

COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
JULY 25, 1997

THE COMMISSIONERS MET IN THE CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM AT 9:15 AM. WITH DAVE GREEN, JAY WALTERS AND JUDY CARMICHAEL, MEMBERS OF THE COMPUTER COMMITTEE. DICK PUCKETT, DAVID GLICKFIELD, WALT WOOD AND TIM ENYEART WERE ALL IN ATTENDANCE.

DISCUSSION INCLUDED:

THE ASSESSOR'S NEW COMPAQ COMPUTERS BEING INSTALLED WITH PROVAL ASSESSOR'S SOFTWARE. JAY STATED PLANS TO HAVE EACH PARCEL CHECKED BEFORE INSTALLING INTO THE NEW SYSTEM. HE EXPECTS A 3 TO 6 MONTH CONVERSION. WALT WOOD ASKED IF HE WOULD NEED MORE HELP TO ACCOMPLISH THIS. JAY STATED HE MIGHT NEED SOME PART-TIME HELP. WALT STATED HE WOULD ENCOURAGE THIS TO BE COMPLETED AS IT IS CRITICAL TO THE COUNTY. JAY GAVE TWO EXAMPLES OF PROBLEMS WITH THE ATEK SOFTWARE; (1) 200 SQUARE FEET OR LESS SHEDS WERE NOT PICKED UP. ONE MAKES VERY LITTLE DIFFERENCE, BUT WHEN ALL IN THE COUNTY IS CONCERNED, IT WOULD MAKE A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN THE VALUATION. (2) A 4500 SQUARE FOOT HOME BEING ASSESSED WITH 1500 SQUARE FEET FOR 96 AND 97. AN ADDED ASSESSMENT HAS BEEN SENT TO THIS PARTICULAR TAXPAYER.

TWO OF THE COMPAQ COMPUTERS WILL BE INSTALLED FOR THE AUDITOR AND THE AUDITOR'S SECRETARY FOR USE WITH THE ASSESSOR PROGRAM AND BOARD OF REVIEW BUSINESS.

THE TRANSFERRING OF AN LQP02 IN THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE TO THE SURVEYOR'S OFFICE.

THE ELEVEN PERSONAL COMPUTERS THAT ARE BEING REPLACED WITH THE NEW COMPAQ'S IN BOTH THE COUNTY AND CENTER TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR'S OFFICES'. THESE CAN NOW BE TRANSFERRED TO OTHER OFFICES. SUGGESTIONS TO THE COMMISSIONERS ARE AS FOLLOWS

TWO (2) TRANSFERRED TO VETERANS AFFAIRS WITH ONE OF THEIRS BEING TRANSFERRED TO THE SURVEYORS OFFICE FOR THE USE BY THE SURVEYOR AND DRAINAGE BOARD OR TO THE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES DEPT.

ONE (1) TO WEIGHTS AND MEASURES IF THE REPLACED MODEL IN VETERANS AFFAIRS IS TRANSFERRED TO SURVEYOR.

THREE (3) TRANSFERRED TO THE AUDITOR'S OFFICE WITH THREE OF THEIR VT'S BEING TRANSFERRED TO THE CLERK FOR THE SUPPORT OFFICE.

ONE (1) FOR THE COMMISSIONERS OFFICE TO BE USED AS A WORK PROCESSOR AT THE CITY HALL AND LINKED TO THE SYSTEM WHEN BACK IN THE COMPLEX.

THE OTHER THREE (3) HAVE NOT BEEN DECIDED ON.

THE REQUESTS FOR AREA PLAN, VOTERS REGISTRATION, RECORDER AND THE AUDITOR'S PAYROLL AND LEDGER UPGRADE WS PUT ON HOLD. IT WAS MENTIONED THAT THE AUDITOR'S AND RECORDER'S CURRENT PROGRAMS WOULD BE SUPPORTED BY ATEK UNTIL THE YEAR 2000.

THE COMMITTEE ASKED THE COMMISSIONERS TO CONSIDER PUTTING 1 CENT OF THE CCD (IF APPROVED AT 6 CENTS) IN A FIND FOR COPIER AND COMPUTER UPDATES. IT WAS ADVERTISED PROPERLY TO USE IN THIS MANNER.

JAY WOULD LIKE TO PUT GRANT COUNTY ON A WEB SITE, SUGGESTING IT WOULD SAVE TRAFFIC AND REQUESTS IN THE OFFICES, AND PROBABLY LESSEN THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES NEEDED IN SOME OFFICES.

A COUNTY PROGRAMMER WAS DISCUSSED AT GREAT LENGTH. A DATA PROCESS DEPARTMENT, WEANING THE COUNTY OFF VENDORS. WOULD NEED CERTIFICATION BY STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTS AND TAX BOARD. REPLACING OF ALL CURRENT APPLICATIONS WITH PROGRAMS BY COUNTY PROGRAMMER WOULD CONTINUE TO HAVE MAINTENANCE ON HARDWARE BUT NOT SOFTWARE WOULD TRY TO HAVE 1999 START UP OF COUNTY'S OWN PROGRAMS.

DISCUSSED THE GIS (GEOGRAPHICAL MAPPING SYSTEMS) DEMONSTRATION THAT THE COUNTY WILL HAVE ON AUGUST 14, 1997 DAVID GLICKFIELD SUGGESTED HAVING REPRESENTATIVE COME OT THE ELECTED OFFICIAL DINNER ON JULY 30TH, TO PLANT THE SEED FOR ALL TOWNS, CITIES, AND THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO TIE IN TO THIS PROGRAM. THEY WOULD BE INVITED TO THE DEMONSTRATION ON THE 8-14-97.

IT WAS DECIDED TO HAVE A JOINT MEETING WITH THE COUNCIL TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITIES OF HAVING A COUNTY PROGRAMMER.

DICK PUCKETT MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE'S REASSIGNMENT OF EQUIPMENT. WALT WOOD SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED THREE AYES.

DICK ALSO STATED THAT HE WAS NOT AGAINST LETTING VOTERS REGISTRATION PURCHASE THE PROGRAM THEY NEED NOW, AS THEY HAVE THE FUNDS, AND IT WILL BE NEEDED NEXT YEAR FOR ELECTIONS.

DAVID SUGGESTED THAT WE SEEK ADVICE FROM A COMPUTER CONSULTANT IN REGARDS TO THE COUNTY PROGRAMMER.

THE MEETING RECESSED AT 11:00 AM. WITH THE NEXT MEETING BEING ANNOUNCED FOR MONDAY AT 8:30 AM.