

REGULAR WORKSHOP

NOVEMBER 25, 1991

The Board of County Commissioners, Walton County, Florida met in a regular Workshop session on Monday, November 25, 1991 at 8:00 A.M., in the Walton County School Board meeting room of the Courthouse Annex.

The following Board members were present: Chairman Sam Pridgen, Vice-Chairman W.F. Miles, and Commissioner Gordon Porter. The Board's Administrative Supervisor, Mr. Ronnie E. Bell, was also present. Commissioner Robert G. Fleet was absent.

Chairman Pridgen opened the Workshop for discussions.

Mr. Don Harrison, member of the Working Committee for the Farmer's Market, presented the Board with a list of recommendations regarding the Farmer's Market. Mr. Harrison requested the Board advertise for proposals and allow the Working Committee to make a recommendation and present it to the Board for a final decision. The Board agreed to direct Attorney Miller to review the proposal presented by Mr. Harrison.

Representatives from Blue Cross and Blue Shield presented a tentative Renewal Summary to the Board based on a 13.6 percent rate increase. Vice-Chairman Miles disagreed with the rate increase and advised that if Blue Cross and Blue Shield could not project a lower rate by December 10, 1991, then the Board would advertise for proposals for County Insurance.

Mr. Gordon Williams, Director of North Walton Mosquito Control, requested the Board adopt an ordinance to allow him authority to destroy mosquitos on private property. The great number of mosquitos is due to garbage being dumped on private property. This causes a major problem with surrounding property owners and residents. The Board agreed to direct Attorney Miller to prepare an ordinance.

Glory Brown, Purchasing Agent, advised that 18 yards of milling material is needed at the County Landfill for the recycling center. Commissioner Porter advised that he had some he could donate.

Mr. Ronnie E. Bell, Administrative Supervisor to the Board, advised that the Landfill cell permit is still delayed by the

Department of Environmental Regulations (DER) due to Walton County not having a Landfill closure cost prepared. Mr. Bell further advised that he has prepared a projected Landfill closure cost of \$944,030.00.

The Board convened into a Special Meeting to discuss the recommendations of the Technical Review Committee for the ARC building.

Mr. Julian Webb presented the Board with three architectural proposals: 1. Stokes Associates Architect, Inc., 2. Gerald Wilcox and Associates Architects, and 3. Milner, Moore, and Mayne Architects and Associates.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Miles, second by Commissioner Porter, to accept the ranking of architects as recommended by the Technical Review Committee. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Porter Aye, Miles Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Mr. Bell advised the Board of several pieces of property for sale. Mr. Bill Nelson, Nelson Ford Property and sales office, is asking for \$800.00 rent or \$68,000.00 to purchase. Mr. W.O. Campbell, owner of the property North of the Health Department, will not lease his property, but will sell for \$25,000.00. Mr. & Mrs. Bourland, owner of property and building adjacent to the Health Department will sell for \$35,000.00.

Mr. Bell advised of a letter from Mr. Jack Little, Tax Collector, stating that he would be willing to remain in the old Cawthon State Bank providing renovations be made. Mr. Buddy Pinkard, owner, is asking \$55,000.00 for the building.

Mrs. Martha Ingle, Chief Deputy Clerk, reviewed the agenda for tomorrow's Regular Board Meeting with the Board.

Mr. Curt Clauson, President of the Walton County Taxpayers Association, presented the Board with three proposed maps noting redistricting boundaries. The Board reviewed the plans.

Chairman Pridgen adjourned the Meeting.

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

Sam Pridgen, Chairman

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

Catherine King, Clerk