

Health & Welfare Committee Meeting
March 4, 2013

4-1-13
APPROVED

Members Present: L.C. Tester, JoAnn Blankenship, Ronnie Trivett, Robert L. Gobble, Scott Sams, Ken Arney, and Secretary Patsy Lewis.

Absent: Richard Winters and Buford Peters.

Others in attendance included Commissioners Tom Bowers, John Lewis, a concerned citizens and news media.

Meeting was called to order by Chairwoman, JoAnn Blankenship at 6:15 PM

Motion was made by L.C. Tester, seconded by Ken Arney to approve as printed the minutes of the last meeting, February 4, 2012. By majority voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Chairwoman Blankenship presented the Library Board report.

Unfinished Business

- 1 Rescue Squad- Attorney's still revising charge list. The goal is in July 2013 *not* to ask for additional monies from the county.

Ken Arney stated that he had spoke with the Pastor of **First Freewill Baptist Church concerning use of the church as a shelter if needed should evacuation of the Courthouse** become necessary. Mr. Arney stated that the Church was more than happy to allow use of the building for such need. **It was also stated that the nearby Courtyard Apartments would be able to evacuate to the church building if needed.** The Sheriff and EMA Director will be the designated people as to opening of the church building as needed. Assistance with moving people to and from the building will also be given by the church. Mr. Arney to present this recommendation to Commission in March.

New Business

Ken Arney spoke concerning **Pauper Burial's policies** within the county. It was noted that this need had increased all over the state and that **other options should be addressed.**

Ken Arney requested that James Byrd, President of Restore Life USA be contacted and be placed on the agenda for the April meeting to present additional information. Everyone was in agreement, no vote necessary.

Motion to adjourn was made by L.C. Tester, seconded by Ronnie Trivett. By majority vote, all ayes, meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.

Patsy H. Lewis, Secretary

JoAnn Blankenship, Chairwoman *By: Tom Bowers*