

JULY 27, 1978

The Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, met in SPECIAL SESSION in the Courthouse in Bradenton, Florida, Thursday, July 27, 1978, at 10:20 a.m.

Present were Commissioners
Louis E. Driggers, Chairman
Dan P. McClure
L. H. Fortson, Jr.
Lamar S. Parrish
Robert W. Fowinkle (Entered during the meeting)

Also present were:
E. N. Fay, County Attorney
Ralph Umana, Deputy Clerk, Representing R. B. Shore, Clerk

Members of the press present were Betty Kohlman, St. Petersburg Times; Mark Todd, Sarasota Herald Tribune; Norma Gill, Bradenton Herald; Dean Edwards, WTRL; and other members of the news media entering during the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT (AMBRUSKO)

Dr. John Ambrusko appeared before the Board regarding his proposal to act as consultant for the County in negotiating with Obstetricians for OB care for medicaid patients, and also for consulting services relating to the Rural Health Initiative Program. This would be in addition to his duties as Health Director.

Motion was made by Mr. McClure to authorize the County Attorney to prepare a contract with John Ambrusko, MD PA, for consulting services for an annual fee of \$10,000. Motion was seconded by Mr. Parrish and carried unanimously.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - 1978-1979 BUDGET

Sheriff Burton was present to respond to questions regarding his proposed 1978-1979 Budget totalling \$2,905,965. The Budget as submitted reflected a 12 percent increase over the previous year. In an effort to reduce this increase, certain items were discussed as being possible areas for cutting the budget, in particular the appropriation requested for salaries and employee benefits.

(Enter Mr.

Fowinkle) Mr. McClure urged that the Sheriff's Budget be reduced to reflect an overall 5 percent increase keeping in mind that the Board is obligated to roll back the millage in an attempt to equalize the increased property assessments.

The Sheriff stated that the amount requested for salaries represents a 7 percent increase (5 percent cost-of-living, and 2 percent merit increase).

The Chairman suggested the salary item remain as submitted and a reduction be made to reflect a 5 percent increase in the remaining overall budget. The Sheriff was excused to make the recalculations for submission later in the meeting.

GRANTS DEVELOPMENT

By letter dated July 27, 1978, Regis Chapman, Grants Director, submitted the following requests for final approval of the following CETA Title VI Projects:

1a. School Vision and Hearing Project Number 97 with the Manatee County School Board in the amount of \$57,959.20: August 14, 1978 - June 12, 1979.

RECORDED

1b. Intervention Techniques Project Number 96 with the Manatee County School Board in the amount of \$164,356.00: August 22, 1978 - August 19, 1979.

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- 1c. Red Cross Instructor Training Project Number 98 with the American National Red Cross in the amount of \$86,386.95: August 20, 1978 - August 19, 1979.

Motion was made by Mr. McClure to approve Items 1-a, -b, and -c. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fowinkle and carried unanimously.

GRANTS/CETA PROGRAM

The Chairman read a mailgram from Bernard F. Hillenbrand, Executive Director, National Association of Counties (NACO), requesting Manatee County's participation at the NACO Rally to save the CETA Program, August 2, 1978, in Washington, D.C.

Motion was made by Mr. McClure to authorize Mr. Chapman and Members of the Board to attend the meeting in Washington, D.C. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fortson and carried unanimously.

HOUSEMOVING PERMIT (SCHLONEGER)

Upon motion by Mr. Parrish, seconded by Mr. McClure, Housemoving Permit application was unanimously approved for

Glen Schloneger (Premoving No. 16731)
From: Village Green Parkway & Manatee Avenue, West
To: 4720 (SR 70) 53rd Avenue East, Bradenton

PURCHASING

John McCarthy, Acting Director of Purchasing, submitted the following recommendation (letter dated July 27, 1978):

1. MCUS
Cold Water Meters - Bid No. 78-70
 - a. Award to lowest responsible bidders: Type I - Kent Meters, Type II - B&H Sales, Type III - Kent Meters, Type IV - Badger Meter, Type V - Davis Meter Co.

The Utilities Director, D. E. Pittman, recommended acceptance of the low bidders.

Motion was made by Mr. Parrish to accept the low bids as recommended. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fowinkle and carried unanimously.

MCUS/DAMAGE CLAIM (MESSER)

Mr. Pittman, Utilities Director, recommended approval to reimburse Lewis C. and Wanda K. Messer \$739.93 for damages incurred on April 9, 1978, when lift station #6-D failed and caused a back-up of raw sewerage into their home.

Motion was made by Mr. McClure to approve the recommendation of the Utilities Director to reimburse Mr. and Mrs. Messer in the amount of \$739.93 conditional upon their signing a release to the County. Motion was seconded by Mr. Parrish and carried unanimously.

The County Attorney was asked to keep the Board apprised of his efforts in getting reimbursed for these funds through the insurance company or the contractor.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Fowinkle, seconded by Mr. Fortson, the following bills were unanimously approved for payment for the Manatee County Utilities System:

Bradenton Herald	\$ 757.35
Mann & Fay	412.50
Mann & Fay	1,800.00

WATER & SEWER CONSTRUCTION FUND

Motion was made by Mr. Parrish to authorize the following bill for payment from the Water and Sewer Construction Fund:

Russell and Axon	\$33,900.80
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Motion was seconded by Mr. Fowinkle and carried unanimously.

SUNSET ACRES

Dixie Grubbs, representing residents of Sunset Acres Subdivision, located between 55th Avenue West on the North, 27th Street West on the East, 57th Avenue on the South and 29th Street West on the West, appeared before the Board regarding their petition submitted in an effort to prevent the Saddlebrook Apartment Complex from connecting to the deadend streets in their subdivision when they have direct access to 26th Street. The subdivision is surrounded by Manatee Junior College, a Nursing Home, the Vo-Tech School and Bayshore High School and traffic is already building up in this small subdivision without the flow from the Apartment complex.

Mr. Fortson said this road has been approved on the plat. That it is the policy of the Highway Department and the Planning Department to recommend more than one access in a high density development but that he would confer with the Highway Department to find out what alternatives, if any, there are.

COURTHOUSE ANNEX (INTER-CITY CONSTRUCTION CORP.)

Motion was made by Mr. Fortson to authorize the Chairman to execute the Standard AIA Form of Agreement with Inter-City Construction Corporation for the addition to the Courthouse Annex in the amount of \$134,217. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fowinkle and carried unanimously.

CONTRACT RECORDED

S5-49

PORT AUTHORITY/CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY (DICKEY CLAY)

Upon motion by Mr. Fortson, seconded by Mr. Parrish, Resolution was unanimously adopted Authorizing the Joinder of the County of Manatee, Florida, in a Certain Conveyance by the Manatee County Port Authority, and execution of that certain Deed from the Manatee County Port Authority to W. S. Dickey Clay Manufacturing Company, Inc. d/b/a Dickey Company.

RESOLUTION RECORDED

S5-50

SEWER CONNECTIONS/LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Motion was made by Mr. Fortson to approve the recommendation of O. E. Randle, Pollution Control Director (letter dated July 25, 1978), to authorize Mr. Ed Mulock to begin legal proceedings against those who have not abandoned their septic tanks and connected to the Manatee County Utilities System. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fowinkle and carried unanimously.

TAMPA URBAN AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

Motion was made by Mr. Fortson to authorize the Chairman to sign a letter to Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council advising that implementation of the Hillsborough County Transportation Improvement Program (Review No. 215-78) will not impact upon Manatee County. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fowinkle and carried unanimously.

RELEASE OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT ASSESSMENT LIENS

Upon motion by Mr. Fortson, seconded by Mr. Fowinkle, the following Partial Release of Special Improvement Assessment Liens were unanimously approved:

Project 676, Item 07	Project 529, Item 09
Project 358, Item 430	Project 292, Item 16
Project 667, Item 30	Project 363, Item 311

PROPERTY APPRAISAL ADJUSTMENT BOARD

Mr. Fay announced that he plans to attend a seminar on presentation of tax cases to the Property Appraisal Adjustment Board in Tampa on August 3, 1978. He said one of the other Attorneys from his office would be in attendance at the Board Meeting on that date.

BILL FOR PAYMENT

Upon motion by Mr. McClure, seconded by Mr. Fortson, the following bill was unanimously approved for Payment:

Richard V. Meaney, M.D.	\$10.00
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PROPERTY APPRAISAL ADJUSTMENT BOARD

Motion was made by Mr. McClure that Mr. Fortson, Mr. Driggers and Mr. Parrish represent the Board of County Commissioners on the Tax (Property Appraisal) Adjustment Board.

Mr. Fortson declined, stating that he was Chairman of the Board the previous year and had served for the last three or four years.

At the suggestion of the County Attorney that the members on the Property Appraisal Adjustment be elected one at a time, Mr. McClure moved to nominate Mr. Fortson by acclamation of the Board.

There being no further nominations, the Chairman declared the nominations closed.

Mr. Fowinkle nominated Mr. Driggers and Mr. Parrish.

The Chairman declared the nomination out of order at this time; that the nominations have been closed and a motion is on the floor that Mr. Fortson be elected by acclamation.

Motion was seconded by Mr. Fowinkle. Voting "Aye" were Commissioners McClure, Parrish, Fowinkle and Driggers. Commissioner Fortson voted "Nay." Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. McClure that Mr. Parrish be elected as the second member of the Property Appraisal Adjustment Board.

- ✓ Motion was made by Mr. Parrish to nominate Mr. McClure to serve on the Property Appraisal Adjustment Board. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fortson.

Motion was made by Mr. McClure that the nominations cease.

The Chairman called for a vote on the nomination of Mr. Parrish. Voting "Aye" were Commissioners McClure, Driggers, Fortson, and Fowinkle. Commissioner Parrish voted "Nay." Motion carried.

Mr. Fortson nominated Mr. McClure as the third members of the Property Appraisal Adjustment Board. Motion was seconded by Mr. Parrish.

Mr. Parrish moved that the nominations cease. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fortson.

- ✓ Mr. Fortson moved that a unanimous ballot be cast for Mr. McClure. Motion was seconded by Mr. Parrish. The Chairman called for a vote by districts:

District 1 (Parrish): "Aye"
 District 2 (McClure): "Nay"
 District 3 (Fortson): "Aye"
 District 4 (Fowinkle): "Nay"
 District 5 (Driggers): "Nay"

Motion did not carry.

Motion was made by Mr. McClure to nominate Mr. Driggers by acclamation of the Board as the third member to the Property Appraisal Adjustment Board and that the nominations cease. Motion was seconded by Mr. Parrish and carried unanimously.

The three members elected to serve are Commissioners Fortson, Parrish, and Driggers.

BUDGET AMENDMENT

Upon motion by Mr. McClure, seconded by Mr. Parrish, Resolution was unanimously adopted amending the 1977-1978 Budget by transfer of funds as follows:

<u>BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS</u>		
From:	Reserve for Contingency	\$6,000
To:	Salary (Health Dept. Director	5,640
	Insurance	360

RESOLUTION RECORDED S5-51

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DEPOSITORY: ELLIS FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Motion was made by Mr. McClure to authorize the Chairman to sign authorization for Peter H. Ramsden, Kim Sylva, and Richard H. Ashley, of the Clerk's Office, to make periodic telephone transfers of funds at Ellis First National Bank of Bradenton from Savings Account Number 80-0786-1 to Checking Account Number 00-3763-3. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fowinkle and carried unanimously.

RECESS/RECONVENE

The Chairman declared a brief recess. The Board reconvened at 12:20 p.m. with all Members present.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - 1978-1979 BUDGET

Sheriff Burton submitted his revised Budget stating that a reduction of \$28,198 has been made. This represents a \$304,841 or 11.85 percent increase over the previous year.

Following discussion, motion was made by Mr. Fortson to approve the amended budget of the Sheriff's Department in the amount of \$2,877,767. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fowinkle and carried unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED

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

ATTEST

APPROVED



Clerk



Chairman