

**DEKALB COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**

June 22, 2021

Commissioners Present: President William L. Hartman  
Vice President Michael Watson  
Vice President Todd Sanderson

Others Present: Auditor Jan Bauman

Absent: Attorney James P McCanna

**MATTER OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Commissioners met in an executive session on Tuesday, June 22, 2021, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 10:30 a.m. The purpose of the executive session was “to discuss strategy with respect to the implementation of security systems.” It was in accordance with IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(C). No other matters were discussed, and no decisions were made.

**MATTER OF JAIL COMMITTEE**

Elevatus presented the most up-to-date drawings of the proposed jail. There was discussion about various spaces and whether they should be modified. An outside rendering was also presented.

Commissioner Watson brought up the financial aspect of the jail. President Hartman interjected and said we have already discussed financials, and this meeting was to discuss designs. If we are going to talk about financials, it should be in a separate meeting. Commissioner Watson really felt that it is important to talk about the interest rates and their expected increases in 2022 and 2023 by the feds. He said a 1% increase in interest rates will cost the County a little more than \$3 million just in interest on the project. Commissioner Sanderson said when interest rates increase, there will be people begging to do this work and slash their prices, which will counter the increase in cost of interest. President Hartman agreed to discuss financials in a separate meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

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William L. Hartman – President

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Michael Watson – Vice President

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Todd Sanderson – Vice President

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Jan Bauman, Auditor