

MINUTES

WORTH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

June 3, 2008

8:00 A.M.

The Worth County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday June 3, 2008 in the Commission Board room, 3rd Floor Courthouse.

Chairman Miller called the meeting to order.

Present: Commissioners Tony Hall, Fred Dent, Bettye Bozeman and Jerry Childree. Chairman Dan Miller, County Attorney Clarence Miller, County Administrator Robert Zellner and County Clerk Deborah Robinson.

Request for Proposals:

A. Type III ambulance.

County Administrator Robert Zellner informed the Board that he and Lynn Ford had looked at all the bids submitted for the type III ambulance and that the bid from Quality Emergency Vehicles met all the required specifications and that was the bid he recommended.

Commissioner Bozeman motioned to approve the purchase from Quality Emergency Vehicles on the 2008 E 450 Ford type III Ambulance with a price of \$112,267.12. Commissioner Hall seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Dent and Childree.

B. Group Health Insurance.

After a brief discussion it was decided to table making a decision on the Insurance Bids until the 3rd Thursday Meeting in June, so further research could be completed.

Invited Guests:

A. James Saunders and Jerry Jones.

Jerry Jones approached the Board to talk about the situation with the Bridge project at Lolly Creek on CR 146 Jones Road. Mr. Jones asked the Board to please consider other options, such as replacing the bridge with a culvert. Mr. Jones told the Board that

he did not want to give up any more land in order for the 80ft right of way to be possible. Mr. Jones spoke of a time when he had said to Chairman Miller that the County could just close the road, that was fine with him, but went on to say how he maybe spoke in haste and not given thought or consideration to the other people who live on the road. Mr. Jones again stated that he did not think they needed an 80ft right of way through there, just something that would get the road opened back up and running again as it's been out of order for nearly five years.

The Board thanked Mr. Jones for coming and said that they would take everything under consideration.

Reports from Attorney, Administrator, Chairman, Commissioners, Department Heads & Committees:

County Attorney - Clarence Miller.

Attorney Miller informed the Board that knew progress was being made on Pearson Road and Cotton Road, however it would be a couple more weeks before things were completed.

County Administrator – Robert Zellner.

Mr. Zellner announced that with the Board's approval a fishing rodeo will be held on June 28, 2008 at the public works department pond, stating that an advertisement will be sent to the Sylvester Local News.

Mr. Zellner went on to talk about the brick house at the Public Works Department and the work that Gregg Maynard has been doing to turn it into a nice office building. There was also a discussion about the Governmental Building in reference to how long this project has been on going and how much money has been spent. Commissioner Dent stated that he felt the County saved a lot of money by using Gregg Maynard, even though it has taken a long time.

Commissioner Dent motioned to approve the advertising for the Fishing Rodeo. Commissioner Bozeman seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Childree.

Mr. Zellner also announced a request from the Sheriff's Department to run in arrears on line item # 100-07-3300-52-3500-00 travel expenses.

Commissioner Bozeman motioned to approve. Commissioner Childree seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Dent.

Chairman's Report

Chairman Miller shared information on CR 28 Cuffie Town Road stating that the extreme North East end of the road had been closed.

Chairman Miller also announced that The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has announced the award of \$33.7 Million to fund equipment and training for the first responders across the nation as part of the fiscal year 2008 Commercial Equipment Direct Assistance Program.

Mr. Miller also stated that Monthly Reports from each Department are not being submitted, and this needed to be addressed.

District – 1 Tony Hall.

Commissioner Hall motioned to put Lakeside Drive on the 1% project list in reference to getting the road paved. Mr. Hall informed the Board that Clay Smith had been out there and measured the road and it was only ½ mile long. Commissioner Dent seconded.

Commissioner Bozeman mentioned West Road and that she felt that needed to be finished, before Lakeside Drive. Ms. Bozeman also mentioned some other dirt roads leading to churches that were more of a priority as far as she was concerned.

It was understood by Commissioner Hall that adding Lakeside Drive to the list did not mean that it would be dealt with immediately.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Bozeman and Childree.

District – 2 Fred Dent.

Commissioner Dent motioned to file a 1% application in order to lease the 615 CII Dirt Pan which is currently under a temporary rental agreement. Commissioner Hall seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes Commissioners Bozeman and Childree.

Commissioner Dent brought to the Board's attention a disagreement between property owners on Green Lane, one of the property owners has put a fence in the middle of the road declaring it to be his property thus denying access for the other property owner to be able to move in a double wide mobile home. Commissioner Dent stated that there is some question as to whether this extension of the road is public property. Mr. Dent questioned how Building & Zoning would issue a permit allowing access to that property, if it is indeed private property. The property owner had got a permit to move in a mobile home, He also had received clearance from the Health Department that he could use the existing well, but put in a new septic tank for this mobile home. After he had got all the proper requirements taken care of he found that he could not move in the mobile home due to the fence in the center of the road.

This property was previously owned by Mr. Ray Bittner who would split his property and sell in Lots every 3 years. The dispute is between property owners John Roland and Charles Booth. Mr. Booth being the one who has staked the center of the road claiming this is his private property.

After further discussion Attorney Miller said that he would research records and talk with Building & Zoning.

Commissioner Dent also inquired of the Board if anybody new how or what we needed to do in reference to getting the other half of the \$65000.00 Grant that was awarded to the Recreation Department last year.

At 8:50 A.M. The Board took a 10 minute recess.

At 9:00 A.M. The Board reconvened.

District 3 – Bettye Bozeman

Commissioner Bozeman motioned to put “Rumble Strips” at the intersection of Lundy Road, Strangward Drive and Rebecca Drive. Commissioner Dent seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Childree.

Commissioner Bozeman informed the Board that she was not in favor of re-zoning the property on Doe Hill Road & Hwy 33 North, which is R1 zoning. The reason for mentioning this was because a mobile home had been purchased by someone with the intention of moving it to this area. Attorney Miller stated that this required “No Action”. Commissioner Bozeman said that she understood that but just wanted to mention this as she had been approached by the buyer.

District 4 – Jerry Childree

Commissioner Childree asked the Board what the situation was in reference to the Bridge at Lolly Creek on Jones Road.

After a brief discussion: Commissioner Childree motioned to send a letter to all the affected property owners concerned in this matter, informing them of the situation in reference to the funds from the State being withdrawn from this project on June 15, 2008. Giving them until June 12, 2008 to respond. At which time if no response has been received the Board of Commissioners will close the road and abandon the project. Commissioner Bozeman seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Dent.

Consent Docket

A. Sheryl H. Hall, Probate Court Judge is requesting an additional phone line.

Commissioner Dent motioned to approve. Commissioner Hall seconded.
Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Bozeman and Childree.

B. Waiver of Fees Application – Garbage pick up

(1) Charles Sherrell

Commissioner Dent motioned to approve. Commissioner Hall seconded.
Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Bozeman and Childree.

Action Docket

A. Clay Smith, Public Works Director is requesting the following equipment be surplused.

(1) 1995 CAT 12-G Motor Grader # 061M16189

(1) 2002 CAT 12H Motor Grader with Sloper # 4XM3188

(1) 1999 CAT 615-C Pan # 9XG1147

Commissioner Dent motioned to approve. Commissioner Hall seconded.
Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Bozeman and Childree.

Commissioner Dent commented that we should find out what the "Buy Back"
Price is on the 2002 12 - H Motor Grader.

B. HVAC Control Service Invoice \$3,389.00 replacement for 10-ton defective
Compressor.

Commissioner Bozeman motioned to approve. Commissioner Dent seconded.
Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Childree.

C. SPLOST PROJECT for Glen O. Greene & Associates – CR 55 Cotton Road in the
Amount of \$3,950.00.

Commissioner Dent motioned to approve. Commissioner Bozeman seconded.
Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Childree.

D. SPLOST PROJECT for Clarence Miller, County Attorney for Legal Services on CR
91 Cane Mill Road in the amount of \$1500.

Commissioner Dent motioned to approve. Commissioner Bozeman seconded.
Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Childree.

E. ACCG – Group Health Benefit Plan, Inc. announces New Inmate Medical Savings

Commissioner Dent questioned what the Administrative Fees would be. County Administrator Robert Zellner stated that he would do some research and bring the findings back to the Board.

F. Agreement with W.H. Davis CR 56 Ephesus Church Road.

The agreement was delivered by Commissioner Dent and signed on June 3, 2008 by Mr. W. H. Davis.

G. Georgia Indigent Defense Service Agreement.

Commissioner Dent motioned to budget the same amount as last year, and to ask them to justify how this amount is being spent. Commissioner Hall seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Bozeman and Childree.

A Letter to be sent to Mr. Mobley informing him that the Board of Commissioners reviewed his budget request and approved Worth County's portion at last year's level. Also asking for an itemized break down of how the funds had been spent in Worth County.

H. Tax Commissioner Tabetha DuPriest is requesting approval of E & R's for the month of April 2008 on M/H.

Commissioner Bozeman motioned to approve. Commissioner Dent seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Childree

I. RESOLUTION FORMALLY ADOPTING THE WORTH COUNTY SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY AS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW FOR 2008.

Meeting to be scheduled with Barbara Reddick from the RDC, The City of Sylvester, The City of Poulan, The City of Warwick and the Town of Sumner.

Unfinished Business

A. CASA requesting funding for FY 2008-2009 Budget in the amount of \$10,000.00

B. DHR – Worth County Department of Family and Children Services is requesting approval of proposed Budget for FY 2008-2009.

C. Patti Cake House is requesting approval of proposed Budget for FY 2008-2009.

D. Ruth's Cottage is requesting approval of proposed Budget for FY 2008-2009.

Commissioner Bozeman stated to the Board that items A, B, C, & D would be handled after the Budget Public Hearings.

E. CR 55 Cotton Road Project PR000-S007-00(202) 80ft. ROW .77miles.

Chairman Miller stated that this project is being worked on.

A brief discussion in reference to the City of Poulan and the issue of them not paying for Land Fill services.

It was agreed that a letter should be sent to The City of Poulan informing them that we will continue to accept their garbage with Veolia paying the tipping fee through June 13, 2008. If they have not agreed to pay their garbage like the County has asked then after the 13, June 2008 they will have to take their garbage some where else.

A discussion was also held in reference to the City of Poulan paying a fair portion toward the E-911 dispatch service. Attorney Miller stated that we most certainly should do that.

Commissioner Bozeman motioned to ask the City of Poulan to pay a fair share for E-911 dispatch service. Commissioner Childree seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Dent and Hall.

Personnel.

At 9:40 A.M. Commissioner Hall made a motion to go to Executive Session to discuss personnel. Commissioner Dent seconded. Motion carried with yes from Commissioners Bozeman and Childree. At 9:45 A.M the Board resumed regular session.

Public Works Department

Recommend full-time status for James Smith, Truck Driver/CDL Hazmat. Rate of pay \$13.00 an hour.

Commissioner Dent motioned to approve. Commissioner Hall seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Bozeman and Childree.

Employee Warning: Jim Mallard – Written Warning received June 6, 2008.

Violation date: May 5, 2008

Nature of violation: Careless.

The Board acknowledged this warning.

Recommend hiring Robert Dixon, Mechanic II at \$12.00 an hour.

Commissioner Dent motioned to hire Mr. Robert Dixon with the stipulation of the 6 months work test period and that within 12 months he must have passed his GED.

Commissioner Bozeman seconded.

Motion passed with yes vote from Commissioner Childree.

Commissioner Hall voted NO.

Magistrate Court

Notification of separation of employment for Marilyn Kent, Temporary Part-Time Clerk,
Effective May 16, 2008.

The Board acknowledged.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Worker's Compensation

A tentative agreement was made May 20, 2008 to settle Stephen P. Seller's case.

The Board acknowledged.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Commissioner Bozeman mentioned that at the last meeting, after a motion had been made and a second given in reference to putting a truck and trailer behind the motor grader for the purpose of picking up the trash and debris that the Board did not vote.

Commissioner Bozeman motioned to have someone go behind the motor grader with a trailer to pick up debris, on major ditch digging projects only. Commissioner Dent seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes Commissioners Hall and Childree.

There was a brief discussion about the Landfill, County Administrator Robert Zellner stated he was working on a new proposal to present to the Board.

Commissioner Hall motioned to adjourn at 9.55 a.m.

Commissioner Dent seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from all.

County Clerk
Deborah Robinson

Chaiman
Dan Miller.