

JANUARY 27, 1976

The Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, met in REGULAR SESSION in the Court House in Bradenton, Florida, Tuesday, January 27, 1976 at 9:00 A. M.

Present were Commissioners L. H. Fortson, Jr., Chairman
 Ken Burton,
 Dan P. McClure, Vice Chairman
 Kenneth D. Dierks
 Robert C. Hutches
Also present were Henry E. Bourne, Deputy Clerk
 Richard A. Hampton

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Fortson.

TRANSIT SYSTEM: RIVER ISLES

William (Bill) Evers, member of Bradenton City Council, and the president of River Isles Association came before the Board to protest taking off bus service that they understood would be given to residents of River Isles when this subject was discussed at a recent meeting of the East Bradenton Civic Association.

During discussion it was pointed out by the Chairman that the County was receiving many requests for bus service in a number of areas, but it was understood that when County took over the system it would have to remain status quo until grant approved for additional equipment; that the Board will review schedules with Philip Davis, Operations Supervisor.

PARKS & RECREATION: MANATEE COUNTY GOLF COURSE

RE: OPERATION / GREENS SUPERINTENDENT

John Marble, Director of Parks & Recreation Department, submitted recommendation from the Park and Recreation Board that the proposed lease with the Florida State Golf Association for operation of the Golf Course be rejected and that the County assume responsibility for the operation; also, that the Park and Recreation Department be authorized to hire a qualified Golf Course Superintendent immediately.

Motion was made by Mr. Burton to accept the recommendations of the Parks and Recreation Board and that the county continue to develop and operate the Golf Course. Motion was seconded by Mr. McClure and carried unanimously.

Mr. McClure recommended employing George Cook as green's superintendent, effective two weeks from January 26, 1976, at an annual salary of \$11,500.00. Considering the fact that suit was filed against the county for injunction, the Chairman questioned if this was appropriate. The County Attorney advised that Palma Sola Golf Course was seeking injunction to stop construction until county pays some \$182,000 to Manatee County Utilities System, and hearing would be held February 6, 1976 at 4:00 P.M.

Motion was made by Mr. McClure that George Cook be employed as Green's Superintendent, effective February 9, 1976. Upon question as to employment directly by the Board or through the Parks and Recreation Department; Mr. McClure suggested that for the time being Mr. Cook be attached to the Parks and Recreation Department. Motion was seconded by Mr. Dierks and carried unanimously.

Mr. Hampton recommended that when it was determined as to specific type of operation that the Board consider adoption of an ordinance establishing organizational set-up for the golf course.

ABBY LEACH BUILDING

Mr. McClure announced that the ticket sales and information office

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building for the Manatee County Transit System, located on west side of Court House, was being named "Abby Leach Building" in honor of the Mayor of the City of Bradenton, A. K. Leach.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Brian Hennesey, Manager of DeSoto Square Mall, presented a check for \$1,000.00 to the Manatee County Historical Commission on behalf of DeBartolo Corporation.

AIRPORT AUTHORITY - PROPOSED BOND ISSUE

Chairman Fortson referred to a joint meeting with the Airport Authority and Sarasota County Board of Commissioners at which time Mr. Hough made a presentation on a proposed bond issue on which the Authority had asked the endorsement of Manatee and Sarasota County Boards. He commended the Airport Authority for providing the needs of aviation in this bi-county area and expressed confidence that they would continue to progress; however, he said had certain reservations as far as the request to endorse the bonded indebtedness of the Airport Authority is concerned. The contingent liability that would be placed upon this Board and future Boards would not be fair to the taxpayers of the county, in his opinion. He pointed out that at the time the Airport Authority was changed to an elected Authority there was a referendum question on the ballot, also, as far as taxing powers are concerned, and this was turned down by the voters. He said he could not vote to endorse these bonds.

Carl Pilger, Chairman of the Sarasota-Manatee Airport Authority, was present to urge the support and confidence of the Board that would mean much in savings in financial cost which could be added to the capital improvements, and pointing out the consequences of declining to provide this support.

Mr. Hutches added comments concurring with the views expressed by the Chairman and moved that the request by the Airport Authority for Manatee County to endorse the bond issue be denied. Motion was seconded by Mr. Dierks and carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SECONDARY ROAD SYSTEM WORK PROGRAM

William Cochran and William Trefg, with the State Department of Transportation, were present to discuss the status of the highway program in Manatee County. Mr. Cochran advised that public hearing for presentations of Secondary Road System Program and recommendations concerning State Primary Road Program and Mass Transit Programs are scheduled for March 4 and 5, 1976 in the Polk County Commission Meeting Room, Court House, Bartow, Florida, and Manatee County is scheduled to be heard from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Friday, March 5th.

Mr. Cochran outlined status of available funds to June 30, 1976, and forecast of anticipated revenues during period 1976-81; recommendations on priority, description and maintenance cost on County's existing secondary road system; status of progress on current projects in County's existing 5-year Secondary Road Program; priorities to be programmed for years 1976-77 through 1980-81.

Representatives Ralph Haben and Patrick Neal and Senator Tom Gallen were present to question and discuss priorities, allocation of funds and reasons for delays on various projects that had been continued over a number of years, specifically U. S. 301. Mr. Cochran was questioned as to what happened to state funds originally programmed for Manatee County projects in 1960 (and subsequent years) and who makes the decisions to transfer the funds to other areas.

As to U.S. 301, Mr. Cochran explained the problems in obtaining deed writers and the qualifications that have to be met regarding federal projects, etc. Mr. Haben questioned if Manatee County can hire deed writers or contract with a private company to write deeds (with descriptions being furnished by Department of Transportation engineers). Upon answer in the affirmative by Mr. Cochran, the Board members offered full cooperation through its Right-of-Way Department, or other appropriate methods, to expedite writing the deeds.

Mr. Cochran promised an early answer to Howard Hall, one of the owners of property where right-of-way of U.S. 301 through Tallevast had not been determined, who cannot sell property or consider any development because the situation is yet unknown.

TAMPA BAY REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

RE: STATE COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT PLAN (AGREEMENT)

Motion was made by Mr. McClure that the appropriate county officers be authorized to execute agreement between Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council and Manatee County Board of County Commissioners whereby Council will pay County the sum of \$7,500 for County to perform services (through Planning and Development Department) relating to the State's Coastal Zone Management program as administered by said Council. Motion was seconded by Mr. Hutches and carried unanimously.

AGREEMENT RECORDED Y25-161

**HOLLAND CONSTRUCTION (CITY OF PALMETTO)
INSPECTIONS BY COUNTY**

Art Fischer, Director of Planning and Development, advised that the Palmetto City Council had approved the plan of action whereby inspection of construction work by John J. (Toby) Holland (Mayor) would be supervised by Manatee County Inspection Department and billed for such services. The Deputy Clerk stated that there was no provision for payment for such services on other than cash basis.

BEKER PHOSPHATE

Mr. Fischer advised that on December 30th application was accepted on operating permit from Beker Phosphate; that tentative schedule was that county departments will attempt preparation of reports on March 9th to be presented to this Board on March 23rd; that if state permits not granted prior to that time it is assumed the applicant will request some delay. If not, a report will be presented with the status of the project.

COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT

Motion was made by Mr. McClure to hold the second public hearing on application for Community Development Block Grant on Tuesday, February 3, 1976 at 9:00 A.M. Motion was seconded by Mr. Dierks and carried. (Mr. Fischer authorized to advertise Notice.)

URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION

Mr. Fischer referred to a letter (copy - dated 7 January 1976 to Mr. McClure) from Jerome C. Premo, Department of Transportation, Urban Mass Transportation Administration, Washington, to Mr. Ron Norman, Chairman, Sarasota-Manatee Area Transportation Study Policy Committee, advising that the program of projects for Sarasota-Manatee urbanized area had been approved, and laying out the amount of monies which are available for applications. (\$100,000 for operating and \$460,000 for capital grant).

TAMPA BAY REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

Reference by Mr. Hutches on status of City of Sarasota as member of Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council was deferred for further discussion in work session.

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ELECTIONS - POLLING PLACES

Jerome Davis, Supervisor of Elections, requested the Board to participate in decorating the polling places with flags, etc., in keeping with the Bi-Centennial theme - then after the election (March 9th) they could be used in decorating the Court House. The estimated cost was noted as \$250.00 for the necessary flags for the fifty polling precincts. Chairman Fortson designated Mr. Hutches, as finance chairman, to confer with Mr. Davis further on this matter and make recommendation back to the Board.

DEPARTMENT OF MANPOWER: CLASSROOM TRAINING PROGRAM (CETA TITLE I)

Regis Chapman, Director, Department of Manpower, referred to approval, on December 5, 1975, modification of CETA Title I grant and allocations for Classroom Training Program. He outlined the Policies and Procedures of this program which had been initiated and coordinated with the Florida State Employment Service and the Manatee County Vocational Technical School.

CETA TITLE I - TAPROOT, INC. (CANCELLATION)

Mr. Chapman recommended that the TAPROOT, Inc., Contract under Title I of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) be cancelled effective February 11, 1976 in accordance with paragraph 6 of that contract. He gave a detailed report on the findings of the Manpower Evaluation Team on site evaluation of the TAPROOT, Inc. program, which was conducted on January 19, 1976.

Sally Evans, Administrative Director of the TAPROOT, Inc., program, was present to defend reasons given for cancelling the program, explaining that they were not aware until December 8, 1975 that job development was one of their responsibilities (noting clients were female offenders, etc.); that during the five months program in operation they had received continued support from county and circuit court judges, cooperation from the Sheriff, Manatee Junior College, support and referrals from state and county probation offices; clients given priority treatment by Manatee Vo-Tec School. She requested continuance of the program until present classes underway are completed.

With respect to insuring a continuity of services to CETA eligible female offenders, Mr. Chapman outlined the several options available and recommended that the balance of the TAPROOT allocation for this fiscal year be earmarked for female offenders to participate in classroom and on-the-job training.

Motion was made by Mr. McClure that the recommendations made by Mr. Chapman in connection with the TAPROOT program be accepted and approved. Motion was seconded by Mr. Dierks and carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL POLICY, RULES & PROCEDURES

Westwood Fletcher, Personnel Director, explained that there were normal administrative problems in transitioning from earlier personnel policy procedures to the new Personnel Policy, Rules and Procedures (December 18, 1975) and requested that the Chairman be authorized to sign a letter to the department heads holding in temporary abeyance the implementation of Paragraph 1(i)-1 until some of the details can be worked out with the Deputy Clerk's office.

Motion was made by Mr. McClure to grant the request and that the Chairman be authorized to sign memorandum to the department heads that implementation of Section I(i)-1 of the Personnel Policy would be held in abeyance until further directive by the Board. Motion was seconded by Mr. Dierks with amendment to include holding in abeyance, also, any salary reclassifications (increases, etc.) until further notice. Motion was carried unanimously, as amended.

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WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS;

WILD & SCENIC RIVERS ACT (MYAKKA RIVER)

Mr. Fletcher referred to the Ridge and Lower Gulf Water Management District and proposal to include the Myakka River under the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, as a point of information to the Board, also, referendum being held in March 1976 with regard to tax millages to support Southwest Florida Water Management District and Manasota Basin. (Board).

PHOSPHATE MINING

Notice of a conference in Sarasota County Commission chambers, regarding phosphate mining, scheduled on 29 January 1976 at 2:00 P.M. was referred to Dr. Sam Simpson and O. E. (Bud) Randle.

CENTRAL LIBRARY BUILDING

CONTRACT: ROGER B. HALL

Motion was made by Mr. McClure that the appropriate county officers be authorized to execute contract with Roger B. Hall for construction of the Central Library Building (\$1,390,194.58) subject to approval and initialing of the Performance bond by the County Attorney. Motion was seconded by Mr. Hutches and carried unanimously.

CONTRACT RECORDED Y25-162

MANATEE COUNTY UTILITIES SYSTEM

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

Approval and execution of the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Manatee County Utilities System Administration Building, subject to punch list of incomplete or questioned items, requested by the Consulting Engineers/Architect, was deferred pending further investigation and concurrence by Chris Angelidis.

CONSTRUCTION TRUST FUNDS

Upon motion by Mr. Hutches, seconded by Mr. McClure, Resolutions were unanimously adopted authorizing payment of

SEWER SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION TRUST FUND

Requisition No. 24.4 B-157

Kell Construction, Inc.

\$1,475.75

RESOLUTION RECORDED Y25-163

WATER SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION TRUST FUND

Requisition No. 11.650 C-8

Stevens & Layton, Inc.

\$75,879.41

and approving and authorizing execution of Change Order No. 2 to the contract of STEVENS & LAYTON net total decrease in the amount of \$31,088.63 and Final Reconciliation Agreement on Project #7273-6 (Water Main Extension to Port Manatee).

RESOLUTION RECORDED Y25-164

Upon motion by Mr. Burton, seconded by Mr. Hutches, Resolutions were unanimously adopted authorizing payment of

SEWER SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION TRUST FUND

Requisition No. 24.4 C-9

Giannetti & Lanzo Construction Co.

\$100,009.58

RESOLUTION RECORDED Y25-165

WATER SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION TRUST FUND

Requisition No. 11.650 B-64

MCUS 13.5 R & R account

\$ 14,884.61

Lee Construction Co. of Sanford

25,704.98

Heyl & Patterson, Inc., & Ward Electr.

41,273.92

Heyl & Patterson, Inc.

44,104.99

RESOLUTION RECORDED Y25-166

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WATER SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION TRUST FUND

Requisition No. 11.650 D-33

Russell & Axon

\$ 1,285.63

'RESOLUTION RECORDED Y25-167

WARRANT LISTS & REQUISITIONS

Upon motion by Mr. Dierks, seconded by Mr. McClure, the Board unanimously approved Requisitions and Warrant Lists from January 20 to January 27, 1976 and authorized Warrant Lists to February 3, 1976, said Warrant Lists to include any payrolls during that period upon condition that all employees have performed their services in accordance with time and payroll practices of the county departments.

BONDS

Upon motion by Mr. Dierks, seconded by Mr. McClure, the following bonds were approved and/or authorized deleted and refunded:

Sheriff's Department

DELETE:from U.S. Fire Insurance Bond #83-56-01

PAUL SPUNG)

FRANK B. GILLEY, JR.)

FLETCHER E. McCLENDON

=Mounted possemen

=jail cook

Driveway Permits

APPROVE:

Cash bond of WAYNE F. RUPPAL in the amount of \$100.00 covering Driveway Permit No. 1733 (Money Order No. 4959 drawn on Westside National Bank)

REFUND:

Cash bond of GEORGE HISKES, covering Driveway Permit No. 1418 \$150.00

Cash bond of CHARLES W. DRAWDY, covering Driveway Permit No. 1643 \$150.00

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was read and/or acknowledged as follows:

1) CITY OF PALMETTO

Re: Water contract on Sneads Island.

Deferred until following Thursday.2) TELEPROMPTER CABLEVISION

Request to amend present franchise to allow a change in corporate name, Teleprompter of Manatee County, Inc., to Teleprompter Southeast, Inc.

The County Attorney advised this was no problem but they should furnish this Board with copy of the articles incorporating the change in name. Upon being advised by the Deputy Clerk that he had received notice of cancellation of Teleprompter's bond, the County Attorney stated the bond would have to be replaced. This requirement will be incorporated in the letter to Teleprompter.

POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD: RESIGNATION & APPOINTMENT MEMBER

Motion was made by Mr. Dierks to accept the resignation of Jess Davis from the Manatee County Pollution Control Board with regret. Motion was seconded by Mr. Burton and carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Burton that JOHN GARROTT be appointed as member of the Manatee County Pollution Control Board to fill the unexpired term of Jess Davis. Motion was seconded by Mr. Hutches and carried unanimously.

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Correspondence from William Kuhn, regarding/speed limits, and from Department of Community Affairs, regarding a workshop, was deferred.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS

Notice of public hearing before the commission for the purpose of taking testimony and public comment on proposed revision of Chapter 17-19 Florida Administrative Code relating to domestic waste water treatment plant monitoring, February 18, 1976, Tallahassee.

Referred to Dr. Sam Simpson and O. E. Randle for review and recommendations.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Burton, seconded by Mr. Hutches, the following bills were unanimously approved for payment:

Professional Ancillary Services	\$50.00 (Saccocci)
	50.00 (Gier)
Manatee Memorial Hospital	450.00; \$4716.50
L. W. Blake Memorial Hospital	565.98
<u>Refund to:</u> Neil D. Schulke, exec., Maida Turner Estate - overpayment to Manatee County Ambulance Service	39.00

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Mr. Dierks advised that Dr. Donn W. Keels and Bob Moon had submitted resignations as members of the Manatee County Historical Commission.

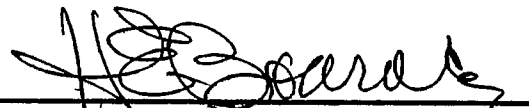
Mr. Dierks made a motion that resignations of Dr. Keels and Mr. Moon be accepted and that Mrs. Gordon Arnold be appointed to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Keels and that Mrs. Lou Sparkman be appointed to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Moon on the Historical Commission. Motion was seconded by Mr. McClure and carried unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned.

Attest:

M. T. McInnis, Clerk



Deputy Clerk

APPROVED: 23 March 1976



Chairman