

MINUTES FROM A SPECIAL MEETING HELD BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE ON AUGUST 17, 2005 AT 9:45 AM.

The Special Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was called to order at 10:00 am by Chairman Ulysses S. Ross. Other Commissioners present: H.E. Luke Lucas and Barry M. Richardson. Absent: Commissioners Clinton G. Alston and Janet Humphries. Others in attendance: Linda T. Jones, Interim County Manager and Susan W. Brown, Finance Officer.

Notice of Special Meeting was read by Clerk to the Board.

A moment of silence was followed by amendments to the Suggested Agenda as follows:

On motion of Commissioner Richardson, which was seconded by Commissioner Lucas and duly carried by unanimous vote, it was ordered to add Item # 3 - Discussion of replacing air conditioner in the Library building to the August 17, 2005 Special Meeting Agenda.

On motion of Commissioner Lucas, which was seconded by Commissioner Richardson and duly carried by unanimous vote, it was ordered to add Item # 4 - Tier I Status for Franklin and Granville Counties related to the Kerr-Tar Hub Project, to the August 17, 2005 Special Meeting Agenda.

On motion of Commissioner Lucas, which was seconded by Commissioner Richardson and duly carried by unanimous vote, it was ordered to adopt August 17, 2005 Special Meeting agenda as amended.

County Attorney Michael Williams arrived at 10:10 am.

Bids were received for the 2005 Community Development Block Grant Scattered Sites Housing Project as follows:

Red Earth Development Corp	\$53,390
Holland Consulting Planners	\$50,940
RSM Harris Associates, Inc.	\$45,000

A correction to the bid received from Red Earth Development Corp. was presented by Interim County Manager Linda T. Jones. Bid figure was \$40,000 rather than \$53,390.

Commissioner Barry Richardson was questioned regarding his relationship with Red Earth Development Corp, whether it posed a conflict of interest.

Commissioner Richardson assured the Board that he would not receive a benefit if bid was awarded to Red Earth Development Corp. A "Conflict of Interest / Full Disclosure Statement" was provided to the Clerk by Commissioner Richardson.

Motion was made by Commissioner Lucas to award bid to Red Earth Development Corp in the amount of \$40,000 for Administration of 2005 CDBG Scattered Sites Housing Project.

Motion died for lack of a second.

On motion of Commissioner Lucas, which was seconded by Commissioner Ross and duly carried by unanimous vote, award of bid for Administration of 2005 CDBG Scattered Sites Housing Project was tabled to the September 6, 2005 regular Board of Commissioners meeting.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson, which was seconded by Commissioner Lucas and duly carried by unanimous vote, a public hearing was scheduled for Tuesday, September 6, 2005 at 6:45 pm to hear citizen comments regarding 2005 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Hook-Up Program.

Marshall Brothers, Building & Grounds Director and Shelley Fearn, Chief Librarian appeared before the Board to inform them of the condition of the Library air conditioning system.

On motion of Commissioner Lucas, which was seconded by Commissioner Richardson and duly carried by unanimous vote, it was ordered to repair air conditioning system not to exceed \$6,300, funding source: Building and Grounds Contingency.

Ms. Fearn pointed out that if temperatures are sustained at present levels, computer server and building maintenance are at jeopardy. In order for air conditioner repairs to be effective, the building needs to be insulated and exhaust fans installed to remove hot air in top of building.

Motion was made by Commissioner Richardson, for Maintenance Director and/or Chief Librarian to obtain costs for insulating building and present at the September 6th Board of Commissioners meeting.

Motion died for lack of second.

Motion was made by Commissioner Lucas to approve an allocation of \$2,000 to cover cost of insulating the Library building.

Commissioner Lucas withdrew his motion.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson, which was seconded by Commissioner Lucas, and duly carried by unanimous vote, it was ordered to allocate up to \$2,600 to insulate the Library building and install exhaust fans.

Motion was made by Commissioner Lucas to close the Library until Tuesday to allow for air conditioner repairs.

Commissioner Lucas withdrew his motion.

