

JULY 12, 1963

The Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, met in SPECIAL SESSION in the Court House in Bradenton, Florida, Friday, July 12, 1963 at 3:00 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 not present)

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bibey, who stated that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss adoption of a resolution requesting the Florida State Improvement Commission to issue refunding bonds under which tolls can be removed from the Anna Maria and Cortez bridges and requesting the State Road Department to remove the tolls.

The County Attorney explained that considerable time and effort had been involved during the past nine months, and a number of proposals and counter-proposals had been made, in an attempt to work out a satisfactory arrangement whereby it would be possible to have the tolls removed from the bridges and refinance the Six Million Dollar Manatee County Bridge Bond Issue, which in turn would release certain monies that could be used for other road projects in Manatee County. He said the Resolution being submitted appeared to be acceptable to the State Road Department, and if adopted by the Board it would then be considered at a meeting of the State Road Department the following week. (He had been advised that two members of the SRD would recommend it.)

He expressed appreciation to Senator Ed Price, who was present for this meeting, for his cooperation in this matter, stating that he was sure that his (Senator Price's) presence and remarks at meetings with the State Road Board had helped settle some of the problems. He noted also that the State Road Board members, at all meetings, were gracious and prompt; that the fiscal agents did an outstanding service; that thanks should go also to Robert Quinn, president of the Manatee County Chamber of Commerce, for his aid.

Terms of the agreement were then outlined by the County Attorney, and discussed by members of the Board.

Mr. Clark stated he would like to have an opportunity to investigate the cost of certain facilities and to familiarize himself with maintenance and operation costs, etc., before he reached a decision.

Senator Price pointed out that the State Road Board would be meeting the following week and it would be desirable to have this matter discussed then; that a precedent was being established in this procedure and if not considered at the earliest possible opportunity it would be problematical as to when it would be discussed. (First time in the State of such a transaction and other counties would probably initiate similar proposals.)

STATE ROAD DEPARTMENT
RESOLUTION REQUESTING RELEASE/REMOVAL OF BRIDGE TOLLS

Chairman Bibey read the resolution requesting the State Road

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Department to assist Manatee County in the removal of the tolls from the Anna Maria Island and Cortez Bridges and to accept in lieu of a total sum covering completion of facilities and expenditures for operation and maintenance of said facilities the sum of \$500,000.00 to be paid to the State Road Department upon sale of new refunding bond issue,
Four (4) promissory notes in amount of \$100,000.00, and ~~One (1) promissory note in amount of \$100,000.00, and~~
One (1) promissory note in amount of \$91,391.63, which notes will be payable one each year beginning 1970 (bearing no interest), said notes to be paid from secondary gas taxes and other revenue accruing to the Department for expenditure in Manatee County;
Two (2) ~~promissory~~ notes in amount of \$75,000.00, and One (1) note for balance of any amount owing and payable to the SRD for maintenance and repair under terms of this Resolution, which notes will be payable one each year commencing 1965 (bearing no interest) and are to be paid from the 80% of the 7th cent gas tax or any other revenue accruing to the Department for expenditure in Manatee County, and entertained a motion for its adoption.

Motion was made by Mr. Crist that the Resolution be adopted, as read, and that the Chairman of the Board be authorized to execute said Resolution, with the understanding that it was cleared through the fiscal agents, Potts and Shepard. (It was noted for the record that the Resolution had been approved by the fiscal agents.) Motion was seconded by Mr. McClure.

Voting "Aye" for adoption of the Resolution were Commissioners Crist and McClure and Chairman Bibey.

Voting "No", Commissioner Clark.

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION RECORDED C18-49

SHOUP VOTING MACHINE CORPORATION
PURCHASE-AGREEMENT EXECUTED FOR TWENTY-FIVE MACHINES

Upon motion by Mr. Crist, seconded by Mr. McClure, purchase of twenty-five (25) Shoup voting machines was authorized and Agreement entered into, and executed by the Chairman, with Shoup Voting Machine Corporation.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Upon motion, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

M. T. McInnis, Clerk

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Deputy Clerk

APPROVED: 12 August 1963

E. A. Bibey
Chairman