

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF MEETING
JULY 17, 1990

The Board of County Commissioners met this date in regular session.

Commissioners Present:
Donnell Whitfield
Ellis Melvin
Truman Grant
Monroe Cox

Present and Acting:
Willie D. Wise, Clerk
Gail O'Bryan, Adm. Assist.
J. David House, Co. Atty
Broward Vickery, Deputy Sheriff

(Commissioner Dillard was absent due to death in family)

The meeting was called to order by Deputy Vickery and followed with prayer by Commissioner Whitfield and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The minutes of July 3, 1990 and July 22, 1990 were approved as amended.

The Board held the first reading on Ordinance 90-4, pertaining to a franchise to Integrated Telecommunications Corp., 1500 Chestnut Street, Suite 1912, Philadelphia, PA 19102

Attorney J. David House read to the Board a proposed Resolution relating to the amendment of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan of 1976 to provide that the NW 1/4 of NW 1/4, Section 9, Township 1 North, Range 11 West is hereby amended to allow an automobile racetrack to be a commercial Motor Sports Park.

Mr. Larry Walters, of Power House Speed Shack, 412 N. Tyndall Parkway, Panama City, FL was present at the meeting and answered questions regarding the proposed racetrack. Tress Downum was also present and spoke in favor of the racetrack

Commissioner Whitfield stated that Clerk Wise had reported to him that Charlotte Lima, Planning Commission Chairman, said the Planning Commission had approved the request for the racetrack.

Commissioner Melvin read a letter of resignation from Charlotte Lima, Planning Commission Chairman, effective July 13, 1990.

After much discussion, Motion by Commissioner Melvin, 2nd by Commissioner Cox to adopt the Resolution amending the Comprehensive Land Use Plan of 1976 allowing an automobile racetrack to be a commercial Motor Sports Park, providing the owner furnished his own security, allowed no alcoholic beverages, and had a closing time of 12:00 P.M.

During discussion, Jerry Parrish stated he was not opposed to the racetrack, but requested that the Board obtain a noise study before approving the Resolution since he is in the process of putting a sub-division in within 3 miles of the racetrack.

After discussion on maintenance on the road going into the racetrack, Commissioner Melvin stated the Board would only maintain the road into the racetrack as they maintain other county roads, and as that road is presently being maintained now.

After more discussion regarding Planning Commission approval, Commissioner Whitfield contacted Tommy Williams, Planning Commission Vice Chairman, and Mr. Williams confirmed that the racetrack issue was brought up at the Planning Commission meeting and was voted on and approved.

Commissioner Whitfield called for a vote on Commissioner Melvin's Motion to amend the Comprehensive Land Use Plan of 1976 to provide that the NW 1/4 of NW 1/4, Section 9, Township 1 North, Range 11 West is amended to allow an automobile racetrack to be a commercial Motor Sports Park and the Motion carried 4-0.

Columbus Jackson, Calhoun County School Board Member presented to the Board a proposal to exchange School Board property known as Old Kinard School (acreage and building) located in Kinard and the Clay Mary Park located on River Street for the property located in S.B. Atkins Park now being used for a high school base ball field.

Commissioner Cox stated the building in Kinard was the heart of the people in the Kinard Community and he felt if the Board was going to continue spending money on the building, it would be beneficial for the County to own the building and property and he was in favor of the exchange.

After discussion, Motion by Commissioner Cox to exchange with the Calhoun County School Board the portion of S. B. Atkins Park, presently being used as a high school base ball field, for acreage and building at Kinard, known as Old Kinard School, and the Clay Mary Park, located on River Street.

2nd Commissioner Grant

Motion Carried 4-0

Commissioner Melvin asked Dowling Parrish, Building Inspector, to provide copies of all building permits to the Board at the first Board meeting of each month.

Commissioner Melvin reported Charlotte Lima had contacted him and asked that Audrey Elofson be appointed to replace her on the Planning Commission. The Board tabled the issue of appointment to Planning Commission until Commissioner Dillard could be present since the appointment would be from his district.

The Board discussed county road maintenance, barrow pits and leases.

Commissioner Whitfield presented the following for Board review.

Letter from C & N Enterprises

RE: cost Increase of 8.4% effective 8-1-90

The Board instructed the County Attorney to write C & N Enterprises and verify if the above cost increase was in compliance with the consumer price index, published by the Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Motion by Grant to adopt a Resolution accepting the triennial update to the Calhoun County Peacetime Emergency Plan element of the Local Emergency Management Plan.

2nd Comm. Cox

Motion Carried Unan.

Letter from Calhoun General Hospital Board of Trustees
(see attached)

Attorney House presented a new survey from Sam Brunner on the Kelly Road and reported the new survey shows all 30 feet was taken off John Denada's Property. Commissioner Melvin stated he had not sign the voucher for the Brunner survey on Kelly road and was not in favor of the county paying it. He also requested the issue of the survey be tabled until the next Board meeting since it was not on the Agenda.

The Board scheduled budget hearings on FY 90-91 budget requests for 1:00 P.M. CST., on July 23, 24, and 25th.

The Board set the 1st Public Budget Hearing for FY 90-91 Budget on September 6, 1990 at 6:00 P.M. CST.

There being no further business, the Board did adjourn.