

April 5, 2005

The scheduled meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was called to order this 5th day of April, 2005, in the conference room of the Cleveland County Fairgrounds, 605 E. Robinson, Norman, Oklahoma, by Chairman George Skinner. Roll was called by Sarita Scott, Deputy County Clerk/Secretary and those present were:

George Skinner, Chairman
Leroy Krohmer, Vice-Chairman
Bill Graves, Member
Sarita Scott, Secretary

Others present were: Rhonda Hall, William C. Hetherington, F. DeWayne Beggs, Mike McDanel, Bob Wood, Randall Turk, Ray Musgrave, Jon Evans, Anthony Palazzalo, Mike Kelly, Bill Kaighn, Tammy Howard, and Jane Cannon.

Chairman Skinner began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Skinner called for discussion, consideration, and/or action on the Remodeling of the Courthouse at 200 S. Peters.

Bill Kaighn stated he had asked Nashert (Contractors) to give some careful thought that would benefit them if departments are moved out of the courthouse before renovation begins, which is scheduled probably in late November. Mr. Kaighn stated there are two options one let the renovation proceed with the departments remaining in the courthouse or the other attempt to move them with the most critical being the Court Clerk's Office. Mr. Kaighn stated Mike Kelly suggested that Nashert consider putting together a proposal to hire people and do the move and this has been presented to Nashert.

Jon Evans, with Nashert, stated as a contractor Nashert sees the benefits if they did not have to coordinate moving around the different offices, so there is no doubt that it would substantially allow Nashert to increase the speed of what is going on. In addition not requiring ADA egress for the different floors. Mr. Evans knows Nashert would receive benefits and they are willing to try to help do some moving, but are limited in what can they offer. Discussion took place on the remodeling pre-bid, the moving and returning of the different offices and the amount of construction to take place on the different floors of the courthouse. It was also discussed about the Court Clerk's Office moving to the bank building and some of the Judges staying on the second floor of the courthouse.

Judge William C. Hetherington told the Board that there was a need to expedite what was going to happen and where the offices would be moving as all of the Judges were already setting their dockets for November and December.

Upon the recommendation of Assistant District Attorney, Mike McDanel, Bill Graves moved, seconded by Leroy Krohmer to adjourn this meeting and put this on the scheduled meeting for Monday at 9:00 a.m. with the understanding that that meeting would be recessed, hold the Budget Board Meeting and then reconvene.

The vote was: George Skinner, yes; Leroy Krohmer, yes; Bill Graves, yes.
Motion carried.