

MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE, THURSDAY, August 13, 1987 CONTINUED

Sheriff Thurman estimated the cost of the proposed building to be approximately \$55,000.; this figure includes all costs except air conditioning.

Edwards reported on his study of storage needs for all elected officials and divisions. The need is estimated at 93,000 square feet, with 50,000 square feet to be temperature controlled; however, this does not include cold storage for commodities. The estimated cost for the facility, excluding staffing and security, is \$2,875,000.

Harris asked that an ad hoc committee be formed to consider the best possible solution to the problem and to further research the estimate of total storage needs. Harris also requested that a review of the County's needs be discussed with City officials and the possibility of a combined City-County storage area be discussed. Edwards will organize the committee and proceed.

Harris also reported that a representative from the Department of Human Services had contacted him regarding the recent food spoilage and resultant disposal of commodities stored at the Unit Rig building. Helton reported that the Department of Human Services was to use the Unit Rig location as a drop site only and not as a storage area.

Thurman noted that he is planning to hire (pending approval of a new position) an employee to act as an auditor and food services person. This position will handle all food ordering, commodity storage, the consumable reports, etc.

The Chairman directed to Edwards to continue to work with Sheriff Thurman and Ray Jordan to assess the location requested.

Jordan requested the Board's permission to discuss the possibility of relocating the County construction crew to a location other than at District 3. He discussed several possible locations, all in District 1, where the crews would have sufficient room and be much closer to road supplies. The Chairman directed Jordan to look into locations, determine costs and report back to the Board. However, Jordan was cautioned to be careful about raising the employees' hopes regarding this plan due to the fact that the financial condition of the County may prevent this from becoming a reality.

Terry Tallent presented a completed job description for the proposed position of Safety/Hazardous Materials Officer. Tallent explained that funds for the salary of this person would be diverted from Workers' Compensation monies. It is his opinion that having such a person employed by Tulsa County would result in a savings in Workers' Compensation claims.