

Before the meeting was called to order a proxy was given to Chairman George Skinner, from member F. DeWayne Beggs, authorizing Thomas Brackett to represent him as a voting member in his absence.

January 10, 2005

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Cleveland County Budget Board was called to order this 10th day of January, 2005, in the conference room of the Cleveland County Fairgrounds, 605 E. Robinson, Norman, Oklahoma, by Chairman George Skinner. Roll was called by Dorinda Harvey, County Clerk/Secretary and those present were:

George Skinner, Chairman
Thomas Brackett, (Undersheriff, acting on behalf of F. DeWayne Beggs, Sheriff.)
Dorinda Harvey, Secretary
Bill Graves, Member
Rhonda Hall, Member
Denise Heavner, Member
Leroy Krohmer, Member

(Member Sandra DeSelms was absent at roll call.)

Others present were: Kayla Hanneman, Jim Davis, Tammy Howard, and Donna Roberts.

After the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of December 27, 2004, and there being no additions or corrections, Bill Graves moved that the minutes be approved. Leroy Krohmer seconded the motion.

The vote was: George Skinner, yes; Thomas Brackett, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; Bill Graves, yes; Rhonda Hall, abstain, Denise Heavner, abstain, Leroy Krohmer yes.
Motion carried.

Bill Grave moved, seconded by Rhonda Hall, to elect Denise Heavner as Vice-Chairman of the Cleveland County Budget Board for 2005.

The vote was: George Skinner, yes; Thomas Brackett, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; Bill Graves, yes; Rhonda Hall, yes; Denise Heavner, yes; Leroy Krohmer, yes.
Motion carried.

Chairman Skinner called for presentation from Kayla Hanneman, with Sam's Club and discussion, consideration, and/or action on Sam's Club. Ms. Hanneman gave each member of the Board a folder that explained the benefits of being a Sam's Club member. In addition to the folder Ms. Hanneman explained some of the benefits and stated that the membership goes beyond just being able to shop at Sam's or shopping on line. Membership can help the employees save money on pharmacy, dental, and auto refinancing. Ms. Hanneman explained how she would set up so there would be no interruption in business. If an employee wants the membership fine, if not that is fine and the enrollment can be through a payroll deduction. Sam's grand opening day is the 27th of January and they are having a business preview on the 26th of January from 7:00 A.M. until noon.

Chairman Skinner was concerned about the payroll deduction. If an employee after a while decided they did not want it and wanted their money back and since it came out of their check they would want the county to give them their money back.

Ms. Hanneman stated that all Sam's memberships (which is in black and white on their posters) are 100% guaranteed. And if the employee is not satisfied they will get their full \$35.00 refund. Sam's Credit card interest is 7.87%.

Ms. Hanneman continued explaining about the payroll deduction and how it works for a Sam's membership, that until the payroll deduction is paid in full the membership card will not be given out.

Leroy Krohmer expressed his concern about the car loans and Rhonda Hall explained that she is a member of Sam's and she automatically has that. Whether the Board allows Sam's to come in and talk to the employees or the employees go out to the store they will have that benefit. This is not just being offered to county employees it is for all of Sam's members.

Leroy Krohmer moved, seconded by Denise Heavner, to table this item until a later date.

The vote was: George Skinner, yes; Denise Heavner, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; Thomas Brackett, yes; Bill Graves, yes; Rhonda Hall, yes; Leroy Krohmer, yes.

Motion carried.

Chairman Skinner called for presentation from Jim Davis, with Cartridge Recycling of America and discussion, consideration, and/or action on using Cartridge Recycling of America. (Saundra DeSelms entered the meeting at this time.)

Mr. Davis handed out a folder that contained information about his company. He is in about two hundred locations now that are recycling empty ink cartridges, toner cartridges, cell phones, pagers, and typewriter ribbons. There is value to most of these items, but some do not have any value. But as far as empty ink cartridges his company pays something on everything collected even if it is two cents, just to keep it out of the land fills. Ms. Davis' company does not fill and resale they take the empty cartridges and find businesses around the country and resale to them. They in turn refill and sell to the public. Recycling is a growing concern these days especially if there is value to it. Mr. Davis explained about the pickup and delivery of the check would be within about forty-five days.

Tammy Howard, Purchasing Agent, stated that she looked into this about four years ago and then the county did not have enough volume to do this. Ms. Howard knows that there are other businesses out there that would like to have Cleveland County consider them.

Rhonda Hall moved, seconded by Leroy Krohmer, to table this item until the Board finds out exactly what needs to be done since there is more than one company who wants to do this.

The vote was: George Skinner, yes; Denise Heavner, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; Thomas Brackett, yes; Saundra DeSelms, yes; Bill Graves, yes; Rhonda Hall, yes; Leroy Krohmer, yes.

Motion carried.

Leroy Krohmer moved, seconded by Dorinda Harvey, to approve the following Transfer of Appropriations:

- a From Building Maintenance Maintenance and Operations, SM2, \$133,833.33, to Building Maintenance Capital Outlay, SM3.

- b. From Sheriff's Service Fee Maintenance & Operations, CFB2, \$15,000.00, to Sheriff's Service Fee Personal Services, CFB1A.
- c. From Sheriff's Revolving Maintenance & Operations, CFBRE2, \$12,389.83, to Sheriff's Revolving Personal Services, CFBRE1A.

The vote was: George Skinner, yes; Denise Heavner, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; Thomas Brackett, yes; Sandra DeSelms, yes; Bill Graves, yes; Rhonda Hall, yes; Leroy Krohmer, yes.

Motion carried.

Under miscellaneous discussion, Denise Heavner, County Assessor, brought up the closing of the offices and it was discussed about the closing of the buildings or offices and what should be done. Chairman Skinner stated that the only ones that can close a county building are two Commissioners. The Commissioners can not close just one building if they vote to close they have to close them all.

Denise Heavner inquired about the rumor that was going around that when the County Office Building is finished that the Court Clerk, Rhonda Hall, will be moving over there while the Courthouse is being remodeled.

Chairman Skinner stated that had been presented to the Commissioners, but nothing has been decided. It was presented and the Commissioners asked what the concessions were that the County would get and if the County can save money and time the Commissioners will do that.

More discussion took place on the closing of the offices and buildings.

Denise Heavner also asked about Building Maintenance moving down where the old ASC office was and she asked if the Commissioners had any plans for that area that they were vacating and she asked if she could have it.

Leroy Krohmer asked Denise Heavner to explain to the Board the lawsuit with Harold Liddell.

Ms. Heavner stated that there was a lawsuit for six-years that the County won. The old one was that the Assessor was pricing property too high. The current one is that the Assessor is giving developers and buildings too much of a break. Ms. Heavner explained in more detail and who all she thought would get involved in this one.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Leroy Krohmer moved that the meeting be adjourned. Denise Heavner seconded the motion.

The vote was: George Skinner, yes; Denise Heavner, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; Thomas Brackett, yes; Sandra DeSelms, yes; Bill Graves, yes; Rhonda Hall, yes; Leroy Krohmer, yes.

Motion carried.