

COURTHOUSE & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Minutes for May 21, 2019
3rd Floor Bedford County Courthouse
Consecutive after Law Enforcement



Present: Chairperson Sanders; Commissioners Jeff Sweeney, Brian Farris

Absent: Commissioners Gunn, Smith

Others Present: Mayor's Exec Asst, Liz Barnett; County Commissioners: Biff Farrar, Jimmy Patterson, Greg Vick, Anita Epperson, Sylvia Pinson, Mark Thomas, Linda Yockey, Bill Anderson, Don Gallagher, Janice Brothers; BCSD Jail Director, Mary West; Times Gazette Reporter, John Carney; IT Director, Josh Carney; Probation Director, Joyce Reed; Juvenile Director, Cynthia West; e-911 Director, Phillip Noel; Asst Fire Chief, Brian Cantrell; Sheriff, Austin Swing; EMA Director, Scott Johnson; EMS Director, Ted Cox

1. **Call the meeting to order** – Chairperson Sanders, 6:02 PM
2. **Prayer** – Commissioner Sweeney
3. **Roll Call** – 2 absent
5. **Approval of the May 21, 2019 Courthouse and Property Committee minutes** – Motion to approve (Sweeney, Farris) unanimous
6. **Zoning Reports** – Director Chris White not present. Report in packets.
7. **IT Reports** – Director Josh Carney reported on the 2 main projects currently underway – Moving the Deeds & Assessor to the 3rd floor of the Annex. Smooth transition. Cabling being done in the basement for the Elections Commission. Wireless panic buttons tested & ready.
Justice Center Update: The low voltage cabling project was awarded to EduTech. They had the lowest bid at \$168k, lower than expected, & will begin installation this week. Courtroom A/V installation quotes all came in ~\$200k, also lower than expected. **Sweeney:** What about the amp/booster(?) needed to ensure 2-way radio communications with the Comm Center? This will be \$30-\$40k. Cascade had to have it also.
Vick: What's the update on the GIS mapping enterprise licenses? **IT:** With the moves, they've been busy.
Noel: Offered to research the expense of adding to the license 911 already has.
8. **Health Dept** – No one present
9. **Fire Dept Report** – Chief Thomas is out of real estate for all the equipment & property he's responsible for. Currently trying to come up with how much square footage he needs. Trucks are good. Fully staffed. Playing catch-up on training. **Sweeney:** The pond at Arrowhead is 18' deep to use for diver training in the dark, murky water.

10. 911 Communications Director Report – Director Phillip Noel present. AT&T is running fiber out 231 South towards Fayetteville, federal money came in & this rural area is getting a full Gig of Broadband! They are requesting access to the easement for installation. **Vick:** It's from a USDA grant. United Telephone applied but didn't get the money.

11. Motion to approve all reports – (Sweeney, Farris) unanimous.

12. Old Business

a) **Bell Construction Update** – Sweeney reported drywalls being mudded, need to cut into concrete for scanners in main lobby, all millwork has been bid out, move-in is still Aug. 1st will begin training for the new jail with employees, EMT, etc. Occupancy still slated for Sept. 15th
A pretty expensive ½ million dollar collapsible filing system is being considered since the space needed for on-site filing was not planned for. This was not in the original budget when the structure was started.

b) **Cascade Update:** Teachers will be allowed to enter the new school July 15th

13. New Business

14. Announcements

a) Huge concert at Arrowhead Ranch – 6 bands, cruise-in, food vendors

b) No Property Committee update as of yet

15. Adjourn 6:30 PM (Sweeney, Farris) unanimous.