

## **Christian County Commission**

Notice is hereby given that the Christian County Commission met in regular session at:

The Christian County Historic Building

100 W. Church St. Room 100

Ozark, Missouri, 65721

On **May 14**th, **2021**, at **11:15 a.m.** 

## **MEETING MINUTES**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived	Adjourned
Hosea Bilyeu	Western Commissioner	Absent		
Ralph Phillips	Presiding Commissioner	Present	11:15 a.m.	11:37 a.m.
Lynn Morris	Eastern Commissioner	Present	11:15 a.m.	11:37 a.m.
Madi Hires	Executive Administrative Assistant	Present	11:15 a.m.	11:37 a.m.
Karla Jenkins	Commission Receptionist	Absent		

Attendees: Terry Kitterman, Sheriff Brad Cole, Alicia Chaves, Auditor Amy Dent, Human Resources Director Amber Bryant, Krista Raleigh, Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles, Cindy Childress, Rance Burger with the CC Headliner, Resource Management Director Todd Wiesehan and Ozark Police Chief Justin Arnold.

A quorum was established. Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda, which included the Christian County Commission's agenda for today, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 as posted; an emergency purchase by the Assessor's Office for an HVAC system (\$21,642.12 – quote provided by Hambey Construction); and emergency procurement documentation for the Highway Department regarding a well for the Common II shop (previously approved on February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021) totaling \$14,120.00 (work done by Rains Pump Service & Drilling). There are no minutes. Eastern Commissioner Morris so moved. Presiding Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with Sheriff Brad Cole for an IGA with the Ozark Police Department. The presented agreement has been in effect for several years, today it is simply being updated to reflect a change in leadership (County Commission, Ozark Mayor, and Ozark Police Chief).

Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to approve the IGA as presented. Eastern Commissioner Morris so moved. Presiding Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with Sheriff Brad Cole for a contract amendment with HomeWAV. HomeWAV provides service to the jail for the inmates. The amendment is to add hardware to existing equipment to allow inmates to have tablets so they can access their commissary funds, directly access the law library (to allow them to work on their GEDs etc.), work on their drug treatment or read the Bible. The additions come at no cost to the County.

Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to approve the service agreement amendment as presented. Eastern Commissioner Morris so moved. Presiding Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with Auditor Amy Dent and Human Resources Director Amber Bryant for a requested CARES update. Director Bryant noted that she had previously met with Eastern Commissioner Morris, and he had a desire to address any remaining CARES funds and how the County planned to spend them before the deadline.

Director Bryant presented a suggestion to use the remaining funds on additional salary reimbursements, noting that using the remaining funds for anything other than what they have previously been used for is a red flag. She added that from an HR standpoint, to remind everyone that words have weight, and everyone should be respectful of one another.

Eastern Commissioner Morris thanked Director Bryant, noting that inquiring on these funds was in no way suggesting that the CARES Committee did not do a good job distributing funds, rather that those in the community have asked what was remaining and he simply did not know.

Auditor Dent estimates \$1.1 million remains of the funds. If the salary reimbursement is approved, then there will be an estimated \$211,000.00 remaining. She also recommended any entity to submit their payroll expenses by the end of June to be considered for this final disbursement.

Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion. Eastern Commissioner Morris moved to extend salary reimbursements from CARES funding to the entities presented (City of Clever; City of Nixa – Administration; Nixa Fire Protection; Nixa Police Department; City of Ozark – PD; Ozark Fire District; and Sparta Police Department), to the extent allowable. Presiding Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ABSENT\_\_\_\_\_
Date: \_\_\_\_

Hosea Bilyeu Western Commissioner Date: 5/27/21

Ralph Phillips Presiding Commissioner Date 5/26/4

Lynn Morris Eastern Commissioner