

## REGULAR WORKSHOP

JUNE 11, 1990

The Walton County Board of County Commissioners met in a regularly scheduled workshop on Monday, June 11, 1990, at 8:00 A.M., in the County Commission Boardroom in the Walton County Courthouse.

The following Board Members were present: Chairman Sam Pridgen, Vice-Chairman Donald D. Brown, Commissioner W.F. Miles, Commissioner Wilson Holley, and Commissioner Robert G. Fleet. The County's Administrative Supervisor, Mr. Ronnie E. Bell, was also present.

Chairman Pridgen opened the workshop for discussions.

Ms. Angie Henderson, Grants Coordinator, appeared before the Board to request approval to advertise for proposals from consultants who would administer the Community Development Block Grant applications which are due by October, 1990. The consultants are paid only if the grant is awarded and are paid from the grant monies. The Board agreed that requests for proposals should be published.

Mr. Dec Currie, Purchasing Agent, advised the Board of two bid openings since the last regular Board Meeting.

Mrs. Shirl Williams, Assistant Administrative Supervisor, stated that qualification statements are being requested from firms wishing to assist in revisions of the Walton County Comprehensive Plan before actual proposals are requested. The firms must provide references of Cities and/or Counties which they have assisted in Comprehensive Plan revisions and whose Comprehensive Plans have been accepted.

Mrs. Williams advised that Mr. Gary Ellis has applied for a permit to construct a pier on Lake Juniper. The Board must give its approval. The Game and Freshwater Fish Commission has approved the permit application.

Mrs. Williams briefly reviewed two final plats before the Board for approval.

Discussion followed regarding roads not up to County specifications within subdivisions. Commissioner Holley requested that building permits be held until it is posted at all subdivision entrances and indicated on the deed that all roads within the subdivision are private. Mrs. Williams stated that the ideal place to "catch" this is when the deeds are recorded.

Vice-Chairman Brown briefly reviewed several items on the agenda for the regular meeting of June 12, 1990.

A proposed revision of the Zoning Ordinance was reviewed and discussed.

Mr. Bell advised that Dr. Jonathan Earle of the University of Florida will be present in the regular meeting of June 12, 1990, to present the proposal for assisting the County in reaching a solid waste management solution.

Mr. Bell advised of a vacancy in the position of Courthouse maintenance supervisor.

Discussion followed regarding the hiring practices of the County and the current application forms.

Mr. Bell advised that June 12 is the anniversary of Mr. Mike Barker's, Civil Defense Director, hiring date. The Board had indicated at the time of his hiring that Mr. Barker would receive a pay increase on his anniversary date. The Board agreed that Mr. Barker has done an outstanding job as Civil Defense Director and, if there is money available in the Civil Defense budget, then he should receive a pay increase.

Commissioner Fleet recommended that the lakes in the County should be closed to "jet-ski" type vehicles.

Commissioner Fleet submitted a letter from the South Walton Board of Realtors suggesting that the County require the franchise fee of cable companies be paid on a monthly basis and further suggesting that the County issue only non-exclusive franchises. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Holley advised that Mr. Clayton Adkinson, Attorney for Mr. William H. Coon, has requested that the County pay Mr. Coon for all of his accrued annual leave, half of his accrued sick leave, and all of his compensatory time. Mr. Coon will submit his resignation as County Shop Foreman. Commissioner Miles stated that Mr. Coon should be paid leave time in accordance with County policy.

The Board directed Mr. Bell to investigate the federal and state government policy for paying leave time at the time of an employee's termination or retirement. Discussion followed on the policy of leave time accrual.

Discussion followed regarding Humana Health Care Plans, the current health insurance carrier for the County. Commissioners Miles and Fleet expressed their discontent with the company. Discussion continued.

General discussion followed regarding the location of clay pits within the County and lack of availability for some of the Districts. Commissioner Fleet stated that he will contact Eglin Air Force Base and investigate the possibility of acquiring clay from the Air Force Base Reservation.

Mr. Bill Mixon, Treasurer of the Walton County Airport Authority, advised that the Department of Community Affairs has informed the Airport Authority that it is a special district and so must pay a fee of \$175.00. Mr. Mixon advised that the Authority will pay the fee according to counsel's recommendation.

General discussion followed regarding the upcoming Sheriff's Auction.

Commissioner Holley suggested that equipment be purchased strictly for County-wide use and that Landfill equipment be left for use strictly at the Landfill. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Martha Ingle, Chief Deputy Clerk, advised that Representative Sam Mitchell will attempt to determine if the old barn located behind the Farmer's Market will fall under any specific classification for funding purposes.

Discussion followed regarding general topics of interest to the Board.

The workshop was adjourned.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Sam Pridgen, Chairman

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Catherine King, Clerk