The Committee of the Whole met on Tuesday, January 12, 2010 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building, beginning at 2:30 p.m. Mr. Kinard, Committee V Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

- James E. Kinard, Jr., V Chairman
- William C. Derrick
- George H. Smokey Davis
- Bobby C. Keisler
- Johnny W. Jeffcoat
- John W. Carrigg, Jr.
- William B. Banning, Sr.
- M. Todd Cullum

Absent:

- *Debra B. Summers, Chairman

*Ms. Summers was not present due to the funeral of her mother-in-law.

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Joe Mergo, Deputy County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

**Point of Sale Legislation (H3272) - (Goal 3)** - Mr. Derrick briefed the Committee on a meeting held January 7th with Senators Knotts and Setlzer regarding the pending point of sale legislation up for debate. He said the Senators recognized this as a very complex issue and were insistent that there may be some compromise other than simply eliminate the point of sales part of the law. Mr. Derrick also said he would like to see Council establish a closer rapport with the County’s Legislative Delegation by arranging similar meetings in the future. For information only, no action taken.

**Approval of Minutes - Meetings of November 10 and December 8, 2009** - A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Keisler to approve the November 10 and December 8, 2009 minutes as submitted.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Old Business - Tax Installment Payments** - Mr. Keisler said he has been discussing tax installment payments with County Treasurer Jim Eckstrom and wants to see this available by 2011. The Committee discussed the matter and requested staff to ask the Treasurer for
recommendations with pros and cons for a tax installment service next month for the Committee’s review.

Old Business/New Business - Local Contractors Procurement - None.

Possible Executive Session if Time Permits - Executive Session/Legal Briefing - A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Derrick to go into Executive Session for two contractual and ten legal matters.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mr. Kinard reconvened the meeting in open session with no motions to be considered.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee                           James E. Kinard, Jr.
Assistant to the Clerk                    V Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk