

January 30, 1961

The Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, met in REGULAR SESSION in the Court House in Bradenton, Florida, Monday, January 30, 1961 at 9:30 a.m.

Present were Commissioners Earl Bibey, H. C. Slaughter, Irwin Klemmer, Elmer Bustle and W. E. Crist, Deputy Clerk Bruce M. Cox and County Attorney James Adams.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Crist.

Minutes of the last regular meeting were read. There being no alterations, corrections or additions, and upon motion by Mr. Bibey, seconded by Mr. Bustle, the minutes were approved as read.

INTOXICATING BEVERAGES
REQUEST CHANGE DISTANCE FROM CHURCHES & SCHOOLS Tabled

REF: WALGREEN DRUG STORE
CORTEZ PLAZA

Robert Knowles, appearing as attorney for WALGREEN DRUG STORE, Cortez Plaza, submitted for the Board's consideration, resolutions changing the requirements for distance between establishments selling intoxicating liquors and churches and schools

From 2500 feet to 1000 feet and providing

- 1) That package liquor stores shall be permitted in shopping centers containing building area of not less than 8 acres, only one such store to each center;
- 2) That intoxicating liquors may be sold in establishments not less than 1000 feet, which distance shall be measured by following the shortest route of pedestrian travel along the public thoroughfare from the main entrance of the business to the main entrance of church or school.

He advised that if the Board passed one of the resolutions granting the variance his client would purchase the license of an establishment now operating under a Consumption-on-premises license, which would then be decreased in series to a package store license.

Upon motion by Mr. Klemmer, seconded by Mr. Bibey, the resolutions were tabled for further study and possible recommendation at the next meeting of the Board.

HUNNICUTT & ASSOCIATES: APPRAISAL SYSTEM ADOPTED
AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT AUTHORIZED

Hiram Strickland, Tax Assessor, submitted proposal for an amendment to the contract between Manatee County and Hunnicutt and Associates to provide for the revaluation to be set up under the Hunnicutt appraisal system. He explained that the additional cost would be \$17,000.00, but adoption of the system would create a saving to the county in future years, would be more easily understood by office personnel and easier to explain to taxpayers.

Warren Hunnicutt, Sr., explained other advantages to be gained by adoption of the recommended system.

Richard Roberts, project director, answered questions regarding the progress of the revaluations to date and whether or not the installation of the system would change the completion date. He estimated that about 15% on residential or buildings, 50% on business personal property and 40% on land had been completed; that two more persons would be added to the staff and the project would still be completed in July or August, 1961.

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Motion was made by Mr. Bibey that Mr. Strickland's letter of January 28, 1961 be made a part of the record. Motion was seconded by Mr. Slaughter and carried.

Board of County Commissioners
Manatee County
Bradenton, Florida

January 28, 1961

Dear Sirs:

I have made a careful and thorough study of the contract between Hunnicutt & Associates, Inc., and Manatee County and feel that the following changes will be to the best interest of Manatee County:

Change in Section 1.2

I recommend that new appraisal cards be installed and the existing information and building drawings be transferred to the new forms, after having been rechecked and corrected in the field.

Change in Section 1.4

That the revaluation program be set up under the Hunnicutt appraisal system. There are several reasons why this system is preferred over the existing system, as follows:

1. It will be simpler and more economical to maintain.
2. It is more easily understood by office personnel and much easier to explain to taxpayers.

Change in Section 1.6

Photographs of buildings are not a necessary item in a good appraisal system. They present problems in filing (require as much space in file as the appraisal card, making it necessary to have twice the space in filing cabinets.) I recommend they be omitted from the contract and the cost of this item be credited to the additional work herein proposed.

Change in Section 5.3

Upon converting to the Hunnicutt system, the corporation should furnish one (1) Building Rate Calculator, two (2) Hunnicutt Appraisal Manuals, and two (2) Building Cost Slide Rules; these items to replace the four (4) manuals called for in the present contract.

Change in Section 5.4

Omit paragraph (D) pertaining to county furnishing polaroid camera and camera supplies as may be needed by the corporation to perform the work as set forth in Section 1.6 of contract.

Listed below is the saving for year 1961 and 1962 under the amended contract:

	<u>1961</u>		<u>1962</u>
Change in Section 1.2	\$3,000.00	Labor	\$2,000.00
Change ;in Section 1.4	4,000.00	Labor	3,000.00
Change in Section 1.6	3,000.00	Material	3,000.00
Change in Section 1.6	3,000.00	Labor	3,000.00
Change in Section 1.6	500.00	Cameras	
	<u>\$13,500.00</u>		<u>\$11,000.00</u>

Having checked with many other counties throughout the state, all of which have installed the complete system as proposed, I have come to the conclusion that the savings in tax dollars would continue during future years.

Respectfully submitted,
Hiram Strickland /s/
Hiram Strickland /t/
Tax Assessor

Motion was made by Mr. Slaughter that the Hunnicutt appraisal system be adopted and the contract be amended in accordance with the recommendations outlined by Mr. Strickland. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bibey and carried unanimously.

RECORDED 416-86

MANATEE PRESS CLUB
PROTEST BARRING MEMBERS OF PRESS FROM MEETINGS

Ed Bauman, president of the Manatee Press Club, Inc., protested

The barring of any member of the press from any meetings during which any matters are discussed which involve the expenditure or proposed expenditure of public funds of any other matters involving the public's interest;

Suggested that the Commission, through its chairman instruct all chairmen or presiding officers of any Board, commission, committee or other appointive or elected groups which come under the jurisdiction of this Board of County Commissioners, to notify all members of the press in advance of all meetings, not regularly scheduled to their knowledge.

Chairman Crist suggested that each organization include in its charter or resolution the recommendations presented by the Press Club.

FIVE MINUTE RECESS

Mr. Abe Cole, representing the Public Relations Council, came before the Board to clarify the incidents, or events, which could have been responsible for this subject to be brought before the Board.

After discussion, Chairman Crist stated that he would follow through on the proposal that charters of the organizations set forth procedure in matters outlined in the letter from the Press Club.

CONSTABLES' TRAVEL EXPENSE
COUNTY ATTORNEY TO DRAW DRAFT LEGISLATION FOR CONSIDERATION

James Beck, Constable District 6, who had requested the Board to endorse special legislation for his salary increase and travelling expenses (January 26, 1961 - tabled by the Board for study and conference with Sheriff Kenneth Gross), Raymond Ely, Constable District 1, T. A. Hendry, Constable District 11, came before the Board to explain some of the procedure in the serving of warrants and the amount of mileage often involved, for which there is no remuneration at the present time.

J. Kenneth Gross, Sheriff, answered questions relative to necessity of the constables' office and how these officers could aid his office. He told the Board that the constables' job could be an asset to the county and his office, particularly in matters concerning bad checks; if all warrants coming out of the Justice of Peace offices could be served by the constables it would greatly reduce the work load in one of the departments of the sheriff's office.

Justices of Peace, Frank Arpeia, District 6, and Raymond Ely, District 1, spoke favorably for allowance of reasonable expenses for the constables.

Mr. Bibey moved that the county attorney draw up draft of a legislative act to allow office material and travelling expenses for the constables to be submitted to the Board for consideration, but that the proposal of salary increase (Constable Beck) be tabled for further conference. Motion was seconded by Mr. Klemmer and carried.

CLOSE WEST COUNTY TERRITORY TO HUNTING
COUNTY ATTORNEY TO DRAW DRAFT LEGISLATION

Dr. Robert O. Singleton asked if the Board would be interested in sponsoring legislation closing an area west of Bradenton to hunting. He explained that last year the county commissioners had requested the Game Commission to close the area, but it had been denied; that the Attorney General had advised there was nothing the Game Commission could do because the territory was too thickly populated to be classified as a game reserve, and offered suggestion that special legislation be sought to gain protection for the residents.

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Motion was made by Mr. Slaughter that the Board sponsor the necessary legislation to close to hunting

All that territory south of Manatee River to the Cortez Road, from U.S. 301 on the east to Sarasota Bay on the west

and that the matter be referred to the county attorney for study and preparation of a draft bill. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bustle and carried unanimously.

PINEDALE SUBDIVISION

PUBLIC HEARING ON PETITION TO CLOSE ALLEY

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

The Board held public hearing on the petition of PIONEER OIL COMPANY to vacate a certain alley in PINEDALE SUBDIVISION. Approval of the vacation had been given by the City of Bradenton and the Planning and Zoning Commission. No objections were heard and motion was made by Mr. Slaughter that resolution granting the petition be adopted. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bustle and carried unanimously. RECORDED A16-112

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Z O N I N G

RECOMMENDATIONS BY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Mr. Charles Hess, director, submitted report of the Planning and Zoning Commission on items of zoning recommended for approval:

R-1
Cortez Estates Utility Co.
Petition to rezone from R-1AA Residential to GU General Utilization for sewage plant on the following described land: Begin at SW cor. of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sect. 8, Twp. 35S., R17E., thence N. 0°26.5' W. for 300 ft. along W. line of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. 89°48' E. for 340 ft. for POB, thence N. 45°07'10" W. 56.89 ft., thence N. 0°26.5' W. for 200 ft., thence S. 89°48' E. for 240 ft., thence S. 44°48' E. for 140 ft., thence S. 20°55'02" W. 94.04 ft., thence S. 45°12' W. 75 ft., thence N. 89°48' W. for 210 ft. to POB, Located south of Cortez Rd., east of 59th St., if extended.

Upon motion by Mr. Bustle, seconded by Mr. Slaughter the petition of Cortez Estates Utility Company was approved.

SE-1 Ben LeVan
Application to excavate a shell pit on East side of U.S. 41 in rear of Hall's Village between Oneco Rd. and Little Pittsburgh Rd.

Upon motion by Mr. Bustle, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, the application of BEN LEVAN was approved.

West Cortez Land Co.
Application for Shell Pit permit on NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sect. 7, Twp. 35S., R 17E., located on south side of Cortez Rd., east of 71st St. W.

Upon motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, application of WEST CORTEZ LAND COMPANY was approved.

Bernard Benicasa d/b/a Belle Grove Trailer Village
Application for approval of trailer park plans. Mr. Hess explained that this was an old existing trailer park prior to enactment of zoning ordinances and this was to bring up to date by placing the plans on record.

Upon motion by Mr. Klemmer, seconded by Mr. Bibey, the plans of BELLE GROVE TRAILER VILLAGE were approved.

Palmetto Canning Company
Application to extend non-conforming use by adding a 14' x 58 $\frac{1}{2}$ ' addition to south side and 40'x10' on rear of property located at intersection of U.S. 41 & 19, opposite Twilight Motel.

Upon motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Bustle, application of PALMETTO CANNING COMPANY was approved.

ZONING ORDINANCES REQUESTED RETURNED; APPROVED
ARTICLES 5 and 32; ARTICLES 19 and 26

Mr. Hess requested that ARTICLES 5 (non-conforming uses and structures) ARTICLE 32 (G.U. public purpose lands)

be returned to the Planning and Zoning Commission for further study and

ARTICLE 19 (Moving of Buildings and Structures)
ARTICLE 26 (Off-Street Parking)

be approved.

BENSON, JR., JOHN B. COUNTY ENGINEER
DESIGNATED TO CHECK AND APPROVE PLATS

Mr. Hess offered recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission that the County Engineer be designated to check and approve all plats before being submitted for final approval by the P & Z Commission and the Board of County Commissioners, and that a fee of \$25.00 each plat be charged and revert to the county.

Motion was made by Mr. Bustle that John B. Benson, Jr., County Engineer, examine and approve all plats before they are submitted for final approval by the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Board of County Commissioners and that a fee of \$25.00 each be charged to be credited to the county. Motion was seconded by Mr. Klemmer and carried.

BIDS ON INSURANCE REFERRED TO DEPUTY CLERK

Bids on fire insurance on County Buildings and Contents and County Bridges were received and opened from

Shelton Insurance Agency, Inc.	BRIDGES	
Commercial Union Assurance Co.	Premium	\$1,537.74
Weichel-Wallace Insurance Agency	BUILDINGS & BRIDGES	
The Preferred Risk Ins. Co.	Percent of deviation from	
N.Y. Central Mutual Fire Ins. Co.	Average Rate as established	
Stanley Associates, Inc.	by Florida Inspection & Rating	
Preferred Mutual Insurance Co.	Bureau	20%
	20%
J. E. Pratt Agency		
Balboa Ins. Co. of Los Angeles	20%

Upon motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Bustle, the bids were referred to Deputy Clerk Bruce M. Cox for study and tabulation.

DEPUTY SHERIFFS' BONDS AUTHORIZED CANCELLED OF RECORD

Sheriff J. Kenneth Gross submitted request for cancellation of Deputy Sheriffs' bonds. Upon motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, the following Deputy Sheriffs' bonds were authorized cancelled of record:

	Exp. date		Exp. date
Lila T. Cooper	1/19/61	Willis H. Adams	12/28/60
Margaret T. Littler	1/20/61	Frederick Barber	11/10/60
Charles W. Rodgers	1/15/61	Luther Bartels	8/12/60
James Z. Stanley	1/11/61	Kenneth L. Ernest	11/20/60
Dudley D. Goulden, Jr.	1/13/61	Earl R. Howell	12/29/60
Charles Robert Brown	9/3/60	John Kersey	10/30/60
James T. Kane	12/1/60	Glen D. Lively, Jr.	9/10/60
James Calvin Martin	9/3/60	Robt. E. Newberry	1/5/61
Deryl E. Smith	8/13/60	Dorothy F. Rosa	1/12/61
William T. Roberts	1/5/61	Earl F. Taylor	12/29/60

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BONDS APPROVED

DEPUTY SHERIFFS

BUILDING CONTRACTORS

Upon motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, the following bonds were approved:

Deputy Sheriffs

Charles Forest Wood
Franklin Arthur Riles (Jailer and Relief Dispatcher)

Building Contractors

Ronald A. Stone
Russell Cale
Homer A. Ford, Sr.
William Davis Quisenberry

PLUMBING CONTRACTOR'S BOND CANCELLED

BARNEY B. MOORE, SR.

Upon motion by Mr. Bibey, seconded by Mr. Slaughter, Plumbing Contractor's bond of BARNEY B. MOORE, SR., was authorized cancelled or released.

HENDRY, T. A.

ANNUAL REPORT RECEIVED

Upon motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Bustle, the Annual Report of T. A. HENDRY, CONSTABLE DISTRICT 11, was received. RECORDED A16-113

WARRANT LISTS AND REQUISITIONS APPROVED

Upon motion by Mr. Bustle, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, Warrant Lists of January 30 and 31, 1961 and requisitions were approved and Warrant List of February 6, 1961 was authorized.

BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, the following bills were approved for payment:

Robert Moon	70.40
Don McGuire	125.00 (Bond of Robert Rickey, County Judge)
Harrison Company	51.50
Committee of 100	286.50
Stinson & Vaught	4.00 (Bond of John Benson, County Engineer)
Les Jackson	37.10 (Public Beach)
Gilbert E. Johnson	2253.54; 821.86; 1147.51
Manatee County Youth Center	101.12
Florida Forest Service	1650.71
Hiram Strickland	79.72

The bill for \$520.00 from Dr. Henry Taxdal, former county physician, was tabled.

HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY GROUP
CHECK TO COVER FIRE DAMAGE ENDORSED TO CONTRACTOR

A check for \$50.00 from the Hartford Fire Insurance Company Group was received to cover minor fire damage at the new Manatee County Office Building during construction. Inasmuch as this damage had been repaired by the contractor, S. L. Chennault and Son, and the county suffered no loss thereon, motion was made by Mr. Slaughter that the county release claim and authorize the Chairman to endorse the check in favor of the contractor. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bibey and carried unanimously.

(Note: The check was made payable to
Manatee County Board of County Commissioners, Bradenton, Florida,
and S. L. Chennault & Son, Palmetto, Florida)

ALLEN, DR. FREDERICK
APPOINTED COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER

Upon motion by Mr. Klemmer, seconded by Mr. Bibey, DR. FREDERICK ALLEN was appointed COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER at no salary increase.

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE OF MAY 29, 1953 TABLED
RE: SARASOTA-BRADENTON AIRPORT AUTHORITY

Motion was made by Mr. Klemmer that the proposed amendment to an ordinance of record May 29, 1953(excepting areas under the jurisdiction and control of the Sarasota-Bradenton Airport Authority) be tabled for further exploration and to get the recommendations of other public bodies concerned. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bibey and carried.

STATE ROAD 70
STATE ROAD REQUESTED IMPROVE THROUGH MYAKKA

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Mr. Bustle introduced a resolution requesting the State Road Department to widen and repave a ten mile stretch of State Road 70 through Myakka at the same time other highway improvements in the area were under construction. Upon motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

RECORDED A16-114

Correspondence was read from

- 1) Ellenton Areas Civic Association
Request for permission to sponsor the Dean & Dorfler Circus on February 2-3, 1961 on a parcel of ground ample in size and location.

ELLENTON AREAS CIVIC ASSOCIATION
GRANTED PERMISSION FOR CIRCUS

Upon motion by Mr. Bibey, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, permission was granted for the Ellenton Areas Civic Association to hold the circus.

- 2) Driftwood Galleries
Request for approval of Wine license
Referred to County Attorney
- 3) Manatee River Garden Club, Inc.
Appreciation for cooperation in planting of Norfolk Island Pine on court house lawn on Arbor Day
- 4) K. S. McMullen, District Agent, Cooperative Extension Work
(Copy of letter to W. H. Kendrick, E. M. Kelly, R. G. Curtis, T. E. Whitmore, county agent and assistant county agents)
Commendation on annual reports and plans of work & congratulations to efficient and capable office staff.

COUNTY AGENTS & FAIR ASSOCIATION
LETTER OF APPRECIATION TO BE WRITTEN

Mr. Slaughter expressed appreciation for the letter from Mr. McMullen and offered recommendation for recognition to be given the County Agents and Home Demonstration Agents, particularly as regards the Manatee County Fair. All Board members concurred in this recommendation and a letter was authorized written to the Agents and staff and Directors of the Fair Association.

- 5) De Soto Celebration Association
Request for permission to set up DeSoto Booth on court house mall.
(March 19-26, 1961)

DE SOTO CELEBRATION ASSOCIATION
PERMITTED TO SET UP BOOTH ON COURT HOUSE MALL

Upon motion by Mr. Klemmer, seconded by Mr. Bustle, permission was granted.

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6) Department of Water Resources

7) James R. Adams, County Attorney

Advising that meetings of the Board may not be legally held at the new County building.

-----The Constitution provides that the legislature shall have no power to remove the county seat of any county, but shall provide by general law a method of removal (Election)

Note: This advisory is recorded in Minute Book A (A16-

8) W. O. America (Appeared in person)

Complaint relative to large open ditch on 55th Avenue W.; project started in October and not yet completed; causing property value depreciation.

Mr. O. E. Hall, 21st Street Court, also appeared on this matter, however, he advised the Board that he was one of the persons benefitting by the ditch, but sympathized with Mr. America and others whose property values were being affected by the unsightly ditch.

The Board members assured the property owners this situation would be investigated and something constructive done about it without further delay.

CANNON, PAUL
AUTHORIZED ATTEND SHORT COURSE

Upon motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Bustle, PAUL CANNON, Building Director, was authorized to attend a short course at the University of Florida, Gainesville, February 26, 27, 28, March 1, 1961, at county expense.

MANATEE UTILITY COMPANY
PERFORMANCE & MATERIAL & LABOR BOND FOR WATER MAIN ON COUNTY ROAD

Mr. John B. Benson, County Engineer, recommended that a Performance, Labor and Material Bond be required in connection with installation of a water main from the treatment plant (between Trailer Estates and Bayshore Gardens), and submitted a bond from the NEWARK INSURANCE COMPANY for \$5,000.00 for the Board's consideration.

Upon motion by Mr. Bustle, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, the bond was accepted: MANATEE UTILITY COMPANY, principal.

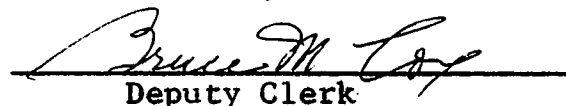
HOFMANN, JOSEPH
APPOINTED ASSISTANT ZONING DIRECTOR

Motion was made by Mr. Klemmer that JOSEPH HOFMANN be appointed Assistant Zoning Director, to replace Carroll LaMar, resigned, at an annual salary of \$4800.00. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bibey and carried unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Upon motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, the Board adjourned to meet Monday, February 6, 1961 at 9:30 a.m.

ATTEST:
M. T. McInnis, Clerk Circuit Court


Deputy Clerk

APPROVED


Chairman