Holly Hill's Original Town Hall



Before the current Holly Hill City Hall was built, the city's business was transacted in a modest two-story wood-frame house on Daytona Avenue where Sica Hall Community Center now stands. It had a holding cell and city offices on the first floor. A sign on the porch said, "Ring bell for fire, police." The jail is shown on the right. Schoolchildren from the nearby school would stop by to look at any prisoners through the window.

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The family picture of the Sizemore Family Left to Right - Back Thad, Doris, Carl, Bryon - Front, J.E., Bobby, Lucy.

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