

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF MEETING
NOVEMBER 16, 1989

The Board of County Commissioners met this date in special session for the purpose of review and award of advertised bids for well and water plant, water storage tank, waste water treatments, utility system, and roadways and drainage for the Apalachee River Basin Agricultural Park.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Donnell Whitfield, Chairman
Ellis Melvin
James M. Dillard
Willie T. Grant
Monore Cox

PRESENT AND ACTING:

Willie D. Wise, Clerk
Gail O'Bryan, Administrative Assistant
J. David House, County Attorney

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Whitfield, and followed with prayer and pledge of alligiance to the flag.

Commissioner Whitfield presented approval and award of EDA Grant Amendment, amending award from \$1,767,615 to \$1,262,005.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cox, seconded by Commissioner Dillard, and duly carried to accept the contract amendment on EDA Grant.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillard, seconded by Commissioner Grant, and duly carried to adopt a resolution to extend the letter of credit for the Apalachee River Basin Ag. Park with C & L Bank of Blountstown in the amount of \$504,000.00 for 1 year.

Jim Anders, stated the IDA Board after review of bids received for utility service recommended that the Board of County Commissioners award the bid for utility service for the Apalachee River Basin Agricultural Park, based on cost and service to Florida Public Utilities.

A motion was made by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Dillard, and duly carried, based on the recommendation of the IDA to award bid for utilitites service for the Apalachee River Basin Agricultural Park to Florida Public Utilities. Commissioner Melvin voted no, stating he was in favor of REA.

Nathan Goodman reported that only 1 bid was received by the IDA for architect/engineer service for the community development block grant for construction of the aquaculture processors plant and it was the recommendation of the IDA to award the contract for architect/engineer services to Charles A Gaskin, architect, as the sole bidder.

After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Dillard, seconded by Commissioner Cox, and duly carried based on IDA recommendation to award the contract for architect/engineer services for CDBG for construction of aquaculture processors plant to Charles A. Gaskin, architect.

The IDA Board recommended that the Board of County Commissioners hold Baskerville Donovan Engineers invoices for engineering services on the EDA Grant until Apalachee Regional Planning Council has an opportunity to review the amended grant to insure that the engineering fees have not exceeded the amount allowed.

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The Board of County Commissioners agreed to accept the IDA's recommendation and deny payment on Baskerville-Donovan Engineers invoices until ARPC has time to review amended grant.

Mr. Gerald Ward with Baskerville-Donovan Engineers, informed the board that they had encountered difficulty with DER project permits due to the fact that this is the first aquaculture processing plant in the state and as such as taking longer than normal to receive the necessary permits.

After discussion, Ms. Marsha Harpool with ARPC, then informed the board that the contract with DCA states the county is required to see that construction commences by November 21, 1989.

After discussion, based on that information, Commissioner Whitfield then inquired of Marsha Harpool with ARPC if there would be any legal problem with opening the bids to night.

Ms. Harpool stated that she needed to speak with the executive directors counsel attorney before advising the board in light of the preceding discussion.

Chairman Whitfield recessed the meeting for 30 minutes in order for Ms. Harpool to contact ARPC regional attorney.

The Board reconvened....

Ms. Harpool reported in light of the fact that she was unable to contact the council's attorney, that the meeting be continued until Friday.

Jim Anders of the IDA stated the IDA recommended that the Board of County Commissioners act on the recommendation of Marshall Harpool to table the bid review until Friday when the board reconvenes, and then to act on her recommendation. The Board of County Commissioners requested that the deputy clerk record the unopened bids on the bid tabulation sheet which will be an addendum to the minutes and to also place unopened bids in the vault.

The board agreed to re-convene at 3:00 pm November 17, 1989. The deputy clerk complied with request and placed unopened bids in the vault.

There being no further business, the board did recess until 3:00 pm, Friday, November 17, 1989.

ATTEST:

WILLIE D. WISE, Clerk


DONNELL WHITFIELD, Chairman