

MARCH 1, 1994

The Board of County Commissioners, Manatee County, Florida, met in a RISK ASSESSMENT MEETING in the Administrative Center, 1112 Manatee Avenue West, Tuesday, March 1, 1994, at 11:48 a.m.

**Present were Commissioners:**

Stan Stephens, Chairman  
Joe McClash, First Vice-Chairman  
John R. Gause, Third Vice-Chairman  
Patricia M. Glass  
Maxine M. Hooper

**Absent were Commissioners:**

Kent G. Chetlain, Second Vice-Chairman, prior commitment  
Lari Ann Harris, prior commitment

**Also present were:**

H. Hamilton Rice, Jr., County Attorney  
Geraldyn B. Hines, Clerk, representing R. B. Shore,  
Clerk of Circuit Court

The meeting was called to order for the purpose of discussing a settlement in connection with Monika Woodard, personal representative of the Estate of Richard Bruce Woodard, deceased v. Jeffrey Mason Dunn, Manatee County, Gary Allen Bogart and Richard E. Johnson (Case No. CA-93-2629).

**LAWSUIT: WOODARD VS. DUNN, ET AL**

Tedd Williams, Chief Assistant County Attorney, recommended accepting the settlement offer in the amount of \$25,000 in the case of Richard Bruce Woodard, etc. vs. Jeffrey Mason Dunn, Gary Allen Bogart and Richard E. Johnson.

On July 7, 1992, Mr. Woodard was struck and killed as he attempted to cross U.S. Highway 41 just south of its intersection with 53rd Avenue West. He was struck by a Manatee County Sheriff's patrol car which was southbound and was being driven by a 19-year-old reserve deputy, Jeffrey Dunn. On impact, Mr. Woodard's body was knocked into a lane of northbound traffic where he was struck again by a Chevrolet Suburban, owned by Mr. Johnson, the defendant, and driven by Mr. Bogart. According to a blood alcohol test, Mr. Woodard was intoxicated at the time.

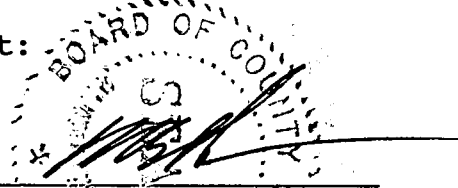
Manatee County's exposure in this case is \$200,000 and the plaintiff has offered to settle all claims for \$25,000, which the County Attorney's office recommends.

Motion was made by Mr. McClash, seconded by Mrs. Glass and carried 5 to 0, to approve the settlement offer of \$25,000.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.


Attest:

  
Clerk

Adj: 11:53

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APPROVED:

  
Chairman 4/12/94