

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1988, CONTINUED

effective January 1, 1989, and would be in effect at South Lakes when it opens in the spring of 1989.

Motion by Rice, seconded by Selph, to authorize increase in the fees as requested. Upon roll call, Selph, yes; Rice, yes; Harris, yes. Motion carried. (Clerk's Misc. File No. 124113)

Terry Tallent was present at the Chairman's request to update the Board on the Tulsa County Employees Insurance Program. Tallent stated that due to the 70% PruCare (HMO) penetration level of our group and the poor loss ratio of the Prudential indemnity plan, he found that since our medical program could not be effectively marketed to maintain or reduce our current premium structure there was a need for change to insure the stability of the program. Tallent noted that to prevent serious premium increases some benefits were lost. Tallent concluded his report by informing the Board that he is starting a market pursuit for the County's July 1, 1989 insurance renewals.

Leroy Jones, Joan Hastings, John Cantrell, and Cheryl Clay, were present for a discussion on remote computer access. Jones presented a brief review of his memo dated October 26, 1988, detailing start-up procedures including costs to the County, costs to the subscribers, and the details of putting these plans into service. The elected officials concerned are in agreement with this plan.

Motion by Rice, seconded by Selph, directing Jones, working with the elected officials and other persons involved, take all action necessary to implement this program. Upon roll call, Selph, yes; Rice, yes; Harris, yes. Motion carried.

Jones presented a request from the Sheriff's office requesting a communication link with the Sheriff's new annex building on Charles Page Blvd. They will need a phone line, modem, controller and a printer for the initial hook-up. Jones stated Data has the equipment in their present inventory. The cost to have the phone line installed is approximately \$250.00 and the monthly cost of the phone line is \$40.00. Jones requested Board approval to proceed with this installation. Motion by Selph, seconded by Rice, to authorize approval as requested. Upon roll call, Selph, yes; Rice, yes; Harris, yes. Motion carried. (Clerk's Misc. File No. 124114)

Motion by Harris, seconded by Selph, to enter into an emergency discussion at the request of Joan Hastings, regarding the subject of the County Employees' Retirement Fund. This item was not known about at the time of posting of the agenda. Upon roll call, Selph, yes; Rice, yes; Harris, yes. Motion carried.

Hastings requested that the Board immediately reconsider implementation of an additional 1% employee deduction for retirement beginning with the November pay period, and an additional 1% beginning with the April, 1989 pay period in order to properly fund the Rule of 80 Plan, and the current retirements as required by statute. Hastings stated this action is necessary because of the escalating monthly benefits as reflected on the monthly financial statements of the Retirement Fund. The Chairman stated that Tom Cummins, Actuary will be asked for a complete study of this matter. Motion made by Rice, seconded by Harris, to proceed with the increase as outlined, effective November 30, 1988. Upon roll call, Selph, yes; Rice, yes; Harris, yes. Motion carried. (Clerk's Misc. File No. 124112) Chairman is to draft a letter to be enclosed with the October checks notifying the employees of this action.

Edwards updated the Board on the possible purchase of the 211 South Houston Building. Edwards stated that though the City of Tulsa has decided against locating E-911 operations in the building, it is his understanding from discussions with Bob Parmele, that there may still be a possibility of getting the City to join forces with the County in occupying it. Edwards noted that if the County could find a way to purchase the building it could be utilized in such a manner as to allow courthouse space to be better utilized by various elected officials and the data processing division which is currently leasing space.

Bob Parmele and Jay Helm briefly discussed details of financing and renovation costs of the building with the Board. The Chairman stated there would be a definite need for a tenant to absorb a part of the cost if the County were to purchase the building. Selph suggested that since the E-911 operation is no longer a consideration a search for space should continue with the needs of Data Processing being mainly considered.

The Board directed Edwards to develop information regarding actual needs for space, cost studies, individual debt servicing and possible utilization of the 211 Building without the E-911 needs in mind and report to the Board at the next Management Conference meeting.