

MINUTES
PHYSICAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE
MONDAY, August 7, 1995 - 9:30 A.M.
COMMISSIONER'S COMMITTEE ROOM

Present: Commissioners Gardner, Neill, Hall and Eisenmann

Also Present: Orrin Gregg, Bob Lewis, Gaylord Herriman, Roxann Holloway, Dennis Lehman, Kim Cramer, Don Mitchell, Caroline Depp, Tom VanWagner, Bill Bierman, Lloyd Reusink, Kathleen Kurowicki, David Stanifer and Bill Bacon

I. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Eisenmann, supported by Gardner to approve the minutes of the July 3, 1995 meeting. Motion carried.

II. Review Options for Repair of Drain Barn Driveway

Copies of a letter from Orrin Gregg reviewing costs for resurfacing of the drain barn driveway were distributed and reviewed. The estimated cost to bring the road up to minimum standards is approximately \$30,000. The cost to resurface at current standards is approximately \$13,000 with the existing drive removed from the status of a public road. Mr. Gregg stated that funding received for the driveway realizes up to \$200 on an annual basis.

Bob Lewis stated that Madison Township should be consulted prior to any decisions on the future of the driveway. Mr. Gregg stated that it may be possible to use road maintenance funds for a resurfacing project. Caroline Depp stated that the Solid Waste Coordinating Committee needs to be consulted regarding possible funding of the driveway leading to the Household Hazardous Waste Building planned in the center of the cul de sac.

Motion by Neill, supported by Hall to propose that the drain barn be resurfaced at a cost of \$10,000 with funding sources investigated through the Road Maintenance Fund and Solid Waste Coordinating Committee. Motion carried.

III. Review Soil Conservation District Budget and Operations

Bill Bierman from the Soil Conservation District reviewed the importance of its programs and continued support by the County Commissioners. Tom VanWagner distributed packets of information regarding the Soil Conservation District and noted that the request for 1996 is \$10,000 from the County. He stated that they need a 30% match to carry on most of their programs and gain federal and state funding.

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VII. Discuss Possible Sale of Portion of County Farm Property

The Committee reviewed the possibility of selling or subdividing approximately eleven acres along Airport Highway owned by the County. An aerial map was reviewed noting that the access to Airport Highway would be between Prairie School and the storage building at the Maurice Spear Campus. This matter was referred to the Ways and Means Committee for further consideration.

David Stanifer stated that the Youth Corporation at the Maurice Spear Campus was authorizing the use of the \$35,000 of its own funds to reconstruct the fencing and recreation area at the detention center at the Maurice Spear Campus.

VIII. Review \$822.09 Invoice Received from Drain Commission for Work on County Farm Drain Tile

An invoice in the amount of \$822.09 received from the Drain Commission for work performed on drain tile behind the drain barn was reviewed.

Motion by Hall, supported by Eisenmann to allocate \$822.09 from unencumbered funds in the Building and Site Fund for payment of an invoice received from the Drain Commission to improve drain tiles on the County Farm behind the Drain Barn. Motion carried.

IX. Maintenance Department Report

Gaylord Herriman distributed the monthly Maintenance Department Report. He explained that technicians were currently working on repairing the Old Court House air conditioning system. He stated that the bids for new carpet were due in shortly.

Mr. Herriman reviewed the problems that were recently experienced with the Jail generator. He also discussed the need to replace the broken hand rail at the Judicial Building.

Motion by Hall supported by Eisenmann to allocate up to \$2,250 from unencumbered funds in the Building and Site Fund for the reconstruction of the pipe hand rail at the Judicial Building . Motion carried.

Mr. Herriman stated that the Judicial Building Underground Storage Tank site has not been closed yet. The existing excavation has been temporarily filled. It needs to be put in a more secure condition shortly.

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XI. Other Business

Commissioner Hall inquired about the responsibility of the County Commission in maintaining the existing jail building. He noted that there was approximately \$371,000 in the Jail Inmate/Building Maintenance Fund and inquired how much of these funds have been spent on existing maintenance.

XII. Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 P.M.

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