

HELD THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 1974 AT 8:30 A.M.

PRESENT: Chairman Robert E. Owens, Commissioners Roy J. Boyd, Lorraine Dusenbury, Percy F. Harrell and John E. Taylor.

Also Present: Administrator Harold H. Baer and Attorney James A. Bishop.

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Chairman Owens opened the meeting with invocation.

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Mr. Gerald Dykes of the local Soil Conservation Service, introduced several members of his staff and gave a brief outline on work that has been completed on the Turtle River Watershed Project. Four plans were presented for the completion of the unfinished work and reviews from the economic, environmental and engineering areas were heard. The project objectives are to install channels for adequate drainage and a dike to prevent flooding of the Altamaha River. Mr. Don McCaskill, County Engineer, also made various comments on the proposed improvements.

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Mr. Bill Meeler requested that the County acquire State-owned right-of-way adjacent to the Turtle River Bridge which he, in turn, would lease from the County for construction of a boat marina, fishing camp and other related facilities. After some discussion, it was pointed out to Mr. Meeler that the County does not own this right-of-way and he will have to deal directly with the State.

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Ms. Anita Storrier of Weathering Oaks Crazy Horse Campground, made request to have the operators license transferred to the present operator's name. The license was bought for the first operator who later left town. Chairman Owens stated that it has not been the policy of this Board in the past to transfer licenses from one party to another and, therefore, had to deny her request.

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Mr. Pete Clay addressed the Commission as to the installation of curbing he previously had installed along Sea Gate Inn property on Ocean Boulevard, St. Simons Island. He apologized for not consulting with the Commission prior to installing the curb which he said he had put there for beautification purposes. The Commission pointed out the traffic hazard in having the curb on public right-of-way and Mr. Clay was told to move it back two feet.

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Mr. and Mrs. Paul Asher appeared before the Commission asking that their palm trees which are located on the public right-of-way on Eleventh Street, East Beach Subdivision, be left intact. Mr. Asher said he planted the trees to eliminate parking and littering along his property at great expense to himself. He then presented a petition signed by other residents of the area commending him for planting the palms. Mr. Asher was told to remove the trees from public right-of-way as soon as possible. He stated he would have Mr. Jenking replant them parallel to his property.

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Ms. J. W. Kent represented a delegation of St. Simons Island residents who objected to the previous closing of a portion of Magnolia Avenue. Chairman Owens instructed Administrator Baer to authorize the County Attorney to acquire all pertinent information and copies of an old petition objecting to the closure by the next regular meeting.

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The Commission was petitioned for the paving of Fifteenth Street from Ocean Boulevard to Oglethorpe Street, St. Simons Island. County Engineer, Don McCaskill, stated that he didn't have a present day figure for the work. Action was postponed until a current figure can be obtained.

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Mr. Al Burke of Jet Stream Development Company, offered dedication of an eight mile portion of Anchor Drive near Highway 303. The County Engineer confirmed Mr. Burke's statement that said road is in standard acceptable condition. Motion to accept said road for maintenance was made by Commissioner Dusenbury, seconded by Commissioner Harrell and unanimously adopted.

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Pursuant to advertisement, bids were received from the following companies for supplying football equipment for the Recreation Department:

The Sports Shop, Inc. , Waycross, Georgia

Golden Isles Sports Shop, Brunswick, Georgia

Reeder & McGaughey, Reidsville, Georgia

Hunter-Knepshield Company, Louisville, Kentucky

Commissioner Lorraine Dusenbury moved to have the bids reviewed by Recreation Director, Joe Glover, and Purchasing Agent, Charles Heiden. Commissioner Harrell seconded the motion and it was unanimously adopted.

Chairman Owens stated that he would also like to review the bids.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to submit the names of Commissioners Dusenbury and Harrell to Governor Carter from which one will be appointed to the Coastal Zone Management Communication Forum. Commissioner Boyd seconded the motion and it was unanimously adopted.

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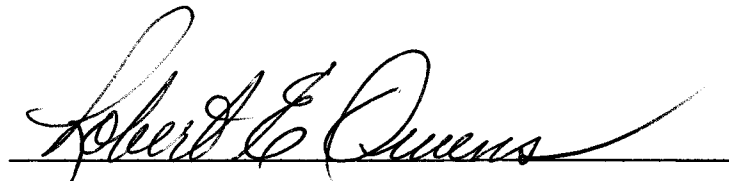
Commissioner Harrell directed the Administrator to authorize Attorney Bishop to negotiate with Sea Island Company for acquisition of a tract to be used for sanitary landfill purposes.

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Chairman Owens authorized forwarding of a letter to the Coastal Area Planning and Development Commission asking that an application be made for grant funds to be used for improvements to the St. Simons Island Marina.

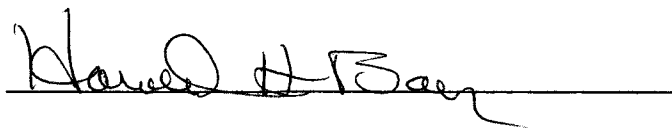
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Meeting Adjourned.



Robert E. Owens, Chairman

Attest:



Harold H. Baer, Clerk