

Christian County Commission

October Term

100 West Church St, Room 100 Ozark, MO 65721

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Thursday, December 27, 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

II. Call to Order

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
Kay Brown	County Clerk	Present	8:50 AM
Krista Cronin	Executive Assistant to the Commission	Present	8:50 AM

III. Agenda

Motion/Vote - 8:50 AM Christian County Commission

Discussion - 12-27-18-1 Establish Quorum

Attendees: Prosecuting Attorney Amy Fite and Kay Brown taking the minutes.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter noted the presence of a quorum.

Motion/Vote - 8:52 AM Christian County Commission

Discussion - 12-27-18-2 Approve Agenda

Attendees: Prosecuting Attorney Amy Fite and Kay Brown taking the minutes.

Presiding Commissioner entertained a motion to approve the agenda as published for today, December 27, 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 Commission

Discussion - 12-27-18-3 Approve Minutes and Financials

Attendees: Prosecuting Attorney Amy Fite and Kay Brown taking the minutes.

Presiding Commissioner entertained a motion to approve the minutes for Thursday, December 13, 2018.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Approve Minutes for December 17, 2018

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve the minutes for Monday, December 17, 2018. There were no financials presented.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote - 9:00 AM Christian County Prosecutor Amy Fite

Discussion - 12-27-18-4 Prosecutor's Annual Report

Attendees: Prosecuting Attorney Amy Fite and Kay Brown taking the minutes.

Prosecuting Attorney Amy Fite noted their are some typographical errors she notice in the report and a corrected copy will be provided to the County Commission.

Prosecuting Attorney Fite presented the following:

The number of cases and charges:

120 less felony charges than 2017 with an increase of 650 misdemeanors

Total increase of 9% charges over 2017 and compared to 2015, there's

a 21% increase.

Referrals from law enforcement:

12/1/2017 through 11/30/2018, 6,972 charges (excluding child support cases and merchant bad check cases). Of the total filed, there were 6,280 charges made and 541 charges refused. There 653 additional referrals resulting in a 10% increase over 2017 and an increase of 22% over 2015. Prosecutor Fite said referrals are reviewed through a multiple step process and are time sensitive.

Ms. Fite said there were 3 jury trials (24 counts), 11 bench trials (17 counts) and 3,331 guilty pleas. There were 1,231 open cases from October 2018, for traffic violations and misdemeanors.

Criminal cases closed: felonies: 750 counts plead guilty for a total number 3,331. There were 3 felony jury trials. 869 counts that were disposed of such as possession of a controlled substance. Each of these cases require a significant amount of time and may or may not go to trial. All plea agreements offered have an expiration date. More time is spent on the sex cases and cases involving children.

There were 282 bad checks processed resulting in \$ 26,864.33 restitution collected. For property crime victims, \$ 244,223.81, was collected for restitution.

In 2018, \$ 204,084.60 was collected in delinquent taxes. Also in 2018, there were 98 search warrants and 22 blood draws which is decrease from 2017.

Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to enter the Prosecutor's Annual Report into the minutes.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote - 9:40 AM Christian County Prosecutor Amy Fite

Discussion - 12-27-18-5 12-27-18-5 : 2019 Budget for the Prosecutiong Attorney Amy Fite: Fund 101-140

Attendees: Prosecuting Attorney Amy Fite, County Auditor Amy Dent, Deputy Auditor Rhonda Purvis and County Clerk Kay Brown taking the minutes.

There was a slight increase due in this fund due to an additional Prosecutor and the need to promote an employee from part time to full time, resulting in a 2% increase.

Ms. Fite requested the discretionary funds for operations that have been depleted from 2011, to supplement General Revenue, leaving a balance of \$ 6,000.00, with no funds to continue, to be reimbursed.

Commissioner Bilyeu asked how much is needed to reimburse the discretionary funds? Ms. Fite said the discretionary fund is down to \$ 6,000.00, and ideally her goal is to not go below \$ 20,000.00. Ms. Fite said she would need at least \$ 12,000.00, and would anticipate the discretionary funds need to rest for the next two years.

Ms. Fite said the person serving as the Guardian Ad Litem is currently paid \$ 32.61 an hour and they are exceeding a 40 hour work week. Ms. Fite said the Guardian Ad Litem is committed to their work but by adding an extra person the work load and stress would be lighten and they could do a better job.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve the 2019 proposed budget for the Prosecuting Attorney. The motion carried by accumulation.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Approve the 2019 Budget Administrative Handling Costs: Fund 268 County Auditor Amy Fite and Prosecuting Attorney Fite presented the 2019 budget for Administrative Handling Costs, Fund 268.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve the 2019 proposed budget for Administrative Handling Fund 268. The motion passed by accumulation.

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Accept the 2019 Budget for Delinquent Taxes: Fund 265

County Auditor Amy Fite and Prosecutor Fite presented the 2019 budget for the Delinquent Taxes Fund 265. Ms. Fite said the delinquent taxes fund has decreased from previous years.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to accept the 2019 budget for Delinquent Taxes, Fund 265.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Accept the 2019 Budget for the Prosecuting Attorney Training: Fund 260 County Auditor Amy Dent and Prosecutor Fite presented the 2019 budget for the Prosecuting Attorney Training: Fund 260.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to accept the 2019 budget for Prosecuting Attorney Training: Fund 260.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Approve 2019 LEST Budget: Fund 250

Prosecuting Attorney Fite presented the 2019 budget for the LEST Fund 250. Commissioner Bilyeu asked would the Juvenile Department receive a portion of the LEST funds? Commissioner Bilyeu said Mr. Barnes thinks a portion of the LEST funds should go to the Juvenile Department, is there anything in the statutes that indicates Juvenile should receive a portion. Ms. Fite said Mr. Barnes should present a proposal to the Commission and a meeting held with all parties; Sheriff, Juvenile, and the Prosecuting Attorney and the County Commission will have to make this decision.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to accept the 2019 budget for the LEST: Fund 250.

RESULT: ADOPTED [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 Coroner Amanda Armitage

Discussion - 12-27-18-6 12-27-18-6 : 2019 Budget: Coroner Amanda Armitage Attendees: County Coroner Amanda Armitage, County Auditor Amy Dent, Deputy Auditor Rhonda Purvis and County Clerk Kay Brown taking the minutes.

County Auditor Amy Dent and Coroner Amanda Armitage presented the 2019 budget for the Coroner's Office. The budget has a small increase of \$ 2,000.00.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve the 2019 Coroner's budget.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote - 10:15 AM Christian County Auditor Amy Dent

Discussion - 12-27-18-7 4939 : 2018 Budget Amendments: County Auditor Amy Dent Attendees: County Auditor Amy Dent, Deputy Auditor Rhonda Purvis, and Miranda Beadles and County Clerk Kay Brown taking the minutes.

County Auditor Amy Dent presented to the County Commission the 2018 Seven Budget Amendments, a result of additional funds received. Commissioner Ray Weter asked after the money is appropriated are they free to spend it? County Auditor Dent said all the budget amendments are for discretionary funds and nothing for General Revenue.

County Auditor Amy Dent said the first budget amendment is for the HAVA Grant FUND 289, which received an additional \$ 3,950.00 of grant proceeds that exceeded the budget.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained the motion to approve the 2018 budget amendment to the HAVA Grant Fund 289.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Approve 2018 Budget Amendment 2, for The LEST Fund for Phone and Postage County Auditor Amy Dent presented the second 2018 Budget Amendment for Line items: 265-610-52530 Phone; 265-610-53605 Postage; these line items were not included in the original 2018 Budget for the LEST Fund.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve the 2018 Budget amendment for the LEST phone and postage line items to carry over funds.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Approve the 2018 Budget Amendment 3, Victim Restitution Revenues

Prosecutor Fite said there was an additional \$ 100,000.00, restitution revenues received and paid to the victims. County Auditor Amy Dent requested an amendment to the 2018 Budget for line item: 268-610-57805 for the Victim Restitution Revenues Fund.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve the 2018 budget amendment of the Victim Restitution Revenues Fund.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner
SECONDER:	Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner
AYES:	Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Approve 2018 Budget Amendment 4, Recorder Fees and Fines.

County Auditor Amy Dent presented the 2018 Budget Amendment 4, for line item: 219-800-59510, the Recorder Fees & Fines. County Auditor Dent said additional revenues of \$ 1,160.00, were received and was not budgeted.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve the 2018 Budget Amendment for the Recorder Fees and Fines.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner
SECONDER:	Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner
AYES:	Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Approve 2018 Budget Amendment 5, or Court Fees and Carry Forward Balance County Auditor Amy Dent presented the 2018 Budget Amendment 5, for line item: 269-610-52515, the Court Fees Fund and to carry the fund balance forward. County Auditor Dent said \$ 11,000.00, additional revenues were received that was not budgeted.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve the 2018 Budget Amendment for Court Fees Fund and to carry the balance forward.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner
SECONDER:	Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner
AYES:	Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Approve the 2018 Budget Amendment 6, for Inmate Security Fees
County Auditor Amy Dent presented the 2018 Budget Amendment 6, for line item: 212-620-52515, the Inmate Security Fund. County Auditor Dent said there were 212 additional fees and a slight carry forward balance of \$ 2,500.00, to cover expenditures.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve the 2018 Budget Amendment for the Inmate Security Fees Fund.

MOVER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Approve the 2018 Budget Amendment 7, for Additional Sales Tax Revenues County Auditor Amy Dent presented the 2018 Budget Amendment 7, for Line item: 250-900-61201 for an additional \$ 75,459.70, received from the Law Enforcement sales tax revenue.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve the 2018 Budget Amendment for additional sales tax revenue received beyond the anticipated receipts.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote - 10:30 AM Christian County Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles

Discussion - 12-27-18-8 4940 : 2019 Budget: Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles Attendees: County Auditor Amy Dent, Deputy Auditor Rhonda Purvis, Highway Engineer Miranda Beadles and County Clerk Kay Brown taking the minutes.

Ms. Beadles presented the 2019 budget for the Sales Tax Revenue, Fund 221. Ms. Beadles said the sales tax revenue provides the funding for the total disbursements and the sales tax distribution to all the special road districts. Ms. Beadles said the 2019 recommendations show disbursements are a little lower than last year and our carry over has built up. Ms. Beadles said the Riverside Bridge revolving fund was originally from this fund and received reimbursement from MODOT within 30 days. Ms. Beadles said originally, \$ 200,000 .00, came from this account with an ending balance to carry over of \$ 1,235.00.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve 2019 budget proposal for the Sales Tax Revenue Fund 221.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Approve the 2019 Budget for the CART Fund 222

Ms. Beadles presented the 2019 budget for the CART Fund 222. Ms. Beadles said the CART revenue has increased more than projected. The CART funds are governed by statute and provide revenue for the Common 1, Common 2 and the Special Road Districts through the gasoline tax and the purchase of vehicles.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve the 2019 budget for CART Fund 222.

MOVER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Approve the 2019 Budget for Common 1 Road District Fund 231

Ms. Beadles presented the 2019 budget for the Common 1 Road District. Ms. Beadles said the Common 1 Road District has the property tax and National Forest Revenues as well as the interest. Ms. Beadles said this budget shows a slight increase for uniforms. Miranda Beadles said most of the senior foreman have a proposed 5% pay increase to add value for the greater responsibility and skills. Ms. Beadles said it is very difficult to keep people in these positions. All the other employess will receive a 3% pay increase.

Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to approve to approve the 2019 Budget for the Common 1 Road District Fund 231.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Approve the 2019 Budget for Fund 232: Common 2 Road District

Road Engineer, Miranda Beadles, presented the 2019 Budget for Fund 232: Common 2 Road District has no property taxes or national forest revenues and the 2019 proposed budget is in the range of what is anticipated.

Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion to approve the 2019 Budget for the Common 2 Road District- Fund 232.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Approve the 2019 Budget for the Bridge Fund 233

Road Engineer, Miranda Beadles presented 2019 budget for the Bridge Fund 233. Ms. Beadles said they are working with the CART Funding and interest and plan to remain the same unless a bridge fails or grant funds are made available.

Presiding Commissioner Weter entertained a motion concerning the 2019 Budget for the Bridge Fund 233.

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote - 11:00 AM Human Resources Director Amber Bryant

Discussion - 12-27-18-9 12-27-18-9 : 2019 Budget: Human Resources Director Amber Bryant Attendees: County Auditor Amy Dent, Deputy Auditor Rhonda Purvis, Miranda Beadles, Human Resource Director Amanda Bryant and County Clerk Kay Brown taking the minutes

County Auditor Amy Dent presented the budget for Fund 101-240, which is a best guess estimate for the Human Resources Department for what is needed or anticipated.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve the 2019 Budget for Human Resources: Fund 101-240.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote - 11:15 AM Christian County Commission

Discussion - 12-27-18-10 4942 : 2019 Budget: Christian County Commission Attendees: County Auditor Amy Dent, Deputy Auditor Rhonda Purvis and County Clerk Kay Brown taking the minutes.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter reviewed the County Commission 2019 budget and noted there are statutory increases in salaries and two position that will not be filled in 2019, reducing the employee expenses such as FICA, LAGERS, etc.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve 2019 budget for the County Commission Fund 101-010.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Approve 2019 Budget for Fund 101-170 County Operations

Commissioner Phillips asked what fund are the dues listed for the organizations the County is a member of such as: OTO, CCAM, MAC, NACO, and Show Me Christian County which is \$ 25,000.00 a year for 5 years?

County Auditor Amy Dent said she will review the budget that specify the membership dues. Commissioner Phillips said we need to have 101-170 allocated fund to construct a building for all the equipment needed to maintain the county properties. Ms. Dent said the county operations 101-170, would be the fund to use for that purpose. County Auditor said there is also and Increase in the 2019 budget for insurance premiums and legal fees.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve 2019 Budget for Fund 101-170 for County Operations.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Approve the 2019 Budget for Fund 255 the County LERF Board

County Auditor Amy Dent presented Fund 255, the LERF Board Fund (Law Enforcement Restitution Fund). This is an in and out fund that is governed by the LERF Board. Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve the 2019 Budget for Fund 255, the LERF Board.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote - 11:30 AM Clerk of the Circuit Court Barb Stillings

Discussion - 12-27-18-11 12-27-18-11 : 2019 Budget: Clerk of the Circuit Court Barb Stillings Attendees: County Auditor Amy Dent, Deputy Auditor Rhonda Purvis, Circuit Clerk Barb Stillings and County Clerk Kay Brown taking the minutes.

Circuit Clerk Barb Stillings presented the 2019 budget for the Consolidated Courts not knowing how the budget will be influenced with the changes in the building.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve the 2019 budget for the Consolidated Courts: Fund 101-110.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

SECONDER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

Motion/Vote -

Approve 2019 Budget for Law Library Fund 269

County Auditor Amy Dent and Circuit Clerk Barb Stillings presented the 2019 budget for the Law Library Fund 269.

Presiding Commissioner Ray Weter entertained a motion to approve the 2019 Law Library Fund 269.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Ralph Phillips, Eastern Commissioner

SECONDER: Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner

AYES: Ray Weter, Ralph Phillips, Hosea Bilyeu

IV. Adjournment

The meeting was closed at 11:37 AM

Presiding Commissioner, Ray Weter

Hosea Bilyeu

Western Commissioner, Hosea Bilyeu

Ralph Phillips

Eastern Commissioner, Ralph Phillips