

Cumberland County Facilities Committee
July 9, 1998, 8:30AM

Present: Chairman J. Lee Warren, Jr.
Commissioner Tom Bacote
Cliff Strassenburg, County Manager
James Martin, Deputy County Manager
Juanita Pilgrim, Asst. County Manager
Cliff Spiller, Asst. County Manager
Marsha Fogle, Clerk to the Board

Absent: Commissioner Ed Melvin

1. Approval of Minutes: April 9, 1998

The Minutes were unanimously approved.

2. Consideration of a request from the law firm of MacRae, Perry, Pechmann, Williford & MacRae, L.L.P. to sell them 20feet of property along the northern line of the Board of Elections Office.

Mr. John Pechmann told the Committee their office is still interested in the property and they are currently negotiating with realtors to find some property that they could swap with the county. He requested the Committee to delay action until the meeting in August, at which time they may be ready to submit a proposal.

The Committee agreed to delay action until August.

3. Report on Jail

Appearing: Greer-Fripp

The architects reviewed the schematic design of the building with the Committee. They told the Committee that even though the building has been reduced in size and cost, some additional beds have been added. Estimated Cost: \$39,066,987; Number of Beds: 528; Cost Per Square Foot: \$157.00.

Public entrances to the new building will be at the corner of Russell and Gillespie Streets. There will be separate employee entrances and security entrances.

In discussing some of the issues with the schematic design, the Committee asked the Architects to make some changes as follows:

1. Look at alternatives to carpet in the dayroom areas;
2. Develop a spartan attitude in designing the building;
3. Review all cost saving elements so the building is designed at the most economical

cost while still achieving our objectives of a secure building with direct supervision;
(Select very economical materials)

4. Look at making some changes to the public entrance to the building.

The Committee asked the Architects to come back to a Facilities Committee meeting on July 13, 1998, 11:00AM to address the concerns noted above.

4. Report on Recreation Projects

Mr. Larry Philpott, Parks and Recreation Department Director, reviewed projects on line for the Recreation Department:

1. Lake Rim Park:

Phase A: Includes infrastructure for the park. Construction currently underway. (roads, trailways, etc.)

Phase B: Fiscal Year 1999 - Includes tennis courts, multi-purpose fields, picnic shelters and restrooms, volleyball courts, administration building, maintenance building, sportlights for volleyball and tennis courts. (Cost: \$778,608)

Mr. Philpott told the Committee the County was notified on Tuesday of this week that we will receive a \$250,000 grant from the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund to assist us in our park construction. The County will have to use the money as described in the project agreement. The County will have to match the funding dollar for dollar and there is money in the Recreation Department budget to accommodate the match.

Mr. Philpott said he would like to have a pre-open house for the Lake Rim Park at the end of August or the first part of September. This open house would give the public an opportunity to see how their recreation tax dollars are being spent. He indicated he was hopeful the youth baseball fields could be used in the Spring of 1999. He said he was not sure when the entire park would be ready for utilization by the public.

2. E.E. Miller School Park: Concession/Restroom Building
3. Eastover Ball Park: Sports Lights for three Baseball Fields
4. Pine Forest Middle School Recreation Center: Bids went out once and came back over budget. Center being redesigned and bids will go out in the next couple of months.
5. Stedman Elementary School Recreation Center: An old shop building will be renovated as the Recreation Center.

6. Seventy-First Elementary School Recreation Center: Will be designed in conjunction with the new school.

5. Other Matters of Concern:

None

Chairman Warren Recessed this meeting to Monday, July 13, 1998, 11:00AM to again review schematic design of the new jail.