

JULY 14, 1977

The Board of County Commissioners, Manatee County, Florida, met in SPECIAL SESSION in the Courthouse in Bradenton, Florida Thursday, July 14, 1977, at 9:30 a.m.

Present were Commissioners      Louis E. Driggers, Chairman  
   Lamar S. Parrish  
   L.H. Fortson, Jr  
Also present                         John D. Sands, Deputy Clerk  
   E.N. Fay Jr, County Attorney

FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL - COMPLEX SITE

Captain L.D. Brady and Sergeant G.G. Dodson submitted a request for land to be used as a site for proposed Florida Highway Patrol Complex consisting of office for the Patrol, Drivers License Division and the Motor Vehicle Inspection Station. Captain Brady explained that a suitable site must be available in order that the Patrol might be eligible for a \$1,200,000 Federal Grant for constructing such complex.

Acquisition of a narrow strip of land lying between the County owned property and State Road 70 and the allotment of approximately ten acres of the county owned property were discussed at length. The County Attorney advised that, if the owner of the strip of land (approximately 2 acres in total area) was not willing to sell, the County has condemnation right for County purposes, but he would have to research the statutes to determine if County authority could be used for State purposes.

Motion was made by Mr Parrish to authorize the Right of Way Agent to pursue the possibility of acquisition of land for the Florida Highway Patrol and the County Attorney to research means of speedy condemnation suit. Motion was seconded by Mr Fortson and carried unanimously.

PURCHASING

William Mullon, Purchasing Director, submitted requests and recommendations outlined in his letter to the Board, dated July 12, 1977, as follows:

Sheriff's Department

1. Purchase and Installation of Communications Equipment  
Award to lowest responsible bidder meeting all specifications.

Discussion followed in regard to adherence to County Bid procedures and the Purchasing Director recommended award of bid to Motorola at \$18,845, as General Electric, although submitting lowest dollar bid, (\$17,396) failed to meet time requirements in their original bid.

Motion was made by Mr Fortson that the bid for Communication Equipment be awarded Motorola at \$18,845. Motion was seconded by Mr Parrish and carried unanimously.

3. Purchase of Office Equipment - CETA Project #74  
Permission to waive bid procedure; permission to acquire.

Due to CETA employees already being on the job in the Sheriff's Communications office, and no desk or chairs available for their use, the Purchasing Director requested permission to purchase the office equipment from local sources and stated he would obtain sealed quotes for opening at next Tuesday's board meeting.

Motion was made by Mr Fortson to waive bid policy and authorize the Purchasing Director to submit sealed quotes (next Tuesday). Motion was seconded by Mr Parrish and carried unanimously.

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Parks & Recreation Department2. Equipment for CETA Projects

Execute Lease Purchase Agreement

a. Ditch Witch b. Tractor Loader

Mr Mullon requested the County Attorney be authorized to formulate a standard format for Vendor's Rental/Lease Purchase

Motion was made by Mr Parrish to authorize the County Attorney to draw up a standard form lease/purchase agreement. Motion was seconded by Mr Fortson and carried unanimously.

LIBRARY

Phil Place, Director, Library System, recommended that payment be authorized to Gerstenslager Company for the new Library Bookmobile for balance in the amount of \$20,172.00 (Bid awarded November 23, 1976: \$29,566.00).

Motion was made by Mr. Fortson that the payment to Gerstenslager, in the amount of \$20,172.00 be authorized. Motion was seconded by Mr. Parrish and carried unanimously.

LIBRARY: SEWER HOOKUPS

Phil Place advised that he had met with Bradenton City Council and requested waiver of fees for sewer hook up at the new Library, but the request had been denied.

Following discussion, the waiver of fees was referred to the County Attorney for further research and report to the Board.

LAKE MANATEE: SOUTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT RULING

Chris Angelidis, Director, Manatee County Utilities System reported a change in ruling by Southwest Florida Water Management District (Amendment 16J-410) in regard to operating dams on public water sources, and stated this was a move by SWFWMD to regulate Lake Manatee. Following a lengthy discussion, the County Attorney was authorized to pursue all possibilities of appeal in opposition to any attempt by SWFWMD to regulate Lake Manatee. A work session was set for Monday, July 25, 1977.

Chairman Driggers urged good representation at the SWFWMD meeting scheduled for August 3, 1977, at Brooksville.

CREEKWOOD DISPOSAL PLANT (MCUE)

Mr. Angelidis submitted a proposal from Creekwood Investors Limited to sell to the Manatee County Utilities System thirty (30) acres of land adjacent to and south of Lena Road Landfill for future disposal plant site, at \$150,000, payable at 25 percent down, with a minimum of \$22,500 per year, at 6 percent interest.

In order to allow the Board members to study the proposal, this matter was deferred until July 25, 1977.

PALMETTO POINT WATER SYSTEM

Mr. Angelidis referred to the negotiation in process with regard to the County purchase of the Palmetto Point Water System from William Grimes and recommended the County authorize the purchase at \$215,000, with an initial payment of \$115,000 to be made from the 13.5 Renewal and Replacement Account; and further recommended the County Attorney be authorized to prepare necessary documents to consummate the transaction.

Motion was made by Mr Fortson that the County Attorney be authorized to proceed with drawing up the necessary documents as recommended by Mr Angelidis. Motion was seconded by Mr Parrish and carried unanimously.

STATE ROADS NO. 684; NO. 64: MCUS USE PERMITS

Upon motion by Mr Fortson, seconded by Mr Parrish, the Board unanimously approved MCUS application to Department of Transportation for Use Permits for construction and maintenance of utility lines within the rights of way of

State Road 64, Section 13050 and  
State Road 684, Section 13140.

✓ RESOLUTION RECORDED S-2-162  
✓ RESOLUTION RECORDED S-2-163

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TELEPROMPTER - PERFORMANCE BOND

The County Attorney made reference to performance bond in the amount of \$10,000 allegedly filed by Teleprompter, but never received by Clerk's office and stated that the bond had been forwarded his office from the Clerk's office, City of Bradenton.

Motion was made by Mr Fortson to approve Performance Bond of Teleprompter Corporation in the amount of \$10,000 and file in Clerk's office. Motion was seconded by Mr Parrish and carried unanimously.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES - MEDICAL ADVISOR

Westwood Fletcher reported that, upon prior instructions from the Board, he and Mr McKendree of Emergency Medical Services had developed a general contract to retain Dr T. A. Pennington as medical advisor to the Emergency Medical Services.

Following discussion, the legality of employment of medical advisor was questioned and the County Attorney was instructed to research the matter and Mr Fletcher was instructed to proceed working with the Advisory Committee, and bring recommendations back to the Board.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Motion was made by Mr Fortson that Resolution be adopted, amending department budget by item to item transfers as follows:

Emergency Medical Services

From: Salaries; Vehicle Repairs

To: Insurance Hospitalization; Medical Supplies; Oxygen Fees;  
Commissions & Cost; Radio Repairs and Other  
Equipment

\$6,600.00

RESOLUTION RECORDED S-2-164

Motion was seconded by Mr Parrish and unanimously carried.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT


Upon motion by Mr Fortson, seconded by Mr Parrish, bills were approved for payment, as follows:

Mann, Fay & Price (Case No. CA-76-1216) \$2,934.83.

MEETING ADJOURNED

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

Attest:

  
Clerk

APPROVED:

  
Chairman