

PUBLIC PROPERTY
October 12, 2011

Call to order The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Chairman John Karnopp. Committee members Duane Rogers and Ray Martin were present. Board Chairman Pete Flesch, John Poots and Clerk Janet Geisler were also present.

Verify posting The Chairman verified that the meeting notice was properly posted.

Approval of Minutes Karnopp moved Martin seconded to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

Courthouse Remodeling Brian Stoddard and Tim Meeker appeared and presented a list of alternatives that would result in deducts from the base bid. Donna Steiner advised that she has been working with a vendor for the audio and video system in the Main Courtroom and Second Courtroom and is able to get it at a much cheaper price. These figures were deducted from the bid. Each of the remaining alternates was discussed. Alternate 18 & 19 were not allowed by the District Court Administrator. Several items involving the chilled water coil in the air handler were taken out of the bid and will be funded by the Jail Building and Repair Account.

The total funds available as of today are \$1,627,268.77 which leaves an approximate shortfall of \$375,000. This matter will be discussed further with Carol Wirth to discuss the various borrowing options.

The notice of awarding the contract will not be given until there is appropriate funding.

The Public Property committee will have a meeting immediately following County Board and if the additional fund is approved to award the contract.

Technology Budget Joe Ruskey appeared to present his budget. He advised that the mail server needs to be replaced which resulted in an increase of \$13,000. Estimated hours of support has increased and additional fund for toner.

**Cell phone
Booster**

Roger Martin advised that the issue of a cell phone booster at the Administration Building was discussed at the recent LEPC meeting. This would be for safety reasons. US Cellular may put a booster in at no cost. The committee asked Roger to pursue the matter of a cell phone booster.

**Approval of
Bills**

Martin moved Rogers seconded to approve the bills as presented. The motion carried unanimously upon call of the roll.

Next meeting

November 9, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.

**Conference Call/
Bonding**

The committee placed a conference call with Carol Wirth to discuss what the options were for the shortfall for the Courthouse remodeling project. Carol advised that the full County Board would need to authorize the debt to lock in the financing. This would require a three-fourths vote of the members elect. The interest rates through the State Trust Fund are: 1-5 years-3.25%; 6-10 years-3.75%; and 11-20 years-5%. The earliest that the State would approve the loan is November 15th. The County has four months to request any funds. The first payment would not be due until March 15, 2013 so there would be no effect on the 2012 budget. The County is not committed to borrow what is authorized in the resolution and can draw down the money as needed. The County would use any money from the State Trust Fund loan last.

Flesch moved Rogers seconded to seek a loan of \$375,000 from the State Trust Fund for the purpose of the Courthouse remodeling project. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

Adjournment

Flesch moved Rogers seconded to adjourn. The motion carried with no negative votes cast and the meeting adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

Janet L. Geisler, County Clerk