

AUGUST 25, 1977

PORT AUTHORITY

The Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, convened as the MANATEE COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY in Regular Session in the Courthouse in Bradenton, Florida, Thursday, August 25, 1977, at 9:09 a.m.

Present were Commissioners  
Lamar S. Parrish, Chairman  
Louis E. Driggers  
L. H. Fortson, Jr.

Also present were  
E. N. Fay, Jr., Port Attorney  
J. E. Jaudon, Port Director  
John D. Sands, Deputy Clerk

Absent were Commissioners  
Dan P. McClure  
Kenneth D. Dierks

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Parrish.

MINUTES

Motion was made by Mr. Fortson that Minutes of prior meetings

June 9, 1977  
June 23, 1977  
July 14, 1977

be approved. Motion was seconded by Mr. Driggers and carried unanimously.

TONNAGE REPORT

J. E. Jaudon, Port Director, submitted a Tonnage Comparison Report for the month of July, 1977, and a cumulative Tonnage Comparison Report for the first ten months of 1977.

TAMPA BAY HARBOR DEEPENING PROJECT

Mr. Jaudon reported that bids on Phase III of the overall project to deepen the Tampa Harbor main channel were opened in Jacksonville on August 19, 1977. This contract calls for dredging from the Alafia River to East Bay and for the removal of about 12,200,000 cubic yards of material. (Opened by U. S. Corps of Engineers.)

The low bidder was Western Contracting Corporation of Sioux City, Iowa, with a bid of \$26,475,360.

SCRAP IRON

First scrap metal vessel of the year now being loaded at Port Manatee. This load consists of 13,000 tons of scrap and is being exported to Spain. There is a depressed market for scrap this year and the Port is far below its estimate of 60,000 tons for the year.

Mr. Jaudon added that a ship was in Port from Rotterdam now unloading 14,000 tons of calcium ammonium nitrate and that activity in the Port was good.

TANKER SAN MARLAS

Mr. Jaudon relayed a report from the Tanker San Marlas that they were unable to get along side the slip securely. This was investigated after the ship left. The sounding crew discovered an area 16' wide by 75' long, running parallel to the slip, where it was down to only 27 feet of water. A diver is doing a survey and gathering samples after which necessary steps will be taken to correct the situation. It is estimated that 230 cubic yards of material will have to be removed.

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LEASE AGREEMENT: REEDER

Mr. Driggers moved that the lease agreement between the County of Manatee, on behalf of the Manatee County Utilities System and the Manatee County Port Authority, and Delbert T. Reeder, be accepted and authorized executed.

The term of the lease is for one year to commence August 1, 1977 and expire July 31, 1978. Total rental is in the amount of \$10,264.50, payable as follows:

On or before October 15, 1977:

\$1,850.40	Manatee County Utilities System
3,281.85	Manatee County Port Authority

On or before February 1, 1978:

\$1,850.40	County of Manatee, Florida
3,281.85	Manatee County Port Authority

In addition, Lessee shall pay any applicable Florida Sales Tax and will use said property solely for farming purposes.

Motion was seconded by Mr. Fortson and carried unanimously.

AGREEMENT RECORDED

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LOCAL PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Jaudon read a letter from Congressman Andy Ireland (8th District) advising that the public works appropriations conference report, which includes the \$43,000 to complete the Port Manatee study, had been approved by the House.

OPERATING BUDGET

Mr. Fortson moved that the Operating Budget for the Port Authority for Fiscal Year 1978 be approved. Motion was seconded by Mr. Driggers and carried unanimously.

BUDGET RECORDED

4-173

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Chris Pilger, Engineer, reported on the road paving at Port Manatee that was deemed necessary to reduce dust problems in trucking areas. Mr. Pilger outlined the plan which is to be completed in five phases, each in separate areas, for a total of \$42,149.30.

Mr. Fortson moved that the Port Director be authorized to proceed with the project. Motion was seconded by Mr. Driggers and carried unanimously.

Mr. Pilger further reported that the core boring for the rehabilitation of the north general cargo dock is underway and one-third complete; also, that the ultra sonic measurements of steel sheet piling on the cellular dock on the east and south sides have been completed and will be reported on at the next meeting.

EQUALIZING RAILROAD RATES

The Port Authority Attorney, E. N. Fay, advised that John F. Donelan, the attorney retained to represent the Port Authority on equalization of railroad rates and had withdrawn because of a possible conflict of interest, had suggested three lawyers who are experts in this field.

Two of these lawyers had been contacted: John Gaundolo, Esq., of MacDonald and McInerny; and Daniel J. Sweeney, Esq., of Dunlap, McCarthy, Spencer, Sweeney and Huckaway; and the third specialized in trucking rates and was not contacted.

Mr. Fortson moved that the County Attorney write John Gaundolo, Esq., and obtain a written proposal which would include fees, etc. Motion was seconded by Mr. Driggers and carried unanimously.

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PORT AUTHORITY ATTORNEY CONTRACT

Mr. Fay, submitted a letter reflecting the change in the name of his law firm and setting forth a provision whereby he is to be reimbursed for costs and expenses incurred by his office in the performance of rendering professional services to the Port, and requested ratification and approval.\*

Mr. Fortson moved that the recommendations set forth in Mr. Fay's letter of August 24, 1977, be approved. Motion was seconded by Mr. Driggers and carried unanimously.

RECORDED

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WARRANT LISTS

Motion was made by Mr. Driggers, seconded by Mr. Fortson, that the Warrant Lists be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED

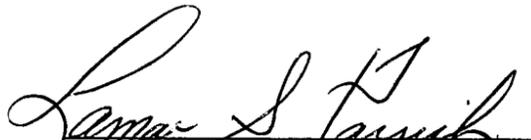
There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned.

\*(Approve, ratify and confirm attorney-client arrangement in letter dated 1/22/76 for the lawfirm of Mann, Fay & Price; with addition law firm of Mann & Fay, Chartered, as attorneys for Port Authority.)

Attest:

Approved:

  
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Clerk

  
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Chairman