

CUMBERLAND COUNTY FACILITIES COMMITTEE  
JUNE 8, 2004 – 8:30 AM  
REGULAR MEETING

PRESENT: Chairman Breeden Blackwell  
Commissioner Kenneth Edge  
Commissioner Ed Melvin  
James Martin, County Manager  
Juanita Pilgrim, Deputy County Manager  
Amy Cannon, Assistant County Manager  
Cliff Spiller, Assistant County Manager  
Laura G. Johnson, Assistant County Attorney  
Bob Stanger, County Engineer  
Monroe Rascoe, Animal Control Director  
Walter Vick, Architect  
Ann Hymes, Deputy Clerk

INVOCATION: Commissioner Melvin

1. Approval of Minutes: May 12, 2004

**MOTION: Commissioner Edge moved to approve.**

**SECOND: Commissioner Melvin**

**VOTE: Unanimous**

2. County Animal Control Center and Sheriff's Training Center Project Update

Bob Stanger, County Engineer, stated that the focus of today's meeting would be centered on the Animal Control Center. He stated that the total estimated construction cost is significantly higher than anticipated. Construction costs have escalated at a higher rate than normal due to rising energy costs and material costs. The project team is requesting direction from the Facilities Committee regarding how to proceed with the project.

Walter Vick, Project Architect, reviewed the 27,040 square foot floor plan of the Animal Control Center (the plan presented to the Facilities Committee in March was approximately 27,500 square feet). The total estimated construction cost is \$3.2 - \$3.8 million, the latter amount includes design cost and contingencies. This equates to about \$123 per square foot. Initially the cost was about \$95 per square foot. Discussion continued to include ways of reducing the budget by taking out some of the square footage. Commissioner Edge inquired about funding for this project. Ms. Cannon stated that there are \$800,000 unspent bond proceeds from the Department of Social Services