CLEVELAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 23, 2006

The Cleveland County Board of Commissioners reconvened their recessed regular session of March 21, 2006 on this date, at the hour of 6:00 p.m., in the Commission Chamber of the Cleveland County Administrative Offices.

PRESENT: Ronald J. Hawkins, Chairman
Jerry L. Self, Vice-Chairman
Mary S. Accor, Commissioner
Johnny Hutchins, Commissioner
Willie B. McIntosh, Commissioner
David C. Dear, County Manager
Bob Yelton, County Attorney
Wanda Crotts, County Clerk
Eddie Bailes, Assistant County Manager
Stuart Gilbert, Chamber President
Lindsey Allen, Cleveland Headline News
Pete DeLea, The Star
Robert Williams, Citizens for Good Government
Other individual names on file in the Clerk’s Office

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Hawkins reconvened the meeting and announced the meeting would move to the Commission Conference Room.

CLEVELAND COUNTY CHAMBER: 20/20 CONTRACT – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

There was discussion regarding various aspects of the 20/20 contract, employee contracts verses “at-will” employees, evaluations for employees, and communication issues.

ACTION: It was the unanimous consensus of the Board to review the 20/20 contract during the Commission goal setting work session at the beginning of each year; and, during the annual budget sessions.

ACTION: It was the unanimous consensus of the Board that the County Attorney would formally write a letter to the Chamber outlining the following decisions:

- A Personnel Committee consisting of at least the President of the Chamber and the County Manager of Cleveland County will be established. This Personnel Committee will be responsible for hiring, disciplining and discharging the Chamber employees who work primarily for Cleveland 20/20.
- The Chamber will present to the County a detailed proposed budget as to how the County’s funds allocated to the Chamber for Cleveland 20/20 are to be spent. This proposed budget will be presented to the County during the County’s regular budget sessions in April and May of each year.
- The Chamber and Cleveland 20/20 will present to the County an Annual Review of the activities of Cleveland 20/20.
- The termination provisions of the Memorandum of Agreement will be changed to provide that either party may terminate the Agreement at any time upon 120 days’ advance written notice to the other party.
CRIMINAL JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM – DAY REPORTING CENTER

Mr. Dear noted that “due to the good job done by Cleveland County” additional funds have been allotted in the amount of $95,253.00.

Vice-Chairman Self advised he serves on the Board of Directors for the Day Reporting Center, stating, “Ours is much more successful than most, some budgets were cut by as much as $40,000.” It was noted that 95 offenders have been served this fiscal year.

**ACTION:** Mary Accor made the motion, seconded by Jerry Self, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to approve the application to receive the additional funding.

**PROPOSED PROPERTY PURCHASE: PLATO LEE ROAD, SHELBY (PPG)**

Mr. Dear recommended the County purchase 5.785 acres from PPG, located on Plato Lee Road, for $6,500.00 per acre. He stated the county already owns the adjacent property and this parcel would complete a 62.028 acre plot for potential development (210 total acres), which includes rail access. Sewer lines will soon be available to the property and it is less than a mile from the future bypass. An environmental impact study has already been completed on the adjoining property.

Mr. Yelton noted the contract (copy found on Pages ____________ of Minute Book 29) contains “standard language” but PPG will need to present the proposal to their “big board” when they meet the end of April.

**ACTION:** Johnny Hutchins made the motion, seconded by Willie McIntosh, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to authorize the County Manager and the County Attorney to proceed with the purchase.

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

Commissioner Hutchins informed Commissioners that he and Commissioner McIntosh have a meeting scheduled with EMS Director Joe Lord next week.

**RECESS TO RECONVENE AT A TIME AND PLACE CERTAIN**

Willie McIntosh made the motion, seconded by Jerry Self, and unanimously adopted by the Board, to recess this meeting (at 7:05 p.m.) to reconvene at 3:00 p.m. on April 4, 2006 to convene as a Board of Equalization and Review in this Commission Chamber.