

SPECIAL MEETING

JULY 10, 1963

The Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, met in SPECIAL SESSION in the Court House in Bradenton, Florida, Wednesday, July 10, 1963 at 1:30 P. M.

Present were Commissioners E. A. Bibey, Chairman
Dan P. McClure
Ralph S. Clark
W. E. Crist, Vice Chairman
Deputy Clerk Bruce M. Cox
County Attorney Kenneth Cleary
(Commissioner Klemmer was absent)

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bibey, who announced that the purpose of the meeting was to hold a public hearing on regulation of recreational activities in Palma Sola Bay in the area of the Manatee Avenue causeway.

It had been proposed to restrict the north side of the causeway for boating and skiing (boat ramps, landing areas, etc.) and set aside the south side for swimming.

M. B. Harrison, chairman of the Park, Beach and Recreation Commission, and James MacDonald, Marine Deputy for the Sheriff's Department, were present to discuss regulations and enforcement.

Tom Purvis, a resident of Palma Sola Bay waterfront, offered suggestion that the southeast beach (from bridge) be set aside for swimming and the southwest beach for waterskiing (land) and boat launching area, and that skiers be required to stay at least 300 feet offshore.

Harman Poray and C. V. Walton were other individuals endorsing regulations on general boating activities and skiing in this and other areas. Mr. Poray objected to out-of-town racing boats (from Sarasota and St. Petersburg) using the Palma Sola Bay area every day in the week because they were not allowed to follow this practice in those cities.

Deputy MacDonald stated that the Sheriff's Department maintained constant patrol of boating, skiing and swimming areas in the entire county on Saturdays and Sundays, and outlined present regulations that can be enforced; however, these are limited and it would be desirable to set up additional regulations that would ensure maximum safety in water sports.

Chairman Bibey stated it was necessary for him to attend another meeting and that Vice Chairman Crist would preside for the balance of the hearing.

Vice Chairman Crist took the Chair.

After discussion of the views and suggestions on proposed regulations, the Vice Chairman terminated the public hearing. He stated that a committee would be appointed to further explore this subject, such committee to be composed of representatives of the Board of County Commissioners, the Park, Beach and Recreation Commission, the Sheriff's Department, residents of the Palma Sola Bay area and boating and ski clubs.

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HOSPITAL SERVICE FOR THE INDIGENT
COUNTY PARTICIPATION IN STATE WIDE PROGRAM

Upon motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. McClure, Resolution was adopted regarding Hospital Service for the Indigent and establishing an item in the County Budget for the Manatee County Indigent Hospitalization Fund in the amount of \$37,600.00 and authorizing county participation in the State-wide program.

✓ RESOLUTION RECORDED C18-48

SNYDER, MADELON
CIVIL DEFENSE

Upon motion by Mr. McClure, seconded by Mr. Clark, Mrs. Madelon Snyder, director of Manatee County Civil Defense, was authorized to attend a C.D. Hurricane Conference in Biloxi, Mississippi, on August 9 & 10, 1963.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Upon motion, the meeting was adjourned.


ATTEST:

M. T. McInnis, Clerk

APPROVED: 12 August 1963



Deputy Clerk



Chairman