

**JUSTICE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
DECEMBER 12, 2006**

The Justice Committee met on Tuesday, December 12, 2006 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 1:00 p.m. Mr. Davis, Committee Chairman presided.

Members Attending:

George H. Smokey Davis, Chairman	William C. Billy Derrick, V Chairman
Joseph W. Owens.	Bobby C. Keisler
James E. Kinard, Jr.	M. Todd Cullum

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Deputy County Administrator; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

Crime Scene Investigative (CSI) Grant Application - (Goal 3) - Sheriff's Department - James R. Metts, Sheriff - Sheriff Metts requested approval to apply for a Crime Scene Investigative (CSI) Grant. The grant in the amount of \$395,583 requires a 25% local match of \$98,896. Sheriff Metts indicated that the matching funds would come from the Sheriff's millage for FY2007/08. The grant would provide funding for two new positions and the equipment to form a strong Crime Scene Investigative Unit.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Keisler to recommend that full Council grant the Sheriff the ability to proceed with the Crime Scene Investigative (CSI) Grant Application and that the 25% local match would come from the millage that the Sheriff receives from the County.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

School Resource Officers (SRO) Grant Application (Goal 3) - Sheriff's Department - James R. Metts, Sheriff - Sheriff Metts requested approval to apply for a School Resource Officers (SRO) Grant. The grant in the amount of \$663,637 requires a 25% local match of \$165,659. This request will fund six school resource officers for the six middle schools that currently do not have resource officers.

A motion was made by Mr. Kinard, seconded by Mr. Cullum to request that full Council grant the Sheriff the ability to move forward with the School Resource Officers (SRO) Grant Application.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Old Business/New Business - Grant Applications - Mr. Carrigg requested staff to start a list of all the grant applications approved from this point on with the amount of the grant, the match and whether there is a sundown or clawback provision. This will enable Council to have a comprehensive listing of grant applications at the end of this year itemizing all grant monies approved by Council.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to Clerk

George H. Smokey Davis
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk