

MINUTES OF BUDGET AND CONTROL BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 20, 1977

State Auditor W. T. Putnam polled Budget and Control Board members Governor James B. Edwards, Mr. Grady L. Patterson, Jr., Mr. Earle E. Morris, Jr., Senator Rembert C. Dennis and Mr. F. Julian LeaMond for the purpose of considering the following item of business:

GERALD W. SCURRY, JR. - PETITION ALLEGING CLAIM AGAINST STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA - Mr. Gerald W. Scurry, Jr., has filed a petition with the Budget and Control Board in which a claim against the State of South Carolina in the amount of \$500,000 is alleged. According to the Scurry petition, the alleged claim is for services rendered in connection with the acquisition by the State of property now known as the Santee Coastal Preserve from the Santee Gun Club. The alleged claim was filed with the Budget and Control Board pursuant to provisions of Section 30-251 et seq. of the S. C. Code of Laws, 1962.

The referenced Code Sections require the Budget and Control Board to make a recommendation on the disposition of the petition within ten days of the convening of the General Assembly and of the Ways and Means Committee.

The Board members polled agreed that the petition filed by Mr. Scurry did not contain sufficient information upon which the Board might base a formal recommendation to the Ways and Means Committee and that additional information on the alleged claim should be sought.

The Board members polled also authorized State Auditor Putnam to advise the Ways and Means Committee of the Board's receipt of Mr. Scurry's petition setting forth the proposed claim of \$500,000 against the State of South Carolina and, further, that, while the Budget and Control Board has taken official note of the petition, the Board intends to secure additional information on the matter and to report to the Ways and Means Committee subsequently.

Information pertaining to this matter has been retained in these files and is identified as Exhibit I.



EXHIBIT I
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January 20, 1977

The Honorable F. Julian LeaMond, Chairman
Ways and Means Committee
House of Representatives, State House
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Mr. LeaMond:

In accord with the provisions of Sections 30-251 and 30-252 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1962, the Ways and Means Committee is hereby notified of a petition by Mr. Gerald W. Scurry, Jr., setting forth a proposed claim against the State of South Carolina in the amount of \$500,000.00. A copy of this petition is attached for the information of the Committee.

As indicated in our telephone conversation of this date, the Budget and Control Board has taken official note of this petition but the members have expressed the need for additional information prior to the making of a formal recommendation to the Ways and Means Committee. It is the intention of the Budget and Control Board to attempt to secure additional facts surrounding this matter, and a subsequent report will be made to the Ways and Means Committee pertaining to this claim.

Very truly yours,

William T. Putnam
State Auditor

WTP:dr
Enclosure

Copy to:
Edgar L. Morris, Jr., Esquire
Attorney at Law
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December 21, 1976

Governor James B. Edwards
Chairman, State Budget and Control Board
State House
Columbia, South Carolina

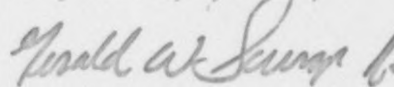
Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Code of Laws, I am hereby submitting my claim against the State of South Carolina for a fee and commission for my efforts in acting on behalf of the State of South Carolina in the purchase of the property now known as the Santee Coastal Preserve.

I have submitted copies of all of my correspondence to the Attorney General's office.

If you have any questions, please direct them to my attorney, Edgar L. Morris, Jr., Esquire, 1316 Washington Street, Columbia, South Carolina, 29201

Very truly yours,



GERALD W. SCURRY, JR.

GWS, JR:dfd

CG: Edgar L. Morris, Jr., Esq.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EX PARTE:

Gerald W. Scurry, Jr.

IN RE:

Acquisition of Santee
Coastal Preserve

PETITION FOR COMPENSATION

TO: STATE BUDGET AND CONTROL BOARD

The Petitioner, pursuant to §30-251, South Carolina Code of Laws (1962), submits this Petition and represents as follows:

1. That Petitioner obtained information that the Santee Gun Club, owners of a tract of land, consisting of acres in the Counties of Georgetown and Charleston, South Carolina was considering the possible sale of its property, and he made inquiries of appropriate Agencies of the State of South Carolina as the interest of the State of South Carolina in acquiring same.
2. That as a result of Petitioner's inquiries, he was authorized by an official of an Agency of the State of South Carolina to negotiate for the possible sale of the property to the State of South Carolina.
3. That the Petitioner, acting under the authorization given him by officials of the State Agency of the State of South Carolina, met with the officers and directors of the Santee Gun Club in Philadelphia, representing the interests of the State of South Carolina, which was further confirmed by another official of a State Agency of the State of South Carolina.
4. That the Petitioner served as the liaison through whom the Santee Gun Club dealt in connection with making arrangements for the sale of said parcel of land to the State of South Carolina.
5. That as a result of the efforts of the Petitioner, acting on behalf of the State of South Carolina, the property was acquired on terms favorable to the State of South Carolina.

6. That the value of the said property is approximately
Twenty Million and no/100 (\$20,000,000.00) Dollars.

7. That Petitioner is informed and believes that a reasonable compensation as real estate commission and for services rendered is the sum of Five Hundred Thousand and no/100 (\$500,000.00) Dollars.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner submits a claim against the State of South Carolina for the sum of Five Hundred Thousand and no/100 (\$500,000.00) Dollars as a real estate commission and for services rendered, and demands payment thereof.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Gerald W. Scurry Jr.
GERALD W. SCURRY, JR.
Petitioner

Columbia, South Carolina

December 20, 1976.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF RICHLAND)

VERIFICATION

PERSONALLY appeared before me GERALD W. SCURRY, JR., who, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the Petitioner in the Petition; that he has read the allegations of the Petition contained therein; that he knows them to be true of his own knowledge, except those matters and things based upon information and belief, and as to those, he believes them to be true.

Gerald W. Scurry, Jr.
GERALD W. SCURRY, JR.

Sworn to Before me this
20th day of December, 1976.

William D. Davis (L.S.)
Notary Public for South Carolina
My Commission Expires: June 10, 1980

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