

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MAY 18, 1982

The Board of County Commission met this day in regular session with the following members present, to-wit: Bobby Varnum, Chairman, Donnell Whitfield, Jack Bowman, Monroe Cox and Clayton Shiver.

Willie D. Wise, Clerk, Sheriff William G. Smith and Attorney Bill Corbin were present and acting.

The meeting was called to order by Sheriff Smith followed with prayer by Commissioner Whitfield.

Sylvia Gates with Rysco Shipyard met with the Board concerning removing the rocks from the Apalachicola River. Mrs. Gates stated that Rysco supported removing the rocks and wanted the support of the Board. She stated that Rysco needed this in order to stay in business as said business employed 150 individuals. Commissioner Cox asked if the rocks were within the 100 ft. channel. Mrs. Gates stated that all rocks were within the channel. Commissioner Bowman stated that the Board had always supported Rysco and would continue to do so, but before he would vote to remove the rocks he wanted more information from the citizens and what effect this would have. Commissioner Cox stated he was not ready to make a decision now without more information from the Corp of Engineers, the Department of Environmental Regulation, the Department of Natural Resources and the Game and Wildlife Commission. Mrs. Gates stated that the Board should have been informed by the members on the Technical Review Committee. Mr. Don Stevens with Rysco also spoke supporting the rock removal. Commissioner Shiver stated that he also supported Rysco, but he was concerned as to what effect removing the rock shelves would do to the water level for water wells. Mrs. Gates stated this was considered in the DER's study. Commissioner Shiver also stated that in any event he would support Rysco.

A motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield, seconded by Commissioner Bowman and duly carried to table this until a later date when all the concerned were notified and set a meeting with the DER, DNR, Game and Freshwater Fish Commission and the Corp. of Engineers.

Mr. Ed Leuchs with the Apalachee Regional Planning Council also presented the Board with a Press Release concerning the rock removal proposal.

A motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield, seconded by Commissioner Shiver and duly carried to issue a Letter of Competency to Ronnie Smith as a qualified electrical contractor. Commissioner Bowman abstained.

Mr. Bob King with Bay Engineering met with the Board to see if he might be of service. After some discussion, the Board agreed to notify Mr. King if a change was made.

Mr. Fernwood Bailey, County Road Superintendent, met with the Board.

Commissioner Bowman stated that due to the cost of keeping up 6 dump trucks that he was for selling some of the old trucks and buying 2 new trucks and run 3 and save in the long run.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shiver, seconded by Commissioner Bowman and duly carried to adopt a resolution granting tax exemption for new industry during the first 5 years of operation in Calhoun County and the matter to be put on a ballot in September, 1982. (FOR RESOLUTION, SEE SUPPLEMENTAL MINUTE BOOK 1, PAGE 32, SECTION D)

The minutes of the May 4, 1982, meeting were read and approved.

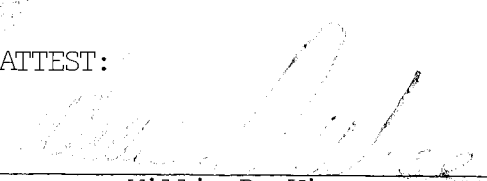
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There being no further business, the Board did then adjourn.

ATTEST:



Willie D. Wise
Clerk



Bobby Varnum
Chairman