

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1991 CONTINUED

a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Safety lane marking cones will be used. Upon roll call: Selph, yes; Dick, yes; Harris, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman opened discussion on the State Auditor and Inspector's recommendation for Board approval of purchase orders. He noted that the County Commissioners, by old law, were required to sign and inspect each purchase order presented at commission meetings. An action by the District Attorney's office about 10 years ago countenanced an action wherein the commissioner's initials were the same as a full signature.

Dick stated that while visiting with one of the state auditors, he discovered that in 1988 the state legislature approved a law that allows the state auditor to waive the individual signing of purchase orders for counties with computerized means of tracking purchases. He also learned that this is a system Oklahoma County has been using for 2 years. This system allows county commissioners to sign just one computerized list each week showing all of the county's purchases and reimbursements. The auditor suggested we send a request to the State Auditor and Inspector's office seeking such a waiver for Tulsa County.

Motion by Dick, seconded by Selph, to direct Edwards to draft a letter to the State Auditor and Inspector's office from the Board of County Commissioners, to grant an exception to Tulsa County at least in the areas of purchase orders and payroll. Upon roll call: Selph, yes; Dick, yes; Harris, yes. Motion carried.

Board directed Edwards to work with Joan Hastings to review the law and develop our letter in such a way that it can be acted on by the state auditor when he receives it. Chairman asked that the letter have a place for the signatures of himself as Board Chairman and Joan Hastings, County Clerk.

Ray Jordan presented a follow-up report on improvements to the highway department's radio maintenance system. Jordan detailed options for improvements and his observations in a February 27, 1991, memo to the Board. He stated he was not requesting action at this time, just updating the Board as requested.

Selph stated he would like to know (1) when the City tower will be built, (2) what other operations and maintenance costs we might incur, (3) would we have to have some type of maintenance technician? Selph requested recommendations from Jordan, assuming the sheriff is not ready to make a decision at this time.

Dick asked if the County owns land at the tower site and suggested the City might trade some services for land. Jordan stated the City has been in touch with him on that subject. Jordan's office will pursue the subject of rights-of-way the county might own in that area.

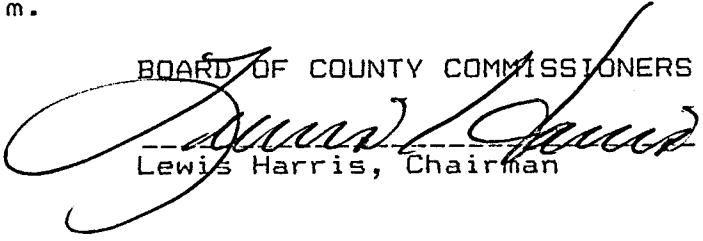
Glanz remarked that the City and Highway Patrol have now been funded for their communications system update and are starting their planning process.

The Board authorized Jordan to proceed with some improvements to the existing system as needed and directed him to bring the subject to the Board's attention again in about 6 months, which is around September 1st.

Glanz said he has no problem with that time frame providing we have the option to open the subject sooner if it becomes necessary.

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS


Lewis Harris, Chairman

ATTEST:


Joan Hastings, County Clerk

(DETAILS OF THE ABOVE ARE AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS)