# COUNTY FACILITIES COMMITTEE FEBRUARY 11, 2003, 8:30AM

**MEMBERS** 

PRESENT: Lee Warren, Chairman

Commissioner Breeden Blackwell

Commissioner Kenneth Edge

OTHERS: James Martin, County Manager

Juanita Pilgrim, Deputy County Manager

Cliff Spiller, Asst. County Manager Amy Cannon, Asst. County Manager

Laura Johnson, Staff Attorney Bob Stanger, County Engineer

Sheriff Earl Butler

Cuyler Windham, Sheriff's Office

Monroe Rascoe, Animal Control Director

Jonny Smith, Animal Control Sam Lucas, Staff Engineer

Marsha Fogle, Clerk

Gordon Johnson, Architect

INVOCATION: Commissioner Breeden Blackwell

1. Approval of Minutes: October 10, 2002

MOTION:

Commissioner Edge moved to approve.

SECOND:

Commissioner Blackwell

VOTE:

**UNANIMOUS** 

#### 2. Election of Chairman

MOTION:

Commissioner Blackwell moved to appoint Lee Warren,

Chairman.

SECOND:

Commissioner Edge

VOTE:

**UNANIMOUS** 

## 3. Set regular meeting date

The Committee set the second Tuesday of each month at 8:00AM as its regular meeting date.

### Grays Creek Recreation Center

Gordon Johnson, Architect, presented and reviewed the proposed floor plan and elevations for the Grays Creek Recreation Center. The facility will attach to the existing Gray's Creek Middle School Gymnasium. The type of construction is load bearing masonry walls, light gauge metal roof truss and standing seam metal roof.

Mr. Johnson told the Committee that the building will function as an independent component and/or in conjunction with the middle school. It allows for additions in the future. Restrooms will be shared. The design is compatible with the school; however it is designed as a community element and stands taller than the school.

All sewer issues have been worked out.

MOTION:

Commissioner Blackwell moved that the Committee recommend

to the Board of Commissioners that the Plans presented be

adopted and that we move forward with the project.

SECOND:

Commissioner Edge

VOTE:

**UNANIMOUS** 

The Committee noted the importance of being able to co-locate county facilities. Commissioner Edge said he thought this would be an excellent site for a free-standing library. Commissioner Blackwell said he thought the time would come when we would co-locate our libraries.

#### 5. Update: Animal Control Facility

The Committee reviewed the possible sites for a new animal control facility and training center for the Sheriff's Office.

Commissioner Blackwell indicated his support for the site at the County Industrial Park for the following reasons: (1) availability of water and sewer; (2) the County owns the land; (3) FAEDC has indicated it has no problem with co-locating the animal control facility and sheriff's training center on the site; (4) site is as accessible as any other site; (5) having sheriff's officers in the park is good safety issue.

Commissioner Edge said he to is supportive of the site in the County's Industrial Park. He noted that when the loop is finally finished it will come in at that end of the county and make the location even more accessible.

Commissioner Warren inquired of the Sheriff and Monroe Rascoe if the site meets their requirements. They both indicated it would be an excellent site for their activities. The Sheriff noted he has \$1.4 million in drug forfeiture monies to build his training center. His center, except for the driving pad, will be inside of a building. Commissioner Warren noted that the training center could be utilized by other law enforcement agencies and could be a revenue producing facility. In response to a question, the Sheriff noted that he had toured the City of Fayetteville Training Center and it is maxed out as far as county use is concerned.

MOTION: Commissioner Blackwell moved that the Committee recommend

to the Board that we begin the planning for an animal control facility and sheriff's training center in the County Industrial Park

on lot #36.

SECOND:

Commissioner Edge

VOTE:

**UNANIMOUS** 

MOTION: Commissioner Warren moved that the Committee recommend to the Board that we send our "Requests for Proposals" to architects for both facilities.

SECOND: Commissioner Blackwell

DISCUSSION: Bob Stanger, County Engineer, noted that it would be good if one architect designed the complete campus for these two facilities. Commissioner Blackwell said he felt the long-term goal should be to have our Animal Control Facility fully accredited.

VOTE:

**UNANIMOUS** 

MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:10AM