

RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
January 23, 2007

The Honorable Commission convened at the Huntsville Courthouse with the following present: Susan Carter, Presiding Commissioner, Doug Galaske, Eastern District Commissioner, Randy Asbury, Western District Commissioner. Nancy Copenhaver, Deputy Clerk was unable to attend due to a family medical emergency so Com. Carter recorded the minutes.

9:15 a.m., Com. Carter called the meeting to order. Com. Galaske moved and Com Asbury seconded approval of the agenda; motion carried (3-0). The approved minutes of January 17 and January 18 were signed. The fuel bid from Brownfield Oil was approved for the week of January 24-January 30 for \$1,768.

Com. Galaske made a motion to approve the minutes from Jan. 22, seconded by Com. Asbury. Motion passed 3-0.

Commissioners called Sheriff Mark Nichols to make an appointment to review his budget. He will meet with the Commission at 10:30 am on Thursday, January 25.

Commissioners contacted Judge Scott Hayes to review his budget. He will call back to make an appointment.

10:30 a.m., Aubrey Bradley arrived early to make his presentation on the Rockies Express natural gas pipeline scheduled to be built through his property and was asked to proceed. He began by distributing copies of a letter he and his family sent to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission outlining their concerns. An overhead projection showed the proposed path of the pipeline through his property and how he believes the construction could impact the creeks that supply water to his 250 head of cattle.

He explained how his property comes under the new Heritage Law that went into effect January 1 then referred to State statute 578.008 Section 1 that states landowners cannot be forced to use alternative water sources. He would like several drill wells on his property at the cost of the pipeline.

Com. Asbury suggested contacting the UMC Geology Department to ask that a geologist assess the situation.

Mr. Bradley expressed concerns about his family's safety should an earthquake or accident occur.

As this is an interstate project where the commission has no authority, Com. Asbury suggested he contact Cong. Hulshof or Sen. Bond with his concerns. Com. Galaske said he knew of a group fighting a pipeline project in Indiana and would get their contact information if he would like. The Commission thanked Mr. Bradley for his presentation and will pass on any future information it runs across that might be helpful.

12:00 p.m., Commission recessed for lunch

1:30 p.m., Commission reconvened. Com. Carter received a phone call from Wade Horn at PCE regarding leaks at the Justice Center. He had not received the fax on masonry specs that George Esser was to have sent yesterday. Com. Carter said she would fax a copy and requested that Com. Galaske call him.

1:55 p.m., Com. Galaske reached Wade Horn who said that according to specs that were faxed, masonry sealant was called for and was applied. Wade will go back and see what sort of warranty the sealant is under. Regarding the roof leaks, he feels this is most likely an aberration due to the unusual amount of snow and ice and noted that there are reports of similar leaks in buildings around the state because of the buildup.

2:05 p.m., a fax arrived from Ross McKinstry at the RCHD with quotes of office space for the possible Justice Center move.

2:20 p.m., PA Mike Fusselman's office called. He will not be able to meet with the Commission as scheduled today for his budget review and was rescheduled for 8:30 Friday morning January 26.

2:30 p.m., County Clerk Jim Sears arrived with updated figures that were discussed and entered into the latest budget proposal.

3:15 p.m., Commission adjourned.



Presiding Commissioner



Eastern Commissioner



Western Commissioner



Clerk

Approved