

APRIL 17, 1980

The Board of County Commissioners, Manatee County, Florida, met in REGULAR SESSION in the Courthouse, Bradenton, Florida, Thursday, April 17, 1980 at 9:55 a.m.

Present were Commissioners:

Patricia M. Glass, Chairman
Lamar S. Parrish, Vice-Chairman
Claude E. McGavic
L. H. Fortson, Jr.
Louis E. Driggers

Also present were:

E. N. Fay, Jr., County Attorney
David B. Collier, County Administrator
Evelyn Lloyd, Deputy Clerk, representing R. B. Shore,
Clerk of Circuit Court

Representing the various news media were Betty Kohlman, St. Petersburg Times; Jeanne France, WTRL; Libby Allison, The Bradenton Herald; Mark Todd, Sarasota Herald-Tribune, and others who entered during the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Glass.

LEGISLATURE LOBBYIST

The County Administrator reported that Gary Knuckles, authorized to register as a lobbyist on April 8, 1980, has spent the past week in Tallahassee and that he will be reporting to the Board that, in order to be effective, it will be necessary that Mr. Knuckles spend 3 days a week, or less, at the beginning of the State Legislative Session, and to possibly be there on a fulltime basis at the end of the Session.

HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY

Mr. McGavic expressed concern that the Housing Finance Authority, which meets monthly, was not meeting often enough to accomplish their workload, meet deadlines and make timely decisions. The County Attorney pointed out that the Authority has by-laws requiring that they meet monthly and hold special meetings as necessary; that the matter was put to a vote and the majority did not want to meet more often than once a month which affords them ample time to digest any proposals.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION: STATE FUNDS (UNENCUMBERED BALANCES)

The County Administrator reported that a recent newspaper article indicated that funds (unencumbered balances) for road construction were available, and implied that the County was not availing themselves of the funds. Harry Ely, Director, Highway and Engineering, will prepare a report on money spent for road construction and make a comparison with the funds reflected in the article.

Paul Jaworski, 37th Street, E., stated that Richard Long, Department of Transportation, advised him that there was no money pledged for paving 37th Street East.

During discussion, it was brought out that an earlier ruling by the Attorney General on the definition of "maintenance" has been changed and now allows utilization of the funds for new construction.

Mr. Jaworski commented that the funds referred to are funds for construction of new roads and that they cannot be used for repair of existing roads.

LAKE MANATEE: USE OF POWER BOATS/SIGN ORDINANCE

The Chairman read a letter dated April 8, 1980 from the Whitfield Ballentine Association protesting the use of power boats on Lake Manatee and urging the Board to consider a more stringent Sign Ordinance.

ANNA MARIA ISLAND LIBRARY (PROPOSED)

The Chairman read a letter dated April 17, 1980 from Paul V. Willetts objecting to the County expending any monies on the proposed Anna Maria Island Library.

FIRST CITY FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN PROPERTY (ROESCH SUBDIVISION)

The County Administrator advised that his recommendations to the Board on Tuesday, April 15, regarding the purchase of property from First City Federal Savings & Loan (Roesch Subdivision) are still pertinent.

Sam Cornwell, Tax Collector, and Archie Powell, Property Appraiser, urged the Board to begin negotiations to purchase the property. They stated the property is necessary to provide parking to the public since nearby parking facilities are not available.

After discussion, Mr. Parrish moved to authorize the County Administrator and appropriate staff to negotiate with First City Federal Savings & Loan for the acquisition of this property. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fortson. Voting "Aye" were Commissioners Parrish, Fortson, Driggers and Chairman Glass. Voting "No" was Commissioner McGavic. Motion carried.

EMPLOYEE GRIEVANCE (THOMAS)

Discussion was held regarding the amount of time to be allotted to employee Ablasha Thomas for a grievance hearing before the Board of County Commissioners. The County Administrator suggested that, although Mrs. Thomas is requesting approximately 7 to 7-1/2 hours for the hearing, the Board should use some type of time constraint on the presentation; and that he and the County Attorney will counsel Mrs. Thomas as to how to effectively use the time allotted.

After discussion, the County Administrator and the County Attorney were instructed to prepare a letter to the complainant for the Chairman's signature, outlining guidelines to be followed during the hearing, to be submitted for Board review on April 22, 1980.

MATERIALS AND SERVICES

The County Administrator submitted for approval recommendations of John McCarthy, Assistant Director, Materials and Services, outlined in his memorandum dated April 17, 1980:

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

1. Bid No. 80-17 - Two Type I 1980 Chevrolet Modulance Ambulances
 - a. Award to lowest responsible bidder, First Response, Inc., total \$47,944.00.

Motion was made by Mr. McGavic to approve the request as recommended. Motion was seconded by Mr. Driggers and carried unanimously.

SARASOTA-MANATEE AREA TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM (SMATS)
UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM, METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)

Based on the recommendation of Commissioner Claude McGavic, Chairman of the Sarasota-Bradenton Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMATS), outlined in his memorandum dated April 15, 1980, the County Administrator submitted and recommended approval of a request for \$1,326 per year which will represent the County's share of funding a staff position and assignment of an automobile to the SMATS staff.

Phil Davis, Transportation Director, expressed concern that although the MPO approves the apportionment of funds, the balance between Sarasota and Manatee Counties is unknown. He suggested the funds be reapportioned according to population or similar facts.

Motion was made by Mr. McGavic to approve the request by funding for the remainder of the budget year and have both Counties plan budget-wise for next year. Motion was seconded by Mr. Parrish and carried unanimously.

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The County Administrator was authorized to prepare the appropriate document.

SAMOSSET COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM)

Upon motion by Mr. Driggers, seconded by Mr. Parrish, the Chairman was unanimously authorized to sign standard contract forms with the Department of Housing and Urban Development which provides for a water and sewer project for the Samoset Community (application approved for \$500,000 Grant No. B-80-DS-12-0179).

MOTORCYCLE SAFETY FOUNDATION GRANT AGREEMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Fortson, seconded by Mr. McGavic, the Chairman was unanimously authorized to sign a Motorcycle Safety Foundation Grant Agreement whereby the Motorcycle Safety Foundation will provide \$1,406 to fund a training course for beginning motorcycle riders to be administered by the Sheriff's Department.

RECORD AGREEMENT

S9-151

TRANSIT - ELDER BUS SERVICE GRANT APPLICATION

(Depart Mr. Fortson)

The County administrator submitted for approval an application to Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council for funding under the 1965 Older Americans Act as amended for Elder Bus Service (Title III-B funding). This is revised budget 4-1-80 for the period of October 1, 1979 to September 30, 1980 (Total budget \$84,392.00).

In order to coordinate the fiscal years, and to assure that the County Elder Bus Service is to be effective as of April 1, 1980, motion was made by Mr. McGavic, and seconded by Mr. Driggers, to authorize the Chairman to sign the application.

ROADS: STATUS REPORT

The County Administrator gave a status report on various requests made by the County to the Florida Department of Transportation (DOT) regarding roads:

1. SR 43 (U.S. 301) at Ellenton-Gillette Road: Traffic signal recommended by DOT. Highway & Engineering Department presently working on the project.
2. Cortez Road (SR 684) at 51st Street, West: Request for traffic signal denied by DOT since it does not meet minimum requirements. County Administrator to advise Safety Council.
3. I-75, north of 41st Avenue, East, Re: Drainage Problem: DOT denied responsibility for the drainage problem. Discussion followed regarding the fact that the drainage problem did not exist until DOT constructed I-75.

(Enter Mr. Fortson)

Motion was made by Mr. McGavic to authorize a Board member and appropriate staff to travel to Tallahassee (for the purpose of discussing the matter in detail with DOT staff). Motion was seconded by Mr. Driggers and carried unanimously.

4. SR 70 - Speed Reductions and Installation of Traffic Signals: County Administrator to research exact location for the traffic signals and prepare letter for the Chairman's signature requesting DOT to perform a survey at that location.
5. Myakka City: The County Administrator stated that he would check with Highway and Engineering regarding the status of previous safety recommendations.
6. Cortez Rd. (SR 684) and 75th Street, West: DOT advised that a traffic signal is warranted, and that they are in the process of preparing final estimate of any costs involved.

NOTICE OF LEGISLATION: ANIMAL CONTROL ACT REPEAL

In connection with the County's proposed Animal Control Ordinance, the County Attorney submitted and requested authorization to publish a proposed Notice of Legislation giving notice of intent to apply to the 1980 session of the Florida Legislature for passage of an Act repealing Chapter 69-1281, Laws of Florida, relating to the authority and power of the Board of County Commissioners to adopt rules and regulations for the control of rabies, the control of cats and dogs, and for the administration of a City Pound.

Mr. Fortson moved to authorize the County Attorney to advertise the Notice of Legislation. Motion was seconded by Mr. Parrish and carried unanimously.

CONDEMNATION SUIT: STIPULATION FOR FINAL JUDGMENT (CURTIS UNION 76 SERVICE, INC., ET AL)

In connection with condemnation suit, Manatee County Vs. Curtis Union 76 Service, Inc., et al., Case Nos. CA-78-762; CA-45-482, motion was made by Mr. Parrish and seconded by Mr. McGavic to approve

Stipulation for Final Judgment as to
Parcel No. 104

whereby the sums set forth are to be awarded as full and just compensation for Parcel No. 104 together with fees and costs identified and to be distributed to the Defendants, Jean M. Wish and Manatee Federal Savings and Loan Association - \$1,905.00; and to William L. Kimball, Attorney at Law - \$450.00; for a total amount of \$2,355.00.

Motion carried unanimously.

UTILITY EASEMENTS (NICHOLAS; MASENGALE)

Upon motion by Mr. Driggers, seconded by Mr. McGavic, the Board unanimously accepted from

Gregory R. and Judith A. Nicholas
a 10-foot wide permanent easement, and

Lester and Dorothy Masengale
a 10-foot wide permanent easement.

CLERK'S CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon motion by Mr. McGavic, seconded by Mr. Fortson, the Clerk's Consent Calendar dated April 17, 1980 was unanimously approved as follows:

BONDDriveway Permit

Release: Earl E. Hall, Permit #6436, \$200.00

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Jack Moorhead, Trustee (Fee Refund for R-80-26) \$100.00

Janet McLelland (Employer's Group Insurance) 551.20

DUPLICATE TAX SALE CERTIFICATES

Chairman authorized to sign:

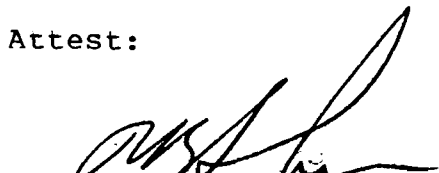
1. Steve Wilson, Tax Certificate No. 576
2. George L. and Oma H. Ihli, Tax Certificate No. 1125

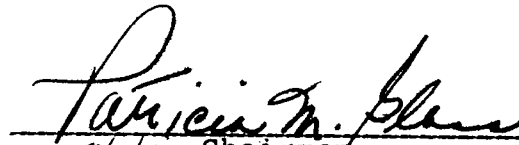
MEETING ADJOURNED

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

Attest:

APPROVED:


Clerk


6/5/80 Chairman

Adj: 11.33 a.m.