

BUDGET WORKSHOP

JULY 28, 1993

The Board of County Commissioners, Walton County, Florida, held a budget workshop on Wednesday, July 28, 1993 at 8:30 A.M., in the Commission Boardroom of the Walton County Courthouse.

The following Board members were present: Chairman Sam Pridgen, Vice-Chairman Gordon Porter, Commissioner Charles C. Harris, Commissioner Johnnie Moore, and Commissioner Rosier Cuchens. The Administrative Supervisor, Mr. Ronnie E. Bell, was also present.

Chairman Pridgen opened the Workshop for discussion.

Mrs. Martha Ingle, Chief Deputy Clerk, advised the Board that the millage is presently 9.040 mills.

Mr. Bell presented the following recommendations concerning the staffing of the landfill:

That effective October 1, 1993, the following personnel be laid off at the landfill: Johnnie Griggs - Scale Operator/Sign Machine Operator, John Paul Dickey - Equipment Operator, and Tim Jones - Truck Driver.

With the lay off of these three employees, there would be a savings of \$57,878.62. This includes salary, fica and retirement.

That effective October 1, 1994, the following personnel be laid off at the landfill: Aaron Taylor - Blue Mountain Drop Box, James Evans - Bruce, Black Creek and Blue Mountain Drop Boxes, and John Thomas - Paxton Drop Box.

With the lay off of these three employees there would be a savings of \$39,255.20. This includes salary, fica and retirement.

The recommendation also included that John Scott Mann be transferred to the Countywide crew as equipment operator of the pan. The pan and operator would be utilized county wide. Mr. Mann's salary, including fica and retirement, is \$22,535.85. The recommended staffing of the landfill for

fiscal year 1993-94 will be as follows:

Russell Floyd - Supervisor
Earl Robinson - Equipment Operator/Truck Driver
Clarence Hobbs - Truck Driver/ Equipment Operator
Lee Campbell - Truck Driver/ Equipment Operator
Dewey Collinworth - Sign Machine Operator/Scale
Operator
Bessie Miller - Scale Operator/Secretary
Aaron Taylor - Blue Mountain Drop Box
James Evans - Bruce, Black Creek and Blue Mountain

Drop Box
John Thomas - Paxton Drop Box

Total salary of the above employees including fica and retirement for fiscal year 1993-94 would be \$162,446.14. This would be a reduction in the landfill budget of \$82,602.86. The number of employees under the landfill budget would decrease from thirteen for fiscal year 1992-93 to nine for fiscal year 1993-94. The number of employees under the landfill budget would decrease from nine for fiscal year 1993-94 to six for fiscal year 1994-95.

The Board discussed the recommendations presented by Ronnie Hudson, Bobby Ammons, Russell Floyd, and Ronnie Bell regarding the landfill. The purpose for the reduction in personnel at the landfill is due to the county transferring all the Class I solid waste out of the County and because of the budgetary problems of the county. The current budget request of the landfill operation is \$1,351,046. Because of this, it is necessary to make cuts where feasible and necessary.

The Board discussed enacting a fleet management system at the county shop.

The Board convened into Special Session.

Motion by Commissioner Cuchens, second by Vice-Chairman Porter, to approve the recommendations received regarding the landfill. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Cuchens Aye, Moore Aye, Porter Aye, Harris Aye, Pridgen Aye.

The Board reconvened into the Budget Workshop.

Sheriff Quinn McMillian presented a revised 1993-94 budget request totalling \$3,213,472.77.

The Board reviewed the North Walton Mosquito Control budget and agreed not to budget for an additional employee and truck.

Sheriff McMillian agreed to cut two part-time 911 dispatchers from his budget proposal. The Sheriff's total budget request is now \$3,185,767.20.

The Board agreed to meet again on Monday, August 2, 1993 at 8:30 A.M., to discuss the 1993-94 budget.

The Board directed Ronnie Bell, Ronnie Hudson, Ernie Montgomery, and Rusty Henderson to review the county shop and present recommendations to the Board for review.

Chairman Pridgen adjourned the Workshop.

APPROVED: _____

Sam Pridgen, Chairman

ATTEST: _____

Catherine King, Clerk