

Christian County Commission

January Term

100 West Church St, Room 100 Ozark, MO 65721

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Monday, January 8, 2018 8:50 AM The Christian County Historic Courthouse

I. <u>Convene</u>

The meeting was called to order at 8:50 AM by Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Ray Weter	Presiding Commissioner	Present	8:50 AM
Ralph Phillips	Eastern Commissioner	Present	8:50 AM
Hosea Bilyeu	Western Commissioner	Present	8:50 AM
Krista Cronin	Deputy Clerk	Present	8:50 AM
Malinda Young	Assistant	Present	8:50 AM

Motion/Vote - 8:50 AM Christian County Commission

Discussion - 01-8-18-1 Approve Agenda

Attendees: Auditor Amy Dent

Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to approve Christian County Commission's regular session agenda for today, January 8, 2018.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote - 8:55 AM Christian County Clerk

Minutes & Financials Approval - 01-8-18-2 Approve Minutes & Financials

Attendees: Auditor Amy Dent

Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to approve Christian County Commission's regular session minutes from December 18, 2017.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote - 8:57 AM

Approve Minutes

Attendees: Auditor Amy Dent

Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to approve Christian County Commission's emergency session minutes from December 21, 2017.

RESULT: ADOPTED [2 TO 0]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner SECONDER: Ray Weter, Presiding Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips

ABSTAIN: Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote - 8:58 AM

Approve Minutes

Attendees: Auditor Amy Dent

Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to approve Christian County Commission's regular session minutes from January 4, 2018.

RESULT: ADOPTED [2 TO 0]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner SECONDER: Ray Weter, Presiding Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips

ABSTAIN: Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote - 8:59 AM

Approve Minutes

Attendees: Auditor Amy Dent

Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to approve Christian County Commission's closed session minutes from January 4, 2018.

RESULT: ADOPTED [2 TO 0]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner SECONDER: Ray Weter, Presiding Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips

ABSTAIN: Hosea Bilyeu

II. <u>Agenda</u>

Motion/Vote - 9:00 AM Christian County Auditor Amy Dent

Discussion - 01-8-18-3 Monthly Update

Attendees: Auditor Amy Dent

The Commission met with presenter Amy Dent, Christian County Auditor, in regards to her monthly update for December 2017. Discussion was held in regards to the possibility of lowering the amount set aside in the budget for jury trials, and Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to enter Christian County Auditor Amy Dent's report for December 2017 into the record.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote - 9:30 AM Christian County Sheriff Brad Cole

Discussion - 01-8-18-4 Contract Renewal Vehicle Maintenance, Graphics, Emergency Light Bars, Demilitarization

Attendees: Alicia Monsanto, Sheriff Brad Cole

The Commission met with presenters from the Sheriff's department in regards to a contract renewal for vehicle maintenance, graphics, emergency light bars, and demilitarization. Discussion was held, and Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to approve Christian County Sheriff Brad Cole's recommendation in that we will be entering into an agreement with NRoute Enterprises for various services as in the existing contract and the existing cost for 2018, with the option at the end of 2018 to renew for an additional year.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote - 9:34 AM Krista Cronin, County Clerk

Agreements - Renewal - Steve's Automotive Attendees: Alicia Monsanto, Sheriff Brad Cole

The Commission met with presenters from the Sheriff's department in regards to a contract renewal for vehicle maintenance. Discussion was held, and Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to approve Christian County Sheriff Brad Cole's recommendation that we renew the contract for maintenance of Sheriff and County vehicles with Steve's Automotive for this year, as the fees are the same as last year.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner
SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner
AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote - 9:37 AM Krista Cronin, County Clerk

Agreements - 01-8-18-8 Renewal - Print Group Attendees: Alicia Monsanto, Sheriff Brad Cole

The Commission met with presenters from the Sheriff's department in regards to a contract renewal for vehicle graphics. Discussion was held, and Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to approve Christian County Sheriff Brad Cole's

recommendation that we renew the contract for graphics for fleet vehicles with Print Group for 2018, with the option to renew for one additional year.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote - 10:00 AM Christian County Commission

Discussion - 01-8-18-5 Prescription Opiate Class Action Suit Discussion Attendees: Nixa Police Chief Liles, Ozark Police Chief Tim Clothier, Judge Jack Garvey, Sheriff Brad Cole, Prosecutor Amy Fite, Amelia Wigton with the Christian County Headliner

The Commission met with presenter Judge Jack Garvey in regards to a prescription opiate mass tort lawsuit. Discussion was held in regards to data collection from the following departments: Sheriff, Courts, Prosecutor, Coroner, Juvenile Courts, and the Health Department. A discussion about the burden of producing data was held, and Judge Garvey noted that the experts assigned to the case will do the bulk of the data collection work. It was said that a formula will be utilized to determine past and potential future costs to the County incurred because of prescription opiates. Discussion was then held in regards to costs incurred by the County for participation in said mass tort lawsuit, and Judge Garvey assured the Commission that Christian County will not be liable for any costs associated, even if the expenses of the mass tort exceed the amount of the settlement or win. Presiding Commissioner Weter spoke about contacting Ms. Bilyeu at the Christian County Health Department to discuss the matter, and Western Commissioner Bilyeu spoke about talking to each of the departments impacted by this individually to discuss the matter. Confidentiality was addressed, and Sheriff Cole asked about allocation of funds if the mass tort is successful. Presiding Commissioner Weter answered that he feels the funds should go to Law Enforcement, Drug Addiction, the Prosecutor's office, and the people involved in this, as opposed to the funds going into General Revenue. Eastern Commissioner Phillips moved to take this matter under advisement.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner
SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner
AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote - 11:03 AM Christian County Commission

Discussion - 01-8-18-6 Approval of Revised Christian County Employee Handbook Attendees: Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles, Payroll Clerk Paula Brumfield, Treasurer Karen Matthews, Recorder Kelly Hall, Sheriff Brad Cole, Camille Knowles and Lynette Weatherford with HR Advantage

Late Arrivals: Collector Ted Nichols, Amelia Wigton with the Christian County Headliner

The Commission met with presenters from HR Advantage in regards to the Christian County Employee Handbook. Suggestions were discussed, and Eastern Commissioner Phillips moved to suspend the dialogue on this particular topic.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner
SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

ABSENT: Ray Weter

Motion/Vote - 11:59 AM Christian County Commission

Discussion - 01-8-18-7 Use Tax Ballot Proposal Discussion

Attendees: Amelia Wigton with the Christian County Headliner, Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles, Treasurer Karen Matthews, Recorder Kelly Hall, Collector Ted Nichols, Sheriff Brad Cole

The Commission met in regards to a Use Tax ballot proposal. Discussion was held, and Eastern Commissioner Phillips noted that County Counsel Housley is researching if said tax could be used for law enforcement purposes. Western Commissioner Bilyeu noted that the Commission is continuing to move forward with the thought that they will probably put a use tax on the ballot because it levels the playing field with local merchants, so that some tax will come back to the County. Western Commissioner Bilyeu entertained a motion to note in the minutes that they've had a brief discussion on a use tax ballot proposal, and they will revisit the issue at a later time.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner
SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

ABSENT: Ray Weter

III. Adjournment

The meeting was closed at 12:02 PM

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Adjourn

Attendees: Amelia Wigton with the Christian County Headliner, Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles, Treasurer Karen Matthews, Recorder Kelly Hall, Collector Ted Nichols, Sheriff Brad Cole

Western Commissioner Bilyeu adjourned the meeting.

Ray Water

Presiding Commissioner, Ray Weter

Hosea Bilyeu

Western Commissioner, Hosea Bilyeu

Ralph Phillips

Eastern Commissioner, Ralph Phillips