

MINUTES
MORTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DECEMBER 12, 2007

Bob called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. with open doors.

Present: Bob Boaldin, Chairman; Allen Tucker, Vice-Chairman; Mary Gilmore, County Clerk. Also present was Charley Tucker, Civic Center Director.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the lack of heat in the Civic Center.

Charley reported he has called Jon Ryman and Mr. Ryman told him to call Eads Electric. Eads has been on site several times but now says that the controls to two large heaters are not even hooked up. The Commissioners placed a call to Jon Ryman, placing him on the speaker, and asked when they can expect the heaters to be hooked up because there are several Christmas parties coming up, as well as a wedding in the Civic Center. Jon said he would call Ron Cordes with Eads. The Commissioners also mentioned to Jon that the Civic Center roof is leaking in the entryway and in the kitchen. Jon said he will contact the company and let them know.

Motion was made by Bob, seconded by Allen, not to pay Orr Construction anything until the Civic Center is completed and meets the County's satisfaction.

At this time Vicki Peacock, Treasurer, entered the meeting to discuss Tiffany Hayes' plans to resign from her position and accept a position with Pate Agency because they can pay her more. Vicki requested approval to increase Tiffany's wages to the amount budgeted for the position Tiffany filled (\$25,500/yr.) Approval was given on a motion by Bob, seconded by Allen. Vicki mentioned that if she has to, she can also use some of her Special Auto funds, in addition to the above amount, in an effort to keep Tiffany. The Commissioners were in agreement with this effort.

Charley reported that Comfort Specialists were at the Civic Center on December 3rd to hook up the ice machine but the spot where the machine is to be placed is not wired for that particular machine. It may be after the first of the year before the new wiring can be installed for the equipment. In the mean time those renting the kitchen for events will have to bring their own ice.

Charley mentioned that the red paint on the front curbs of the Civic Center is coming up. He visited with RK Painting and was told that the red paint is a different kind of paint than the yellow used for the parking space lines. Also, it may have been too cold when they painted the red lines. This will be addressed as soon as the weather warms up some.

A call was placed to Charley McKinley asking if he has noticed the standing water on the south end of the Civic Center parking lot. It looks like an ice rink right now. Charley said he has plans to break out the ice and broom off the water tomorrow.

Approval was given for Charley Tucker to purchase some commercial type furniture for the front of the Civic Center to create a warmer atmosphere as you enter the building.

The Commissioners asked the Clerk to get an updated catalog to purchase a plaque for the dedication of the Civic Center.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was given by Allen, seconded by Bob.