

MAY 13, 2004-TOWN HALL MEETING

The Board of County Commissioners, Walton County, Florida, held a Town Hall Meeting on Thursday, May 13, 2004, at 6:00 p.m. at the Portland Community Center.

The following Board members were present: Larry Jones, Chair, Tim Pauls, Vice-Chair, Commissioner Lane Rees, Commissioner Ro Cuchens and Commissioner Kenneth Pridgen. Mr. Ronnie Bell, Interim County Administrator, and each department head were also present.

Commissioner Cuchens introduced each commissioner and the Mayor of Freeport, Mr. Mickey Marse. He then turned the presentation over to Mr. Ken Little, Citizen Services Director, who presented a power-point presentation.

Commissioner Cuchens opened the floor to public comments and questions.

Each of the members of the Board thanked the public for attending the meeting. They encouraged the citizens to contact the Board with their comments and suggestions.

Mr. Little expressed appreciation to the Fire Department and the media for publicizing the meeting.

Mayor Marse commended the Board for all their work.

One member of the audience questioned about additional fire personnel for the Choctaw area. Mr. Ed Baltzey, EOC Manager, responded that one paramedic/firefighter would be located at the station. Another member of the audience stated that there would be a public meeting held in June to address the issue.

Commissioner Cuchens introduced the staff that was present to answer questions.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

APPROVED: _____

Larry D. Jones, Chair

ATTEST: _____
Martha Ingle, Clerk of Court