

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD  
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S  
MARCH 20, 1995

Call to order was given by Co. Exec. Ron Gifford and invocation was given by Comm. Jerry Simmons. After the pledge to the flag by all present, Co. Clerk Faye Butts called roll with all 20 commissioners present. Motion to approve the minutes of the January 17, 1995 meeting was made by Comm. Johnny Oliver and seconded by Comm. Roger Stewart. After a voice vote, motion carried.

Capital Projects Committee Report: Comm. Caudle reported that on 2-3-95, they had a pre-construction conference for all parties concerned. The contracts have been signed and dirt work has begun. There has been some delays according to regulations that was necessary for the DOT to get an entrance. These have been taken care of and things should move on as planned from now on. Comm. McCreight also reported that no out of pocket expense to the county on this project.

HEW: NO REPORT

Finance, Ways and Means Committee; Comm. Phebus reported that they had acted on several resolutions and budget transfers that will be later in the meeting and would be glad to answer any questions.

Financial Management Committee: Comm. Tidwell, reported that they had several items to discuss and some with department heads. They talked about billing electronic transfer of payroll that had been requested by the school department, and Supt. Barter is going to come up with some more information about that. They also talked about the Highway Dept. having an on line access with the computer in the finance office. There is a possibility that it can be done and when all the problems are worked out, maybe some other outlying depts try it. It has been brought to their attention that several people in the county has cablevision through one of the cable companies serving the county. I don't think anyone is getting a franchise fee from this, so we are turning this over to the legislative committee to look into the possibility of getting addition revenue for the county through a franchise fee of the cablevisions.

Personnel Committee: Comm Salmon that the committee had met and reviewed the progress on the employee survey that is nearly complete. He reported there is a need for adding a policy on sexual harassment to our policy manual. We have looked over an example and the county attorney is to come up with a policy for us.

Public Safety Committee: Comm. Oliver reported they met at the Weakley County Jail and discussed several problems they are facing. Space is a big problem. A person from the Tenn. Correction Inst. is going to come down, go through the jail and point out the problems. The committee will report back to court at a later date.

Legislative Committee: Comm. Vincent reported they had 2 resolutions on the agenda, one dealing with State Route 22 and the other about the Adult-Oriented Establishment Board. Also, Pat Taylor reported that the 1986 delinquent tax sales are complete with at least 95% collected. All delinquent property tax was collected. Also, back from the state legislature, 3 of our Private Acts that we would like to ratify. One is on the agenda.

Public Works Committee: Comm. Westbrook reported that the committee met with the Highway Department and discussed several matters that pertain to highways and bridges in the county. There are a couple of resolutions later in meeting.

NURSING HOME REPORT INCLUDED IN MINUTES

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT: Mrs. Speight gave a very interesting and informative report on the progress of the county.

Motion to accept all the above reports was made by Comm. Jerry Simmons and seconded by Comm. John Bucy. After a voice vote, motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Co. Vincent reported that the county is involved in 11 lawsuits. One is the consolidation suit, but it should be settled April 11, 1995. These cases are pending and we were ask not to discuss these as it could be destructive to the county's case. Some of these suits are small and some are big.