

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 22nd, 2020 at 8:55 a.m. MEETING MINUTES

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived	Adjourned
Hosea Bilyeu	Western Commissioner	Present	8:55 a.m.	9:52 a.m.
Ralph Phillips	Presiding Commissioner	Present	8:55 a.m.	9:52 a.m.
Mike Robertson	Eastern Commissioner	Present	8:55 a.m.	9:52 a.m.
Madi Hires	Executive Administrative Assistant	Present	8:55 a.m.	9:52 a.m.

Attendees: Kenny Majors, Sarah Lawson, Andrea Sitzes, Treasurer Karen Matthews, Auditor Amy Dent, Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles, Purchasing Agent Krista Raleigh, Resource Management Director Todd Wiesehan, Sheriff Brad Cole, Alicia Chaves, Captain Koch, Jolene Cunningham, Prosecutor Amy Fite, Pastor Dennis Miller, Chaplin Mike Hamilton, Captain Floyd

A quorum was established. Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda, which included Christian County Commission's agenda for today, June 22nd, 2020 as published, Christian County Commission's regular session minutes dated June 15th, 2020, Certified Court Order No. 06-22-2020-01, and MU Extension Monthly Updates (February-June). Eastern Commissioner Robertson so moved. Western Commissioner Bilyeu seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with Resource Management Director Todd Wiesehan who is the CARES Act Committee Chairperson. Mr. Wiesehan presented two new applications, which were internal to the County and had been reviewed by the committee and approved. The applications included the following offices/departments: Treasurer's Office (\$905.00) and the Resource Management Department (\$930.05).

Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to approve the presented applications for fund reimbursement by the CARES Act Committee. Western Commissioner Bilyeu so moved. Eastern Commissioner Robertson seconded the motion.

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

Presiding Commissioner Phillips wanted to update everyone on CARES Act funding since the situation is very fluid and the guidelines for distributing those funds have been loosely written. He said as of Friday, there is more clarity and as a committee it was discussed to reevaluate the guidelines in which applications have previously been approved. With that being said he noted that the sidebar discussions regarding the distribution of these funds without the County's knowledge is not pleasing. He is not surprised by these comments as anytime there is money involved it shows who is truly a team

player. He lastly added that anyone who thinks he is not looking out for the best interest of the County should come speak to him personally.

The Commissioners recently received a letter from the superintendents of the Christian County school districts. Presiding Commissioner Phillips said that only one superintendent had reached out to him personally prior to this letter being received. The letter is respectfully asking the County to "repeal the decision that states schools are not eligible entities for disbursements by the Christian County CARES Act Relief Funds". Presiding Commissioner Phillips stated that no one has ever said schools or businesses aren't going to receive CARES Act funds. He then asked for Director Wiesehan to elaborate on the update associated to CARES Act funding distributions. Director Wiesehan said that the overall theme from the conference call was the connectivity component, that there needs to be a reasonable expense related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Anticipated budgeted items verses unexpected items that have arisen through this pandemic is the core difference. These funds are not to backfill spending on prior budgeted or planned items. A recent approved application by the committee has been reviewed again due to this updated information. The application is Request No. CCA-009 by the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$1,015,699.31 which referenced an update of the radio communication system. Presiding Commissioner Phillips said that in the best interest of the County, the application should be suspended as it needs further determination if it meets the guidelines for CARES Act funding.

Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to suspend a previously presented application (CCA-009) for fund reimbursement by the CARES Act Committee. Western Commissioner Bilyeu so moved. Eastern Commissioner Robertson seconded the motion.

Presiding Commissioner Phillips expressed that anyone who has questions or concerns regarding how the funds are distributed to contact the CARES Act Committee rather than the Commission Office.

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

The Commission met with Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles for a land use agreement for the Jackson Street widening project in Ozark. The agreement would be for the use of the bottom southeast corner of the County's newest property (2701 W. Jackson St.) to store equipment while the project is ongoing (July 2020 to March 2021). This agreement has already been reviewed and approved by County Counselor John Housley. Western Commissioner Bilyeu inquired if this agreement would affect the upcoming bid for land/hay lease on the new property. Purchasing Agent Krista Raleigh noted it had been included in the bid language and shouldn't be a problem. Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to approve the agreement as presented. Eastern Commissioner Robertson so moved. Western Commissioner Bilyeu seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles for right of way deed for Ponderosa Road. Administrator Beadles noted that they are in the process of upgrading Tory Creek and Ponderosa Roads in Highlandville, they are prepping the roads to be chip n sealed. The property owners have been contacted and an easement agreed to. Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to approve the right of way deed as presented. Western Commissioner Bilyeu so moved. Eastern Commissioner Robertson seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with Assessor Danny Gray for a pictometry agreement. Discussion was held. Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to approve the agreement as presented. Eastern Commissioner Robertson so moved. Western Commissioner Bilyeu seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with Prosecuting Attorney Amy Fite and Sheriff Brad Cole to discuss the designation for a day of prayer in Christian County. Both parties expressed their intentions for the request, noting that the communities are in need of good intentions and prayer with the recent impacts of COVID-19 etc. They would like to begin Wednesday, July 1st in the morning on the square, near the gazebo with a short prayer by Chaplin Hamilton. Later in the day, approximately 4-6:00 p.m. all houses of worship would be encouraged to open their doors and allow for additional prayer by community members. It was discussed that this is a short window, but all parties feel it could be accomplished by working together. Discussion was held. Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion. Western Commissioner Bilyeu moved to designate July 1st as an annual day of prayer in Christian County. Eastern Commissioner Robertson seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with Sheriff Brad Cole and Captain Koch for JCI (Johnson Controls, Inc.) service agreement renewals for the camera system in the jail. Sheriff Cole said this is simply a software support agreement and has been reviewed and approved by County Counselor John Housley. Discussion was held. Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to approve the JCI service agreement for the jail camera system as presented. Eastern Commissioner Robertson so moved. Western Commissioner Bilyeu seconded the motion.

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

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

Date:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

Hosea Bilyeu Western Commissioner

Ralph Phillips Presiding Commissioner Date: <u>06-25-2-10</u>

Mike Robertson Eastern Commissioner