

# Board of Commissioners Wilkinson County

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WORK SESSION  
September 15, 2015  
4:00 PM

The Wilkinson County Board of Commissioners met in a Work Session at 4:00 PM on September 15, 2015 at their office in the Courthouse. The following Commissioners were present: Chairman Mark DuPree, Commissioner C.L. Brooks, and Commissioner John Williams.

The following staff was present: County Manager David Franks.

Visitors: Bob Brown and Will Stanford with Brittain, Thompson, Bray, Brown, Sheriff Richard Chatman, Jonathan Jackson, Frank Wall, G.W. Young, Jonathan Snow, and Angie King representing the Development Authority. Tanner Underwood and Joey Smith representing the Chamber of Commerce.

Chairman DuPree opened the Meeting by explaining that the purpose was for a Work Session for Architectural suggestions for Courthouse Security and Development Authority needs. Mr. DuPree asked Bob Brown to address the Work Session concerning the first topic which was Courthouse Security. Mr. Brown stated that he thought the needs that the Sheriff had conveyed to him could be accomplished for approximately \$70,000. He also stated that he would recommend a computerized door security system which would cost approximately \$42,000. Mr. Franks and Sheriff Chatman asked if the door system could be worked around and utilize the current system. Mr. Brown stated that he felt as though that would work. Sheriff Chatman said he thought that plan would take care of his needs.

Mr. Dupree asked Mr. Brown to address the Work Session concerning Development Authority building needs. Mr. Brown turned the meeting over to Will Stanford; Will gave the attendees a Feasibility Study that he had done based on three options. Option 1 was to use the EMA Building on Wriley Road and renovate it for Office and Meeting requirement at a cost of \$523,250.00. Option 2 was to use the EMA Building for the Meeting needs and to build a new building at another site for office needs the total cost would be \$851,000. Option 3 was a new structure altogether with a cost of 41,027,800.

Mr. Jackson stated that the two boards that he represented wanted a new structure and the location of the EMA Building was not appealing. He stated that they would be

willing to share some of the cost. Commissioner Williams asked what the cost of just a new office structure would be. Mr. Franks stated that the cost of that was listed under option 2 at \$345,000. Mr. Jackson asked would it be possible to get a cost for a new office building with the meeting area built and not finished. Commissioner Williams stated that he would like to see that information. Mr. Franks asked for any additional questions, at that point he asked Mr. Brown to do a rendering and estimate.

Chairman Dupree adjourned the meeting.