

SEPTEMBER 15, 1977

The Board of County Commissioners, Manatee County, Florida, met in SPECIAL SESSION in the Courthouse, Bradenton, Florida, Thursday, September 15, 1977, at 9:12 a.m.

Present were Commissioners:
 Louis E. Driggers, Chairman
 Lamar S. Parrish
 L. H. Fortson, Jr.
 Kenneth D. Dierks

Also present were:
 John D. Sands, Deputy Clerk
 E. N. Fay, Jr., County Attorney

Commissioner Dan P. McClure was absent.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

COUNTY WATER SYSTEM (ORANGE PARK)

Mrs. John C. Albritton presented a petition, on behalf of the residents of Orange Park, requesting that they be placed on the County water system. The subdivision is currently utilizing artesian wells and the water is of poor quality and muddy. She requested that the County water line, which presently extends as far as Leisure Lakes (about one-mile from Orange Park), be extended further to include Orange Park.

Mr. Driggers stated that the information would be given to the Utilities System to consider the cost factor and the feasibility of providing water to that area.

STATE ROAD 70 - SECONDARY GAS TAX FUNDS

Bob Moon, Right of Way Agent, discussed the proposed resolution authorizing the State to use secondary gas tax money for payment of preliminary engineering costs and acquisition of right-of-way on State Road 70 Project. He stated that according to Provision 16 of the law, the County does not have the jurisdiction to acquire primary right-of-way and that monies have been allocated to the Department of Transportation for this purpose and the legality of using secondary gas tax money for this acquisition is questionable.

Mr. Driggers suggested that Mr. Moon review the resolution and recommended that the \$10,000 remain in the resolution for engineering services but that the \$215,000 for right-of-way acquisition be omitted.

STATE ROAD 684-EASEMENT

Mr. Dierks moved to authorize the execution of a temporary easement by the County to the Department of Transportation for Parcel 702.1 of Section 13040-2504 for State Road 684. (Relocation drainage ditch -- Cortez Road & Palma Sola Creek) Motion was seconded by Mr. Parrish and carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY PROJECT 639

William Mullan, Director of Purchasing, presented for the Board's approval a contract for Highway Project 639 (45th Avenue West, from 26th Street West to 28th Street West & 27th Street West from 46th Avenue West to 45th Avenue West): Warren Bros. Co., Division of Arkland Oil, Inc., \$38,783.90, Insurance Company of North America, Surety (Performance Bond)

Mr. Parrish moved to authorize the Chairman to execute the contract and accept performance bond and Insurance Certificate. Motion was seconded by Mr. Dierks and carried unanimously.

CONTRACT RECORDED

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PARK & RECREATION - ICE MACHINE

A cost comparison was submitted by Mr. Mullan on the purchase price and maintenance agreements of two different brands of ice machines for the Club House at the County Golf Course. Though the base price of the Ice-O-Matic was lower, the maintenance agreement cost of the Whirlpool was lower to the extent that the overall cost for a five-year period would be less.

Mr. Dierks moved that the bid procedure be waived, the offer on the Whirlpool Ice Machine be accepted and the cost comparison made a part of the record. The motion was seconded by Mr. Parrish and carried unanimously. (Supplier: The Ice House - price \$2,949)

AGRICULTURE CENTER - REROOFING

Motion was made by Mr. Parrish, seconded by Mr. Dierks and carried unanimously, that the Purchasing Director be authorized to advertise for bids for reroofing the Agriculture Center.

BRADENTON BEACH FISHING PIER

Mr. Mullan submitted Change Order No. 2 of the contract for the construction of the Bradenton Beach Fishing Pier. This Change Order to contract with Baker Industries is for the labor and materials to deck the "T" Section and the lumber for the decking for the balance of the pier, increasing contract in the amount of \$12,149.96.

Mr. Parrish moved to authorize the Chairman to execute Change Order No. 2 with Baker Industries. Motion was seconded by Mr. Dierks and carried unanimously.

PAYMENT OF BILLS/WARRANT LIST

Mr. Parrish moved that the payment of bills and warrant list be approved as follows:

Baker Enterprises, Inc.	\$5,977.00
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Motion was seconded by Mr. Dierks and carried unanimously.

WATER & SEWER REVENUE BONDS

Russell Hawkes, Financial Advisor, submitted and discussed his letter of September 14, 1977 on the redemption of 1 percent Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds. Mr. Hawkes has been contacted by one of the bondholders who would be willing to sell his bonds to the County at 76 percent of par value. He believes that there are about \$200,000 in bonds which could be bought at that price, resulting in considerable savings to the County. Mr. Hawkes requested permission to contact the other bondholders to ascertain if they would be willing to sell and at what amount. There was no objection from the Board Members and Mr. Hawkes was authorized to proceed as outlined in his letter and report back to the Board.

STATE ROAD 70

Mr. Ugarte, County Engineer, again brought up the matter of the State Road 70 Project and the acquisition of the right-of-way.

Mr. Driggers requested that the County Engineer rewrite the resolution excluding the \$215,000 for the right-of-way acquisition and include only the \$10,000 for preliminary engineering services and bring it back before the Board.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - RESURFACING

John Thomas, Assistant County Engineer, stated that there were three small road projects the Highway Department would like to have approved as they are in dire need of resurfacing and funds are available in the account (\$12,000 to \$13,000):

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Westmoreland Drive - From North Isle to Pearle Avenue
 3rd Avenue N.W. - From 47th to McLewis Bayou
 28th Avenue West - From Bus. 41 to 29th Avenue

Mr. Dierks moved to approve the projects as outlined. Motion was seconded by Mr. Parrish and carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - MOCCASIN WALLOW ROAD

Mr. Thomas reported that enough funds were available in the resurfacing account to fully resurface Moccasin Wallow Road. The original project omitted a two-mile portion and called for coverage with 150 lb material. An additional \$80,000 would enable coverage with 200 lb material, extending the life span by six years, and would also include coverage of the two-mile portion that had been omitted.

Motion was made by Mr. Parrish to approve the expenditure of \$80,000 from the resurfacing account, in addition to that already approved from the emergency fund, for the revised resurfacing project on Moccasin Wallow Road. (Total of \$158,000) Motion was seconded by Mr. Dierks and carried unanimously.

LAWSUIT: BROOKER VS. MANATEE COUNTY

Mr. Fay, County Attorney, presented his letter of September 13, 1977, in reference to the matter of William Ronald Brooker vs Manatee County, Case No. S-77-868 in which \$102.29 is being claimed for automobile damage while driving on 12th Street East, July 19, 1977. Plaintiff is claiming damage was as a result of negligence on the part of road grader being operated by the Highway Department.

Mr. Dierks moved that the County Attorney represent the County in this suit and that the Highway Department be directed to furnish whatever information they might have concerning this event. Motion was seconded by Mr. Parrish and carried unanimously.

BUDGET

Upon motion by Mr. Parrish, seconded by Mr. Dierks, Resolutions were unanimously adopted authorizing amendments to the 1976 - 1977 Budget by item to item transfers as follows:

Circuit Court

From: Equipment

To: Buildings or Additions \$1,196.06

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Planning & Development

From: Contracted Services

To: Office Supplies \$1,380.00

RESOLUTION RECORDED

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SHERIFF'S DEPT. - JAIL SECURITY

Mr. Driggers reported that correspondence was received from the Sheriff's Department stating that they had the necessary funds in their budget to make the changes, as outlined in the Board Meeting of September 13, 1977, which would provide better security for the Jail and the Court House.

SOLID WASTE PLANNING

Mr. Fortson presented a letter from Larry Rhodes, Director, Mosquito Control District, making recommendations on designating the planning agency for Manatee County and the local agency to implement the planning. This designation must be made to Florida Department of Environmental Regulation in accordance with the Florida Resource and Recovery Management Act (Chapter 403.701 F.S.). While Mr. Rhodes agreed with the State's recommendation that the existing regional planning councils be the planning

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agencies and the County Commissioners be the implementing agencies, he feels that a joint operation between Sarasota and Manatee Counties would be more beneficial. Due to the time element, however, Mr. Rhodes suggested that designating the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council (TBRPC) might be more practicable.

Motion was made by Mr. Fortson, seconded by Mr. Parrish, and carried unanimously, that the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council be designated and the Chairman authorized to notify Florida Department of Environmental Regulation accordingly.

COURTHOUSE SPACE

Westwood Fletcher, Personnel Director, outlined the schedule of relocation of different offices within the Courthouse to provide space for the offices of the States Attorney. The offices affected are the Clerk's offices, Sheriff's Department and the Public Defender.

RESCUE SQUAD

Mr. Driggers asked the Board to consider the action of the City Council, City of Bradenton, on no longer allowing their rescue squad to go outside the City limits to perform any kind of rescue operations. In view of the fact that the County has no rescue squad capabilities, Mr. Driggers outlined several alternatives which might be considered: (1) enter into an interlocal agreement with the City of Bradenton to continue furnishing this service, (2) County initiate its own rescue squad, or (3) ensure that the Volunteer Fire Departments have a good rescue squad which could handle emergencies outside the City limits.

The County Attorney agreed to contact Mayor Leach regarding an interlocal agreement and report back to the Board.

MEETING ADJOURNED

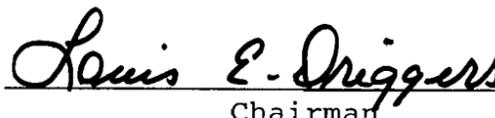
There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned.

Attest:

APPROVED:



Clerk



Chairman