



## 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 **July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 8:55 a.m.**

### MEETING MINUTES

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived	Adjourned
Hosea Bilyeu	Western Commissioner	Present	8:55 a.m.	10:24 a.m.
Ralph Phillips	Presiding Commissioner	Present	8:55 a.m.	10:24 a.m.
Mike Robertson	Eastern Commissioner	Absent		
Madi Hires	Executive Administrative Assistant	Present	8:55 a.m.	10:24 a.m.

Attendees: Collector Ted Nichols, Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles, Auditor Amy Dent, Captain Koch, Alicia Chaves, Jolene Cunningham, Human Resources Director Amber Bryant, Treasurer Karen Matthews,

A quorum was established. Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda, which included Christian County Commission's agenda for today, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as published, Christian County Commission's regular session minutes dated July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and Christian County Commission's regular session minutes dated July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Western Commissioner Bilyeu so moved. Presiding Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with Collector Ted Nichols for his quarterly report. Collector Nichols presented his report verbally, sharing a comparison of taxes collected for May and June 2020 verses 2019. The Collector's Office saw a collection of approximate \$470,000.00 in May of 2019 and \$701,000.00 in May of 2020; \$360,000.00 in June of 2019 and \$679,000.00 in June of 2020. Collector Nichols thinks that the stimulus checks and those temporarily on unemployment during the pandemic have used the additional funds to pay backed taxes. It's not uncommon for the Collector's Office to post over 100 properties for sale for the annual tax sale; this year there were only 85 to be posted. A change to this year's tax sale will include posting a notice on each individual property. The annual tax sale will be Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the Historic Courthouse courtroom. Collector Nichols requested that we make the sale accessible on GoToMeeting and limit the number of individuals in the courtroom for social distancing. Discussion was held. No action was taken.

The Commission met with Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles for the 2020 Sales Tax Distribution agreements. Administrator Beadles stated this process was somewhat delayed this year due to do waiting until all entities submitted their IGAs (Intergovernmental Cost Share Agreement), COVID-19 had forced some boards or entities to delay meeting in person. Administrator Beadles presented 12 IGAs for the Commission to approve and sign, noting that Garrison Special Road District would not be

awarded any funding due to receipts submitted showing violation of their prior IGA. The presented IGAs are as listed: Billings Special Road District, City of Clever, City of Fremont Hills, City of Highlandville, City of Nixa, City of Ozark, City of Sparta, Ozark Special Road District, Selmore Special Road District, Stoneshire Special Road District, South Sparta Special Road District, and the Village of Saddlebrooke.

Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to approve the IGAs as presented. Western Commissioner Bilyeu so moved. Presiding Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter sales tax distributions. Administrator Beadles recommended distributions for both quarters as the funds were available and ready to be distributed. Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to approve the distributions for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter as presented. Western Commissioner Bilyeu so moved. Presiding Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion.

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

9:30 a.m.

Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to enter into closed session per RSMo 610.021.17 (Auditor Communications) by means of roll call vote. Western Commissioner Bilyeu so moved. Presiding Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

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

10:02 a.m.

Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to leave closed session per RSMo 610.021.17 (Auditor Communications) and resume open session by means of roll call vote. Western Commissioner Bilyeu so moved. Presiding Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

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

The Commission met with Captain Koch for the Boulder Creek Performance K-9 agreement. Captain Koch discussed with the Commission the added benefit of adding another K-9, as they identify and locate illegal narcotics, help track missing persons or those who have left the scene of an accident as well as improving officer safety. There are currently two K-9s with the Sheriff's Office and this new K-9 would allow for one to retire. Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to approve the agreement as presented. Western Commissioner Bilyeu so moved. Presiding Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion.


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

The Commission met with Human Resources Director Amber Bryant and Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles to discuss IT server issues. Director Bryant presented a chart to the Commission showing the possible fees associated with updating the County servers as well as discussion on the benefits of doing so. Discussion was held. Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion giving the authorization to seek a quote from PCnet for updating the County servers. Western Commissioner Bilyeu so moved. Presiding Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

  
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Date: 7/20/2020  
Hosea Bilyeu  
Western Commissioner

  
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Date: 7/20/2020  
Ralph Phillips  
Presiding Commissioner

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ABSENT  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mike Robertson  
Eastern Commissioner