

RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES

October 2, 2007

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

9:20 a.m., Com. Carter called the meeting to order. Com. Carter moved, Com. Asbury seconded approval of the agenda; motion carried (3-0). Com. Galaske moved, Com. Asbury seconded approval of the minutes of September 27 with changes; motion carried (3-0).

Com. Asbury reported on his attendance at a meeting on October 1 at Brownfield Oil with representatives of Producers Choice Soy Energy Board and Russell Runge with Moberly Economic Development. Commissioners also discussed the restrictions on long-distance phone calls in the Circuit Clerk's office. The fuel bid was awarded to MFA for \$2.457 (Brownfield bid \$2.485) for the week of October 3-10. Commissioners discussed reinstating the Circuit Clerk's office use of long distance phone calls when necessary.

Com. Asbury and Com. Galaske reported on their meeting with Presiding Circuit Judge Scott Hayes in the Justice Center at noon on October 1. They went to get further direction regarding the gate requested by Judge Hayes at the top of the stairs in the Moberly Courthouse. He provided approval for the gate, swinging out over the stairway, with a keyed alarm-oriented gate that can be used as egress by anyone in an emergency but not for ingress from the basement unless one has a key. Other parts of the conversation revolved around the Terracon mold report in the Justice Center and Judge Hayes' mandate to have something in writing that the Justice Center is safe. Commissioners Asbury and Galaske left that meeting to do fact-finding and determine options.

9:50 a.m., Commissioners received an e-mail from Russell Runge from Moberly Economic Development, hopeful that there would be a pending announcement that the Producers Choice Soy Energy Board would choose to locate the soy crushing and bio-diesel production plant on 11 acres north of the old Dupont plant, owned by Orscheln's.

9:55 a.m., a contract for work done for the Village of Cairo was signed, for 14.35 tons of 1" rock at \$2.00 per ton. Com. Carter called Greg Mackey with Solomon Boiler Works to request that he call the inspector from the Missouri Department of Public Safety to inspect the used boiler recently installed in the Huntsville Courthouse. Bills for the Moberly Courthouse work continue to come in close to target. Jim Sears, County Clerk, sent a request for inventory of all County property in the Commission chambers. The Missouri Association of Counties (MAC) Conference will be held November 18-20 and Randolph County's voting delegates must be selected.

10:10 a.m., Com. Galaske moved, Com. Carter seconded approval of the warrants for payroll expenses; motion carried (3-0) and checks were signed. Communication was received from Missouri State Auditor Montee's office confirming that the County is in compliance with Missouri law for the 2007 property tax rates.

10:35 a.m., Treasurer Becky Brown and Payroll Clerk Carol Summers came in to finalize the paperwork necessary to set up direct deposit of payroll checks for County employees.

10:45 a.m., The State Auditor's office called to see if the County would be conducting a 2006 audit and Com. Carter informed them that the County did not meet the federal threshold requiring an audit and would not be doing one.

Com. Carter called Calvin at Mack Hils, Inc., about the door/gate for the stairway at the Moberly Courthouse and he faxed a drawing to Huntsville. Road and Bridge Supervisor Bill Dougherty called and reported they had hauled 5 loads of base rock to repair CR 1660 authorized by the Commission earlier. He also reported that the pavers are working south of Renick and that, due to the added thickness of the roadway, additional gravel may be needed on the shoulders to avoid a drop-off.

11:25 a.m., Commissioners called Calvin at Mack Hils, Inc., to make final plans for the door/gate at the Moberly Courthouse. Com. Galaske moved, Com. Asbury seconded approval of the Mack Hils bid of \$398 for the security door/gate; motion carried (3-0).

Todd Kelley from Titian Consulting did not show up or call for a previously scheduled appointment to fix Internet access problems in the Huntsville Courthouse. Discussion of Road and Bridge policies was postponed to deal with more immediate issues.

12:20 p.m., A woman who failed to introduce herself called to request a "school bus loading zone" sign. Shortly after, Joe Welch the bus supervisor for Westran Schools called and requested such a sign be installed on CR 2210 near CR 2220. He explained this was a new stop, on a hill, and felt that safety of students indicated a need for a sign. Commissioners will check with Bill Dougherty and get back to Mr. Welch.

12:30 p.m., Commissioners discussed the mold situation in the Justice Center at length, researching several web sites for additional information. Gary Million from Tri-State Equipment Sales in Palmyra dropped by to meet Commissioners. Commissioners visited by phone with Peggy Boots, Circuit Clerk, concerning long distance phone calls and microfilming of documents. She indicated she was not going to be able to use the \$9,000 budgeted for microfilming in 2007 but hoped the Commission would approve \$18,000 for 2008 which would allow her the opportunity to microfilm both years.

2:20 p.m., Com. Galaske left for a dental appointment and the meeting adjourned with the other two Commissioners continuing in work session.

APPROVED

