

**Building & Grounds
Committee Meeting
August 6, 2012**

Members Present: JoAnn Blankenship, Ken Arney, Robert L. Gobble, Ronnie Trivett, Richard Winters, Scott Sams, L.C. Tester, and Buford Peters.

Members Absent: Scott Sams

Others in Attendance included: Chris Mathes, Carter County Sheriff / Ron Street, Chief Deputy / Tom Smith, Jail Administrator / Keith Bowers, Jr. County Attorney / Commissioners, Joel Street, and John Lewis / concerned citizens and news media.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman, L.C. Tester at 7:20 PM. Quorum present.

Motion was made by Robert Gobble, seconded by Buford Peters to accept the minutes of the last meeting June 4, 2012 as printed. By majority voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Chairman Tester reported that the PODS had been sold for \$ 5,750.00 and that the removal process would begin this week. Purchasers name was not available.

Chief Ron Street addressed the committee at this time concerning the condition of the old jail. He stated that the building was in great need of a new roof due to many leaks. It was noted that leaks were in many offices and damaging records.

Motion was made by Ronnie Trivett and seconded by JoAnn Blankenship to request that the Budget Committee begin the bid process (hiring of Architect), concerning the re-roofing/repairs of the old jail. By majority voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Sheriff Chris Mathes noted that he was meeting with the Contractor concerning the maintenance issues of the new jail before the final payment is made. He expressed that he was "extremely unsatisfied" with the building and contractor.

Thomas Smith, Jail Administrator was complemented at this time for a job well done concerning the new jail.

Richard Lewis, of Mothers Against Drunk Drivers, requested permission to place a memory garden near the Justice Center in memory of "all victims of crime". Final design not yet decided.


Motion was made by Buford Peters, seconded by JoAnn Blankenship to to seek out designs and work also with L.C. Tester, and report back to the committee for final recommendation. By majority voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Leaking in the Courthouse was discussed and was noted that this would be checked.

Motion to adjourn was made by Ronnie Trivett, seconded by Buford Peters. By majority voice vote, all ayes, meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Patsy H. Lewis, Secretary

L.C. Tester, Chairman



APPROVED