

NOVEMBER 28, 1994

WORKSHOP

The Board of County Commissioners, Walton County, Florida, met in a regular Workshop session on Monday, November 28, 1994, at 8:30 A.M., in the Commission Boardroom of the Walton County Courthouse.

The following Board members were present: Chairman Gordon Porter, Vice-Chairman Sam Pridgen, Commissioner Charles C. Harris, and Commissioner Johnnie Moore. Commissioner Rosier E. Cuchens, Jr. was absent due to a death in his family. Ronnie E. Bell, Administrative Supervisor, was also absent.

Chairman Porter called the meeting to order.

Latilda Hughes, County Planner, presented a request from Steve Maleszewski and Sophia Burnett to schedule a Public Hearing to consider a land use change from Coastal Center to Resort. The Board agreed to hold a Public Hearing on January 31, 1995 at 5:30 P.M. This item will be placed on the consent agenda.

Ronnie Hudson, Public Works Director, advised the Board that he gathered phone quotes for several small projects for patch work on the end of bridges and overlaying asphalt on roads located in Districts 2 and 3. The lowest price received was from Couch Inc. in the amount of \$63.75 per ton for the asphalt. The Board agreed to place this item on the consent agenda.

Jeff Brown and Paul McCartney appeared before the Board to discuss the contamination assessment at the landfill. Mr. Brown stated that four contaminants were detected: benzene, vinyl chloride, iron, and ammonia. Mr. Brown stated that these water contaminants can be volatilized with a certain amount of water flow but the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) most likely will not approve that type of clean-up. The Board agreed to contact DEP and hold a meeting on the site.

Mr. McCartney stated that he will be submitting the Leachate Collection Area Plan for a double wall tank for the lining of the leachate at the landfill to DEP.

Mike Barker, Public Safety Director, advised the Board that a full-time 911 dispatcher, Cameron Howard, will be resigning and he would recommend that John Sams, current part-time employee, be transferred to the vacant position. Mr. Barker stated that Mr. Sams has completed the necessary training to

qualify for a 911 dispatcher. The Board agreed to place this item on the consent agenda.

Mr. Barker advised the Board that the buy-out grant funds for victims of the flood are now available but not yet released.

The Board discussed the garbage boxes. Chairman Porter stated that he would speak with Rusty Floyd, Landfill Supervisor, today about the problem.

Commissioner Harris presented the Board with an up-date on the Workfare Program.

The Board discussed the proposal from Charles King, County Engineer applicant.

Chairman Porter stated that taxes can not continue to increase, ways to cut cost must be found.

The Board agreed to approve an upgrade in the integrated computer system to connect all county officials to one system. The Clerk of Courts has a carry over amount in her budget of \$155,634.64 from the fee system and wishes to utilize these funds for the upgrade. The amount to be paid over the next two years totals \$176,230.36. The Board agreed to place this item on the consent agenda.

There being no further business, Chairman Porter adjourned the Workshop.

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

Gordon Porter, Chairman

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

Catherine King, Clerk