

MONDAY

AUGUST 1, 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
Connie R. Miles
Don Kaufman

ABSENT

MATTER OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS

IS director Jack Smith explained that a new panic system was installed in the courthouse this past week at no cost to the county. Homeland Security Grants are providing systems of this nature for county government facilities. Jack demonstrated the manner in which the system is to be used and explained how the transmitter located in the auditor's transfer room recognizes the signal to be sent to the sheriff. The system does not cover the annex building, but could be upgraded for about \$5,000. Grants for which the county could apply are available for this. Councilman Wilder encouraged the commissioners to consider extending the service to the annex, and Jack will further investigate the cost.

Jack also informed the commissioners of two employees who are visiting pornographic Internet sites. One employee has already been notified through the department director, but the other person gaining access to the sites is, in fact, a department head. Jack would like some direction from the commissioners on their position and how he should proceed. Attorney McCanna advised that the commissioners should make a decision on how to reprimand the employee. McCanna also asked about Internet filters, which Jack stated are controlled by the City of Auburn. Jack suggested that some changes might be made to the county computer use agreement.

Negotiations with New World Systems are stalled. Attorney McCanna advised that the key persons involved in this issue meet with the commissioners to discuss options to resolve the issues. Expenses incurred should be reviewed.

Jack would like the commissioners' approval to pay for airline tickets to Salt Lake City for the Spillman conference and reimbursement for gas mileage to seminars. There is money within the IS budget, however it must be transferred. A motion by Connie Miles to approve the transfer of monies to pay for the travel expenses was seconded by Don Kaufman. Jack was reminded however, that the council must approve the travel expense and a written request should be made.

The IS budget should have enough monies remaining after the renewal of the AS400 maintenance contract to purchase a 3-year contract.

Councilman Wilder stated that he would like to make some form of decision regarding the computer use policy.

MATTER OF HIGHWAY

Superintendent Patton has received requests for information for the County Road 11A project from AV Consulting and US Infrastructures.

A motion by Connie Miles to approve paving of County Road 16 between County Road 39 and County Road 427 by API was seconded by William Ort and carried. Commissioner Kaufman abstained from the vote.

Commissioner Kaufman would like to continue the discussion concerning whether private individuals may contribute to road improvements being made using grant monies. More specifically County Road 27 and the Klink concrete facility. Mr. Klink has signed an agreement to pay for damages his trucks may cause to the road, but he would like the commissioners to investigate the possibilities of obtaining a grant to aid in the repairs.

MATTER OF CR 11A PROJECT

Jamal Anabtawi spoke to the commissioners concerning INDOT and the County Road 11A Bridge over Interstate 69.

Jamal would also like the commissioners to apply for a grant for the west side of the County Road 11A project. Jamal feels that the project might be eligible for as much as \$500,000.

Jamal introduced Ken Wilson, president of Ingledue Construction, who is working with Kruse International on the WWII Museum area roads and park for the American Heritage Village. Commissioner Ort questioned Mr. Wilson's interest regarding TIF revenue and other legalities involved with this development. Mr. Wilson stated that he must obtain more information before his company can begin future work in the area. Attorney McCanna stated that TIF monies cannot be used for reimbursement of work already completed by Mr. Wildon's company.

Jamal questioned Eric regarding the status of the east side of the County Road 11A project. Eric stated that as far as he knew the project was on hold.

The cost for resurfacing a portion of County Road 39 was paid by several property owners who reside there. Jackie Avery questioned the commissioners concerning reimbursement for these costs. Attorney McCanna cautioned the commissioners that if one owner is reimbursed, all would request reimbursement. Commissioner Kaufman is not in favor of reimbursement.

MATTER OF EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE – BENICOMP

Agent Brian Miller presented the self-funded case report for 2005 and explained that the cost for claims has decreased from this time in 2004. Following the financial update Brian presented information on new choices for network providers. Three Rivers preferred is a smaller network, but provides a larger discount. This option would be the employee's choice annually. Sheriff Deputy Oberholtzer stated that because this is a new network, it may be wise to wait and review the choice next year before it is offered. The web-site to view information about the company is threeriversmd.com.

Commissioner Kaufman mentioned concerns voiced by employees with regard to the receipt of insurance checks, the wellness program and privacy issues.

Cindy explained the reason for checks being issued to the patient. There are two plans, and when a claim is considered for payment the first portion considered is the medical with the \$2300 deductible. The balance left unpaid is then considered with respect to the individual's particular Benicomp advantage deductible portion of the program. The medical portion is paid directly to the provider, while the advantage portion is paid to the employee.

MATTER OF SPECIAL CLAIMS

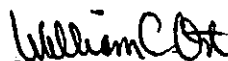
A motion by Don Kaufman to approve special claims was seconded by Connie Miles and carried.

MATTER OF DEVELOPERS BOND

Zoning administrator Sally Rowe requested the renewal of a performance bond for Grogg-Gardenour Estates, a 4-lot subdivision. A motion by Don Kaufman to approve Resolution 2005-R18 was seconded by Connie Miles and carried.

MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

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



William C. Ort

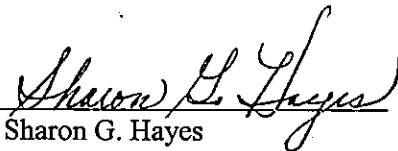


Connie R. Miles



Don Kaufman

ATTEST:



Sharon G. Hayes