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state had used the 1937 State Statute (Title 19 § 564) to fund their radio system. Chairman will contact John Ward, Director of the Association of County Commissioners, to request similar information. Further discussions regarding this matter were tabled until the information can be obtained from these associations.

Hamilton discussed John Cantrell's proposal to convert the assessor's revaluation money to a special revenue fund as an accounting mechanism to charge some of the funding costs back to those who should be paying them. He stated that the current revaluation budget is a part of the county general fund and the county pays all financing costs for that money if an entity doesn't pay by July 1. He pointed out that a benefit in having the special revenue fund would be that any financial obligations, for which we have not received sufficient revenue to pay, could be issued through non-payable warrants. In that way the county would not have to pay expenses. If the entity did not pay and the county was nearing the end of the fiscal year, the bank that held the non-payable warrants could sue us in a friendly lawsuit, we could confess judgement, and the deficit could be paid from the sinking fund.

Bettis distributed an October 13 memo from Cheryl Clay. He said it seemed Cantrell's plan would be creating a system by which no one would be willing to pay. He expressed concern about the affect this action might have on the matter now before the courts regarding the units that have not paid from last year. He also mentioned that the county might be out of compliance with existing laws if Cantrell's plan is adopted.

Due to the subject matter and the complex nature of Cantrell's proposal, Chairman requested a written report by Cantrell's office be submitted to Blakeley for legal review and then to the Budget Board for future discussion. Hamilton will notify Cantrell of the Board's request.

Tallent reported on the Board's temporary employee pay policy, stating that some time ago, the Board froze salaries and stopped giving new Board employees pay increases after completion of their six-month probationary period. When Rudd brought a request to the Board for probationary increases for two of his employees, it was pointed out that not all elected officials have followed the practice of denying raises to probationary employees and the Board agreed they would like to have a consistent policy. Tallent's report indicated it would cost \$15,722 this fiscal year to give 4% raises to the Board's probationary employees, based upon the date they transitioned to full-time status. Motion was made by Dick, seconded by Harris, to resume the policy of providing a salary increase to its employees when they successfully complete their six-month probationary period. Upon roll call: Harris, yes; Selph, yes; Dick, yes. Motion carried.

Bales presented a revised plan for American Lung Association Golf Privilege Cards. He pointed out that the original concept had not worked well across the