

(Agenda of meeting was posted in the Courthouse Administration Lobby at 4:25 p.m., on Tuesday, April 9, 1991)

MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE
APRIL 11, 1991

The Board of County Commissioners met at the hour of 9:00 a.m., with the following members present: Lewis Harris, Chairman; John Selph, Robert N. Dick. Members absent: none. Others present: Herb Reed, Nancy Cooper, Buck Rudd, Wayne Carr, Ray Jordan, Sheriff Stanley Glanz, Jim Helm, Howard Lee, Denise Graham, Neal Kennedy, Tim Carson, Kerri Miller, Manny Gamallo, Donnelle Eller, Clay Edwards, Vera Carroll.

Harris called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m., and the following business was transacted:

Rudd reported the damage caused during the April 8th flooding of the courthouse basement, including the jury assembly room, was the result of jail inmates stuffing a shirt, towel and steel scrubbing brush into the sewer line. Rudd stated the flooding caused \$4,000 in ruined carpet in the jury assembly room and additional labor cost. Rudd said he feels one solution to the problem (which occurs with some regularity) would be the installation of an in-line grinder that would reduce most foreign objects to pieces small enough to pass through the lines. Rudd added he has researched such a machine, called "Muffin Monster", and the cost would be \$11,600 per machine. He recommended the County purchase two of the machines. The price does not include installation.

Harris asked Glanz to lead a team to develop a study of the subject. This would include plans and specifications for the bidding process.

Edwards, Helm, Jordan, and Rudd will participate in developing the report including checking the other jail facilities that would have use for the machines. Glanz requested the subject be scheduled for the April 25th Management Conference, when he will report the results of the study.

Glanz reported the jail population has been on the rise since January with a monthly average of 634 inmates being handled daily. He said he expects the number to decline during the summer months.

Graham reported on a proposed agreement to allow local law enforcement officers to enforce laws on Cherokee Tribal land. As a part of the agreement the Cherokee's have set aside a total of \$100,000 in law enforcement costs to be shared by 14 counties. Each county's share of the money is based on its Cherokee population and amount of Cherokee land. Graham said Tulsa County has only 1,200 acres of Cherokee land and according to the document as it is presently drafted qualifies for only \$2,000 a year to pay for the County's Cherokee law enforcement costs. Graham pointed out that officials do not presently have a map that indicates which property in Tulsa County is Cherokee land.

Glanz stated it would be difficult to predict the cost of policing Indian land without knowing how large an area would require services. Glanz also stated he is concerned that the money allotted Tulsa County may not cover the medical expenses Tulsa County could incur. Also, the agreement states that his office would be responsible for transporting inmates to the Claremore hospital if necessary. Otherwise, his office would be responsible for medical services provided in Tulsa and the cost to his office was of great concern to him.

Dick said the agreement would solve the questions of which law enforcement agency would have jurisdiction on Cherokee land, but the County should not be asked to incur additional expense. Dick suggested the County could offer to provide services and ask that the Cherokee Nation officials be required to pay the sheriff the full cost.

While the Board agreed with this concept of the Cherokee Nation trying to solve its law enforcement problems, the Board has many questions and concerns about the agreement as it is written.

Graham informed the Board that any such agreement must be approved by the Oklahoma Legislature before becoming effective.

The Board concurred that further study on the subject is needed, including the possibility of Tulsa County having its own agreement with the Cherokee Nation.

Glanz will work with the district attorney's office on this item and report his findings to the Board at the April 25th Management Conference meeting.

Dick presented an update on the Juvenile Detention Center expansion. He has met with Susan Savage of the Mayor's office regarding the City/County agreement concerning the use of sales tax funds and the City is as interested as the County in finding answers to legal questions regarding the funding of the expansion.