

SEPTEMBER 24, 1998

The Board of County Commissioners, Manatee County, Florida, met in EMERGENCY SESSION at Port Manatee in the Anchor House, corner of Dock Street and Eastern Avenue, Palmetto, Florida, on Thursday, September 24, 1998, at 9:05 a.m.

Present were Commissioners:

Patricia M. Glass, Chairman
Joe McClash, Second Vice-Chairman
Jonathan Bruce, Third Vice-Chairman
Stan Stephens
Lari Ann Harris
Amy Stein

Absent was Commissioner Gwendolyn Y. Brown, First Vice-Chairman.

Also present were:

Ernie Padgett, County Administrator
Teddy N. Williams, Jr., County Attorney
Susan G. Romine, Board Records Supervisor,
representing R. B. Shore, Clerk of Circuit Court

The Chairman convened an emergency meeting (Notice sent by the County Administrator) to consider a local state of emergency with regard to Hurricane Georges.

HURRICANE GEORGES

Karen Windon, Public Safety Director, advised that the storm was on track moving over Cuba toward Florida and noted the risk for the County could be significant.

She advised that the Emergency Operations Center is operating on Level III activation with emergency support functions being staffed, evacuation plans are under way, and special needs citizens are being notified.

Teddy N. Williams, Jr., County Attorney, submitted the following resolution for consideration:

R-98-254 RESOLUTION DECLARING A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY AND AUTHORIZING EVACUATION IMPLEMENTATION AND OTHER EMERGENCY MEASURES

(authorizing the Public Safety Director to implement mandatory evacuation of all areas within the County in accordance with the Manatee County Evacuation Plan; effective immediately for a period of seven days unless rescinded).

Discussion: Process for notifying island residents; displaying an evacuation map on government access television; schools are used for evacuation shelters; conflicting information.

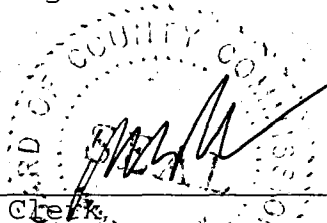
Mrs. Harris moved to adopt R-98-254. Motion was seconded by Mr. Stephens and carried 6 to 0. RECORD 546-1156

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

APPROVED:


Clerk


Chairman 11/19/99

Adj: 9:14 a.m.
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