

February 13, 1963

Present: All commissioners, Mr. W. S. Donaldson, and Mr. Oliver Guyther, Attorney.

#### Youth Activity Group

Mr. John Early and Mr. Effler reported that this organization has been dropped by the UGF and if they are to continue to operate they must have help. The sum of \$3564.21 was spent last year. \$1750 was contributed by UGF and the organization raised the balance. Mr. Burch asked that a copy of revenues and disbursements be given to the commissioners for study and they would see what could be done from a legal standpoint.

#### Rescue Squad

Mr. Fox Burch, Mr. John Early, Mr. James Kapp, Mr. Burns.

Mr. Fox Burch reported the various activities of the Rescue Squad and stated they do not have sufficient funds to meet expenses. The present allotment is \$700 per squad and an act of legislation would be necessary to raise this amount to the \$2000 requested. Mr. Burch stated he had contacted the delegates and Senator Raley and they are in favor of such legislation, but feel it should come from the commissioners. The \$2000 is the maximum figure requested, but the squad will be happy to get any additional amount set by the commissioners.

Mr. Elliott Burch asked that a breakdown of the budget of each department be sent to the commissioners. He also stated that this would require emergency legislation in order for the squad to benefit from it this year, and this would have to be discussed with the legislators.

#### Library

Mrs. Daugherty presented library budget to the commissioners in the amount of \$59,799.00. Budget was reviewed and Mr. Guyther and Mrs. Daugherty and the commissioners discussed various expenditures. Mrs. Daugherty also stated that there was a possibility of the trustees paying rent for the library building over a period years and using this money to pay for the repairs to the heating system.

#### Deer Release

Mr. Philip Burch and Mr. Elmer Johnson requested permission to restock the county with deer. Mr. Bowles asked if they could specify the number of deer to be released. This is possible, but the county may not be given as many deer as requested, as the number trapped is divided equally between counties. Recommendations can be made as to areas where the deer should be released. It was also requested that the 3 day antler hunting period be discontinued, and leave just the 8 day season in force.

#### Tax Exemption for the Aged

Mr. Burch stated that action should be taken concerning real estate tax exemption for people in the county over 65 years of age. 1783 is estimate for that age group in the county; 66 families being eligible. The estimated tax loss to the county per year would be \$5400. The tax exemption would be given to families within a certain income bracket. Other counties are enacting legislation for this purpose.

Heating System - Courthouse

Mr. Frederick Tilp and the commissioners reviewed recommendations made by Mr. Lutz, engineer, to correct the faulty heating system in the courthouse.

Roads

Mr. Leroy Thompson and committee requested repairs for the Happy Land Road, and presented list of people living on this road who will grant the required 40 foot right-of-way. Mr. Raley will furnish Mr. Thompson with necessary forms to be completed and signed by property owners deeding this property over to the county. Estimated cost to rebuild this road is \$14,000. Mr. Raley said he could get this project started if the commissioners felt that funds would be available later on.

Mr. Thompson presented signed paper granting right-of-way to the county on the Portobello Road for repairs. Mr. Raley said nothing could be done as this road is not in the county system, except to scrape it and put gravel on it.

Reported that repairs had been made to Princeton Road and Scotch Neck Road. It will be almost impossible to open up the Woodburn Hill Road. The Clayton Road should be graded this year and possibly blacktopped next year. The county has the right-of-way required for this area. Work is progressing on the Lincoln Road Extension in Lexington Park.

Emergency Procedures

Sheriff Miedzinski requested that a signed, blank commitment form be left at the courthouse with Mrs. Buckler in case a person had to be taken from the jail during the weekend. Mr. Burch gave the sheriff a signed form to keep in his safe for such an emergency.

Mobile Communications Center

Mr. Donaldson reviewed statements from center and said he had asked these people to send a monthly statement of all expenses and what they are for. He feels this contract should be renegotiated and the entire program discussed. Mr. Burch said to ask the person handling this to come down next Tuesday, February 19th, to explain the whole operation. Mr. Donaldson suggested calling in Mr. Charles Donaldson to review the contract made with the center. Balance owed is \$222.00.

Ambulance Service

Mr. Bowles said he felt that someone in an official capacity should authorize such trips if they are to be paid out of the taxpayers money. Mr. Donaldson said that this expense cannot be charged to the Rescue Squad, Ambulance Service, or the Health Department. The only place it can be charged is to the commissioners expense. Mr. Burch will call Dr. Houser about this matter as this expense might be charged to the Health Department. Mr. Bowles said he would also like to know who determines who is entitled to this service. He stated that the commissioners should adopt an official policy that all organizations requesting funds submit a budget designating where the money is going.

Miscellaneous

Mr. Cecil, treasurer, presented bills owed on Tall Timbers property and said if these are not paid, the property will be sold. This will have to be advertised two weeks ahead of time.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,  
 Elliott Burch, Pres.