

March 15, 1999

Commissioner Chairman, Brian Hauptert, called the meeting to order in the courthouse at 9:00 a.m. with all members attending. Minutes of the 3/8 meeting were approved with two corrections, moved by Les, second by Darle, and passed. CR 100 E rather than CR 400 E will be closed during the new U.S. 24 construction, and the word dingy was replaced with drab in the jury room renovation discussion. Commissioners reviewed, and tabled for now a courthouse tower lighting proposal that would cost \$18,400. (\$9,000 for fixtures and \$9,400 for installation), moved by Les, second by Darle, and passed. The Auditor will keep the information on file. They reviewed the Jail/Memorial Hall custodian hours. After some discussion, Darle moved to sign an agreement with Universal Valuation Consultants to do our 1999 buildings appraisals for insurance purposes, second by Les, and passed. The \$210. fee is the same as it was in 1998. Commissioners were informed the North Manchester covered bridge was struck by a motorist last evening. There's no major damage, but the Co. Highway Dept. will have to replace the handrail. Upon the recommendation of Co. Highway assistant supervisor, Bill Kline, Darle moved approval to hire Dean Custer as a highway department employee, second by Les, and passed. Learned Larry Rice is recuperating at home following a heart attack on 3/9. Asked Carrie Rees of Beauchamp and McSpadden Insurance to get a locked in rate from PrinChoice Comprehensive Medical Insurance for covering the county's employees. Commissioners will make a decision next week on the county's health plan. Heard from Commissioner attorney, Tom Mattern, the Charles Marion suit has been settled by Cincinnati Insurance. With no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Brian Hauptert, Chairman

Darle Dawes

Lester D. Templin

ATTEST: _____
Carol Stefanatos, Auditor