

**Building & Grounds
Committee Meeting
April 2, 2012****APPROVED**
5-7-12

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

All members present. Commissioner John Lewis, news media and other concerned citizens were present also.

Meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Chairman, L.C. Tester.

Motion was made by Ronnie Trivett, seconded by Richard Winters to approve the minutes of the last meeting, March 5, 2012. All ayes, motion carried.

Old Business

Chairman, Tester told the committee that Hamblen County had informed him that they were not interested in the purchase of the PODS. The Elizabethton Fire Department had however voiced that they may be interested in the PODS if the county would only require them to pay for the removal of the POD. Several other possible uses for the PODS was discussed, however no action was taken. Chairman Tester noted that the removal of the PODS could be quite expensive and that this should be taken into consideration.

New Business

Purchase of land by Kem Richardson was discussed.

Motion was made by Ronnie Trivett, seconded by JoAnn Blankenship to refer any action concerning the sale to County Attorney, Keith Bowers, Jr. for legal aspects concerning this transaction. All ayes, motion carried.

Public Comments

Roy Livingston addressed the committee concerning issues that the new unopened jail was noted as was probably already filled to capacity and ask if the PODS could be used for overflow purposes. It was stated no as they must be removed.

Warranty issues concerning the new jail were discussed. Chairman Tester noted that he would discuss this with County Attorney and have Attorney Bowers address this issue during full commission on April 16, 2012.

Motion to adjourn was made by Ronnie Trivett, seconded by Ken Arney. All ayes, motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Submitted by,
Patsy H. Lewis, Secretary,

L.C. Tester L.C. Tester Chairman

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