

## **Minutes of the Rutherford County Public Building Authority**

December 5, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.  
Historic Courthouse, Room 205

### **Members Present & Others Present**

Mike Picklesimer	Mayor Bill Ketron	Cody York
Jim Bailey	Bricke Murfree	Pearl McKnight
Jimmy Davis	Ben Mankin	
Blake Smith	Darin Moore	
Dow Smith	Steve Sandlin	

Chairman Mike Picklesimer presided and called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m., with four (4) members being present.

Chairman Mike Picklesimer opened the meeting with the first matter of business on approving the minutes from the November 7, 2019 meeting. Mr. Les Smith motioned for approval and Mr. Jimmy Davis seconded that Motion. The motion for approval of the October 3, 2019 meeting minutes passed by “unanimous acclamation.”

### **Archive Building Expansion & Old Judicial Building:**

- There will be a meeting with the Codes Department to see what can be grandfathered in as far as the remodel.
- All 4 companies which includes: Baron Construction, Codell Construction, and Rock City Construction have passed the preliminary stage and have been found to be qualified for the project(s).
- Mr. Dow Smith stated that it was his opinion that two of the companies were not qualified for the project(s).
- Mr. Blake Smith stressed that it is important to recognize that the presentations are marketing only. It is also beneficial to speak with the actual people, not just the marketing department from the companies. It is important to be impartial and meet the construction manager, site superintendent and the project manager.
- Mr. Jim Bailey voiced concern that the fee proposals should be secondary. While fee is important it must be recognized what level of service the County would receive for that price.
- A Motion was made by Jim Bailey to interview all 4 companies. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Jimmy Davis and passed by “unanimous acclamation”. and will move forward for interviews.
- Bricke Murfree will run background checks.
- Interviews will be scheduled for January 16, 2020
  - All companies will be asked the same interview questions.
  - Side bar discussions will be avoided, and the only discussions will be held at the open PBA meeting.
  - Contractors should be asked, “What is included in the fees?” and “What is considered general conditions?”
- Target date for a signed contract is January 20, 2020.

**New Satellite Building:**

Mayor Ketron is waiting for a response from the governor.

**Other:**

- Cody York has been appointed the new IT Director.
- January meeting is scheduled for January 16, 2020 and contractor interviews will be held on that date.
- January meeting is usually the election of officers. There are 4 vacancies for the PBA. Those that wish to reapply for their positions should do so. Dow Smith will be resigning which will mean there will be 5 vacancies.

**With no further items, Chairman, Mike Picklesimer, concluded and adjourned the meeting at 5:18 p.m.**

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MICHAEL PICKLESIMER, CHAIRMAN