

JANUARY 7, 1982

The Board of County Commissioners, Manatee County, Florida, met in SPECIAL SESSION in the Courthouse, Bradenton, Florida, Thursday, January 7, 1982 at 11:23 a.m.

Present were Commissioners:

Vernon E. Vickers, Chairman  
Edward W. Chance, Vice-Chairman  
Claude E. McGavic  
Westwood H. Fletcher, Jr.  
Patricia M. Glass

Also present were:

Mary Greenwood, County Attorney  
David B. Collier, County Administrator  
Richard H. Ashley, Chief Deputy Clerk, representing  
R. B. Shore, Clerk of Circuit Court

Representing the various news media were Betty Kohlman, St. Petersburg Times; Gregg Hartman, Channel 40 News, and others who entered during the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Vickers.

LAKE MANATEE RESERVOIR: PROTECTION BUFFER

Motion was made by Mr McGavic, and seconded by Mrs Glass, to approve, and authorize the Chairman to execute, Agreement for Sale and Purchase with Andrew A. and Beverly J. Garcia for the acquisition of a parcel of land (for the total sum of \$50,000) as a portion of a protection buffer for the Lake Manatee Reservoir. Motion carried unanimously.

RECORD AGREEMENT

S31-813

RURAL HEALTH FACILITIES

Motion was made by Mr McGavic, seconded by Mr Fletcher, to authorize the Chairman to execute letter of request for warrant (from the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services (HRS)) in the amount of \$125,000.00 for construction of Samoset Clinic.

GENERAL SPATZ BLVD.

Mrs Glass moved for approval of the drafting of a resolution in support of reopening General Spatz Blvd. Motion was seconded by Mr Fletcher and carried unanimously.

MANATEE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL - BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Upon recommendation by Richard H. Ashley, Chief Deputy Clerk, motion was made by Mr McGavic to approve the payment of Invoices, in the total amount of \$353,244.35, listed in the memorandum of January 6, 1982, from Bently B. Lang, Administrator, Manatee Memorial Hospital. Motion was seconded by Mr Chance and carried unanimously.

(Exit Mrs Glass & Mr Vickers; Mr Chance presiding as Chairman)

PHOSPHATE SEVERANCE TAX

Gary Knuckles, Materials & Services, stated that two Bills are coming before the Mining & Reclamation Committee, (1) House Bill 164, and (2) a Proposed Committee Bill by the Mining & Reclamation Committee, both of which deal with the Phosphate Severance Tax issue. He said that both bills intend to change the distribution of tax funds, now broken down into the following areas:

- (1) 50% to a Conservation and Recreation Lands Trust Fund.
- (2) 25% to the General Revenue Fund of the State.
- (3) 20% to the Nonmandatory Land Reclamation Trust Fund.
- (4) 5% to a Phosphate Research Trust Fund.

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House Bill 164 (Representative Ready's bill) basically takes 20 percent of the Severance Tax money and gives it to the County or the City in which the Phosphate is mined. The proposed Committee Bill changes the 20 percent that goes in the Nonreclamation Land Trust Fund and changes it from 20 to 30 percent and gives the Counties and the Cities 10 percent until January 21, 1986, when it reverts to 20 percent.

(Enter Mr Vickers)

It was the concensus of the Board that Representative Ready, who is on the Committee and knows what phosphate mining does to the environment, will support his own bill, and that the Board should encourage the Committee to support this bill.

In order for Mr Knuckles to have something to take with him to Tallahassee, Mr McGavic made a motion to authorize the adoption of a resolution with respect to this matter. Motion was seconded by Mr Chance and carried unanimously.

RECORD RESOLUTION S31-814

MEETING ADJOURNED

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

Attest:

APPROVED:

  
Clerk

  
Chairman 7/27/82

Adj: 11:45 a.m.