

MINUTES OF A JOINT MEETING WITH THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF ALACHUA COUNTY
AND THE
HIGH SPRINGS CITY COMMISSION
TO DISCUSS THE
INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR
PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITY PLANNING
August 30, 2006

The School Board of Alachua County, Florida, met with the High Springs City Commission in a joint workshop session duly called at 2:30 p.m. in the High Springs City Hall, High Springs, Florida. Present were: F. Wesley Eubank, chairman; Vice-Chairman Ginger Childs; Eileen Roy, Janie S. Williams, members; Tina Pinkoson, absent; W. Daniel Boyd, Jr., Superintendent; and staff members. High Springs City Commissioners Present were Mayor Bryan Williams, Thomas DePeter, Kirk Eppenstein, James Gabriel, Larry Travis, commissioners; Jim Drumm, city manager; and staff members.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bryan Williams and Chairman Wes Eubank.

OVERVIEW The joint workshop was to discuss a proposed Interlocal Agreement for Public School Facility Planning (School Concurrency) and to discuss other general education issues.

PRESENTATION Mr. Keith Birkett began the presentation by explaining school funding and revenue options for the school board.

Mr. Ed Gable then presented a review of facility needs and projects for High Springs Community School and Santa Fe High School.

Mr. Tougaw reviewed the purposes of school concurrency, the timeline, provisions of the current agreement, key documents required to implement school concurrency, an overview of the process, revisions, changes and additions to the updated agreement, and the current schedule requiring the adoption of the Interlocal Agreement for Public School Facility Planning and submission to Department of Community Affairs by September 1, 2006.

(See attached PowerPoint presentation)

DISCUSSION There was much discussion related to the Interlocal Agreement. Commission members were not comfortable with a lot of the language and words used in the Interlocal Agreement. They were also not pleased with the tight timeline in which to adopt the agreement and felt like more time would be appropriate. Their concerns were to maintain community schools, implement less-than-districtwide concurrency service areas and the commitment of the School Board to build new schools in the High Springs community when needed. The School Board members reassured the High Spring City Commission of their commitment to community schools.

At the end of the meeting, the High Springs City Commission voted 4-1 to adopt the Interlocal Agreement.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.