

Christian County Commission

January Term

~ Minutes ~

Thursday, February 5, 2015

8:35 AM

The Christian County Courthouse

I. <u>Convene</u>

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM by Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Ray Weter	Presiding Commissioner	Present	
Bill Barnett	Western Commissioner	Present	
Vacant Position	Eastern Commissioner	Excused	
Cheryl Mitchell	Assistant	Present	
Julia Maples	Administrative Assisstant	Present	
Norma Ryan	Chief Deputy County Clerk	Present	

II. <u>Agenda</u>

Motion/Vote - 8:30 AM Christian County Commission

Minutes & Financials Approval - Approve Agenda

The meeting was attended by Commission Secretary Cheryl Mitchell.

The Commission met to approve the agenda for Thursday, February 5, 2015.

Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to approve the agenda.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner
SECONDER:	Ray Weter, Presiding Commissioner
AYES:	Ray Weter, Bill Barnett
ABSENT:	Vacant Position

Motion/Vote - 8:35 AM Kay Brown-Clerk of the County Commission

Minutes & Financials Approval - Approve Minutes & Financials The meeting was attended by Commission Secretary Cheryl Mitchell and Jim Billedo.

The Commission met to approve any minutes or financials.

Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to approve the minutes for Tuesday, February 3, 2015.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner
SECONDER:	Ray Weter, Presiding Commissioner
AYES:	Ray Weter, Bill Barnett
EXCUSED:	Vacant Position

Motion/Vote - 8:45 AMTodd Wiesehan-Planning & Development AdministratorRight of Way Dedication - Right of Way-W. Union Chapel Road Common II DistrictThe meeting was attended by Commission Secretary Cheryl Mitchell and Jim Billedo.

The Commission met with Planning and Development Administrator Todd Wiesehan regarding the right of way of Union Chapel Road in C2 Road District.

Todd Wiesehan presented the Commission with a right of way for Union Chapel Road into C2. The owner is Brett Armstrong and he has dedicated some deficient right of way on south side of road in the amount of 1124'. It is near Piney Lane.

Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to accept the right of way on Union Chapel road into the C2 Road District.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner
SECONDER:	Ray Weter, Presiding Commissioner
AYES:	Ray Weter, Bill Barnett
EXCUSED:	Vacant Position

Motion/Vote - 9:30 AM Tim Coppinger-St. Matthews Episcopal Church

Discussion - Discussion About Ash Wednesday

The meeting was attended by Commission Secretary Cheryl Mitchell and Jim Billedo and Amelia Wigton.

The Commission met with Tim Coppinger from St. Matthews Episcopal Church for a discussion about Ash Wednesday.

His primary intent is to get permission for a group of clergy to gather together on the courthouse grounds to celebrate Ash Wednesday.

They want to take that out into the community. They did it last year and he has three or four other clergy that would like to take part. They would not approach people but would be open to talk to people and offer prayer and offer ashes on forehead. They would be doing this from 11-1.

Ray said it is not an unusual for things like this to happen. The other groups confine themselves around the gazebo. That would be fine with Mr. Coppinger. Steve Blackshear will be over at Ben's. Randy Wright suggested he come to the commission. Ray said he is not familiar with how interdenominational this is. Mr Coppinger gave a list of about 4 or 5 that will be participating. Ray said they ask for liability insurance for anyone that is having something on the square. Mr. Coppinger will double check and make sure the Church's liability insurance will cover this and he will let Julia know. Bill said we have the National day of Prayer and have a lot of participation and he thinks what they do is good. Mr. Coppinger said they will hand out a list of church's that are having services on Ash Wednesday.

Ray asked if they had any kind of signage. Mr. Coppinger said they didn't have anything specific and it would be on February 18.

Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to allow the local clergy to hold the Ash Wednesday initiative to take place on the courthouse lawn pending insurance coverage.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner
AYES:	Ray Weter, Bill Barnett
EXCUSED:	Vacant Position

Motion/Vote - 10:00 AM Miranda Beadles-Hwy Admin & Jerany Jackson-Great River

Discussion - 2015 Road Sales Tax Project Discussion

The meeting was attended by Commission Secretary Julia Maples, Jim Billedo, C1 Supervisor Richard Teague, Mayor Clint Ellingsworth, Amelia Wigton. Lacey Hart arrived late.

The Commission met with Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles and Jerany Jackson and Spencer Jones from Great River regarding the 2015 Road Sales Tax project discussion. Miranda said every eligible entity submitted this year. Some submitted for more than one. Great River has evaluated them. They have came up with a target price participation. Jerany said this spreadsheet depicts the target funds, the requested projected cost participation, the target cost participation and the % target cost participation. There is a bridge, some of them are partnering and have included that in the requests. They evaluated these and they are choosing one project per entity. They identified the target cost and the hope is that they have good returns and there will be some carry forward. They have done well in the reserve and this year they bumped the reserve down so they could distribute additional funds. Ray asked about the reserve, is that the amount that will be in the fund at the end of the cycle. Jerany said based on what they have accumulated they felt they could bring the reserve down. Spencer said they have had more participation this year than they ever had. They feel they can give more back and get the money spent in the best places. Ray said he sees some get 100% and other get less. Something else that weighs in is they get a varying detail in the applications. Some of them have included quotes and have gone the whole mile and that makes it easier. Spencer said some of the entities are participating financially. Highlandville is an example. They are asking for money but they are putting in money in addition. If an entity identifies they have other funding that helps them get more percentage. Bill said a lot of them are asking for way more and we couldn't be able to give the smaller ones money. Jerany said there are a couple of things, they have identified cost participation, they have identified something in all areas of the county. They need to address the IGA's regarding tweaking them a little bit to make them a little bit understandable, and make it easier. Julia said the county counselor revised the IGA's to require annual instead of quarterly reporting and letting them use the extra money for other road issues. Bill asked if they realized if they can have the money for brush cutting and other things. Spencer said there are some of them that have referenced daily maintenance. Bill said they can take that money and use it on blacktop. Spencer said they have to do the proposed work and use left over funds if they have it. Jerany

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said if they put it in the application for brush cutting, maintenance, etc that is what they can do. Ray said that is an open ended situation meaning we are back to approving funds for them to use as they see fit. So how are we going to account for where those funds are used. His understanding is that after they used the funds and they had any left over they can use it as they see fit. Spencer said that needs to be made a part of what they will use the leftover money. It needs to be in the original application. Bill said if they hire someone to brush cut they will have the bill to show. Spencer asked what if they want to buy office supplies. Bill said they should be ok. Miranda said it should be project specific. It can be design, maintenance, bridge work as long as they apply for it. We don't have any accountability if we don't know what they are applying for. We will be in a bad situation if we tell them to use the extra funds as they see fit. Julia said the way we are doing it is what is the important place to put these dollars. If an entity doesn't have a project and need to use the money for maintenance, if the money is there they can apply for it. Miranda said her recommendation is if they need additional funding it can be part of the application to us. We don't want someone to ballpark us for additional money that they we don't' know where it goes. Bill just doesn't think we should bind them. Clint said what binds this all together is the IGA. You require us to apply for two projects. How about putting some check off items on there so the entity can say if I have funds left I will use them for this and report to you at the end of the year. Ray said if we give you \$55,000 and you use \$50,000 you can use the other \$5,000 for what you see fit. Clint said it needs to be for road projects. Ray said they have expended that so they can use it for other things like brush cutting, mowing, maintenance. Spencer asked if the new IGA was done. Julia said yes. She provided Spencer with a copy of the new IGA. Spencer said it can be that simple to have a checklist for what the extra money was spent on. Clint said he thinks it needs to be spent on transportation projects. Spencer said what we want them to do is use these funds on roads. The other expenses they have can come out of their cart funds. Jerany said part of the annual report needs to be turning in invoices and the annual report will hold them accountable for the expendable. Ray asked if there were any requests that we were unable to do. Miranda said some are generic, some have quotes, some have exact, some have estimated. Ray said what do we do about Garrison. Spencer and Jerany said it would be better to ask them for additional information. Ray asked Bill whether his people understand that at the end of the day when they complete the projects they have told us they are going to do, as long as they keep the receipts of the left over money, do they understand that. Bill said he thinks they do and we are a little tight anyway. He thinks everything is fine. Spencer said they have the discretion. We are not telling them what to do. Julia said we have to be accountable for what we give them and they have to be accountable to us. Bill said he thinks we have been fair with the percentages.

Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to accept the Sales tax distribution based on the engineers recommendations.

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SECONDER:	Ray Weter, Presiding Commissioner	
AYES:	Ray Weter, Bill Barnett	
EXCUSED:	Vacant Position	

III. <u>Adjournment</u>

The meeting was closed at 10:36 AM The Commission is adjourned until Monday, February 9, 2015.

Motion/Vote -

- Motion

Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to adjourn until Monday, February 9, 2015.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner
SECONDER:	Ray Weter, Presiding Commissioner
AYES:	Ray Weter, Bill Barnett
EXCUSED:	Vacant Position

Weter

Presiding Commissioner, Ray Weter

Barnett

Western Commissioner, Bill Barnett