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The Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, met in regular session in the Court House in Bradenton, Florida, Monday, May 1, 1961 at 9:30 a.m.

Present were Commissioners Earl Bibey,
H. C. Slaughter,
Irwin Klemmer, Vice Chairman
Elmer Bustle,
W. E. Crist, Chairman

Deputy Clerk Bruce M. Cox,
County Attorney James Adams

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Crist.

Minutes of the previous meetings (April 24, 25, 1961) were approved on motion by Mr. Bustle, seconded by Mr. Klemmer.

MANATEE VETERANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
LEGISLATION RE COLLECTIONS ENDORSED

✓✓ Mr. Victor Sledge, administrator for the Manatee Veterans Memorial Hospital, requested the Board's endorsement of legislation providing for liens in favor of hospitals for collection of claims. He stated that the original bill had been revised (to exclude general property liens) and was now ready for presentation to the legislature. ✓

Ed Johnston, attorney, said the Bar Association had recommended that the Legislative delegation not pass this bill; that in addition to other objections it was felt that such a bill was not needed; that the attorneys were not opposed to the philosophy but were not in favor of the bill as drawn; that they would work with Mr. Sledge in preparing a more suitable Act to be presented in two years if records were submitted that would substantiate the need.

Mr. Dewey A. Dye, Sr., attorney, who drafted the bill for the hospital, recommended that procedure be started by the passage of this bill in this session of legislature and improvements made two years hence.

Motion was made by Mr. Bibey that the Board endorse the bill as presented and the legislative group be advised that the Board approves said bill as now written. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bustle and carried.

KURKA, FRANK ASSISTANT GENERAL SOLICITOR FOR SAL RAILROAD
BOARD REQUESTED TO RESCIND ACTION RE SOUTHERN RAILROAD COMPANY ✓

✓✓ Mr. Dye introduced Mr. Frank Kurka, Mr. Kenneth Howes, and Mr. A. M. Leach, who, with respective attorneys, were appearing in the interest of the proposed merger of the Atlantic Coast Line Railway and Seaboard Airline Railway. (Harrison & Johnston, attorneys for Seaboard Air Line Railway; Dye & Dye, attorneys for Atlantic Coast Line Railway)

Mr. Kurka stated that misrepresentations had been made by adversaries and he would make an attempt to clarify the situation, i.e. the merger would not permit ACL and SAL to close any track or discontinue any office, that any discontinuance or close of tracks and/or agencies contemplated would have to be done after the merger

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and after public hearings before the Commerce Commission and its approval thereof. He portrayed the economic situation of the railroads (volume of business reduced by other means of freight and passenger facilities), stating that the merger was one of the solutions to the problem outlined in report on study by congress. He mentioned that about twenty miles of track between Parrish and Sarasota was proposed to be eliminated (tracks of Seaboard and Atlantic Coast Line paralleling each other), which would eliminate twenty public crossings.

He requested that the Board rescind resolution adopted in previous meeting (Re: Southern Railway) and consider taking a mutual stand or adopting a resolution favoring the merger.

The Board did not take action on the request.

After a short recess the Board continued with matters on the Agenda.

✓✓ LONG BOAT KEY, TOWN OF
REQUEST FOR AID IN ESTABLISHMENT PLANNING PROGRAM REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ✓

Mr. Howard A. Ridyard, Mayor of the Town of Long Boat Key, requested that permission be granted Mr. William Vines to assist in the establishment of a comprehensive Zoning and Planning program for the Town of Long Boat Key, estimating that duration of the project to be three or four months.

Chairman Crist stated that if there were no objections this matter would be referred to Mr. Bustle to develop a procedure whereby county personnel might be able to aid municipalities in projects requiring technical assistance on temporary basis.

✓ NASHVILLE ROAD
PROPERTY OWNERS REQUEST IMPROVEMENTS

Mr. Randall L. Ross, and other property owners in the vicinity of Nashville Road East, came before the Board to request that something be done in the immediate future to improve the condition of the road. They reported that the School Board was discontinuing bus service of this date, unless some change in schedule had been made, because the road was near impassable in some sections for very heavy vehicular traffic. ✓

Mr. Bustle, commissioner for the district in which the road is located, and the County Engineer advised the property owners that the improvements were scheduled for the last quarter of the fiscal year and suggested that the group meet with the School Board and relay assurance that emergency repairs would be made in order that bus service for the children may be resumed for the balance of the school term.

✓✓ PROGRESS REPORT OF MANATEE COUNTY MAPPING PROJECT
HOWZE, JAMES A. ✓

Mr. James A. Howze submitted progress report on the County Mapping Project:

Township maps 75 percent complete;
Section maps 80 percent complete;
Project continuing on schedule.

"It was reported to your previously that the parceling of the property from the county tax rolls to the assessment maps has been a major part of the work load of the mapping section. This phase of the work was not contemplated when

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the map schedule was established. We discussed with you the possibility of some other county agency assuming this responsibility in order that we could devote the time of all of our employees with the actual preparation of the maps. It was my understanding that some agency, as designated by the Board of County Commissioners, would assume these duties. We feel it is now necessary that the parceling be done by some other agency in order that we can meet our committed schedule on finishing the map project."

TAX ASSESSOR

TO BE REQUESTED TO FURNISH PERSONNEL FOR PARCELING MAPS

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Mr. Slaughter suggested that the Tax Assessor be contacted to see if he had personnel that could do the parceling of the maps .

Chairman Crist appointed Mr. Slaughter to follow through on his suggestion and report on the possibility of qualified personnel in the Tax Assessor's office handling the parceling.

HOUSING & HOME FINANCE

PROGRAM FOR COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT

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DECLARATION OF POLICY

Mr. William Vines, Planning Director, submitted Memorandum of requirements placed on a community ;making application to the Housing and Home Finance Agency for federal aid in eliminating sub-standard housing and replacing it with standard housing. He advised that three aids, PUBLIC HOUSING, 221 HOME MORTGAGE INSURANCE and URBAN RENEWAL are available only after a Program for Community Improvement (Workable Program) has been submitted by the community and approved by HHFA.

Mr. Bibey explained that he had been authorized to contact this agency for the purpose of obtaining funds for low cost homes for families displaced through acquisition of right-of-way of State Road 55, north of Manatee River, and moved for the adoption of Declaration of Policy by the Board and approval of the application prepared by the Planning Department for certification of a Program for Community Improvement for Manatee County. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bustle and carried.

RECORDED

B17-10 ✓

MEETING ADJOURNED UNTIL 1:15 P.M.

1:15 P. M.

The Board reconvened at 1:15 P.M., Monday, May 1, 1961, with all members present.

✓ GREEN, MRS. MARION C.

INSTALLATION OF PIPE AUTHORIZED ✓

Upon motion by Mr. Bustle, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, installation of pipe was authorized for

MRS. MARION C. GREEN

\$600.00

✓ ELMCO HEIGHTS, SECTION II

RE: STREET IMPROVEMENTS

ASSIGNMENT FROM PALMETTO FEDERAL ACCEPTED IN LIEU OF BOND

John Benson, County Engineer, submitted request of Mr. E. L. Moon that the Board accept commitment (or assignment) from the Palmetto

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Federal Savings & Loan Association for 110 percent of the estimated cost of street improvements in his subdivision, ELMCO HEIGHTS, SECOND SECTION, in lieu of surety bond.

The county attorney advised that such commitment or assignment would constitute a "cash bond" and would be in order to be considered by the Board.

Upon motion by Mr. Klemmer, seconded by Mr. Bustle, commitment in the amount of \$19,058.05 was accepted from the Palmetto Federal Savings & Loan Association to cover improvements (streets and drainage) in Elmco Heights, Second Section.

MANATEE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

Dr. Frederick Allen submitted annual report of the Manatee County Health Department.

TALLEVAST AREA WATER PROBLEM

Dr. Allen advised that residences in the Tallevast area were being deprived of water due to large pumps being used over long periods to irrigate groves and farm crops; that this was becoming a serious problem and would like to know if something could be done about regulating hours for the pumping so that families would be able to have water during the daylight hours.

Since there were no regulations that could be imposed upon the farmers and grove owners in the use of water for irrigation, suggestion was offered that perhaps request to restrict the hours of pumping to night time only might be helpful.

WARRANT LIST & REQUISITIONS APPROVED

Upon motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, Warrant Lists of April 29 and May 1, 1961, and requisitions were approved and Warrant list of May 8, 1961 was authorized.

	<u>4/29/61</u>	<u>5/1/61</u>
General Revenue	No. 2013 - 2018	2019 - 2052
Road & Bridge	No. 830 - 831	832 - 836
Miscellaneous	No. 263 - 273	274 - 283
Hospital Bond Account		1 - 2

BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

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

Manatee Veterans Memorial Hospital	3356.10
Various - Cor. Jury	6.90
Robert Moon	95.10
Madelon Snyder	8.00
John V. Moss	25.50
Micro Tech	25.00
Park, Beach & Recreation Commission	557.41
Committee of 100	192.74 (Walthen)
Pullara & Watson	4550.00
Robert Rickey	500.00

WILLIAMS, MELVINIE

DEED REJECTED

Upon motion by Mr. Bustle, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, the deed from Melvinie Williams, for ten-foot right of way, was rejected.

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✓ ITEM TO ITEM TRANSFER AUTHORIZED BY RESOLUTION

Upon motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Bustle, resolution authorizing Item to Item Transfer in the General Revenue Fund was adopted: ✓

From Contingencies	\$15,000.00
To Funded Indebtedness	15,000.00

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MANATEE VETERANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL = BOND ACCOUNT
REFUND TO GENERAL REVENUE FUND FOR ARCHITECTS' FEES AUTHORIZED ✓

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✓ Motion was made by Mr. Slaughter that the General Revenue Fund be reimbursed for funds advanced for payment of architects' fees on the addition to the Manatee Veterans Memorial Hospital and that resolution authorizing payment from funds derived from sale of the Hospital Bonds be adopted. Motion was seconded by Mr. Klemmer and carried. (Balance of funds in Hospital Bond account to be invested in U. S. Treasury bills.)

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BUDGET AMENDMENT
PUBLIC HEARING ADVERTISED

✓ Upon motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, Public Hearing on Budget Amendment was authorized to be advertised, said hearing to be held May 15, 1961. (Adopt Supplemental Budget for Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 1961.) ✓

WOOD, MAKEPEACE
TO MAKE INSPECTION OF MANATEE COUNTY COASTLINE ✓

✓ Chairman Crist announced that Mr. Makepeace Wood will be in this area on or about May 1 - 4 for the purpose of making inspection of the Manatee County coastline, ground and aerial survey, and would be in the Commissioners' office at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, May 4, 1961 to discuss and answer questions regarding certain type groins to combat beach erosion.

✓ NATIONAL RIVERS & HARBORS CONGRESS

✓ Upon motion by Mr. Bibey, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, Mr. Elmer Bustle, Commissioner, Mr. William Vines, Planning Director, and Mr. J. Benson, County Engineer, were authorized to attend National Rivers & Harbors Congress to be held at the Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D. C., May 24, 25, 26, 1961, at county expense.

WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT
PROPOSED LEGISLATION ENDORSED ✓

✓ Mr. Bustle moved for the adoption of

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ENACTMENT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION
CONSOLIDATING INTO ONE ACT ALL LEGISLATION PERTAINING
TO WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT.

Motion was seconded by Mr. Slaughter and carried.

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✓ CIVIL DEFENSE ALERT

Mrs. Madelon Snyder, Civil Defense Director, gave a report on "Florida Alert 1961", Friday, April 28, 1961.

ZONING ORDINANCES
RECOMMENDATIONS

COMMITTEE RE SIGNS

✓✓ The new and complete Manatee County Zoning Ordinances, submitted to the Board, April 10, 1961 for study, were discussed.

Commissioners Bibey and Bustle were appointed as committee by Chairman Crist to meet with representatives of sign companies relative to exceptions to the proposed sign regulations.

Motion was made by Mr. Klemmer that the Zoning Ordinances be returned to the Planning and Zoning Commission, after conference relative to signs, with certain recommendations:

- ✓✓ -Eliminate fencing swimming pools
- ✓✓ -Reference "county engineer" to "engineering Department."
- ✓✓ -Agricultural District; add housing for migratory workers.
- ✓✓ -Signs = to committee.

Motion was seconded by Mr. Bustle and carried.

BUDGET REQUESTS BY MAY 20, 1961

✓ All county departments were notified to submit budget requests for 1961-1962 by May 20, 1961.

COMMITTEE TO GO TO TALLAHASSEE RE LEGISLATION

✓✓ Upon motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Bibey, Board members and the County Attorney were authorized to go to Tallahassee on legislative matters. (Commissioners Slaughter and Klemmer.)

CORRESPONDENCE was read from

- ✓ 1) Pullara and Watson Re: Manatee Veterans Memorial Hospital Offering schedule for completing this project:
 1. Completion of final working drawings and specifications- June 15, 1961.
 2. Submittal of final documents to State and Federal Agencies for approval to be completed by 1 July 1961.
 3. Advertise for bids on or about 1 July 1961.
 4. Receive bids on or about 1 August 1961.
 5. Commence construction first two weeks in August.
- ✓ 2) Tampa Free Port Committee
Re: Steel helmet of Spanish Conquistadores being made official headgear of Florida.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Upon motion by Mr. Bustle, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, the Board adjourned to meet Monday, May 8, 1961 at 9:30 a.m.

ATTEST:

M. T. McInnis, Clerk

Bruce M. Coy
Deputy Clerk

APPROVED: 8 May 1961

J. E. Crist
Chairman