

Local Government Committee Minutes
10-13-25, 6:15 p.m.
Jury Room

Members Present: Chr. Brandon Dodds, Vice Chair Steve Sartin, Hunter Jackson, Larry Shawver, Debra Roberson, James T. Cobb

Members Absent: Mark Korn

Others present: Beverly Ellington, Cari Jones, Amy Perkins, John Uitendaal, Larry Shawver, Erica Hogeland, Doug Singleteary, Kim Peckenpaugh, Diane Moore, Dobbie Bradshaw-Hart

Chair Dodds called the meeting to order and entertained a motion to approve the minutes from 9-8-25 meeting. Commissioner Hunter Jackson made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Sartin seconded. Motion passed.

The discussion item was for the possible purchase of 8 (+/-) acres next to the Community Complex. The sale price is \$300,000 at approximately \$40,000/acre.

Chr. Dodds inquired if this was in addition to the property that the county already owns and if the existing property could not house an ambulance service. Commissioner Jackson answered it was in addition. An ambulance service would require between 3.5- 4 acres to construct and acquiring the additional land would allow more room for other buildings, complexes, or centers in the future if the need arose.

Commissioners Jackson state he did not feel like the property was worth the full asking price of \$300,000. Commissioner Jackson and Roberson both advised in discussion that the offer should be between \$20,000 to \$25,000 per acre.

Finance Director Amy Perkins confirmed to mayor Quick that the funds could come from the Fund Balance. Mayor Quick and Commissioner Jackson stated that it would not cause a tax increase for the county.

Commissioner Shawver made a motion for Commissioner Jackson to enter negotiations on a purchase price for the acreage. A roll call vote was taken as follow: Hunter Jackson, yes; Larry Shawver, Yes; Bubba Cobb, Yes; Steve Sartin, Yes; Debra Roberson, Yes; Brandon Dodds, No.

Meeting adjourned.
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