

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA
REGULAR MEETING
October 24, 2000

The Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida met in regular session with Chairman Sauls presiding. Those in attendance were Commissioners Maloy, Host, Thael, Rackleff, Proctor, and Winchester. Also present were County Attorney Herb Thiele, County Administrator Parwez Alam, Deputy Clerk Bill Bogan, Jr., and Secretary Sandra C. O'Neal.

Invocation was provided by Pastor Robert Shelley, Christian Heritage Church, at the invitation of Commissioner Winchester, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

Commissioner Winchester, on behalf of the Board, presented a Resolution to Mark Mildenerger, a Godby High School student, for heroic, lifesaving actions exhibited while working at the YMCA as a lifeguard.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Maloy moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Thael and carried unanimously, to approve the following Consent agenda with the exception of Item 8, which was addressed as described below.

1. BILLS AND VOUCHERS

The Board approved the County bills and authorized the Chairman and the Clerk to issue the proper warrants. These are vouchers submitted for approval for October 24, 2000: \$1,761,001.33

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board approved the Minutes for July 24, 2000, Special Quasi-Judicial Hearing and September 26, 2000 Regular Meeting.

3. REQUEST TO APPROVE LEASE FOR US DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA) NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION SERVICE (NRCS) FOR SPACE LOCATED IN THE LEON COUNTY AGRICULTURAL CENTER ON PAUL RUSSELL ROAD

The Board approved Option 1: approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Lease Agreement.

4. REQUEST TO AWARD HOUSING REHABILITATION CONTRACTS FOR STATE HOUSING INITIATIVES PARTNERSHIP (SHIP), COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) AND HOME 4 PROGRAMS

This item seeks Board approval to award six contracts from two separate bid packages for housing rehabilitation under the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP), Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME-4 programs. The Board approved Option 1: Approve the six bid awards as listed below:

Client	Vendor	Amount	Special Condition
Bryant, James	Pearson Constr.	\$32,500	Low Income/Single Parent
Smith, Erma	Pearson Constr.	\$32,500	Very Low Income/Elderly
Faulker, Claude	Philip Spencer Bldr.	\$33,320	Low Income, Elderly, Disabled
Mitchell, Joan	Philip Spencer Bldr.	\$24,690	Very Low Income/Disabled
Hollis, Parker	Pagel Constr.	\$32,500	Very Low Income/Elderly

5. REQUEST TO APPROVE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH JOHNSON CONTROLS, INC., FOR MAINTENANCE OF ENERGY MANAGEMENT EQUIPMENT FOR COUNTY FACILITIES

The Board approved Option 1: certify Johnson Controls, Inc., as a sole source agency and approve the service agreement.

6. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO EXTEND THE SECURITY CONTRACT WITH BARKLEY SECURITY AGENCY, INC., FOR ONE YEAR

The Board approved Option 1: extend the security contract with Barkley Security Agency, Inc., for one year, at a 2% increase and authorize the Board Chairman to execute the agreement.

7. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF ANNUAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT RENEWALS FOR COMPUTER HARDWARE/ SOFTWARE

The Board approved Option 1: authorize the County Administrator or the Purchasing Director as his designee to sign annual computer hardware/software maintenance agreement renewals when the cost for the renewing maintenance service has been approved and budgeted with MIS and the cost for that extension or renewal does not exceed the declared budget.

8. REQUEST TO APPROVE SALE OF PROPERTY LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE LEON COUNTY LANDFILL TO TALQUIN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

Commissioner Rackleff pulled this item to note his familiarity with this issue and suggested that rather than to sell the property, that the Board consider approving an easement. He further reminded the Board that this property is part of the landfill property, which would eventually be developed into a park after the landfill closes. Commissioner Rackleff moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Winchester, to approve Option 4: deny the sale and instead grant Talquin an access and utility easement.

Mark Stamps from Talquin appeared and noted that he had no objection to the motion. He further advised that Talquin had asked for an easement several months ago, and did not want to purchase the property.

Commissioner Maloy explained that once Talquin becomes the owners, they would pay taxes on the property.

County Administrator Alam explained that originally staff recommended giving Talquin a 30-ft easement to the property they bought from the County at an earlier time. He further clarified the issue for the Board regarding the tax issues, cost and size of the parcel, and pointed out that Talquin has a right to access their property.

Commissioner Host voiced concern with keeping the property off of the tax roll and recommended selling it to Talquin. He requested further clarification on how the County would charge for an easement and the County Administrator provided explanation.

Commissioner Winchester expressed concern over the allowable uses of the property, the buffer to the adjacent neighborhoods and Talquin's plans for future use of the property.

Commissioner Thaelle advised that the easement is smaller than the whole parcel. Commissioner Thaelle offered an amendment to the motion to sell only a strip of property necessary for an easement. This was accepted by Commissioner Rackleff and Commissioner Winchester.

Chairman Sauls stated that she could not support charging Talquin when the Board has historically not charged for easements.

Commissioner Proctor expressed his support for the motion. He indicated concern as to Talquin's future plans for the property if it was sold to them and was worried about adjacent property owners. He suggested that it may not be appropriate to charge for an easement.

Commissioner Rackleff stated that he would like to amend the motion and moved to approve Option 4: Deny the sale and instead grant Talquin an access and utility easement. Commissioner Proctor seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

(Readdressing Item 2 under Consent).

Commissioner Proctor noted a correction in the approved Minutes, Item #2 under Consent. He referred to a typographical error in the July 24, 2000, Special Quasi-Judicial Hearing Minutes on page 17. The vote on the first motion should be "failed, 3-4" rather than "failed 3-5," and requested that the record reflect this change. Further, Chairman Sauls noted that the record reflect a correction to her name on the same page under the signature line.

Chairman Sauls noted a change in the order of the meeting to accommodate Dr. Viegbesie, and proceeded with "Citizens To Be Heard on Non-Agendaed Items."

9. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL FOR PROBATION MODULE UPGRADE TO COURTVIEW 2000

The Board approved Option 1: Authorize the upgrade to Probation CourtView 2000, approve the Service Level Agreement, fund the cost of the upgrade to the CJIS CIP budget and recognize Maximus as the sole source provider for the upgrade of Probation from CourtView 12.5 to CourtView 2000.

GENERAL BUSINESS

10. REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR CONTROLLED AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY AND PLANIMETRIC MAPPING UPDATE FOR THE TALLAHASSEE-LEON COUNTY BASE MAP

County Administrator Alam explained that the Tallahassee-Leon County Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Executive Committee recommended funding this project during the budget cycle last fiscal year and the Board approved the funding. He further noted that due to the extent of the tree cover in Leon County, and to maximize the information obtained, the Flyover Project needs to occur between mid-January and mid-February. In order to

meet this deadline, the request is also to authorize the County Administrator to award the final contract.

Commissioner Host moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Rackleff, and carried unanimously, to approve Options 1 and 3: 1) authorize advertisement of the RFP for controlled aerial photography and planimetric mapping of the County under the terms and conditions as stated in the RFP; and 3) authorize the County Administrator to award the final contract.

11. REQUEST TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENTS TO THE CITY OF TALLAHASSEE FOR PARKS AND RECREATION SERVICES

This item is seeking reconciliation of the payments with the City of Tallahassee in terms of the franchise fees the City owes the County and in terms of the Fire Services and Parks and Recreation fees the County owes the City. He noted that an agreement has been worked out with the City.

Commissioner Thael moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Maloy and carried unanimously, to approve Option 1: adopt proposed "Agreement Regarding Exchange of Collected Funds" and authorize payment to the City of Tallahassee for parks and recreation and fire services rendered during FY 99/00 as specified in the agreement.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD ON NON-AGENDAED ITEMS

- a. Dr. Anthony Viegbesie, 2543 Whisper Way, appeared and requested \$2,500 to help with expenses associated with the upcoming FSU, FAMU, TCC student march to the Courthouse to vote. Commissioner Rackleff suggested talking with the City for in-kind assistance for sound equipment. Commissioner Host suggested that Dr. Viegbesie talk with the Springtime Tallahassee Office for possible in-kind assistance from some of their resources. Commissioner Thael advised that the Board no longer has discretionary funding for such requests, and without objection, directed staff to look into assisting with in-kind help such as transporting and set-up. He further advised that he would assist by making a request for Scott Carswell, of "The Moon" to assist with in-kind help.

Commissioner Proctor moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Thael and carried unanimously, to donate \$500 from his own Commissioner account for helping with expenses. Commissioner Proctor requested that Dr. Viegbesie convey a message to the students that they should not rely on government to pay for and underwrite the cost for their First Amendment rights.

- b. Mike Free, 7110 W. Tennessee Street, appeared and requested information regarding the upcoming North Florida Fair and noted concern about the cost to the County as a result of the fair event. The Board and County Administrator clarified some issues. Commissioner Host, who serves on the Fair Authority, further clarified the issue and explained that the event draws revenue into the local economy, and offered to supply a copy of the report of the Fair Authority for Mr. Free. Mr. Free spoke briefly on the mobile home decal fee.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

- a. Referred to a memorandum distributed earlier to the Board regarding the Bradfordville trial and advised that the injunction in the Bradfordville Study Area had been lifted by the judge. Commissioner Thaeil commented on the positive outcome of the judgment. County Administrator Alam noted the extensive work conducted by staff over the past two years on this issue.

DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS

COMMISSIONER PROCTOR

- a. Wished all returning FAMU Alumni a good weekend during the homecoming festivities.
- b. Thanked staff for their response regarding the resurfacing of Orange Avenue.
- c. Requested a report regarding where mosquitoes are concentrated.
- d. Reported on a call from a citizen regarding a requirement to pay a decal fee on a mobile home. Apparently, there was a notice that it was to be paid within seven days. It was the consensus of the Board to direct staff to look into the issue due to a hardship on the citizen.
- e. Without objection, directed staff to look into the issue involving permitting for Coptic Church in Bradfordville.

COMMISSIONER HOST

- a. Reported that he received a call from a citizen regarding a problem in building a 5,000-sq. ft. addition to Pisgah United Methodist Church, located in the Bradfordville area. The Board directed staff to look into the issue.
- b. Reported that the Innovation Park Board had approved construction of two 80,000-sq. ft. buildings. Commissioner Host advised that the Florida State Research Foundation has invited the Board to the groundbreaking ceremonies November 3, 2000 at 3:30 p.m.
- c. Advised that of the three candidates interviewed for the one remaining vacancy on the Innovation Park Board, two were selected and would be brought back to the County Commission for review and selection on November 14, 2000.

COMMISSIONER THAELL

- a. Requested that staff look into an issue involving the resurfacing of Miccosukee Road, west of I-10, where the edges need to be striped and tapered.
- b. Noted calls from citizens asking when Chaires Park would be open to the public. Commissioner Thaell requested information on when the development plan for the Miccosukee Greenway west of I-10 would be implemented.
- c. Reported that Florida is the only state that requires a local match for Medicaid and requested that staff investigate the requirement.

COMMISSIONER WINCHESTER

- a. Requested a report on the legal status of the transfer station.
- b. In regard to the recent Hazard Mitigation Workshop, Commissioner Winchester emphasized the importance of addressing catastrophic situations such as spills/crashes from tanker trucks. Commissioner Winchester requested that staff address this issue.

CHAIRMAN SAULS

- a. Directed staff to include the discretionary funding issue as a topic of discussion at the Board's Annual Retreat.
- b. Noted a request from the Tallahassee Museum for \$170 to pay for a plaque to support the nomination of Reverend James Page for a historical award for his contributions in the late 1800s. He was a minister and chaplain of the Florida Senate and a County Commissioner during that time period. The Board concurred to support the nomination with \$170 from the Community Services Trust Fund.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.



APPROVED:

Jane G. Sauls
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 Chairman

ATTEST

Dave Lang
 Clerk of the Circuit Court