



Christian County Commission

Notice is hereby given that the Christian County Commission met in regular session at:
The Historic Christian County Courthouse
100 W. Church Street, Room 100
Ozark, Missouri, 65721
on **June 10, 2019 at 8:55 a.m.**

MEETING MINUTES

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived	Adjourned
Ralph Phillips	Presiding Commissioner	Absent		
Mike Robertson	Eastern Commissioner	Present	8:55 a.m.	11:33 a.m.
Hosea Bilyeu	Western Commissioner	Present	8:55 a.m.	11:33 a.m.
Krista Raleigh	Executive Assistant	Present	8:55 a.m.	11:33 a.m.
Ida Hutcheson	Assistant to the Commission	Present	8:55 a.m.	11:33 a.m.

Attendees: Dr. Pam Duitsman, Joe Weber with Weber Consulting, Captain Floyd, Auditor Amy Dent, HR Director Amber Bryant

A quorum was established. Western Commissioner Bilyeu entertained a motion to approve all items listed on the consent agenda, which included approval of Christian County Commission's regular session agenda for today, June 10, 2019 as published, as well as approval of Christian County Commission's regular session minutes from May 30, 2019. There are no financials to address. Eastern Commissioner Robertson so moved. Western Commissioner Bilyeu seconded the motion.

Aye: Robertson, Bilyeu. Nay: None. Absent: Phillips. Abstain: None.

The Commission met with presenter Dr. Pam Duitsman of MU Extension for her monthly report. Dr. Duitsman presented an Impact Report, a document showcasing the "All Things Missouri" data website, and an Intensive Grazing School sign-up sheet. Discussion was held, and no action was taken. The County Commission was notified after the approval of today's agenda that there will not be rezoning hearings today, therefore, the Commission sat in recess until 11:00 a.m.

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The Commission met with presenter Captain Ronnie Floyd in regards to a bid opening for inmate transportation services. One bid was received, which was from Security Transport Services, Inc. based in Topeka, Kansas. Captain Floyd will review the bid and return Thursday, June 13, 2019 to recommend award. No action was taken.

The Commission met with Auditor Amy Dent regarding the Commission approval process of requisitions. Auditor Dent noted that the week of June 3 – June 7, 2019 there was no quorum present as the Presiding Commissioner and Western Commissioner were both out of the office. Auditor Dent wanted to make sure that there is a set procedure in place for approvals when on the rare occasion there is no quorum present. Counselor Housley had suggested the following:

Section 49.160 RSMo, which provides: "If, by reason of sickness, absence from the county or other preventing cause, the commissioners of any county, or a majority of them, are not able to hold any regular meeting, the judge of the probate division of the circuit court shall hold the term of the commission, except that in counties having more than one circuit judge the presiding judge of the circuit court shall designate one of the circuit judges to hold the term of the county commission."

Section 49.160 provides that if a majority of the County Commissioners are not able to hold a regular meeting in Christian County, the Presiding Judge of the Circuit Court is authorized to designate one of the Circuit Judges to hold the term of the County Commission for the purposes of carrying out the statutory functions of the Commission. This could include such things as signing employee payroll checks, requisitions or contracts if there is a lack of a quorum of County Commissioners at any given point in time.

Accordingly, if the County Commission anticipates two or more Commissioners will be absent during a given point in time which prevents a quorum from being established for a meeting, the Commission should contact Judge Johnson, the Presiding Judge, and request that she enter an Order authorizing Judge Growcock, the other Circuit Judge, to hold a meeting of the County Commission and proceed to carry out any necessary County business. Judge Growcock would then have the statutory authority under Section 49.160 to sign employee payroll checks, requisitions, etc. on behalf of the County Commission. Minutes should be kept by the county clerk or someone in the Commission office of any actions taken by Judge Growcock as the County Commission.

Western Commissioner Bilyeu entertained a motion that if there is an emergency and no quorum is present, that the Commission take the advice of the County Counselor and utilize the Circuit Judges to make approvals of expenditures, and to authorize the System Administrator of our accounting system to create profiles within the system. Eastern Commissioner Robertson so moved. Western Commissioner Bilyeu seconded the motion.

Aye: Robertson, Bilyeu. Nay: None. Absent: Phillips. Abstain: None.

Auditor Dent then noted that Counselor Housley's opinion raised another issue in regards to the current requisition approval process. Auditor Dent noted that Ms. Raleigh is currently approving requisitions on behalf of the Commission, and after speaking with Counselor Housley it was realized that either the Commission should be approving requisitions, or a purchasing agent should be hired. Discussion was held, and Western Commissioner Bilyeu entertained a motion to designate Krista Raleigh (formerly Krista Cronin) as the temporary purchasing agent. Eastern Commissioner Robertson so moved. Western Commissioner Bilyeu seconded the motion.

Aye: Robertson, Bilyeu. Nay: None. Absent: Phillips. Abstain: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:33 a.m.



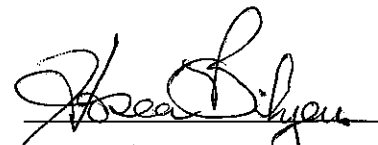
Date: 6-13-2019

Eastern Commissioner
Mike Robertson



Date: _____

Presiding Commissioner
Ralph Phillips



Date: 6-12-19

Western Commissioner
Hosea Bilyeu