

Christian County Commission

October Term

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Monday, October 24, 2016 8:35 AM The Christian County Courthouse

I. <u>Convene</u>

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 AM by Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter

A. Roll Call

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Ray Weter	Presiding Commissioner	Present	8:35 AM
Bill Barnett	Western Commissioner	Present	8:35 AM
Sue Ann Childers	Eastern Commissioner	Present	8:35 AM
Krista Cronin	Deputy Clerk	Present	8:35 AM
Cheryl Mitchell	Assistant	Present	8:35 AM

II. Agenda

Motion/Vote - 8:35 AM Christian County Commission

Discussion - Approve Agenda

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to accept the agenda as published for today, October 24, 2016.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote - 8:40 AM Kay Brown-Christian County Clerk

Minutes & Financials Approval - Approve Minutes and Financials Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve the minutes from October 17, 2016.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote - 8:42 AM

Financials

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve Certified Court Order 10-24-2016-01 in the amount of \$131,600.46 for the October 2016 Cart fund.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote - 8:45 AM Miranda Beadles-Highway Engineer

Bid Decision - Bid Decision-Keltner Road Grant Project

Attendees: Miranda Beadles - Highway Engineer

The Christian County Commission met with Miranda Beadles regarding the Keltner Road/Swan Creek Project bid decision.

Ms. Beadles said that on October 20, 2016, we had a bid opening for the Keltner Road/Swan Creek project. We had two bidders, which were Young's Construction and Granger DirtWorks. She said that both bids were reviewed, and they will be going with the lowest bidder, which is Granger DirtWorks for \$189,747.00 and is under the estimated cost of the project. She said that this project will restore the path and the bank of Swan Creek to reinforce and keep the creek in its bank.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve Ms. Beadles recommendation that this USDA grant-funded project be awarded to Granger DirtWorks.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote - 9:00 AM Danny Gray-Christian County Assessor

Report - Quarterly Report

Attendees: Danny Gray - Christian County Assessor

Late Arrival: Hosea Bilyeu

The Christian County Commission met with Danny Gray, Christian County Assessor, to receive his quarterly report.

Mr. Gray presented his report, and gave totals. He said that Personal Property Totals are up fourteen million, which is a 7% increase over last year. Mr. Gray mentioned that New Construction for 2017 is already at twenty-one million, and last year we finished with nineteen and a half million. He talked about the Pictometry training his department will start on November 1, 2016, and how well his three new employees are doing.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to accept the Assessor's verbal report into the minutes.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote - 9:15 AM

Go Into Recess

Eastern Commissioner Sue Ann Childers moved to go into recess.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote - 10:00 AM

Reconvene

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to reconvene and resume regular session.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote - 10:00 AM Brad Cole-Christian County Sheriff

Report - Quarterly Report

Attendees: Brad Cole - Christian County Sheriff, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Late Arrival: Lacey Hart - Auditor

Brad Cole presented his Quarterly Report. He said that his department just completed their first ever Sheriff's Citizen's Academy 10 week course, and said that they've had great reviews from the citizens that attended. He said they will continue to do this because it's a great way to open the eyes of the citizens and let them see the difficulties the Sheriff's department faces in their day-to-day operations. The next one will start July of 2017. He also mentioned that next month they will start their first ever youth citizen's academy.

Sheriff Cole then gave an update on their current and future satellite offices in Chadwick and Sparta schools, and mentioned the License Plate Reader Camera that is currently installed on a patrol vehicle and will be fully functioning November 10, 2016. He talked about the Tire Deflation Devices purchase his department made last month, which is the same system that the highway patrol uses. These devices are replaced for no charge by the company if they are deployed, which is a cost savings for the County.

Sheriff Cole mentioned that his department lacks manpower, and he can always utilize more employees with the jail population. He asked that the Commission consider hiring

an assistant for Richard Teague, as he's noticed that Richard is working very hard to maintain the jail.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter said that he agrees that Mr. Teague works very hard, and they are going to hire someone to help him.

Sheriff Cole then went over his budget. He said that his department has gone without some things that they can really use and as a result they are way under budget on their expenditures.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter asked Sheriff Cole if his 2017 budget allows for more bailiffs.

Sheriff Cole answered that his department really doesn't have bailiffs. His department provides campus security, but the Judges really need to hire their own assigned bailiffs to attend to their security needs. He said that he doesn't know anywhere else in Southwest Missouri that provides bailiffs for their courts. Sheriff Cole said that he has budgeted for four more security people in 2017, and it is his understanding that the courts are requiring six bailiffs. He said that the bailiffs should be hired by the courts, and be accountable to the courts.

Ralph Phillips added that having the Sheriff's department supply the bailiffs for the courts puts everyone in a difficult position, because they have too many different people to answer to.

Sheriff Cole asked if the Commission knew when his budget would be approved by Auditor Lacey Hart.

Eastern Commissioner Sue Ann Childers suggested that Sheriff Cole attempt to set up a meeting with Ms. Hart.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter said that typically every office holder should have a budget meeting with the Auditor. He then asked Sheriff Cole about the \$900,000.00 deficit that was budgeted for 2017.

Sheriff Cole answered that the deficit predicted is the actual costs of operating the Sheriff's office, and that the main deficit is from the idea that the jail is set up to create revenue, when that isn't true. He said that the County has become accustomed to the Sheriff's department becoming a revenue source with the federal inmates that they used to hold. They cannot hold as many now because of the high number of county inmates they are holding.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter asked Ms. Hart if she is going to have individual meetings with office holders about these budgets.

Ms. Hart answered that she will either email them or call them, but anything that will involve everyone is a public meeting. She said there's no requirement for her to have individual meetings with anyone.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter said that he knows there's a lot of people waiting to hear from Ms. Hart.

Ms. Hart said if the officials gave her something that made sense they probably won't hear from her.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter told Ms. Hart that he'd rather she and the official have those discussions one-on-one.

Ms. Hart said that she knows that, and she has a lot on her plate. She said there's a lot of people that she thinks there's no reason to have discussions with. She said that they should have talked to her long before they submitted their budgets. She said that she didn't come down to this meeting to have a discussion about budgets today, and that she thinks we're off agenda now.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter said that we're not off agenda, that this discussion is part of Sheriff Cole's report.

Ms. Hart said to Sheriff Cole that she would suggest if he has some concerns that he should contact her.

Eastern Commissioner Sue Ann Childers said to Ms. Hart that this is the concern of everyone in the county, as she is the budget officer. She said that we're trying to make decisions for the whole County together, and the budget officer should help the Sheriff. Ms. Childers said that she'd like these to be figured out and get on the same page before we have a public meeting.

Ms. Hart said that she suggests that Sheriff Cole contact her, and if Sheriff Cole needs more money transferred into his COLE fund, that is the Commission's decision.

Ms. Hart said to the Commission that if they're going to have budget meetings they're going to have to post them and follow the statutes. She said she thinks they're getting off the agenda item.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter said he wants to have a discussion with the Sheriff.

Ms. Hart said to Commissioner Weter that if he wants to have a discussion that's fine, but he'd better tread carefully.

Western Commissioner Bill Barnett said to Sheriff Cole that they've been receiving good feedback about the Sheriff's department, and hearing how they're going above and beyond to make citizens feel more secure with his department.

Eastern Commissioner Sue Ann Childers moved to add the Sheriff's verbal report into the minutes.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote - 10:43 AM Brad Cole-Christian County Sheriff

Agreement - Inmate Health Services Agreement

Attendees: Brad Cole - Christian County Sheriff, Auditor Lacey Hart

Sheriff Cole presented the Inmate Health Services Agreement to the Christian County Commission. He said that this agreement has been to the Auditor and County Counselor, and now it needs to be approved and signed by the Christian County Commission.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve and sign the agreement for inmate health services with Advanced Correctional Healthcare Inc.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote - 10:45 AM Danny Gray-Christian County Assessor

Bid Opening - Bid Opening-Assessor Office Floor Covering

Attendees: Danny Gray - Christian County Assessor, Hosea Bilyeu

The Christian County Commission met with Danny Gray to open bids for floor coverings for the Assessor's office. Presiding Commissioner opened the bids. The first bid is from Midwest Rug in Springfield, Missouri for \$12,957.00. The second bid is from Stoneridge Carpet in Nixa, Missouri for \$11,645.31.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter asked Mr. Gray to evaluate both bids and make sure they're comprehensive and meet his expectations.

Motion/Vote - 11:00 AM Amy Fite-Christian County Prosecutor

Bid Opening - Bid Opening-Server for Prosecutor Office Attendees: Amy Fite - Christian County Prosecutor

The Commissioners met with Amy Fite, Christian County Prosecutor, to open bids for a server for the Prosecutor's office. There was one bid presented.

Ms. Fite said that her department has a server that is old and outdated, and lacks abilities regarding her case management system. She said that a new server would allow them to better track and run reports that they're not able to do at this point, and it will address their space issue needs. She said that PC Net made a recommendation for a new server last year, and so now it's time to update it. Ms. Fite was looking over the bid and wanted to obtain some clarification on it before the Commission voted, so she asked for more time.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to table the bid decision for the server until 2 p.m. today, October 24, 2016.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote - 11:15 AM Kay Brown-Christian County Clerk

Bid Opening - Bid Opening-Poll Pads

Attendees: Kay Brown - Christian County Clerk

The Commission met with Kay Brown, Christian County Clerk to open bids for Poll Pads.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter said that there was a vendor that intended to bid, but failed to present it.

Motion/Vote - 11:44 AM Drew Trotter-Trotter Construction

Discussion - Change Order Discussion

Attendees: Todd Wiesehan - Planning and Development Department Administrator

Late Arrival: Drew Trotter - Trotter Construction

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter would like it noted in the minutes that our presenter is late.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter said that this meeting is about a change order request submitted by Josh Warren of Paragon Architecture with the vendor being Trotter Construction LLC. The change order stated that we are being billed \$49.40 a hour for the general labor to remove the vinyl wall covering and to perform demolition. On the annual wage order #23 they list general labor at \$20.90 an hour and an additional \$11.37 an hour for benefits, so that equals \$32.27 an hour, and so we questioned why we are billed at \$49.40 an hour.

Mr. Trotter said that what he has presented to the Commission is the minimum payed to the employee, and does not include Medicare, FICA, Workman's Comp, FUTA, or MO SUTA.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter then reviewed the change order in detail, and entertained a motion to approve the change order request amount submitted by Josh Warren of Paragon Architecture with the vendor being Trotter Construction LLC in the amount of \$8754.39.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote -

Go Into Recess

Eastern Commissioner Sue Ann Childers moved to enter into recess until 1:30 p.m.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote - 1:32 PM

Reconvene

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to reconvene and resume regular session.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote - 1:33 PM Laura Whisler and Tracey Kimberlin-Springfield Convention & Visitors Bureau

Agreement - Destination Marketing Organization Recertification Attendees: Andrea Sitzes - Ozark Chamber of Commerce, Hosea Bilyeu, Laura Whisler and Tracy Kimberlin - Springfield Convention & Visitors Bureau

The Commission met with presenters Andrea Sitzes, Laura Whisler and Tracy Kimberlin to discuss the Destination Marketing Organization partnership agreement.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter said the Destination Marketing Organization partnership is a five year agreement that was initiated in October of 2011. The Springfield Convention & Visitors Bureau sent us a resolution, we passed it on to our County Counselor John Housley, and he made a few changes to it, including changing it to an order. He listed it as a non-profit corporation and added three signature lines. Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter then presented the revised order for the presenters to review. The presenters reviewed the revised order and said that it meets their expectations.

Ms. Whisler said that it is their intention to work primarily with Chambers of Commerce and make sure that all of the tourism aspects of the surrounding Counties are represented on their website and in their printed visitor's guide. She said that they direct people to their website to learn about all of the things our region has to offer, including small and large attractions, natural resources, shopping, and restaurants.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to sign the Christian County order that specifies that the Springfield Convention & Visitors Bureau is designated and recognized as the single representative organization to solicit and service tourism in Christian County for participation in the Missouri Division of Tourism programs.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote - 2:00 PM

Remove a Tabled Item

Attendees: Amy Fite, Christian County Prosecutor

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to address a tabled item, which is the bid for a server for the Prosecutor's office, with the presenter being Amy Fite.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote - Amy Fite

Bid Opening - Bid Item

Attendees: Amy Fite, Christian County Prosecutor

Ms. Fite said that she compared the bid with the original quote from PC Net and compared that to the specifications for the server. She said the bid is less expensive than the original quote.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter asked Ms. Fite if she recommends that they approve the quote.

Ms. Fite said yes.

Eastern Commissioner Sue Ann Childers moved to accept the PC Net bid for the Server and it's attachments for the Christian County Prosecutor's office.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote - 2:15 PM Christian County Commission

Bid Decision - Bid Decison-301 S First St, Ozark

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter said that he had an email exchange with Charles Dowell regarding his bid on the demolition of 301 South First Street in Ozark, asking for written assurance that asbestos abatement is included in his bid. Mr. Dowell assured Commissioner Weter that asbestos removal is included in the bid. County Counselor John Housley said that Mr. Dowell's reply email is sufficient clarification to accept this bid. Mr. Dowell has prior experience in demolition and site cleanup for the City of Springfield and Greene County.

Eastern Commissioner Sue Ann Childers moved to accept the bid for demolition in the amount of \$6750.00.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

Motion/Vote - 2:30 PM Loyd Todd-Christian County Surveyor

Discussion - End of Term Discussion

Attendees: Loyd Todd - Christian County Surveyor, Lacey Hart - Auditor

The Commission met with Loyd Todd to discuss his end of term.

Mr. Todd said that his term will be up and the end of the year, and so he was wondering if he would continue to be the County Surveyor next year, and asked about terms and salary.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter said that the Commission will have to check with John Housley to see what their options are, but the Commission feels like having a Surveyor employed or on retainer for future needs is important. Commissioner Weter will send an email to John Housley to inquire about salary, insurance, and other terms, and will await his answer.

III. Adjournment

The meeting was closed at

Motion/Vote - 2:45 PM

Motion

Eastern Commissioner Sue Ann Childers moved to adjourn.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Sue Ann Childers, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Bill Barnett, Sue Ann Childers

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