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To: C. Ray Wierson
County Administrator

From: Dave Donovan, Director
Facility and Support Services

Subj: Bids for Pine Knoll Chiller Replacement

I am in receipt of bids for Phase 2 of the Pine Knoll Air-conditioning replacement project. This phase involves the replacement of the existing 28-year-old air handlers and rooftop cooling units. During the past 5-10 years, the existing units have become increasingly difficult to operate dependably, with numerous service calls and repairs each summer. These units provide all of the ventilation and approximately 50% of the cooling capacity for the building.

The bids are as follows:

Pine Knoll Chiller Replacement

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total Amount</u>
Johnson Contracting Company	\$203,700.00
Climate River Valley	\$210,895.00

All bids appear to be in order and KJWW Engineers has reviewed the bids and recommend that we proceed with the award of bid. I concur with that recommendation.

This project is part of a multi-year effort to update the mechanical systems at the Pine Knoll Facility, most of which date to the opening of the facility in 1978. This project was estimated at \$175,000 and is included in the Capital Improvements Plan in that amount in FY 2008. Additional funds to cover the budget shortfall are available from another capital line item for that facility.

I recommend that the Board of Supervisors award the bid for this project to the low bidder, Johnson Contracting in the above amount. I will be at the next Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss my recommendation further and to answer any questions you or the Board may have.

CC: Mark Kendall
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