

Thursday, June 11, 1987

It was the consensus of the Board to proceed with posting the warning signs at LaFortune as recommended by the District Attorney's office.

Phillips also briefed the Board on a possible solution for the leaking roof at LaFortune. Phillips was directed to look into the costs, etc., of the solution, which was the erection of a sloped roof over the present flat one, and report back to the Board.

Rice reported that the steering committee for the bond issue will meet during the week of June 15. Packets of information concerning the issue are being prepared at this time.

A request, from the Mental Health Association, to place a Christmas tree on the plaza for the purpose of encouraging contributions to the Association was discussed. It was the consensus of the Board to participate in this project, and the Chairman will notify Mrs. Woodrum, who forwarded the request to the Board.

Chad Higgins, Director, Administrative Services, was present to discuss proposed increases in prices for his customers. Higgins explained that he had been directed by the Budget Board to increase his price list by 15%. In doing comparisons with outside printing agencies, his increased prices are still slightly below or right at outside shop costs. Selph requested Higgins to look at larger increases in the larger orders.

Motion by Selph, seconded by Rice, to approve Administrative Services' increased price list, to be effective July 1, 1987. Upon roll call, Selph, yes; Rice, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Joe Coleman, Chairman, Tulsa Arts Commission, and Mr. Bill McMichael, Vice President, McMichael Concrete Company, were present to discuss the donation of an eagle statue, which was part of the old courthouse building. In 1960, when the old courthouse was demolished, McMichael Concrete preserved the statue and has displayed it since. However, the Company has been sold, the McMichael family would like to move the statue. McMichael has offered to pay for the moving and installation of the statue if the County would like to have it.

Mr. Coleman reported the Tulsa Arts Commission voted that the statue should be given to the County to be displayed on the east side of the present building. Mr. Coleman also noted that the weight of the statue and vibrations from heavy traffic would have to be considered in the new location. Edwards was directed to coordinate this effort with Ray Jordan, County Engineer, and with Mr. McMichael.

Motion by Selph, seconded by Rice, to accept the eagle statue with gratitude to the McMichael family. Upon roll call, Selph, yes; Rice, yes. Motion carried.

In a discussion concerning the hiring of a Safety/Hazardous Materials Officer, Terry Tallent agreed with the need for such a person and explained the two areas he would expect this person to oversee. One area would be the development of training programs, etc., and the other would be to conduct on-site reviews of all accidents and safety checks.

Motion by Selph, seconded by Rice, to direct Edwards and Tallent to create a job description for a Safety/Hazardous Materials Officer and when completed, refer it back to the Board for approval. Upon roll call, Selph, yes; Rice, yes. Motion carried.

Wayne Carr requested authorization to settle tort claims or accidents involving bodily injury if only a small amount of compensation is due and no dispute is involved. After discussion, the Chairman directed Carr to continue with the present procedure of referring all tort claims or accidents involving bodily injury to the District Attorney.