

REGULAR WORKSHOP

AUGUST 27, 1990

The Board of County Commissioners, Walton County, Florida, met in a regular workshop session on Monday, August 27, 1990, at 8:00 A.M., in the County Commission Boardroom of 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.

Commissioner Fleet advised that East Hewitt Road is paved. He further advised that he hopes to pave the road traveling east out of Seagrove.

Mrs. Shirl Williams, Assistant Administrative Supervisor, reviewed several items on the agenda for the Regular Meeting of August 28, 1990.

Mrs. Williams advised that she has prepared a policy governing improvements of public right-of-ways by private developers.

Mrs. Williams further advised that she has four resolutions prepared for adoption accepting the streets within the last four accepted subdivisions.

The Board discussed at length the issue of approving Ms. Maryetta Doss' development at Tang-O-Mar.

Mr. Bell advised that Sherlock, Smith, and Adams has requested detailed site plans of the Courthouse in order to complete their evaluation of additional office space in the Courthouse and the old jail. Mr. Kermit George will be present at the regular meeting of August 28, 1990, to give an estimate of the survey work needed to prepare the site plans.

Commissioner Holley stated that he believes a Courthouse annex in the south end of Walton County is much needed and may reduce or even eliminate the

need for expansion of the current Courthouse.

Mr. Bell stated that he has met with the Farmers' Market Committee and of ten active members on the Committee only three were at that meeting. Additionally, there four members who have attended only one or none of the Farmers' Market Committee meetings. Two of those four members have expressed their desire to be removed from the Committee. The Farmers' Market Committee have recommended that those four members be removed from their seats on the Committee if they are agreeable. The Committee will be meeting again on September 6, 1990 to discuss the need for a ten-member Committee and to possibly make additional recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners.

Mr. Bell advised that Ms. Hilda Coursey has asked that representatives of the County be present at scheduled Community Meetings and offered a special invitation to the Commissioners to attend any of those meetings if possible.

Mr. Bell stated that the City of DeFuniak Springs is participating in the tax-deferred retirement savings plan offered through Great Western Bank. Vice-Chairman Brown stated that when computer capabilities are increased he would recommend offering this plan to County employees.

Mrs. Martha Ingle, Chief Deputy Clerk, advised that two Commissioners are needed to assist in absentee ballot counting on the night of September 4, 1990. Commissioner Fleet stated that he would assist.

Chairman Pridgen, Vice-Chairman Brown, and Commissioner Fleet will sit on the Property Appraisal Adjustment Board. The meeting of that Board is scheduled for the afternoon of September 25, 1990.

Commissioner Fleet discussed Ms. Debra Tabiesson's reason for appearing before the Board in the Regular Meeting of August 28. She represents individuals wishing to upgrade Lake Powell's classification.

Commissioner Holley advised that two individuals on Popcorn Road have

requested emergency maintenance for that road in order for a school bus to travel it safely. There are school children living on the road. The Board reminded that Commissioner Holley has the discretion to determine the necessity of performing one-time emergency maintenance on roads within his district.

Vice-Chairman Brown recommended that the Board adopt a resolution similar to the one adopted by Levy County's Board of Commissioners protesting unfunded mandates.

Mr. Ronnie Hudson, Public Works Director, advised that he will contact each Commissioner and/or Road Foreman and advise of the bridges within their Districts and the number for each bridge.

Vice-Chairman Brown advised of a computer printout of all land owned by the County.

Vice-Chairman Brown recommended that all applicants for a building permit be required to have DER, DNR, or Corps of Engineers approval "in-hand" before a County permit is issued to them. This would be necessary only if a DER, DNR, or Corps permit is required.

Mr. Bell advised that the Public Hearing regarding the increased tipping fees is scheduled for September 11, 1990.

Mr. Dec Currie, Purchasing Agent, advised of bid openings on August 30, 1990, at 10:00 A.M.

Commissioner Fleet advised that he will serve as the County's representative on the Rural County Coalition created through Okeechobee County.

Commissioner Miles directed Mr. Bell to prepare a resolution requesting the State to cut the hill at the intersection of County 183 and State Road 81. The lack of visibility at the intersection has created a hazard.

The Board directed Mr. Currie to prepare specifications for advertising for the construction of a building at the Landfill. September 30, 1990 is the

deadline for obligating second-year recycling grant funds.

The Board further discussed items on the agenda for the regular meeting of August 28, 1990.

Mrs. Ingle reviewed letters to the Board.

Chairman Pridgen adjourned the workshop.

APPROVED: _____

Sam Pridgen, Chairman

ATTEST: _____

Catherine King, Clerk