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The Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, met in SPECIAL SESSION in the Manatee Courthouse, Bradenton, Florida, Thursday, October 28, 1976, at 9:35 a.m.

Present were Commissioners L. H. Fortson, Jr., Chairman  
Dan P. McClure, Vice Chairman  
Ken D. Dierks  
Ken Burton

Also present E.N. "Bill" Fay, Jr., County Attorney

(Commissioner Robert C. Hutches and Henry E. Bourne, Deputy Clerk, were not present.)

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Fortson.

**PORT AUTHORITY BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES (\$11,000,000 BOND ISSUE)**

Mr McClure made a motion, seconded by Mr Dierks, to adopt a RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF \$1,800,000 MANATEE COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, DATED NOVEMBER 7, 1974, OF THE MANATEE COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY, and to ratify the action taken by the Port Authority in a previous meeting this date.

Motion carried unanimously.

✓ RESOLUTION RECORDED S-1-60

**PORT: DELBERT REEDER LEASE**

Mr Dierks made motion, seconded by Mr McClure, to approve and authorize the Chairman of the Board to execute a lease between the Manatee County Port Authority, Manatee County, on behalf of Manatee County Utilities System, and Delbert Reeder for the lease of land located at Port Manatee for agricultural use, at \$45.00 an acre, previously approved and executed by the Port Authority this date.

Motion carried unanimously.

✓ LEASE RECORDED S-1-61

**PARKS & RECREATION: CLUBHOUSE**

To clarify his recommendation to the Board in the Regular Meeting on October 26, 1976, regarding the award of the low bid to DeLesline Construction, Inc. for the construction of the Golf Course Clubhouse, John Marble explained that DeLesline had misinterpreted the plans and had bid on roughing in the plumbing, that, through negotiations, had agreed that DeLesline would complete the plumbing at the lowest plumbing bid received and that the contract amount would remain the same as recommended to the Board on Tuesday, \$20,939.00.

Mr Marble asked permission to send a letter of intent to DeLesline Construction, Inc. which authorizes him to proceed with obtaining the necessary permits, with the understanding that no payments will be made until a contract is formalized.

**PARKS & RECREATION: GOLF CAR STORAGE BUILDING**

Also, he requested authority to proceed with the construction of a Golf Car Storage Building; stating that the Park & Recreation Department would do the actual construction; and requested that the bid policy be waived to allow the Purchasing Agent to purchase the materials (concrete and trusses) at the lowest price.

**CLUBHOUSE; GOLF CAR STORAGE BUILDING**

Mr McClure made motion to approve the requests by Mr Marble, regarding (1) the construction of the Golf Car Storage Building (waive Bid Policy and authorize Purchase of Materials) and (2) authorize the submission of a letter of intent to DeLesline Construction Inc. so permits can be obtained for the Clubhouse. Motion seconded by Mr Dierks.

Under discussion, Mr Marble advised that the construction of the Golf Car Storage Building would cost approximately \$4,000, excluding labor and electrical costs.

Motion carried unanimously.

**LABOR UNION: COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**

After a lengthy discussion, the Board offered no objections that the County Attorney meet with Jim Brady, representative of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Union (AFSCME) Local

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1584, to discuss which County employees should be considered Blue Collar Workers, if a collective bargaining unit is established, and confer with Department heads regarding specific job performances by employees.

**PERSONNEL: MANNING LEVELS**

Westwood Fletcher, Personnel Director, requested that the Board adopt a resolution amending the authorized manning levels as follows:

<u>Right of Way Department</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Engineer Technician IV	2	3
Engineer Technician III	2	1
 <u>Highway &amp; Engineering Department</u>		
Engineer II	0	2
Engineer I	3	1
 <u>Library Department</u>		
Library Page (PT)	4	6
Library Aide I (PT)	7	8
Clerk-Typist II (PT)	1	2
Librarian I (FT)	1	2

Mr Fletcher advised that the changes for the Right of Way Department and the Highway & Engineering Department are included in the personnel actions line item of the departmental budgets; that in changes for the Library Department, these positions were not included in the authorized manning levels by resolution adopted October 14, 1976, therefore, the funds for these positions were not in the budget.

Mr McClure suggested that the matter be deferred for further review and discussion with Mr Fletcher. There were no objections.

**PERSONNEL: PAYROLL CHANGES**

Mr Fletcher requested approval of previously coordinated personnel payroll modifications (new hires, terminations, salary increases, job reclassifications, miscellaneous actions) and authorization for the Chairman to sign the appropriate documents with the following additions:

New Hire	John Ross	Project Hearth
New Hire	Sue A. Lorraine	Health Department
Salary Increase	Robert E. Boller	Ambulance
Termination	Pamela Borrowes	Veterans Service
Temporary Hire	Anita Hartin	Veterans Service
Termination	James J. Hirsch	Ambulance
Transfer	Mabel Kiernan	Planning & Development to Purchasing
Reclassification	Nancy Pogano	Insurance

Mr McClure made motion to approve the personnel payroll changes and authorize the Chairman to sign the appropriate documents. Mr Burton seconded. Voting "Aye": Mr McClure, Mr Burton and Chairman Fortson. Mr Dierks voted "no", stating that this procedure was not consistent with policy. Motion carried.

**PERSONNEL: LOSS CONTROL ENGINEER/INSURANCE SPECIALIST**

Mr Fletcher recommended approval of the employment of Theodore N. Hoch as a Loss Control Engineer/Insurance Specialist. Stating that he would be employed at the pay scale of Administrative Schedule B, and his salary is proposed to be \$12,500 a year, which is the minimum for this schedule. Mr Dierks made motion to approve the recommendation. Mr Burton seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT: ACTING DIRECTOR**

Mr Dierks made motion, seconded by Mr Burton, to approve the designation of Jerry Lee West as Acting Director of the Planning & Development Department, until the position could be permanently filled. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr Dierks suggested that Mr Fletcher and Art Fischer use every available source to expedite the hiring of a permanent director of the Planning and Development Department. There were no objections.

**U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY: WATER RESOURCES INVESTIGATION**

Mr Dierks made motion to authorize the Chairman to execute an agreement with the U.S. Department of Interior for water resources investigation, for the period October 1, 1976 to September 30, 1977, for \$20,000.00, of which the County share is \$10,000.00, subject to the money being in the budget.

After discussion regarding the availability of funds, the motion was withdrawn and the matter was deferred.

**CIVIL DEFENSE: PERSONNEL (ADDRESS)**

William Kuhn, Civil Defense Director, requested, by memorandum dated October 12, 1976, that C.H. Address be appointed Energy Conservation and Fuel Allocation Officer for Manatee County, to gradually transfer the Civil Director's responsibilities to Mr Address before Mr Kuhn's retirement. Mr McClure made motion to approve the request, seconded by Mr Dierks Motion carried unanimously.

**TRANSPORTATION STUDY: MANATEE-SARASOTA AREA**

Letter was read from Ron Norman, Chairman of the Sarasota Manatee Area Transportation Study (SMATS) Policy Committee, regarding the composition of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) of SMATS as designated by the Governor. That it was the consensus of opinion of the members present at the September 27 organizational meeting of the Metropolitan Planning Organization that this composition would result in difficulty in obtaining adequate attendance to take necessary actions and that it would impose unnecessary burdens on elected officials. That the Governor was being requested to reduce the number of County Commissioners from five to one representative selected by each of the respective County Commissioners of Sarasota and Manatee County; and reduce the number of City Commissioners from two to one for the Cities of Sarasota and Bradenton, the member to be selected by the respective City Commissions. That in order to carry out the requested changes, each member of the Commission who is not a member of the policy Committee, write a letter to the Governor resigning from the Metropolitan Planning Organization of SMATS, stating that they will be represented by whoever the Commission should designate.

Mr Fischer stated that he would prepare a draft letter, responding to Mr Norman's letter. There were no objections.

**LONGBOAT KEY, TOWN OF**

Mr Fortson read for the record, Resolution 76-4 of the Town of Longboat Key, urging the Florida Department of Environmental Regulation to require the Manatee Energy Company to comply with the Florida Environmental Land and Water Management Act of 1972, and urging the Manatee County Board of County Commissioners to adopt a similar resolution.

(Mr Dierks was excused and was not present for the duration of the meeting.)

**PARKS & RECREATION: RESIGNATION BOARD MEMBER**

Mr McClure made motion to accept the resignation of Dr John Yelvington from the Park & Recreation Advisory Board with regrets. Mr Burton seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**TRANSIT: BID ON OFFICE/MAINTENANCE FACILITY**

Phil Davis recommended that Lester A. Green be awarded the bid for the construction of office and expansion of existing maintenance facility for the Transit Department (Capital Grant FL-05-0002), in the amount of \$100,500, subject to the approval of the County Attorney and the appropriate State and Federal agencies approval and funding.

Mr McClure made motion to approve the recommendation. Mr Burton seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**TRANSIT: BUS SERVICE - VETERANS DAY**

Phil Davis recommended that the bus system operate on Veterans' Day, Thursday, November 11, 1976, a County holiday.

Mr McClure made motion to approve the recommendation. Mr Fortson stepped down as Chairman to second the motion. Voting "Aye": Mr McClure and Chairman Fortson. Mr Burton voted "No". Motion carried.

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After further discussion, Mr McClure made motion to rescind the previous motion and to defer this matter until the next regular meeting when a full Board would be present. Mr Fortson stepped down as Chairman to second the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**TRANSIT: DOWNTOWN TRANSFER TERMINAL**

Phil Davis read his memorandum, dated October 27, 1976, regarding the Downtown Transfer Terminal: stating that the money available under the Federal Grant FL-05-0002 for this terminal is \$2,000; that this was advertised for bid on September 17 and 24, one bid was received and opened on October 1, 1976, in the amount of \$4,500. and was rejected by the Board on October 5; that it was readvertised on October 15 and 22, for opening on October 26, and no bids were received; that the Highway Department is preparing their estimate in order to complete this portion of the project under a forced account with County personnel; that the appropriate State and Federal permission will be obtained. There were no objections from the Board.

**LIBRARY, SOUTH COUNTY**

Due to the absence of Doug Croll, Architect, and Phil Place, Library Director, the matter of reviewing and approving the plans for the addition to the South County Library was deferred until the next meeting.

**GOVERNMENT STUDY COMMISSION**

The request from the Local Government Study Commission for the \$30,000. that was appropriated in the 1976-77 budget was deferred for further review.

**SARASOTA COUNTY WATER AGREEMENT**

There were no objections from the Board that the County Attorney review the agreement between Manatee County and Sarasota County, regarding the purchase of water. (Requested by Mr Burton).

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

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

Attest:

M. T. McINNIS, Clerk

APPROVED:

By:

  
Deputy Clerk

  
Chairman