

RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES

April 17, 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.

9:10 a.m., Com. Carter called the meeting to order. Com. Asbury moved, Com. Galaske seconded approval of the agenda; motion carried (3-0). Commissioners signed the official minutes of March 29, April 3, and April 5. The fuel bid was awarded to MFA for \$2.324 (Brownfield bid \$2.361) for April 18-25. Com. Asbury moved, Com. Galaske seconded approval of the invoices presented for payment; motion carried (3-0) and checks were signed. Com. Galaske reported that the transfer of funds for the Justice Center payment was made.

Checks 3423-3471 were signed for payment of approved invoices from the following funds: General Revenue \$19,843.21; LE Trng \$174.00; Assmt. \$736.58; Road & Bridge \$7,451.75; User \$844.12; E911 \$7,771.71; SpecElec \$10,213.53 and Justice Center \$10,213.53. Total amount of checks: \$54,250.88

9:35 a.m., Dennis Pashia, AT&T called, joined on speakerphone by Scott Shipley. They discussed T-1 lines and fiber optic solutions to a possible move of the connection for the Juvenile Office. Com. Galaske communicated to them the additional costs for long distance incurred by the County because the Justice Center is in Huntsville and the population center is in Moberly.

10:00 a.m., Michael Purol, Great River Engineering, came before the Commission at its request to present estimates of the cost of retaining engineering services. He explained what services he could provide for the County. They also discussed the railroad bridge near Higbee and how the railroad and County could work together. The Commission will take Mr. Purol's proposal under consideration.

10:30 a.m., Bill Dougherty, Road and Bridge Supervisor, stopped in and reported meeting with Don Mutter concerning a road in the northern part of the County. Mr. Dougherty brought in a contract for rock hauling for Higbee for 32.25 tons at \$2.00 per ton. All three Commissioners signed it.

Com. Asbury moved, Com. Galaske seconded authorizing Com. Carter to sign a SEMA IOCG grant application for Sheriff Nichols for \$75,000 for radios; motion carried (3-0).

Com. Asbury returned a call to Jerry Kleitch about CR 1257, indicating to him that the issue will be referred to Mr. Dougherty.

11:05 a.m., Com. Galaske moved, Com. Carter seconded Court Order #2007-03 to pay for mowing out of the Trinity Cemetery Fund; motion carried (3-0).

11:10 a.m., Attorney Ivan Schraeder called to answer some questions from the Commission. He indicated that there are no statutory provisions for disposal of County property, with best practice including an ad in the paper, asking for bids by a certain date, with the County reserving the right to refuse any bids, with bids subject to negotiation. The County can also dispose of property by trade-in on new items or at auction. The key is transparency, making sure the public is aware of the transaction. Com. Galaske asked if the same policy applies to real property and Mr. Schraeder replied in the affirmative.

Com. Asbury asked about the enforceability of a 3rd class county nuisance ordinance. Mr. Schraeder replied that basically it is up to the sheriff and prosecuting attorney of such a county and usually they do not have the manpower or the time to effectively do this. Com. Asbury also asked how the County could collect for amounts due for installation of culverts. Mr. Schraeder's reply was that the easiest way is to charge in advance. A lien can be put on the property, recovering the cost for the county sooner or later, with such liens drawing interest at 9% a year, citing Statute 432.070.

11:40 a.m., Com. Carter moved, Com. Asbury seconded approval of the minutes of April 12 with corrections; motion carried (3-0). Com. Asbury shared with other Commissioners an analysis he did on average spending year-to-date on the budget. Com. Galaske reported good news in the revenue fund, regarding the Justice Center bonds. There are sufficient funds now for the interest payment in October plus an additional \$12,000. When all is done on April 1 and the amount is swept into the account, this will leave the County \$12,000 to the good, plus the addition of sales tax receipts in May and June. Com. Galaske indicated that the County is getting closer to a position of "over the financial hump."

11:55 a.m., Com. Carter signed the Certified Copy of Assessing Salaries, Costs and Expenses as presented by Assessor Richard Tregnago.. She called three companies, requesting costs for signs to be placed on Route C directing travelers to the Justice Center.

12:00 p.m., the Commission recessed.

12:40 p.m., the Commission reconvened. County Clerk Jim Sears came in for a quarterly budget review.

1:20 p.m., Bill Dougherty came by and Commissioners discussed with him his recollections of the history of and signage on CR 2696. He produced an aerial photograph of the area for study. Minutes of March 30, 2006, were referred to, along with a letter. Com. Asbury also received a CD with information concerning this issue from Jim Myles.

1:40 p.m., Com. Carter reported receiving correspondence inviting the Commission to the annual Moberly Area Economic Development Industrial Appreciation Day event on June 21. Notice was also received from the Missouri State Tax Commission of a Board of Equalization Workshop to be held on May 31 in Jefferson City from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. All three Commissioners plan to attend.

2:45 p.m., Richard Tregnago came in. Com. Galaske moved, Com. Carter seconded to adjourn to closed session under Statute 610.021, section 3 legal; motion carried (3-0).

2:45 p.m., the Commission reconvened in open session. Ross McKinstry from the Randolph County Health Department called to invite the Commissioners to the presentation of the Department's accreditation on Wednesday at 12:45.

2:50 p.m., Commissioners discussed logistics and costs of a possible move of the Juvenile Office. They visited briefly with Presiding Judge Scott Hayes, and will meet with him Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. for his quarterly budget review.

3:25 p.m. the meeting was adjourned, with the weekly press conference scheduled for 3:30.

APPROVED



Susan Carter
Jim Sears
Doug Galaske