

PRESENT: Chairman Roy J. Boyd, Commissioners C. K. Curry, Larry Dixon,
Lorraine Dusenbury, Robert E. Owens, Henry T. Smith, and Ronald Young.

ALSO PRESENT: Administrator Harry G. Perkins and Attorney Thomas J. Lee

Chairman Boyd opened the meeting by calling on Commissioner Owens
for the invocation.

Request for Master Plan for St. Simons Island.

John Holbrook stated that Citizens For Planned Growth had suggested that
hotel/motel tax receipts be used to pay for a comprehensive master plan for St.
Simons Island. Chairman Boyd noted the urgency of acquiring this master plan,
but said it was not known at this time if the necessary funds would come from
hotel/motel taxes, revenue sharing funds, or from the general fund. This matter
will be considered during formulation of a budget for the coming fiscal year, he said.

Commissioner Smith noted that inasmuch as the Chamber of Commerce has
pointed out that tourist traffic is largely responsible for the growth on St.
Simons Island, there seems to be impressive logic to using hotel/motel tax receipts
for a master plan.

Mrs. Avera Jones asked how much of the hotel/motel tax proceeds were
generated from St. Simons and Sea Island, and Chairman Boyd replied that it was
roughly 50%. Commissioner Smith noted that the Chamber of Commerce had prepared an
impressive statement on this point, and he said he would obtain copies of this report.

Request For Quitclaim Deed To Margaret M. Tatnall.

Robert M. Cunningham read a letter requesting a quitclaim deed to
Margaret M. Tatnall for the purpose of clearing Dixville Subdivision Lot Number
Seven of an outstanding tax deed.

Chairman Boyd referred this request to Attorney Lee for review and
recommendation.

Ike Aiken read a letter to the Commission requesting installation of a
plaque at King's Park, adjacent to Mallory Park on St. Simons Island, in memory of
his grandfather, Mallory P. King, who donated the park to Glynn County in 1925.

Chairman Boyd asked Administrator Perkins to authorize the Director of
Leisure Services to study this request closely and see if it can be done.

Administrator Perkins replied that he felt installation of a plaque could
be fitted in with beautification plans for King's Park.

Request To Officially Close Out The Turtle River Watershed Project.

Ed Stone, Soil Conservation Service representative, asked the Commission
to execute documents officially verifying close out of the Turtle River Watershed
Project.

Chairman Boyd objected to approval of this request because the project
has not been completed as envisioned in the earlier stages. Commissioner Smith added
that Commissions in surrounding counties were also unhappy with close out of this
project, and he wondered what their complaints were. Mr. Stone replied that he met
with the Wayne County Commission earlier in the week, and they signed the close out

document. Mr. Terry Carter, also with SCS, commented that Brantley County has the same objections expressed by Chairman Boyd. It was pointed out by the SCS representatives that completion of this project has become financially impractical, and new projects cannot be started until old ones are closed out. Chairman Boyd said the County might be willing to comply with this request if the Soil Conservation Service could provide planning assistance if the County wanted to continue work on this project. The SCS group noted that this might be possible and advised that they would see if something of this nature could be worked out.

Paving And Taxes on Sea Island.

Sea Island property owner Moreton Rolleston asked for paving of approximately 100 yards of paving on 28th Street on Sea Island, extending from Sea Island Drive to the beach. After brief discussion, Chairman Boyd advised that an investigation will be made to determine if this street is included in the County's LARP resurfacing program.

Mr. Rolleston then noted that the special tax assessment for Sea Island has resulted in a sizeable accumulation of unused funds. He said he had previously suggested elimination of this special assessment for 1978, with the accumulated funds being used instead. He noted that this money could also be used for additional police protection.

Commissioner Dusenbury replied that these funds are being used for special police protection, and a police substation was constructed out of the funds last year. Accordingly, she noted that such funds have not accumulated to a very great extent.

Agreement With City of Brunswick And Seaboard Coastline Railroad.

Administrator Perkins requested approval of a contract in conjunction with the City of Brunswick in order to obtain a permit from Seaboard Coastline Railroad covering installation of water and sewer mains beneath tracks near Milepost AO-638.

Attorney Lee explained that the agreement was in order.

Motion authorizing execution of this contract was made by Commissioner Owens, seconded by Commissioner Dusenbury, and unanimously adopted.

Approval of Financial Reports and List of Vouchers for May, and June, 1978.

Commissioner Owens moved for approval of Financial Reports and List of Vouchers issued for the months of May, and June, 1978. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it was adopted by majority vote with one dissent by Commissioner Curry.

Authorization to Borrow Funds.

Administrator Perkins advised the need to borrow funds to continue operation of County Government until such time as sufficient tax monies are forthcoming.

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Dusenbury, the following resolution was adopted by majority vote with one dissent by

Commissioner Curry:

WHEREAS, it appears to this Board that there is a casual deficiency in the revenue of Glynn County for the current year and that it is necessary to supply said casual deficiency by a loan or loans to be paid out of the taxes levied and to be collected for the current year;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to authority given counties under the constitution of the State of Georgia authorizing temporary loans as more fully set forth in Georgia Code Annotated, Section 2-6004, be it hereby resolved that the Chairman and Clerk are authorized to borrow not to exceed the sum of One Million Eight Hundred Thousand (\$1,800,000.00) from such financial institutions as may advance same on such favorable terms and at such rate of interest as may be obtainable as the need arises for the routine operation of Glynn County Government.

Request for Resurfacing.

Commissioner Owens stated that he had several roads he would like included in the LARP resurfacing program. Chairman Boyd advised that all LARP funds had been spent, and some existing priorities may not be accomplished.

Commissioner Dixon noted that \$350,000.00 in revenue sharing funds had been budgeted for road improvements, and suggested that the County start spending some of this money. The need for looking at priorities for road improvements was discussed.

Collection of Delinquent Taxes.

Commissioner Curry commented that he had been trying since November of last year to get a procedure started for collection of delinquent taxes. A memo was recently received from the Tax Commissioner advising that approximately 6,000 delinquent tax bills are outstanding which are owed by about 4,000 people. He said he understood that the Clerk of Superior Court, Sheriff and Tax Commissioner were all involved in the collection of these taxes, and he felt the process should be expedited. He then made a motion that the County Attorney be instructed to check into the feasibility as well as the possibility of obtaining some kind of citation before the proper official requiring the responsible official to show cause why these delinquent taxes are not being collected.

Commissioner Young said he understood that these delinquent tax bills were being processed in alphabetical order. A limited number of these bills can be handled at one time, Commissioner Young said, because they have to go through several hands before being turned over to the Sheriff. He said the County is faced with the problem of proceeding with this matter in the most feasible manner possible.

Chairman Boyd suggested that the County Attorney be instructed to look into the possibility of expediting collections and the responsible parties asked if there are any hand-ups in the collection procedure.

Commissioner Owens asked that the Attorney investigate and apprise the Commission of the status of the of delinquent tax collections. He said he felt

it to be the Tax Commissioner's prerogative to extend time periods as he thinks proper. The County does not want to take a person's property away from him for taxes, Commissioner Owens said, adding that the Commission should temper laws with common sense in this situation.

Commissioner Dixon seconded Commissioner Curry's motion. Chairman Boyd stated the motion as being a request for the County Attorney to check into the collection of back taxes to see how far the process has advanced and if there is a hold-up anywhere by any party concerned, and to take whatever action he sees necessary to expedite this process.

Commissioner Young expressed confusion at this motion, noting that he considered such action to be interfering with the Tax Commissioner carrying out the duties of his office. Commissioner Smith said he felt the County Attorney could be asked to make a report on this situation without a formal motion, and Commissioner Young agreed.

The motion was adopted by majority vote as follows: Commissioners Curry, Dixon, Owens, and Chairman Boyd.

Chairman Boyd advised Attorney Lee that the Commission was asking him to look into this situation and report back. Commissioner Owens protested that Chairman Boyd's statement had changed the motion entirely.

Budget Request.

Commissioner Young reported that he had received request from the Medical Examiner for items relating to his office. Commissioner Young then suggested deferral of this request until further budget sessions are held, adding that he would turn said request over to Administrator Perkins.

Bus Stops at Wavely Pines Subdivision.

Relative to recent complaints regarding unsafe condition of school bus stop shelters in Wavely Pines Subdivision, as well as requests from certain individuals for purchase of same, Commissioner Dixon asked Attorney Lee if he had arrived at any conclusion regarding ownership of said structures. Attorney Lee suggested that Traffic Safety Technician, John Harris, might resolve this question by determining if said structures are located on County right-of-way.

Mr. Harris said he would investigate this matter.

Public Hearing on Blythe Island Recreation Master Plan.

Leisure Services Director, Lee Silver, announced that a public hearing would be held on the Blythe Island Recreation Master Plan at the Blythe Island Community Center on July 26 at 7:30 p.m.

Request for Boat Launching Access at Massengale Park:

A man requested that private citizens be granted public access to the beach at Massengale Park for launching sailboats.

Chairman Boyd turned this request over to Commissioners Dusenbury, Smith, and Lee Silver to investigate and submit recommendation.

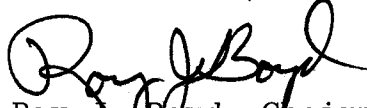
Commissioner Dusenbury suggested that JPC Director, Ed Stelle, be consulted in this matter with regard to the Beach and Dune Protection Ordinance.

Comments Regarding Collection of Delinquent Taxes.

In regard to collection of delinquent taxes, Moreton Rolleston commented that in Atlanta the names of persons owing more than \$100 in delinquent taxes are published in the newspaper. This practice has very good results as far as collection is concerned, he said, and suggested that it might also be effective in Glynn County.

Meeting Adjourned.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA


Roy J. Boyd, Chairman

Attest:

Harry G. Perkins, Clerk