

RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
March 20, 2007

The Honorable Commission convened at the Huntsville Courthouse with the following present: Susan Carter, Presiding Commissioner, Randy Asbury, Western District Commissioner, and Nancy Copenhagen, Deputy Clerk. Eastern District Commissioner Doug Galaske was absent due to illness, but joined the meeting briefly by speakerphone.

9:10 a.m., Com. Carter called the meeting to order. Com. Carter moved, Com. Asbury seconded approval of the agenda; motion carried (2-0). Commissioners read and handled correspondence. The fuel bid was awarded to MFA for the week of March 21-28 for \$2,074. Com. Carter reported on her unsuccessful attempt to get the Colletts to sign permission to clear their property. She reported that \$78 had been received from James Walker for the culvert installed on CR 2210.

9:20 a.m., Com. Galaske joined the meeting on speakerphone. Com. Asbury reported that he faxed the Justice Center healthcare contract to Prosecuting Attorney Mike Fusselman for his opinion. The letter to Prathers concerning their unpaid bill was approved. Com. Carter announced that there would be an emergency operations management planning meeting at 7:00 p.m. on March 28, probably at Moberly City Hall. Mark Fuqua from the Mark Twain Regional Council of Governments will attend and all County entities involved are invited. Each entity can then discuss the issues with their members.

9:30 a.m., Bill Dougherty came in. During the discussion of the need for a back-up compressor unit for the Justice Center, Com. Asbury called up the budget and noted that funds are available in that area. Com. Galaske moved, Com. Carter seconded to purchase the compressor as recommended by Rick Howard. Motion carried, with a roll-call vote: Galaske, yes; Asbury, yes; Carter, yes. Mr. Dougherty noted that there are several air-conditioning units from the old County farm building that might be used; Rick Howard will be asked to look at them.

Commissioners discussed what needed to be done about the old County Farm building. Com. Galaske suggested sending Thurlow Shauffler and the historical society a certified letter to see where they are in their negotiations. Commissioners discussed selling the building for the brick and keeping the property. Com. Carter said she would call Tom Sanders from the City of Moberly for an idea of what value the brick might be.

Com. Asbury reported that he attended the pandemic meeting on Friday. He will put together contact information on utilities. Mr. Dougherty met with Dee Vanderburg concerning the NRCS cleanup of brush as a result of tornado damage in March, 2006. Mr. Dougherty thinks it would take more time and staff than he has available to clear it away. It was suggested that the job could be bid out to a third party.

Commissioners agreed to maintain CR 1920 for Kirk Dixon. A complaint was received via e-mail from Anita Biswell who owns property near Highway T and B. She is concerned about lowered property values due to junk in the area, as well as safety and environmental problems that might result. Com. Galaske reported that Dan Niec from MoDOT had called and he has not heard from Reed Minerals yet. Information was received that Student Government Day will be held about 11:30 on Wednesday March 28. Commissioner Galaske ended his tele-connection to the meeting.

10:05 a.m., Jerome Tebbe from the Kansas City Southern Railroad stopped by, but he had the wrong date as his meeting is scheduled for a later date.

10:10 a.m., Coroner Gerald Luntsford arrived at the meeting to report on his "research" at the State Coroners' meeting he recently attended. He investigated how other counties handle charges for transporting bodies for autopsies and examination by the coroner. He noted that many coroners are part owners of funeral homes and often charge a flat fee (sometimes \$4,000 per year) for use of the facilities as well as \$250-375 for removing a body from the scene of an accident. Most also receive \$.44 a mile. Com. Carter asked Mr. Luntsford to check the Missouri Statutes to find applicable chapters. She informed him of the countywide emergency planning meeting scheduled for March 28.

10:25 a.m., Chief Deputy Nevin Turner came in with an addendum to a grant application signed earlier and Com. Carter signed it for him.

10:45 a.m., Com. Carter moved, Com. Asbury seconded approval of the minutes of March 15 with corrections; motion carried (2-0). Commissioners studied the invoices presented for payment.

10:55 a.m., Larry Hewitt from Health Professionals called and will be sending a copy of the proposed agreement for providing healthcare for the Justice Center by fax and e-mail. Dorothy Riley called concerning a complaint filed earlier and Com. Carter will follow up with the Sheriff's Office.

11:00 a.m., County Clerk Jim Sears came in with bids. Road rock bids were received from Norris Aggregate south of Huntsville and Mid-Missouri Limestone from Kingdom City. They were turned over to Road and Bridge Supervisor Bill Dougherty, with directions to purchase rock from whichever vendor offers the best "deal" concerning both price and location, to minimize the cost/time of hauling.

Only one bid was received for cleaning services. It was from Linda Walker, the current service provider, for \$1400 per month. However, she is currently being paid \$1600 per month due to add-ons made to her responsibilities. Mr. Sears will make copies of the bids and specs for the Commission to study.

11:30 a.m., Com. Carter moved, Com. Asbury seconded approval of the invoices presented for payment; motion carried (2-0) and checks were signed.

Checks 3006-3064 were signed for payment of approved invoices from the following funds: General Revenue \$26,667.07; Assmt. \$26.40; Road & Bridge \$68.27; User \$379.39; Sheriff \$3,250.00; E911 \$8,540.41 and Justice Center \$1,629.98. Total amount of checks \$40,561.52

The agreement from Larry Hewitt arrived via e-mail.

11:40 a.m., the meeting was recessed so that Commissioners could visit the site of complaints made concerning possible nuisances at Routes T and B. They also viewed unsightly materials near a sawmill and the manhole cover in Renick.

1:00 p.m., the Commission reconvened. Some discussion of the cleaning contract was held. Com. Asbury called Mrs. Walker to ask her to re-submit her bid, including her current duties and responsibilities, and to seek costs of liability insurance. When this information is available, the Commission will consider the bid.

3:10 p.m., meeting adjourned.

