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FEBRUARY 14, 2005

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The Board of DeKalb County Commissioners met in the Commissioners Court in the Court House in regular session, Monday at 8:30A.M. (EST)

PRESENT

William C. Ort

Don Kaufman

ABSENT

Connie R. Miles

MATTER OF REZONING – PARRISH

Zoning administrator Sally Rowe reported a favorable recommendation from the plan commission for petition 2005-05 for Stanford and Donald Parrish to rezone 36.3 acres from County Roadside Business to County open industrial in Grant Township section 6 at US Highway 6 and County Road 27 for a concrete plant. Sally explained that the C-RB zoning had been created for an auto sales business, which never materialized. The report stated that the highway supervisor recommends improvement to County Road 27 to accommodate heavy truck traffic, but otherwise has no objection to the zoning and there are no wetlands involved.

Commissioner Ort would like to wait for Commissioner Miles to return and for the highway superintendent to state any further concerns for the update to the county road before a decision is reached.

The owners of the business desire an earlier decision than the March 7th proposal as equipment is to be ordered. Mr. Klink has spoken to supervisor Patton regarding the placement of the driveway entry, and Eric's decision was based on the location of the Supreme Transit concrete plant, which was previously located on the east side of County Road 27 opposite the proposed site in question.

Commissioner Ort requested written confirmation from the state to approve the acceptability of the location, and further discussion with the highway supervisor. Therefore a motion by Commissioner Kaufman to table the discussion and reschedule the hearing for March 7th at 1:30 PM was seconded by William Ort and carried.

MATTER OF SPECIAL CLAIMS

A motion by Don Kaufman to approve special claims was seconded by William Ort and carried.

MATTER OF TREASURER'S REPORT

The January Treasurer's report was reviewed by the commissioners.

MATTER OF SUNNY MEADOWS

A motion by Don Kaufman to approve Carolyn Sue Rathert for residency at Sunny Meadows Residential Home was seconded by William Ort and carried.

MATTER OF CENTRAL DISPATCH

Councilman Ben Smaltz discussed the decision of the central dispatch committee for selection of a consultant for creating a Central dispatch system for DeKalb County. After narrowing the field to 5 applicants, the committee selected Thayer Consulting from a field of 20 responses to requests for qualifications. The consulting agreement was presented with fees based on hourly rates for 472 hours at \$185 per hour for a total of \$87,320 plus \$17,500 in expenses with 10% built in for contingencies.

Phase 1 includes the following 14 tasks:

1. Review all background materials
2. Project planning workshop
3. Interview agency stakeholders which include all emergency providers
4. Conduct a technology seminar
5. Participate in ride-alongs
6. Review current communication center operations
7. Validate existing technology systems E911 etc.
8. Conduct operational and staffing review
9. Assist in preliminary facility planning
10. Determine equipment to be reused
11. Prepare cost analysis, terms for EMT qualifications, IC 16-31-35
12. Examine funding and financing
13. Develop project timeline and phasing schedule
14. Prepare dispatch center consolidation strategic plan

Phase 2 is the implementation of centralized communications center.

15. Organize the structure and agreements
16. Roles of responsibility for director work with committee
17. Assist in finalizing facility specification plan
18. Mitigation of dispatch technologies
19. Plan mitigation of dispatch personalities
20. Coordinate standardization of policies and procedures
21. Develop cut-over plan
22. Coordinate vendors and support cut-over

Councilman Smaltz anticipates that bonding would be appropriate for this project, and asked others to address issues and answer question.

Randy Fox explained that nearly all of the local units with the exception of Garrett are agreeable to the plan.

Commissioner Kaufman inquired to the location of the new facility.

Commissioner Ort asked to table the discussion for appropriations for the agreement until the afternoon for the county attorney to have time to review the plan.

Following discussion in the afternoon session a motion by Don Kaufman to approve advertising for additional appropriations of \$105,000 as a new account line within the commissioners' budget of the general fund as well as in Cumulative Capital Development allowing the council to choose the area for appropriation with a maximum of \$105,000 allowed was seconded by William Ort and carried.

MATTER OF HIGHWAY

The commissioners signed a second request for proposal for County Road 427 as the date was changed.

A motion by Don Kaufman to approve a LPA claims in the amount of \$2,928 for the county bridge study was seconded by William Ort and carried.

Burtis Dickman has requested a cost estimate for double chip and seal application on a portion of County Road 27. Superintendent Patton's predicted cost is \$12,868 which includes fuel and materials but no labor charges. Mr. Dickman may wish to pay for the cost to be divided among property owners, but covenants for the subdivision must be reviewed. The commissioners would like to speak to Mr. Dickman concerning the request.

MATTER OF BRIDGE STUDY

Jeff Larrison of United Consulting introduced Chris Pope and Adam Post to explain Phase II of the county bridge study covering large structures. Adam stated that funding is composed of 80% federal and 20% county monies as long as the study is done within a 2-year period, and then explained the critical feature inspection. Bridge 133 on County Road 64 and Bridges 3 and 4 have been eliminated from the critical listing as underwater inspection was conducted. The sufficiency rating was then explained and the plan priority schedule for replacement or rehabilitation estimates and costs.

Chris Pope thanked the commissioners for allowing United Consulting to perform the bridge study

MATTER OF PAYROLL

A motion by Don Kaufman to approve payroll claims for the period ending February 10 was seconded by William Ort and carried.

MATTER OF CABLING

IS director Jack Smith spoke to the commissioners concerning a cabling project needed in the clerk's office to accommodate the (SVRS) Statewide Voter Registration System. The project will require more electrical wiring as well, and the commissioners agreed to pay for the cabling from the courthouse building repairs line 20-3367.

MATTER OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT VEHICLE

A motion by Don Kaufman for President Ort to sign State Form 108 for municipal license plate for the health department newly purchased Dodge Durango was seconded by William Ort and carried.

MATTER OF MINUTES

A motion by Don Kaufman to approve the minutes of January 24 was seconded by William Ort and carried.

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MATTER OF COBRA INSURANCE INCREASE

COBRA insurance cost for participation in the county health insurance plan has not increased in two years. The rate suggested by BeniComp was substantially higher than expected. Based on the recommendation of agent Brian Miller a motion by Don Kaufman to increase the cost by 22% was seconded by William Ort and carried.

MATTER OF COPIER PAPER

Following an attempt to obtain quotes for copy paper from several vendors quotes were received from Bassett Office Supply and Ideal Business Supply. Although requested, no quote was received from Allen Business Machine Company. Quotes from Bassett and Ideal were comparable, but the low quote for 8 1/2 x 11 white paper was the lowest quote and since that is the size used most often, Bassett was selected as the supplier for copy paper for 2005.

MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to come before the commissioners the meeting was adjourned.

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ATTEST: Sharon G. Hayes
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