

AUGUST 16, 1989

The Manatee County Civic Center Authority met in REGULAR SESSION at the Civic Center, Palmetto, Florida, Wednesday, August 16, 1989 at 7:33 a.m.

Present were Members:

P. Allen Schofield, Vice-Chairman
Donald Brittain
Walter Grace
William Orr
Barbara Turner
Eugene Wiseman

Absent was: Russell A. McInerney, Chairman

Also present were:

John Graham, Director
Kim Umana, Finance Director, representing R. B. Shore,
Clerk of Circuit Court

Representatives of the various news media were present.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Schofield.

MINUTES

Upon motion by Mr. Orr and second by Mr. Wiseman, the minutes of July 19, 1989 were unanimously approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Mr. Wiseman, seconded by Mr. Orr and carried unanimously, to approve the Consent Agenda. Items APPROVED:

Florida Power & Light - 6/1-30/89	\$10,173.58
Accounting Services - Clerk's Office	4,902.32
Parks & Recreation - Lawn Maintenance	1,000.00
Sysco - Food	1,357.33
Tampa Crown Distributors - Alcohol	1,326.30
Bay Distributors - Alcohol	1,566.90

HOTEL - SHOPPING CENTER - RETIREMENT HOME

Steve Odem, Palmetto City Clerk, introduced Woody Hiller, Larson Engineering, and Gil Waters, owner of the property north of the Civic Center.

Mr. Waters discussed the proposed development (hotel, shopping center and retirement home) north of the Civic Center. He stated that new requirements regarding environmental regulations, mitigation and concurrency have affected completion of the project.

He advised that the City of Palmetto obtained a Community Development Block Grant to be loaned to the developer of the project. The Palmetto Community Redevelopment Agency made available, at a low price, four acres for off-site mitigation.

Mr. Orr stated that development of the entire area is being reviewed, including the Manatee Gateway property.

Mr. Waters stated that the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) had determined that 7th Street would be the access for the project. It must be extended through the property and connected to the Civic Center parking lot, creating access to 7th Street from the Civic Center and Haben Boulevard from the hotel. A traffic signal would be placed at the intersection of US 41/301 and 7th Street. He requested that Civic Center engineers work with Mr. Hiller to find a solution.

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Discussed: Meeting with Manatee Gateway, Mr. Waters, FDOT and Authority to discuss plans for the area; signals at Haben Boulevard and 7th Street synchronized; 60 days to develop permitting for grant.

Mr. Hiller stated FDOT required secondary access and interconnection to the Civic Center parking lot. A paved road on Civic Center property will not be required.

Discussion: Put road from hotel parking lot through Manatee Gateway property; interconnection will not cost Civic Center; people driving through parking lot will cause damage; Manatee Gateway permits to expire; quality of hotel; Civic Center spillover parking at shopping center; development along Haben Boulevard, etc.

(Depart Mr. Wiseman)

FINANCIAL REPORT

John Graham, Director, submitted and reviewed the Financial Reports for July, 1989.

Motion was made by Ms. Turner, seconded by Mr. Orr and carried unanimously, to approve the Reports.

UTILIZATION REPORT

The Director reviewed the Utilization Report for July, 1989.

CITIZENS SUPPORT GROUP - STEERING COMMITTEE

J. C. Shafranek, Sales Director, introduced Hans and Vivien Nielsen, members of the newly-formed Steering Committee.

Mr. Orr reported on a meeting with the Director of Bayfront Auditorium in St. Petersburg where discussions of forming a foundation were held.

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

Mike Black, Building and Grounds Superintendent, advised that bids for ground maintenance had been received from six firms and submitted a comparison of the six.

Mr. Black stated that of the bidders, Hawn Amex Inc. and Suncoast Foliage Designs had done work on the grounds in the past. He had not been able to contact the lowest bidder, D & D Enterprises.

Discussion: Probationary period; extras.

Motion to award the bid to Hawn Amex was **withdrawn**.

Motion was made by Mr. Orr to award the bid to Hawn Amex, Inc. and authorize subsequent execution of a contract. If contract negotiations are not successful, award the bid and authorize subsequent execution of a contract with Lawn Contractors. Motion was seconded by Mr. Brittain and carried unanimously.

INTERIOR ADVERTISING

The Director submitted fee schedule for a interior advertising in Center Hall.

Discussion followed regarding certain factions requesting signs be covered or taken down during particular functions. It was determined that already approved policy stands.

PALMETTO FUNDS

Mr. Graham requested direction as to how to proceed regarding a County audit of City of Palmetto funds for Haben Boulevard. Inasmuch as it would be discussed at a joint meeting of the County Commission and Palmetto City Council to be held this afternoon, it was suggested that the Authority have a representative at the meeting. Ms. Turner stated that she would represent the Authority.

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PALMETTO ELECTRIC SURCHARGE

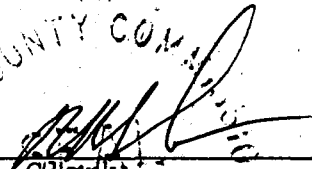
Discussion of the Palmetto electric surcharge will be placed on the September agenda.

MEETING ADJOURNED

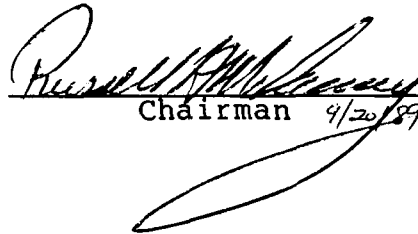
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

APPROVED:



Clerk



Chairman 9/20/89

Adj: 4:30 p.m.
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