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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, August 28th, 1961 at 9:30 a.m.

Present were Commissioners Earl Bibey  
Irwin Klemmer  
Elmer Bustle  
W. E. Crist, Chairman  
Deputy Clerk, Bruce M. Cox  
County Attorney, Kenneth Cleary  
Commissioner H. C. Slaughter was absent.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Crist.

After correction of a typographical error (page 130) in the Minutes of August 7th, 1961, motion was made by Mr. Bibey that the Minutes be approved. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bustle and carried.

COURT ROOM IMPROVEMENTS (AIR CONDITIONING)  
RECOMMENDATIONS BY BAR ASSOCIATION

Circuit Court Judge Robert Hensley and Dewey A. Dye, Jr., attorney, came before the Board to request completion of improvements to the court room (air conditioning), and that item for this purpose be included in the budget for the coming year.

They were advised that the recommendation would be considered.

ZONING ORDINANCES (PROPOSED)  
RECOMMENDATIONS BY BOARD OF REALTORS

Mr. William L. Aldredge, Jr., Chairman, Planning and Zoning Committee of the Manatee County Board of Realtors, acting as initial spokesman for a group of realtors and businessmen and businesswomen (present en masse), expressed concern over the multiplicity and red tape of the zoning ordinances and procedure of administration, which they felt was creating injustices and retarding the industrial development of the county. He compared the cumbersome, difficult to translate, 81-page typewritten proposed new ordinances with the compact printed ordinances of the City of Bradenton and mentioned that there were many overlapping classifications and repetitious references throughout the document.

Recommendations were made to

- =Redraft a simpler, more easily understood and administered zoning law
- =Secure the services of a good attorney to serve as member of the Zoning Board;
- =Give thought to limiting the membership of the Board to five, and no more than six, members and see that they are qualified men who have had some business experience;
- =The Board appoint a committee from the Board of Realtors to aid in the redrafting of the zoning ordinances.

Other individuals addressing the Board in connection with the zoning problems enumerated by Mr. Aldredge were:

Mr. Joe Lively, president of Home Builders Association  
Mr. Carl French, realtor  
Mr. Fred Langford, Palmetto Federal Savings & Loan Assoc.

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Mr. George Tomberlin, Manatee National Bank  
Mr. Lester Lundberg (developer, Southwood Village, Braden River City) by letter read by Mr. Philip Maring  
Mr. John (Jack) Manson, attorney  
Mr. Robert Purinton (representing Heavy Equipment Contractors)  
Mr. Robert Sharp, realtor  
Mr. John Rasmussen, contractor  
Col. James O. Stevenson, realtor  
Mr. Walter S. Hardin, realtor  
Mrs. George Cook, real estate

Mr. Ed Crawford, who had been with one of the major oil companies (specializing in location of facilities), offered the benefit of his many years experience in dealing with zoning problems, if desired.

Chairman Crist commented on the proposed Manatee County Zoning Ordinance:

On November 28, 1955, the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County adopted a countywide zoning ordinance. Since that time, there have been innumerable amendments, major and minor, to the zoning ordinance. For some time we have recognized the need to pull together into one document all of the applicable zoning regulations and to eliminate the conflict and confusion which is constantly arising. In addition to the need for assembly of the pieces into a single document, a number of corrections need to be made in order to clear up conflicting requirements and ambiguous language. Problems of administration have come to light as a result of the experience which we have had in administering the zoning ordinance, and these need to be corrected. Problems have occurred as a result of the absence of clear-cut standards in various places in the zoning ordinance. These standards should be included to insure proper growth and development of the county. The Planning and Zoning Commission is now in the midst of preparing a major revision to our zoning ordinance, which revision is designed to incorporate the needed adjustments mentioned above. A draft of the proposed revisions has been prepared, published, and distributed to a wide variety of citizens and organizations for their review and comment. The proposed ordinance is certainly not perfect, but is a major improvement over our existing regulations. The widespread review of the proposed ordinance which is now going on by many organizations and individuals in Manatee County will certainly result in much more improvement. Further improvements will, of course, be made as necessary.

MANATEE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION  
RE: PROPOSED NEW COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE

COMMITTEE ✓

A letter from the Manatee County Bar Association advised that a special zoning committee (composed of six practicing attorneys who are experienced in zoning matters, with Jackson D. Miller III as chairman) had been formed to study the proposed new county zoning ordinance and assist in any way possible to establish a workable zoning program which will protect and insure proper development of the county.

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Motion that the Chairman be authorized to appoint a committee (from the Board of Realtors) to work with the zoning ordinance committee was not seconded as it was considered unnecessary for this Board to take such action. The realtors were assured that the Planning and Zoning Commission ordinance committee would be glad to work with their committee and consider any suggestions that would simplify the ordinances.

TEN MINUTE RECESS

After a short recess, business on the Agenda was resumed.

VALLEY DALE GARDENS

PETITION FOR WATER FRANCHISE

PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUED

The county attorney relayed request of Mr. W. K. Moon, petitioner for water franchise for Valley Dale Gardens, for continuance of the public hearing advertised to be held today. Upon motion by Mr. Bustle, seconded by Mr. Bibey, the public hearing was continued until the next meeting of the Board, Tuesday, September 5, 1961.

DICK AGENCY, ED

NEWARK INSURANCE COMPANY

BID ACCEPTED ON INSURANCE ON COUNTY VEHICLES

The Deputy Clerk reported that the bid of ED DICK AGENCY on insurance on county trucks and heavy equipment, covering fire, theft, lightning, etc., was the lowest submitted and recommended its acceptance.

Upon motion by Mr. Klemmer, seconded by Mr. Bustle, the following bid was accepted:

NEWARK INSURANCE COMPANY (Ed Dick, Agent) Premium \$1,034.27

WARRANT LIST & REQUISITIONS APPROVED

Upon motion by Mr. Klemmer, seconded by Mr. Bustle, Warrant List of August 28, 1961 and requisitions were approved and Warrant Lists of August 31, September 5, 1961 were authorized; Warrant list of August 31, 1961 to include payrolls of that date upon condition that all employees have performed their services in accordance with established time and payroll practices of the county departments.

General Revenue Fund	2957 - 3111
Road and Bridge Fund	1300 - 1319
Miscellaneous Funds	411 - 428

MAYS, CLARENCE

APPLICATION TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

Upon motion by Mr. Klemmer, seconded by Mr. Bustle, the application of Clarence Mays to enter the State Tuberculosis Hospital was approved.

HAYDEN, PERRY HYATT

DEPUTY SHERIFF'S BOND CANCELLED

Upon motion by Mr. Bustle, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, the following bond was authorized cancelled (as requested by Sheriff Kenneth Gross);

PERRY HYATT HAYDEN (deceased)  
Deputy Sheriff

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RAWLS, MRS. L. A.  
DUPLICATE TAX CERTIFICATE APPROVED

Upon motion by Mr. Klemmer, seconded by Mr. Bustle, duplicate tax certificate was approved for

MRS. L. A. RAWLS                      No. 147, 1944 sale

ITEM TO ITEM TRANSFER APPROVED  
FIND & FORFEITURE FUND

Upon motion by Mr. Bustle, seconded by Mr. Bibey, the following Item to Item transfers were authorized in the 1960-61 Budget:

FINE & FORFEITURE FUND

To:			
#316	Salaries of Deputies & Assistants	4328.00	
#365	Investigations	200.00	
#824	Equipment	<u>5472.00</u>	
			10,000.00
From:			
	Sheriff's Contingency Fund		10,000.00
To:			
#321	Clerk of Circuit Court Fees	1750.00	
#323	County Judge Criminal Costs	<u>1750.00</u>	
			3,500.00
From:			
	County Reserve for Contingencies		3,500.00

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SAN REMO SHORES, UNIT I  
STREETS ACCEPTED FOR MAINTENANCE                      BOND RELEASED

Upon motion by Mr. Klemmer, seconded by Mr. Bustle, the streets in SAN REMO SHORES SUBDIVISION, UNIT I, were accepted for county maintenance and the bond thereon authorized released.

RYAN, ERIC A.  
BUILDING CONTRACTOR'S BOND APPROVED

Upon motion by Mr. Bustle, seconded by Mr. Klemmer, the following bond was approved:

Building Contractor                      ERIC A. RYAN

BUILDING CONTRACTORS' BONDS RELEASED

Upon motion by Mr. Klemmer, seconded by Mr. Bustle, the following bonds were authorized released or cancelled (requested by Mr. Paul Cannon, Building Director):

Building Contractors                      CORBETT SMITH  
#8048, Albury Agency, Inc.  
WILLIAM L. BEERMAN  
#S6-15011, American F & C.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
TRANSFER OF EQUIPMENT FROM STATE INVENTORY TO COUNTY

The Deputy Clerk advised that the last legislature authorized the transfer of equipment located in the Manatee County Health Department

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to the custody of the Director, and the Board of County Commissioners should assume title to it. This includes all property bought for public health purposes from local, State and/or federal funds.

Motion was made by Mr. Bustle that resolution be adopted assuming title to all health department equipment and property and authorizing the Chairman of the Board ~~be authorized~~ to execute Memorandum of Transfer of Accountability and Title on County Health Department Property. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bibey and carried. (Subject to approval of county attorney).

RECORDED

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KEY ROYALE, UNIT III  
REGENT PARK SUBDIVISION  
KEY ROYALE TERRACE

PLATS APPROVED

Upon motion by Mr. Klemmer, seconded by Mr. Bibey, the following plats were approved:

KEY ROYALE, UNIT III (within the Town of Holmes Beach)  
KEY ROYALE TERRACE (within the Town of Holmes Beach)  
REGENT PARK (within the City of Bradenton)

Mr. William Vines reported that he could see no reason for the Board to offer objections to application for Longboat Key Enterprises, Inc., for purchase of submerged land in Longboat Inlet in Section 15, Twp. 35 South, Range 16 E., Manatee County. (File No. 966-41-253.12) = hearing scheduled by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement, September 12, 1961 at 10:00 a.m.

PIPE INSTALLATIONS AUTHORIZED

Upon motion by Mr. Bibey, seconded by Mr. Bustle, pipe installations were authorized for

GENE CLOUSE 90.00 ) Dist. #3  
LEO GROSS 48.00 )

D'AGOSTINO, SAM  
RIDENOUR, ROY S.

RE: SAMOSET TEEN CLUB

Mr. Bustle submitted letter of resignation of Roy S. Ridenour as director of the Samoset Teen Club, with recommendation that Sam D'Agostino be appointed. This matter was referred to the Park, Beach and Recreation Commission.

MURRAY, ROGER  
RE: ASSESSMENTS ON FARM & AGRICULTURAL LANDS

REFERRED COUNTY  
ATTORNEY

Mr. Roger Murray, president of the Manatee Cattlemen's Association, appeared before the Board on his own behalf and on behalf of other similarly situated members of the Cattlemen's Association to request the Board to notify the County Tax Assessor as to what lands and areas of the county were zoned as Agricultural lands prior to November 1, 1960. He called attention to Section 193.201, Florida Statutes, dealing with the assessment of lands zoned for agricultural purposes.

This matter was referred to the county attorney for study and advice to the Board.

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CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was read from

- 1) Downtown Bradenton Association  
Request to simplify zoning and procedures.
- 2) Anna Maria Island Lions Club  
Endorsing proposal of Mr. Wm. Geeslin for publicity promotion of Manatee County.
- 3) Town of Longboat Key  
Requesting advice of county engineer regarding control of weeds and other growth on shoulders of town roads and use of county equipment.  
Referred to County Engineer = confer with Mr. C.H. Scholfield, Town Manager, to determine scope of work.
- 4) Watson and Company (formerly Pullara & Watson)  
Advising change in name and listing principals: William A. Watson, Dale Lester, J. Arthur Wohlberg and James A. Howze.
- 5) Lawrence Gifford  
Request for permit to carry firearms. ✓  
Referred to county attorney for comment and then to Sheriff Gross.
- 6) State Road Department  
Acknowledgment of letter and resolution relative to completion of U.S. 301 from DeSoto Bridge South and extension from U.S. 301 north of the DeSoto Bridge to U.S. 19 and U.S. 41 and advising projects appear in the present budget and county in process of securing r/w.
- 7) Florida Railroad and Public Utilities Commission
  - a) Re: Application of General Telephone Company for increase in rates and charges for exchange intrastate telephone service in Florida. (9/19/61)
  - b) Re: Petition of Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company for authority to revise statewide groupings of exchange rate schedules. (9/12/61)
  - c) Re: Application of Florida Power Corporation for authority to revise rate structure, etc. (10/10/61)
  - d) Re: Application of Florida Intrastate Rate Bureau on behalf of all carriers participating in Florida Motor Freight Tariff No. 9; request for increase in rates.
- 8) Director of Civil Defense  
Executive order from Governor Farris Bryant re Comprehensive plan and program for Civil Defense of Florida. ✓
- 9) Federation of Community Associations  
Re: Exceptions to tax assessment by Hunnicutt & Assoc. by ranchers and also publicity funds should come from those benefitting from publicity.
- 10) Harbor Hills Civic League
- 11) Whitfield-Estates-Ballentine Manor Estates Assoc.  
Opposing enormous increase for proposed budget for county advertising.

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- 12) WBRD  
Request that County Commission and City Councils take action to waive all personal and property taxes on Fallout Shelters.
- 13) Howze and Associates, Inc.  
Report on Mapping Project: Section maps and Township maps completed for all areas and turned over to Hunnicutt and Associates (8/21/61). Mapping project will be completed at approx. end of September.
- 14) Cortez Fish Hatchery  
Re: Buffalo Canal  
Petition requesting improvements referred to county attorney.

## BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

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

Hiram Strickland	14,928.21 (E & I)
M. T. McInnis, Committee of 100	2,237.25 143.09
Ralph Teel	50.00
Public Relations Bureau	897.62
MVM Hospital	1,334.60
James A. Howze Associates	100.00
Fortson Electric	145.00
Micro-Tech Services	105.00
County Judge Robert Rickey	1,408.00
Cummings & Walden	295.00
Park, Beach & Recreation Com.	337.59
Youth Center of Manatee County	269.91
Dr. M. W. Roggenkamp	110.00

## ALLEN, DR. FREDERICK (VACATION)

Request of Dr. Frederick K. Allen, Director, Manatee County Health Department, for vacation from August 28 - September 5, 1961, was granted. He advised that Dr. I. Hall or Dr. W. E. Wentzel would cover the medical aspects of the health department and the Medical Examiner position would be cared for by Dr. Shively or Dr. Roggenkamp during his absence.

## MEETING ADJOURNED


There being no further business to be brought before the Board at this time, meeting was adjourned until Tuesday, September 5th, 1961 at 9:30 a.m. (Monday, September 4th, 1961, a legal holiday, Labor Day.)

ATTEST:

M. T. McInnis, Clerk

  
Deputy Clerk

APPROVED: 5 September 1961

  
Chairman