times that -- now,
12 this is what we used to call ham radios, right?

13 MR. BELDYCK: Yes.

14 MR. GOFF: There's time, I mean,
15 disasters, we get to the place that that can be the
16 communication.

17 MR. BELDYCK: If you look back at the
18 April 27th tornadoes, look at what happened
19 communication wise. The Weather Service lost six of
20 their transmitters in the area. So they weren't
21 getting any information. They lost one of the
22 Doppler radars. That information was not getting
23 back. So they were relying on ham radio and sky
24 warn volunteers to relay that information back to
25 Peachtree City.

1 MR. RUMLEY: Thank you. Come on up.
2 Marshana, do you have a report for us tonight?

3 MS. SHARP: I just want to tell them
4 about the -- we've started summer reading and it's
5 going really well. I guess y'all noticed your
6 parking lot was full today. We had over 200 over
7 there today for the summer reading.

8 MR. RUMLEY: Good.

9 MR. POUNDS: Tom Pounds. I addressed
10 the Commission last month on recycling glass and we
11 all have bigger and better things to worry about
12 than recycling glass, but to some people that's very
13 important. I'm one. I asked Commissioner Bradford
14 and he said he was going to try to get some
15 information. We've talked and I've talked several
16 times to Billy and Billy has got bigger and better
17 things to worry about. I'm not here pointing
18 fingers. I'm here to try to help give you some
19 information that I was able to find.

20 All right. First of all, our
21 community, the surrounding counties, Walker County,
22 Catoosa County, they don't have a landfill. They
23 have transfer stations and they don't offer
24 recycling. The county doesn't.

25 MR. RUMLEY: Does Walker not have a

1 landfill now?

2 MR. POUNDS: Well, they do have a
3 landfill, but they also have a transfer station.
4 They have private contractors that provide some curb
5 service, but the county itself does not provide
6 recycling. Dade County does and Dade County has
7 offered the recycling for glass, aluminum,
8 cardboard, plastics one and two, that type of thing
9 and I'm very grateful that this county has that
10 commitment.

11 Recently, we haven't been recycling
12 glass. Now, I'm going to give a little personal
13 things in here. I found out long before the
14 reporters found out that we were burying our glass
15 and not recycling. I didn't have a problem with
16 that because I understood they were looking for an
17 answer and I thought, well, that's a good thing.
18 People that are used to recycling should continue
19 recycling and I didn't have a problem with not
20 telling the citizens that they were putting it in
21 the ground if they were going to fix the system. I
22 don't think there was intention to fix the system,
23 so that's a whole different -- and that's my
24 personal opinion.

25 Okay. I started calling the people

1 that are still recycling glass and asking how they
2 could be recycling glass and I'm not coming to the
3 Commission saying let's spend more money so we can
4 recycle glass. I don't want to spend more money. I
5 would like to be able to recycle glass with what we
6 have. So I started calling around the people that
7 are still recycling in the area. Most of Dade
8 County people are either holding their glass, have
9 contracted curb service or they're taking it to
10 Chattanooga. I for one am taking my glass to
11 Chattanooga and I talked with these people. The
12 people that I talked to said they were sending their
13 glass to Strategic Material Incorporated in the
14 Atlanta area.

15 So I contacted SMI and they told me
16 that they pay \$35 a ton if it's delivered to them
17 for clear glass, \$30 a ton for brown glass and \$15 a
18 ton for green glass. Now, you have to pay the
19 transportation and the cost to get it there. Well,
20 there was some numbers that came out that said --
21 and I don't remember the exact numbers, but it was
22 more than three to one why we made the decision to
23 start burying our glass, that it was three times
24 more expensive to recycle than it was to bury it. I
25 just don't see how that could be if there's somebody

1 out there willing to pay that kind of money. I'm
2 just asking you to look at this and I'll give you
3 the numbers of the people that I contacted.

4 Orange Grove Recycling Center is where
5 I've been taking my glass and I talked to them and
6 Leslie there said they use a company called Future
7 Transport to take their recycled glass to SMI down
8 in Atlanta. She said they about break even.
9 Sometimes it costs them a little bit. Sometimes
10 they make a little bit, but they make it up with the
11 money they get from their other recyclables.

12 So I guess -- and I'm -- the word I'm
13 one and done, well, I'm two and done. I'm going
14 to -- if we can't recycle our glass, I'm going to go
15 ahead with curbside service and I want to offer this
16 to -- there is a company that will come to Dade
17 County. Now, they don't go all over Dade County. I
18 don't believe they go to Sand Mountain, but they
19 will pick up recycled material for \$7 a month and
20 that recycled curb service and they recycle
21 newspaper, cardboard, plastics and those are numbers
22 one through seven, aluminum and glasses and you
23 don't have to separate it. They do all the
24 separation.

25 Before I would recommend them, I did

1 some background on them to make sure they were
2 recycling the glass.

3 MR. RUMLEY: Is that Green?

4 MR. POUNDS: Yes. So I did and it's
5 Green Garage and Recycling Company and they're using
6 Tillers Garbage Recycling Service is who the people
7 RockTenn has a contract with Strategic, SMI, and
8 they pick it up from Tillers Garbage, which happens
9 to be the in-laws of the Greens who have that
10 service. Why there's a third-party, I don't know.

11 So bottom line, I would like to see the
12 commissioners try to figure out how we can recycle
13 our glass again. If you can't, I'm certainly not
14 pointing a finger and saying that's crazy, but I
15 don't understand why we six months ago could and now
16 we can't. The numbers don't add up to me. So I
17 will give this to information to anybody that wants
18 it. Any questions?

19 MR. RUMLEY: Well, the Green guy that
20 runs the --

21 MR. POUNDS: Drew Green.

22 MR. RUMLEY: He has actually opened an
23 account with us here. He started hauling some of
24 his stuff here in the county and I've talked to him.
25 He's supposed to get back with me on putting a

1 container down there, you know, where people can put
2 their glass. But, you know, we'll research, you
3 know, as far as the cost of hauling to Atlanta and
4 back, you know, and our trucks and all and that
5 driver and all that, but Billy, that's something you
6 can look at next week. He's actually insinuating
7 that we just quit because we wanted to quit. You
8 know, I can tell that.

9 MR. MASSENGALE: It was money.

10 MR. RUMLEY: It was money. I mean,
11 we're here to save the taxpayers of Dade County
12 every dime we can.

13 MR. POUNDS: Okay. I understand.

14 MR. RUMLEY: As far as cutting your
15 glass off, that was something -- and keeping some
16 secret, there was no secret.

17 MR POUNDS: No, that was a secret.
18 They didn't come out and say we're not recycling and
19 you still had the recycle bin out there. So I
20 mean -- the secret --

21 MR. RUMLEY: We really didn't want
22 people to get out of the habit because we really
23 thought --

24 MR POUNDS: And I understood that.

25 MR. RUMLEY: And really what we should

1 have done is just pulled it and went ahead and put
2 an article in the paper and said we're not taking
3 glass anymore.

4 MR. POUNDS: I think in retrospect, I
5 agree with you.

6 MR. RUMLEY: But that was our call on
7 it. We weren't deceiving or depriving anyone of
8 Dade County of anything regardless of how you feel
9 about it. Okay. I appreciate you coming up and
10 talking to us tonight.

11 Okay. Anybody else? Have you got
12 anything else you want to say about the library?

13 MS. SHARP: A gentleman came up from
14 Barnes and Noble today and he was doing a book fair
15 for us and he got to talking to everybody in the
16 library and everything and they were going to do it
17 for like a week and he said he enjoyed being in Dade
18 County so much, it was his first time, he was
19 actually going to do it for a month. So anybody
20 that goes to Barnes and Noble and tells them for the
21 library, they will give us money for books. He was
22 very impressed. He said he was very impressed with
23 his first time in Dade County. He was talking to
24 everybody. He was very impressed.

25 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Good. Anyone else

1 got anything you want to say tonight?

2 Commissioners, you got anything you want to add?

3 Okay. If not, I'll entertain a motion to adjourn.

4 Do I hear that motion?

5 MR. GOFF: Make a motion to adjourn.

6 MR. BRADFORD: Second.

7 MR. RUMLEY: I'll call the vote. Mr.

8 Bradford?

9 MR. BRADFORD: Yes.

10 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Goff?

11 MR. GOFF: Yes.

12 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Pittman, I'm sure he
13 would say yes. Mr. Smith?

14 MR. SMITH: Yes.

15 MR. RUMLEY: The chair votes yes.

16 Meeting adjourned.

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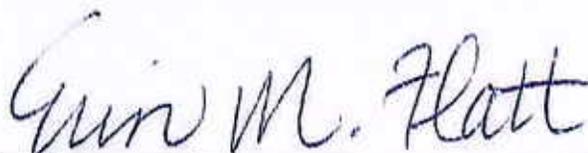
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