

Christian County Commission

February 12, 2009

Convene

Presiding Commissioner John Grubaugh called the meeting of the County Commission to order at 8:45 a.m. on February 12, 2009 at the County Commission Office. Attendance: John Grubaugh, Present: Bill Barnett, Present: Tom Huff, Present. County Clerk Kay Brown is taking the minutes.

8:45 a.m. Bid Opening for Sheriff's Department Vehicles

The Commission Secretary Julia Maples was present for the meeting.

The Commission opened two bids for vehicles for the Sheriff's Department from the following companies:

Government Fleet Sales submitted a bid for 6 cars for a total cost of 53,995.00 without specialized equipment.

The specialized equipment would be an additional \$ 3,000.00

Dynamic Cars of Republic Missouri provided a bid for 5 cars for a total cost of \$ 40,250.

The Commission will refer the bids to the Sheriff for review and the Sheriff will make a recommendation to the Commission. The Commission discussed continuing the meeting.

Motion/Vote - Continue the 8:45 a.m. Meeting

Western Commissioner Bill Barnett made a motion to continue the 8:45 a.m. meeting till 2:30 p.m. today. Tom Huff seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: John Grubaugh (Yes), Bill Barnett (Yes), Tom Huff (Yes).

9:00 a.m. Lyon Taylor - Locations Manager Re: Tabor Hollow Road Event

Those present for the meeting; Commission Secretary Julia Maples, Resource Management Administrator Jim Bresee and Emergency Management Director Phil Amtower.

The Commission met with Lyon Taylor to discuss the filming of a movie in the Oldfield area which would include Highway T and Highway H. He presented the proposed dates of filming and had safety concerns due to the traffic. Mr. Bresee suggested that he speak with Sheriff Kyle and the Missouri Department of Transportation for safety assistance.

Closed Session

Western Commissioner Bill Barnett made a motion to go into Closed Session at 9:30 a.m. to discuss R.S.Mo.610.021 (17) Confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body and its auditor.. Tom Huff seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: John Grubaugh (Yes), Bill Barnett (Yes), Tom Huff (Yes).

Reconvene From Closed Session

Eastern Commissioner Tom Huff made a motion to end Closed Session and reconvene in Open Session at 9:50 a.m.. Bill Barnett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: John Grubaugh (Yes), Bill

Barnett (Yes), Tom Huff (Yes).

10:00 a.m. Tim Conklin -- Ozark Transportation Organization Re: Economic Stimulus Bill

Those present for the meeting: Commission Secretary Cindi Childress, Jim Bresee Resource Management Administrator and Donna Osborn of the Christian County Headliner.

The Commission met with Tim Conklin and Sara Edwards of the Ozark Transportation Organization to discuss the economic stimulus recovery act. Mr. Conklin said that 4% of the total stimulus package is targeted for highway infrastructure. Ms. Edwards distributed MODOT information of the estimated funding levels. The funds will be distributed to the State and it must be used within 6 months. After the state allocates the funds to MODOT it must be used within 90 days or the funds will return to the State. This stimulus funding does not require matching funds. However, the short time frame will require that the right of way be purchased and the plan design prepared to apply for it. Mr. Bresee suggested using some of the funds to purchase additional right-of-way at CC and Cheyenne Road.

11:00 a.m. Dr. Bill Wheeler, Chadwick School Superintendent Re: Secure Rural School Funds

Those present for the meeting are Commission Secretary Julia Maples, Treasurer Karen Matthews and Donna Osborn of the Christian County Headliner.

The Commission met with Dr. Bill Wheeler, Superintendent of Chadwick School to discuss secure rural school funds. The bond proposal did not pass and the school district needs to find the matching 25% funds of \$ 171,000.00. Dr. Wheeler inquired about the "payment in lieu of taxes" and the federal stimulus money. He suggested that the money that is paid annually through the payment in lieu of taxes could be allocated to school construction rather than road repairs. However, most counties use the payment in lieu of taxes for the road budget. He suggested freeing up money through a lease purchase agreement for \$ 20,000.00 a year for a 10 year period. Presiding Commissioner Grubaugh stated that the county sales tax and CART funds were down and that the county would have to adjust to the decrease in revenues. Dr. Wheeler stated that the FEMA grant time is running out and asked if the county would receive any extra Federal funds, if you would remember them. The Commission will take the information under advisement.

1:30 p.m. Office Holders Meeting Re: Budget Discussion

Those present for the meeting: Judge Waters, Judge Luna, Auditor Sam Yarnell, Collector Ted Nichols, Recorder Roy Meadows, Deputy Clerk Norma Ryan, Sheriff Kyle, Deputy Blanca Mallonee, Building Inspections Administrator Sam Proffer, Planning and Zoning Administrator Bob Atchley, E-911 Carol Franks, Coroner Arthur Adams, Treasurer Karen Matthews, Brian Cathy Chief Deputy, Public Administrator Ken Davis, Prosecutor Ron Cleek, Deputy Prosecutor Suzanne Frakes, Deputy Assessor Angie Trumble and Donna Osborn of the Christian County Headliner.

The Commission met with the office holders to discuss the budget. The revenues are down in sales tax almost 11%. The Commission are taking a proactive approach to encourage office holders to be conservative with their budgets to protect the assets of the county. The Commission wanted everyone to be aware and save money anyway you can. They also encouraged the officeholders to keep comp hours at a minimum.

Deputy Norma Ryan suggested to the officeholders that they consolidate the monthly bills to an annual payment and to also look at getting their cell phones through a verizon.

Western Commissioner Barnett encouraged everyone to buy local to increase the sales tax.

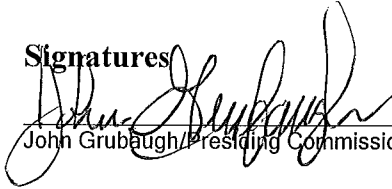
Motion/Vote - Approve the Minutes for February 2, 9th, 2009

Eastern Commissioner Tom Huff made a motion to approve the February 2 and the 9th 2009 minutes. Bill Barnett seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: John Grubaugh (Yes), Bill Barnett (Yes), Tom Huff (Yes).

Motion/Vote - Accept the Bid for Sheriff's Patrol Cars

Eastern Commissioner Tom Huff made a motion to accept the bid from Government Fleet Sales as recommended by Sheriff Kyle. Sheriff Kyle' letter of recommendation stated that the cars offered by Government Fleet Sales are newer and have less miles than Dynamic Cars . John Grubaugh seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: John Grubaugh (Yes), Bill Barnett (Absent), Tom Huff (Yes).

Signatures



John Grubaugh/Presiding Commissioner