

OKALOOSA COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES
EXECUTIVE BOARD

Special Meeting

June 11, 1996

(Draft)

INTRODUCTION: A special meeting of the Okaloosa County League of Cities Executive Board was called to order on Tuesday, June 11, 1996, at 11:30 AM, at the Valparaiso City Hall, with the following in attendance:

PRESENT: Commissioner Heyward H. Strong, Jr., Valparaiso, President
Councilwoman Brenda Bush, Crestview, Vice-President
Councilman Dean Covey, Ft. Walton Beach, Secretary/Treasurer
Mayor Libby Arcemont, Mary Esther
Councilman Al Swihart, Niceville
Mayor Harry Montague, Shalimar

ABSENT: Councilman Jim Kendrick, Cinco Bayou
Councilwoman Sharon Slivko, Destin
Councilman Perry Cadenhead, Laurel Hill

ALSO PRESENT: Helen Bourgeois, Recorder

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CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by the President, Heyward H. Strong.

ENCLAVES: Commissioner Strong read a letter drafted to Governor Chiles, regarding the annexation of enclaves. He also reported that he had contacted the Florida LOC concerning the law on this subject, and was told the law cannot be enforced without the cooperation of the County.

LOC OFFICERS: Discussion of LOC officers confirmed the terms of office to be for one year. A nominating committee should be appointed at the July meeting.

OMISSION OF NOTICE OF MEETING - LAUREL HILL: Mrs. Bourgeois said she had not notified the Laurel Hill representative of this special meeting, as she thought only the double taxation issue would be discussed. Laurel Hill levies no ad valorem tax, therefore, would not be participating in this effort. She apologized for the oversight.

DOUBLE TAXATION ISSUE: Commissioner Strong lead the group through a report on the Double Taxation issue, relating to the Okaloosa County Sheriff's budget. Discussion followed, with the following conclusions: (1) Comm.

Strong will rework the study, using correct taxable values and basis of 8.07%, rather than 10%; (2) members will take revised report to their respective governing bodies for discussion and possible approval of letter from the LOC to the Board of County Commissioners. Also needed are individual letters or resolutions from each city to the County Commission.

**CINCO BAYOU
PARTICIPATION:**

It was noted that no representative from the Town of Cinco Bayou had attended recent meetings. It was suggested that a letter be written, requesting they appoint an elected official as their representative.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM.

Heyward H. Strong, Jr.
President

ATTEST:

Helen J. Bourgeois
Recorder

