

Commissioner Deloach asked if Commissioners ^{would} be trying to do too much in putting in business license now. Attorney Franklin said it would be better to establish office to get building codes and sedimentation order in place and then look at business licenses. Also, if too many responsibilities are required immediately, a person is less apt to do adequate job in getting office established.

Commissioner Deloach commented on bombardment of mobile homes coming into county. He remarked that E.M.C. has a \$60 charge for new hook-ups because they (mobile homes) have a history of being here today and gone tomorrow. He suggested a one time parking permit for mobile homes.

Attorney Franklin said mobile homes ordinance was being drafted but needed someone to enforce codes before it could be adopted. He questioned how much office could handle and suggested to start July 1st with building codes and sedimentation ordinance, follow in 90 days with mobile home ordinance and 90 days later with business licenses.

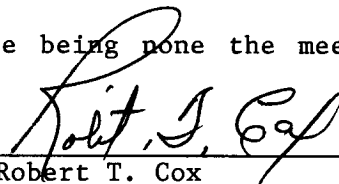
Commissioner Deloach asked if there were any exemptions from the building codes. He was informed there were no exemptions, all contractors or builders would have to comply. Commissioner Anderson asked what impact this would have on farmers for shelter, etc. He was informed agricultural buildings, not for human habitation, are exempt. Attorney Franklin said this may need further definition.

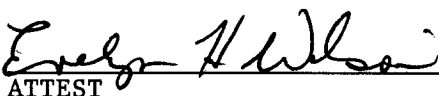
Attorney Franklin said Commissioners should look at adopting the National Gas Code. If have inspections for other utilities and do not include gas and if there was a loss, county could have some liability.

Commissioners agreed that hiring an inspector to be involved with implementation of ordinance was imperative.

Commissioner Alston commented on Tax Assessor Guy Williams presentation at last meeting and said he was in a session on G.I.S. (Graphic Information System) at the ACCG Conference. With this system total county is put in data base and any property can be pulled up on computer. He advised that Mr. Williams has contacted a "mapper" in Milledgeville who has this in place and plans to view this system. Commissioner Alston said presenter at conference said no hardware or software should be purchased until it was viewed in operation.

Chairman Cox asked for further business or comments, there being none the meeting was adjourned, subject to call.


Robert T. Cox


ATTEST

May 2, 1989
Statesboro, Georgia

Chairman Cox and Commissioner Deloach met with Portal area residents concerning re-establishment of recreation program for Portal.

Chairman Cox explained that no official business could be handled due to unavoidable absence of Commissioner Alston and Commissioner Anderson.

Melanie Spence, spokesperson for the group, said Portal really needed a recreation department, people were willing to work to have a program and the City of Portal was willing to back the program. She said a budget to get program started had been prepared and presented a copy for review.

Commissioner Deloach asked the group what they thought about the proposed 1% Special Optional Sales Tax. Someone commented that he was not in favor of the tax because he wasn't going to bring his children to Statesboro Recreation Department.

Commissioner Deloach said that was the point, there's not just going to be a Recreation Department on eastside of Statesboro, this will be a county wide recreation program with satellite departments with funding provided.

Mrs. Spence asked what could Commissioners do now and could monies for Portal Recreation be reinstated. The budget she presented showed \$5802.65 was needed to get started and she commented they wanted to have program operating before school was out.

Commissioner Deloach asked what Portal Department received when it was operating. He was informed Portal had received \$625 per month. Further review of the 1988-1989 budget showed \$7500 had been appropriated for Portal Recreation Department.

Chairman Cox and Commissioner Deloach said they saw no problem in advancing these funds when Portal Recreation Department's Charter had been received from State. County Attorney Jimmy Franklin will contact Secretary of State Office to check on status of Charter.

Chairman Cox thanked group for this concern and involvement. He said commissioners would be back

in touch as soon as Charter was received.

There being no further comments, meeting was adjourned.

Evelyn H. Wilson
ATTEST

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May 16, 1989
Statesboro, Georgia

The Board met in the Community of the North Main Annex with all members present. Chairman Cox called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.

Minutes of the meeting on April 25, 1989 were reviewed. Also reviewed was summary of meeting May 2, 1989 between Chairman Cox, Commissioner Deloach and delegation from Portal Recreation Department. Upon motion by Commissioner Alston, seconded by Commissioner Deloach and carried, minutes of April 25th meeting and May 2nd were approved as presented.

Chairman Cox recognized delegation from the Statesboro Regional Library. Mr. Ed Abercombie said he was Chairman of four member Library Board appointed by the County. He along with Ms. Isabel Sorrier, Library Director, presented the proposed budget for 1989-1990 totaling \$226,717. Mr. Abercombie commented there were a couple of items which could present some problems, these were possible increase in minimum wage and Section 89.

Chairman Cox asked was there any changes in revenues for increased fees to help off set increase expenses.

Ms. Sorrier said no fees were charged for library card or other services. She added this was an unusual situation with public information provided to people but they were not allowed to charge for services. She commented it was a bad situation to run a business with no source of income, there was no way to grow.

Commissioner Deloach asked for explanation of Medicare Hospital Insurance Tax line item on budget. Sandra Royal explained library employees did not pay social security but employees hired after April 1, 1986 had 1.45% of gross wages deducted and this had to be matched by library.

Commissioner Deloach said he understood the library position but they were asking for a 26% increase in the budget with 31% increase in salaries.

Ms. Sorrier said new employees are hired at minimum wage and they were trying to get starting base salary of \$5.00 an hour and also establish a salary scale based on years service. She added that employee turnover is high and hopefully this will help the situation.

Commissioner Alston asked what was library asking of County Commissioners. Ms. Sorrier said request from county was \$96,108.50, an increase of \$26,108.50.

Commissioner Deloach noted that Board of Education participation remains constant with no increase.

Ms. Sorrier said very few Boards of Education in state participate in libraries but Bulloch County Board does and added they also provide the bookmobile. Purchase of new bookmobile at cost of \$48,500 is expected this year.

Chairman Cox said library provides great service to the public and Commissioners will review library request again after other budgets are received and will do as much as possible for the library.

Chairman Cox presented bids for paving of Ogeechee Technical Institute perimeter road. Bid of \$105,017.55 was received from Ellis Wood Contracting Inc. and bid of \$108,892.39 from Reeves Construction Co. He commented that State will participate in an amount of \$25,000 for paving of one lane on each road or one two laned road, however, he felt road (4 lanes) should be paved as called for.

Motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Alston to accept bid of \$105,017.55 from Ellis Wood Contracting, Inc. Commissioner Deloach questioned \$4,018.80 cost of turf establishment at \$1200 an acre. He commented that he thought the county could do this cheaper. After discussion on cost of turf establishment, Commissioner Anderson restated his motion to accept bid from Ellis Wood Contracting, Inc. eliminating \$4,018.80 for turf establishment leaving bid total of \$100,998.75. Motion was carried as restated.

Chairman Cox presented a letter received from Meriwether County Commissioners asking for assistance in paying legal fees for cost of law suit challenging a re-call law. The letter contended that because of this suit the law was changed and all County Commissioners were benefitted.