

RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
February 27, 2007

The Honorable Commission convened at the Huntsville Courthouse with the following present: Susan Carter, Presiding Commissioner, Doug Galaske, Eastern District Commissioner, Randy Asbury, Western District Commissioner, and Nancy Copenhaver, Deputy Clerk.

9:00 a.m., Com. Carter called the meeting to order. Denny Johnson, who is putting in a development south of Huntsville on Highway 3, stopped in to get an appointment to visit with the Commission at 11:30 on March 1.

Present for a discussion with MoDOT included: Danny O'Bryan, maintenance supervisor at the Jacksonville Veterans' Cemetery; Dan Niec, District Engineer for MoDOT; Ron Watts, District Design Liaison for MoDOT; Mike McGrath, MoDOT; Bill Dougherty, Randolph County Road and Bridge Supervisor; Richard Tregnago, Assessor. Com. Carter began the conversation by referring to a comment made by MoDOT Director Pete Rahn at the recent CCAM training. He mentioned swapping services between MoDOT and counties, which prompted Com. Carter to set up this meeting to discuss the condition of the paved road from Highway 63 (South Elgin) to the Veterans' Cemetery near Jacksonville.

In discussing the history of the road, it was determined that it was Federal funds used to build it and that it was built by APAC. The problem is that the road is paved wider than its base, shoulders are not built up enough, and there is currently not enough right-of-way to correct the situation, according to Mr. Niec. He indicated that the road should be maintained with a chip or slurry seal, with the goal of keeping water out. Widening the base to keep it from crumbling would help as would painting stripes in slightly from the edge to keep drivers off the edges of the road.

Com. Galaske inquired about the County borrowing the "tar machine" and Mr. Niec said that was possible. In answer to Com. Carter, Mr. Niec said that to keep cracks out of the driving lane, the road should be resurfaced in 4-5 years, or chip sealed sooner, in a couple of years. MoDOT can loan their machine to the County that will apply crack seal and send a couple of guys, with Mr. Niec indicating the work should be done while the weather is still cold so the cracks are wider. Mr. Dougherty indicated they would try to do this within the next few weeks. MoDOT seemed interested in partnering with the County to apply chip seal on Old 63 in Jacksonville and do the cemetery road at the same time if the County would supply the materials.

Commissioners also requested help from MoDOT in getting signage to direct citizens to the new Justice Center on Highway JJ as so many people come to the Huntsville Courthouse looking for "court." Mike McGrath will talk to the traffic engineer. Com. Galaske asked Mr. Watts to come back at a later date to discuss bridges. Mr. Watts indicated that railroad representatives expressed interest in revamping the plan to deal with bridges near Higbee. A meeting with the Commission will be set up with railroad and multimodal representatives and Ron Watts.

Com. Galaske inquired about Highway 36 progress. Mr. Niec indicated all would be under contract by the end of 2007 and plans are to be open to traffic by the end of 2009. Livingston, Lynn, and Macon Counties will be under construction this summer. In the summer of 2008, the two bridges on Highway 24 near Shepard Farms will be replaced.

In discussing the cost of upkeep for roads, Mr. Niec noted it costs only about \$5,000-6,000 per mile to chip seal, much less expensive than complete replacement. He indicated he preferred a cinder mixture obtained from the Associated Electric power plant, but is having difficulty obtaining it. He would be appreciative of any help the County could give in helping MoDOT obtain more of this coal by-product, used for cinder seal, which provides roads with preferred color, visibility, and texture. Mr. Niec noted that MoDOT used 40,000 tons last year but cannot get any at all from the power plant this year, and this is the only source in the area that is feasible to transport.

9:50 a.m., Com. Galaske moved, Com Asbury seconded approval of the agenda; motion carried (3-0). The fuel bid was awarded to Brownfield Oil for February 28-March 6, for \$2.049 (MFA had 2.073).

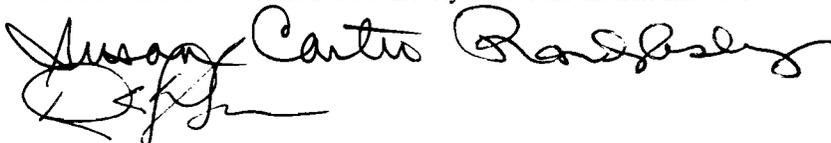
Commissioners read and handled correspondence. A letter was received from the National Association for Surplus Property soliciting membership. The Audrain County Commission sent a copy of their road specifications to help Randolph County in developing a workable plan. Rocky Mountain Pipeline asked about permitting in a couple of areas. Com. Carter will respond to them that Randolph County has no permit required. The Moberly Chamber of Commerce Education Committee invited the Commissioners to be part of the Ethical Decision Making seminar for high school seniors on April 5. An invitation was received from the Rotary Club to attend the Top Ten Banquet for Moberly High School students on March 1.

10:15 a.m., Byron Kendall stopped in to inform the Commission that he is going to be employed full time in the National Guard in charge of recruits in the northern part of the state. He has been a dependable employee of the Road and Bridge Department. He would like three days comp time pay as he is to report immediately to the new job. He will maintain his retirement benefits and hopes to return to County employment in the future.

10:25 a.m., Sheriff Mark Nichols came by. Commissioners discussed the information sent by Les Singleton from Advanced Correctional Healthcare regarding the pharmaceutical bids for the jail inmates. The bids indicated that Medicine Shop and Sam's Drugstore were very close but National Pharmacy was about \$2,000 less. Com. Galaske wants to be sure that the clause is included about renewing the contract yearly, to comply with law. Sheriff Nichols prefers continuation with ACH and the National bid is fine with him. He also pointed out that Audrain County was formerly with ACH and left it. He will call the Audrain Sheriff to ask about prior experience.

Stephanie Huntsman called to report that CR 1715 has an exposed culvert, causing driving difficulties.

11:00 a.m., the Commission acknowledged receipt of an e-mail communication from Jim Myles with attached audio, regarding his belief that the December 28 minutes were inaccurate as finalized. Mr. Myles asked that the official minutes be revised to accurately reflect the motion and vote.



11:00 a.m., Michael Pearl from Great River Engineering called and asked to be placed on a future agenda to discuss the BRO program. A time was scheduled for Tuesday, March 6 at 10:00 a.m.

Sheriff Nichols called back to report that Audrain County had had no problems with Advanced Health Professionals, LTD and that their cost is around \$110,000 a year, decided by bid. Commissioners decided to contact this company for a bid and asked the Sheriff to put the requirements together.

11:15 a.m., Com. Carter moved, Com. Asbury seconded approval of the minutes of February 22 with changes indicated; motion carried (3-0). Commissioners signed the official minutes of February 20.

11:30 a.m., Com. Galaske moved, Com. Asbury seconded approval of the Certified Copy of Assessing Salaries, Costs and Expenses; motion carried (3-0) and Presiding Commissioner Carter signed five copies. Com. Carter moved, Com. Asbury seconded approval of a Certified Copy of Order of the County Commission in the Matter of Erroneous Assessments; motion carried (3-0). Amounts were +\$115.10, +\$1,258.58, +\$6,371.30, -\$137.91, -\$2,600.96.

11:40 a.m., Commissioners studied the invoices presented for payment; notes were written on several invoices asking for further documentation per state audit recommendations. Com. Carter moved, Com. Galaske seconded approval of all invoices; motion carried (3-0) and checks were signed.

Checks 2718-2775 were signed for payment of approved invoices from the following funds: General Revenue \$12,940.94; PA Trng \$360.00; LE Trng \$204.80; Assessment \$253.57; Road & Bridge \$3,004.44; Sheriff \$4,223.33 and Justice Cntr \$27,393.98. Total amount of checks: \$48,381.06

12:05 p.m., Sheriff Nichols came in with the proposal from Advanced Correctional Healthcare and the final agreement, and left copies with the Commission of the service being provided.

12:10 p.m., Jim Goodrich, a farmer near Jacksonville stopped by to discuss a County Road. He is concerned that the old County Road he has been using to access his hayfield might be closed. Com. Galaske suggested he visit the Assessor's office to see if he can find a record identifying it as a County Road and to return to the Commission for further discussion.

12:15 p.m., Mike McGrath, MoDOT, reported back about the Commission's request for signage directing citizens to the Justice Center. He noted that one has been approved that can be installed at County cost on Route C. Commissioners suggested some changes in wording and asked him to further explore getting a sign for Highway 24 as well.

12:45 p.m. the Commission received confirmation from Aramark that they will be providing laundry services for the Justice Center. Notice was received from the Circuit Clerk's office of the organization of the Southeastern Randolph Fire Protection District and the notice being published concerning an upcoming election. Correspondence was received from the Missouri Public Entity Benefits expressing a desire to discuss health insurance; it was taken under advisement.

Com. Carter called Bill Dougherty about the exposed culvert on CR 1715 and he reported that the issue had been corrected..

A report was received from DNR on the burned out building on CR 2335. Commissioners made several phone calls to find a way to contact Larry Wayne Collett or Tammy Collett, perhaps through their attorney, probation officer, or a relative.

Com. Carter called Andy Walter from Health Professionals LTD o inquire about obtaining a quote/bid for pharmaceutical and healthcare services for the jail.

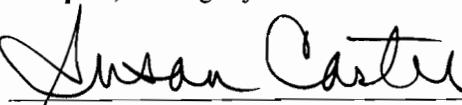
2:10 p.m., Peggy Boots, Circuit Clerk, stopped by to visit briefly with the Commission.

Darrell Decker, former Commissioner from Springfield, called concerning the insurance consortium he is trying to put together.

2:35 p.m., Com. Asbury finalized the culvert letter with input from the other Commissioners.

2:40 p.m., Commissioners discussed revising the mileage policy, noting receipt of the study completed by Com. Asbury. Com. Asbury moved an increase in the mileage rate allowed to \$.35 with an impact on the budget of about \$1,300. Com. Galaske seconded; motion carried (3-0). This revision is possible because of the savings to be realized on the new Justice Center healthcare contract. The new amount will take effect on March 1, 2007.

3:00 p.m., meeting adjourned.



Presiding Commissioner



Eastern Commissioner



Western Commissioner



Clerk