

(Agenda of meeting was posted in the Tulsa County Administration Building Lobby at 11:34 p.m. on Tuesday, October 8, 2002.)

**MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE
OCTOBER 10, 2002**

The Board of County Commissioners of Tulsa County met at 9:30 a.m., with the following members present: Robert N. Dick, Chairman and Wilbert E. Collins, Sr., member. Members absent: none. Others present: Judge David Peterson, Paul Wilkening, Wayne Carr, Dick Blakeley, Ray Jordan, Buck Rudd, Richard Bales, Kevin Francis, Conley Tunnell, Larry Zachary, Bob Pielsticker, Mark Knowlton, Kirby Crowe, Susan Hylton, and Pam Hayes.

Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m., and the following business was transacted:

Judge Peterson distributed drawings of renovation proposals for the 1st, 4th, and 7th floors of the Courthouse. Wilkening will attend next Judges' Committee Meeting and keep the Commissioners advised regarding Judges' space needs. Chairman directed Wilkening to reactivate the Courthouse Space Needs Assessment Committee to also address space needs of the Court Clerk's office and other Elected Officials in order to prepare a proposal with which everyone will be comfortable, when money becomes available. Committee is to take into consideration possible future space availability at nearby buildings and any off-site rental space needs.

Wilkening reported the concerns regarding the Apache warehouse building's water and air had been resolved. Jordan agreed he was comfortable with the environmental test results. Pielsticker advised Mr. Ed Kurtz (seller) needed 150' of frontage and would like to provide Tulsa County title to the eastern track of land, which is 208' (68' more of frontage). The County would have more land and be able to do a lot split. The contract would also include the right of first refusal on the front half of building and on the land located west of the building. That would protect Tulsa County's interest and give it a ten-day period to respond if the owner started to sell the property. Pielsticker stated the survey contract will cost \$4,000; the seller and buyer will each owe half. The Board authorized Wilkening to proceed with negotiations and amendments to finalize contract.

Crowe reported that representatives of land tracts for the O'Brien Park expansion have responded as follows; 2 refused appraisals, 5 declined offers, 8 accepted offers, 4 were still considering offers, and 1 had title issues that had prevented negotiations. Total value of proposed acquisitions was now approximately \$554,000.

Crowe stated there were seven bids opened October 7th for the Bixby Community Center project. These will be evaluated to determine which represents the best value. Time for completion of the project ranges from 90 to 180 days. Signs have been removed from building and inside demolition work is nearly completed. Chairman authorized Crowe to sell large outside corner sign if he gets an opportunity to have it removed. Blakeley advised that the new interlocal agreement executed by the City of Bixby and the Board of County Commissioners had been forwarded to the Attorney General for approval. Chairman asked that Blakeley let him know if there was another concern expressed by Attorney General's office.

Tunnell discussed the letter received from the Office of Juvenile Affairs (OJA) advising the daily rate in detention would be cut from \$80 to \$74.27, effective November 1, due to shortfalls in State and OJA funding. The rate had not been increased since 1995 and operating expenses had increased. OJA was proposing a 4.75% cut, which amounts to a \$76,266.30 reduction in funding for the current fiscal year. Chief Jim Helm is Chairman of the OJA Board and is attending an OJA meeting today; he will address funding concerns. Tunnell stated Tulsa County has 55 beds. Of these, 45 were for Tulsa County juveniles and 10 were regional beds filled through contracts with other counties. He advised OJA that Tulsa County may have to give up regional beds; it will hold up the reissuing of the contracts for other counties due to budget concerns. Also, an amendment will be added to contracts to require other counties to do risk assessments. Tulsa County's average stay was 11.2 days; the average regional stay was almost 23 days. Tulsa County's risk assessment allows