



# Christian County Commission

100 West Church St, Room 100  
Ozark, MO 65721

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October Term

~ Minutes ~

Monday, December 7, 2015

8:50 AM

The Christian County Courthouse

## I. Convene

The meeting was called to order at 8:53 AM by Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter

### A. Roll Call

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Ray Weter	Presiding Commissioner	Present	8:50 AM
Bill Barnett	Western Commissioner	Present	8:50 AM
Sue Ann Childers	Eastern Commissioner	Present	8:50 AM
Nikki Thiessen	Assistant	Present	8:50 AM
Ashley Hannah	Secretary	Present	8:50 AM

## II. Agenda

### **Motion/Vote - 8:53 AM Christian County Commission**

Discussion - Approve Agenda

The meeting was attended by Assistant Nikki Thiessen, Assistant Ashley Hannah, C2 Road Services Brent Young.

Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to approve the agenda for December 7, 2015.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner
<b>AYES:</b>	Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

### **Motion/Vote - 8:55 AM Christian County Commission**

Minutes & Financials Approval - Approve Minutes and Financials

The meeting was attended by Assistant Nikki Thiessen, Assistant Ashley Hannah, C2 Road Services Brent Young, Sheena Elzie

No financials to approve.

Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to approve the minutes for November 30, 2015.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner
<b>AYES:</b>	Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

**Motion/Vote - 9:00 AM Beth Schaller-MoDot**

Discussion - MoDot Monthly Update

The meeting was attended by Assistant Nikki Thiessen, Assistant Ashley Hannah, C2 Road Services Brent Young, Sheena Elzie, Planning and Development Administrator Todd Wiesehan, and Beth Schaller, MoDOT.

MoDOT has hired Patrick McKenna as the new director. McKenna has federal-level work experience and began his role December 7, 2015.

Appointment made of John Briscoe to State Highways and Transportation Commission. Commissioner Briscoe has public service experience as an attorney and will begin immediately upon confirmation.

Funding: MoDOT received a five year transportation bill they are currently reviewing. They anticipate a 2-3% increase in state funding. If MoDOT's projections remain accurate, they will be able to match the federal funding for 3 to 5 years beyond initial expectations.

Proposals: Missouri House may vote on increasing gasoline tax. If passed, increase would potentially raise \$50 to 80 million dollars for transportation needs.

MoDOT has federalized maintenance activities, something they have not had to do in the past. They will remain in maintenance mode and safety for the immediate future, waiting to see how much money is freed up by federalizing maintenance before committing to new roads or expansions.

Ms. Schaller provided the Commission traffic pattern numbers as previously requested by Presiding Commissioner Weter. Morning peak time which runs from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m., northbound traffic from State Hwy EE to State Hwy F is 1,300 vehicles. During the same peak time, State Hwy F to Hwy 14 sees 2,000 vehicles. In the evening, Hwy 14 to State Hwy F sees 2,200 vehicles, while South to State Hwy EE sees 1,400 vehicles.

MoDOT has set aside funds from Safety to complete a low cost improvement to the Hwy 14 & Hwy 65 loop. A lot of minor accidents are occurring for a variety of reasons, most likely due to exchange being two lane.

Work continues at Hwy 65 & CC and State Hwy J.

Safety improvement continues at Hwy 65 & State Hwy JJ.

Cost Share: Project with Nixa to improve the Hwy 160 & Hwy 14 intersection. Hartmann Construction won the bid and MoDOT expects improvement to begin within 60 days.

Other Projects: Signalized intersection at Tracker and Main in Nixa using STP funds. Installation of various sidewalk projects throughout Ozark.

MoDOT is seeing some stability on the federal side with regards to funding.

**Motion/Vote - 10:00 AM    Todd Wiesehan-Planning and Zoning**

Discussion - Rezoning of Quarry Rd, Sparta-Frank and Suzanne Conner

The meeting was attended by Assistant Nikki Thiessen, Assistant Ashley Hannah, Planning and Development Administrator Todd Wiesehan, Frank Conner, Suzanne Conner.

Administrator Todd Wiesehan presented Case Number 2015-0271 to rezone a tract of land on Quarry Road from A-1 to A-R so parcel can be divided.

PNZ approved this request at a hearing on November 16, 2015 where no objections were presented. Recommends Commission to approve.

Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to approve rezoning of Quarry Road.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner
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**Motion/Vote - 1:30 PM    Brad Erwin-Paragon Architecture**

Proposal - Paragon Architecture Proposal

The meeting was attended by Assistant Nikki Thiessen, Assistant Ashley Hannah, County Prosecutor Amy Fite, Emergency Management Planner Linda Barger, Sheri Weter, Judy Dollarhite, Jared Younglove, Andrew Pitts, Brad Erwin, Treasurer Karen Matthews, Planning and Development Administrator Todd Wiesehan, Circuit Court Secretary Cindy Childress, Circuit Judge Laura Johnson, CCES Executive Director Rance Duffy, Amelia Wigton, Jack Bologna, Nathan Papes, Circuit Clerk Barb Stilling.

Presentation by Paragon Architecture and Treanor Architects regarding the renovation and expansion of the judicial building to better handle the increasing need for services in law enforcement. Presiding Commissioner Weter encouraged attendees to ask questions and provide comments.

Presentation of Old Courthouse renovation. Estimated cost \$210,000 with a completion target date of January 1, 2017, if not sooner. Discussion followed.

Comments:

Judge Laura Johnson noticed that an attorney/client conference room was not part of plan and said such room should be part of improvement. Answer: Area has been considered, but location of room has not been determined.

Judy Dollarhite asked where Auditor and Treasurer's offices expect to be moved and does the current expense account for this move? Answer: Auditor and Treasurer's offices would be relocated downstairs and that move is in the proposed expense.

Presentation of Justice Center addition. Estimated cost is \$13.75 million with a target completion date of mid 2016- mid 2017. Discussion followed.

Comments:

Commissioner Barnett asked for clarification on the traffic pattern for east end of building after expansion. Answer: The expansion would eliminate the adjacent street. An alternative traffic path would have to be considered. He then also asked about future expansion possibilities with this plan. Answer: After this addition, the current Justice Center is landlocked. This proposed addition will need to be planned to accommodate future needs with little to no adaption.

Presiding Commissioner Weter asked if the plans addressed access and egress issues for emergencies. Answer: Yes.

Presentation of New Courthouse construction. Estimated cost is \$19.1 million with a target completion date of June 2016-2017. Discussion followed.

Comments:

Presiding Commissioner Weter clarified that cost of sky bridge was in the proposed expense. Answer: Yes.

Presentation of Prosecutor Building construction and Justice Center renovations. Estimated cost is \$23.2 million and includes several phases. The target completion date for phase one is July 2016- March 2017. Discussion followed.

Comments:

Presiding Commissioner Weter noticed that a sky bridge was not part of the first phase. Answer: Correct, a sky bridge connecting the jail to the Prosecutor Building is not part of current plan or part of proposed expense.

Presentation of Fasco Building purchase. Estimated cost is \$14.1 million. Discussion followed.

Comments:

Judge Laura Johnson advised against the Fasco plan as it would separate the prosecutors office from the courts building which would be counter-productive.

Final Comments:

Presiding Commissioner Weter inquired as to how each scenario affects the offices of Building Inspection and Planning and Development. Answer: In the scenarios presented, those offices will be left as they currently sit. If Fasco option is taken, available space would allow those departments to be moved to Fasco building if desired. He asked about the impact to the Juvenile Department and how they have been considered.

Answer: The Juvenile Department is currently tight on space and could use 1,000 more feet which these plans provide. Mr. Weter then asked if a holding area been considered in the plans. Answer: Yes, a separate circulation pathway has been created in the plans. Lastly, he asked if there will be ADA compliance issues involved with renovation of Old Courthouse. Answer: No concerns, because it's considered a building upgrade as opposed to renovation.

Commissioner Childers commented that she would prefer the improvement that allows for the best long-term growth.

Prosecutor Amy Fite commented that no jury assembly rooms are in any proposal and should be considered before moving forward with any plan.

Circuit Clerk Barb Stilling said that while it's not common, it is an option in some instances for judges to video conference, and is something to consider when considering the cost of the sky bridge.

Presiding Commissioner Weter acknowledged that plans needs to be reviewed and refining needs done and the plans to update the Old Courthouse still need some fine tuning, but funds exist to begin renovation to the Old Courthouse. Commission will consult with affected office holders.

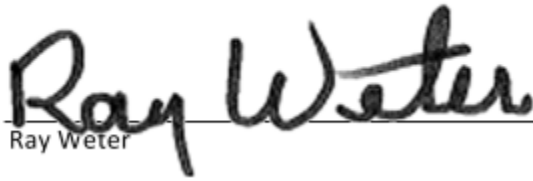
Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to begin the process of authorizing Paragon Architecture and Treanor Architects to plan the renovation of the Old Courthouse.

No further comments or questions.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner
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### III. Adjournment

The meeting was closed at 2:24 PM  
The County Commission completed the scheduled meeting for today and will resume session on December 10, 2015.

  
Ray Weter

Presiding Commissioner, Ray Weter

  
Bill Barnett

Western Commissioner, Bill Barnett

  
Sue Ann Childers

Eastern Commissioner, Sue Ann Childers

ORDER NO. 12-6-15-01

**ORDER OF THE  
CHRISTIAN COUNTY COMMISSION  
OZARK, MISSOURI**

**DATE ISSUED:** December 6, 2015

**SUBJECT:** CASE NUMBER 2015-0271

**TEXT:**

The Christian County Planning & Zoning Commission petitions the Christian County Commission to rezone a 7.56 acre +/- tract of land from A-1 (Agricultural District) to A-R (Agriculture Residential District) in order to lawfully permit land use compatible with surrounding parcels and be reflected as such on the Christian County Zoning Map at Quarry Road, Sparta, MO, Parcel 12-0.4-17-0-0-7.001 and legally described as follows:

All of the North 370 feet of the South 990 feet of the East 220 feet of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 18, Township 27, Range 20.

Also, The North 370 feet of the South 990 feet of the West Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 17, Township 27, Range 20. Subject to all Easements and Roads on record.

The Christian County Planning and Zoning Commission did, during public hearing on November 16, 2015 vote unanimously to recommend approval of this request.

Now, therefore, the Christian County Commission did this day, upon a motion by Commissioner Childers, seconded by Commissioner Barnett, vote unanimously to approve this request.

Attachment: Case 2015-0271 Rezone Quarry Road (2632 : Rezoning of Quarry Rd, Sparta-Frank and Suzanne Conner)



Done this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015, at 10:15 a.m.

CHRISTIAN COUNTY COMMISSION

Ray Weter  
Ray Weter  
Presiding Commissioner

Yes +  
Dated: 12-07-15

Sue Ann Childers  
Sue Ann Childers  
Commissioner, Eastern District

Yes X  
Dated: 12-07-15

Bill Barnett  
Bill Barnett  
Commissioner, Western District

Yes X  
Dated: 12-7-15

ATTEST:

Kay Brown  
Kay Brown  
County Clerk

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