

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF MEETING
JULY 19, 1988

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET THIS
DATE IN REGULAR SESSION AT 6:30 P.M.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

RONALD WOOD, CHAIRMAN
MANUEL HIRES
TRUMAN GRANT
CHARLES RICHARDS
JAMES M. DILLARD

PRESENT AND ACTING:

WILLIE D. WISE, CLERK
GAIL O'BRYAN, DEPUTY CLERK
DAVID HOUSE, ATTORNEY
NATHAN GOODMAN, ADMIN COORDINATOR
BROWARD VICKERY, DEPUTY

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

Dan Yoder, Calhoun County Public Health Department asked the board to appoint the following persons to serve as an advisory committee to work with the architect on the new Primary Health Care facility. Fran Mayo, Alva Hall, Logan Barbee, Grayson Snyder, M.D., Linda Eldridge, Sandra Fletcher, Willie D. Wise, Ronald Wood and Dan Yoder. Mr. Yoder also asked the Board to advertise for an architect. The board by consensus agreed to review the names submitted and present their recommendations on Tuesday, July 26, 1988.

Motion by Commissioner Hires, seconded by Commissioner Richards, and carried 5-0 to advertise for an architect for the primary Health Care facility.

Motion by Commissioner Richards, seconded by Commissioner Grant, and carried 4-1, to approve the minutes of June 7, 1988 and June 21, 1988. Commissioner Dillard voting no due to minutes not being read in public.

Commissioner Wood presented letters from the Agri-Park Authority and the Agricultural Economic Development Council submitting their ranking after presentations of engineering firms seeking contract work for the Apalachee River Basin Agricultural Park in the following order.

1. Baskerville-Donovan Engineers.
2. Florida Engineering Services..
3. Hohn, Perez, Bellomo Group.

After discussion, Motion by Commissioner Hires, seconded by Commissioner Richards, and carried 5-0 to accept the ranking and recommendations of the Agri-Park Authority and the Economic Development Council, but will still have negotiation to go through.

Commissioner Dillard recommended that any expenditure of the Hospital exceeding \$1,000.00 be brought before the board for approval. After discussion on high cost of medical supplies and equipment, the board felt the amount of \$10,000.00 was realistic.

Motion made by Commissioner Hires and seconded by Commissioner Richards, motion carried 5-0 that the formal amount of \$10,000. be a cap for any purchase for general operating and also, contingent upon Bud Guilford's monitoring two times a week and with the hospital remitting a re-capitulation report and also before the \$150,000.00 line of credit is tapped, the Board will be notified.

Motion made by Commissioner Grant and seconded by Commissioner Dillard, and carried 5-0 to adopt a Resolution allowing the administrator to open a payroll and accounts payable account at C & L of Blountstown and to have at least two signatures on each check.

Motion by Commissioner Hires and seconded by Commissioner Richards, and carried 5-0 to adopt a resolution obtaining a \$150,000 line of credit for the use and benefit of Calhoun General Hospital at C & L Bank of Blountstown.

Approximately 75 citizens of Calhoun County were present at the meeting in support of the Board of County Commissioners action on the hospital and applauded the Board for same.

Mr. Heintz suggested the Primary Health Care Facility be built at the hospital in order to concentrate all medical services in one area.

Clerk Wise explained the new Health Department Building will be approximately 10,000 sq. ft. and he does not think the land space at Calhoun General would be adequate and still have parking.

Commissioner Dillard recommended that the Advisory Committee when appointed, study the feasibility of where the Primary Health Care Facility is located.

Dr. Snyder said that Primary Health Care is an extension of already existing services of the Health Dept. and that he did not feel that space is available at the hospital for the new Public Health Department. He said until tonight he had not been aware of the possibility of locating the Health Department in a different location.

After discussion, the Board by consensus agreed to study the issue of location of the Health Department and the appointment of the Health Advisory Committee until the special Board Meeting scheduled for July 26, 1988.

Motion by Commissioner Dillard , seconded by Commissioner Grant and carried 5-0, to adopt a resolution returning the assets of Calhoun Hospital Foundation, Inc. to wit: Calhoun General Hospital back to Calhoun County Board of County Commissioners.

Motion by Commissioner Hires and seconded by Commissioner Grant and carried 5-0 to purchase a grass bush TRimmer from Blountstown Small Engines for \$377.95. (See attached quotes)

Commissioner Wood recommended appointing two (2) additional members to the Agri-Park Authority as discussed at a previous board meeting raising the members to seven (7).

Motion by Commissioner Hires, seconded by Commissioner Richards, and carried 5-0 to appoint Jim Anders and Bowers Sandusky to the Agri-Park Authority to raise the Park Authority from (5) five members to seven (7) members.

Mr. Lee Robertson, Calhoun County Planning Commission presented a budget request for Fiscal-Year 88-89 in the amount of \$5,000.00 for office supplies, secretary and etc.

The board accepted the budget request for consideration in Fiscal-year 88-89's budget.

Clerk Wise presented:

Order to show cause re; elevator, from Division of Business regulations

Letter from HRS:

Awarding 600,000 for primary health care facility.

Letter from DER:

RE: Landfill - Warning notice on consent order.

EDA Grant for chairman's signature on 844,000 grant for Agri-Park.

The board recessed for ten minutes in order to move to Courtroom due to the large audience.

Commissioner Wood Re-convened the meeting.

Commissioner Wood explained to the audience the status of Calhoun General Hospital. The stated letters of resignation has been received from the Doctors, Administrator, Director of Nursing and Financial Officer. He reported a special board meeting was held on Monday, July 18, 1988 and that the board unanimously agreed to obtain a court order to bring control of Calhoun General back under the control of the Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Wood reported since that action was taken the Doctors and Administrative Staff have returned to the hospital and the entire staff has been re-hired as County employees. He stated for the interium time the Board of County Commissioners will serve as Board of Directors for Calhoun General.

Mr. Peter Heintz, Administrator of Calhoun General expressed his staff and the doctors appreciation to the Board of County Commissioners for their action in taking control of the hospital. Mr. Heintz, asked the board to adopt two resolutions.

1. Open payroll and accounts payable bank accounts and appoint and authorize persons to sign checks.
2. Obtain a \$150,000 line of credit from one of the local banks.

Clerk Wise presented Budget increases from Property Appraiser and Tax Collector due to salary increase mandated effective July 1, 1988.

Motion by Commissioner Grant and seconded by Commissioner Dillard and carried 5-0 to adjourn at 9:35 P.M.

ATTEST:

WILLIE D. WISE, CLERK

RONALD WOOD, CHAIRMAN