

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 the 8th day of November 2022, at 9:00 a.m.
Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Presiding Commissioner Ralph Phillips - Absent
Eastern Commissioner Lynn Morris
Western Commissioner Hosea Bilyeu
Commission Executive Assistant, Tammy Nuckolls
County Auditor, Amy Dent
Resource Management Director, Todd Wiesehan
Highway Administrator, Miranda Beadles
City of Ozark Mayor, Brad Jackson
CCHD, Brent Young

A quorum was established at 9:00 am.

Eastern Commissioner Morris (serving as Presiding Commissioner) entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda, which includes approval of today's agenda and approval of regular session minutes from November 1st, 2022, and November 3rd, 2022.

Eastern Commissioner Morris entertained the motion to approve. Western Commissioner Bilyeu made the motion. Eastern Commissioner Morris seconded the motion.

Aye: Western Commissioner Bilyeu and Eastern Commissioner Morris.

Motion passed

The Commissioners met with presenter Miranda Beadles, Highway Administrator, to discuss the Q3 Sales Tax Distribution to the five eligible counties in our county. This is the 3rd quarter distributing 25% to each group. The distribution total came out to 207,942.00, and we have 524,741.19 available. We are good to allocate that funding to South Sparta Special, Billings Special, Ozark Special, Stoneshire Special, and Selmore Special.

The commissioners met with presenter Amy Dent/Miranda Beadles to discuss the proposed Budget Amendment Presentation. We have received additional revenues and additional expenses in the road sales tax budget. We are presenting a requested budget amendment by statute. It has to lay out for ten days. This will increase the total amount allowed that the highway department is allowed to expend for 2022. Everything has a sufficient fund balance, and we won't exceed budgeted expenditures. We will meet back in two weeks to vote on it.

The commissioners met with presenter Amy Dent/Todd Wiesehan regarding the 2022 Budget Adjustment - Recycle Center. We are not amending a budget; we are adjusting the budget; we are allowed to do this in the last two months of the year. Todd received a grant to purchase a forklift; the grant did not cover the entire forklift. We need to add some available balance to the recycling budget. Amy is proposing to take that from county operations capital improvements projects because we have a quarter million dollars in that budget. We would take out 27,732.00. We will be reimbursed 11,940.74 from the grant. So about 16,000.00 will be coming out of that account.

Eastern Commissioner Morris entertained the motion to approve. Western Commissioner Bilyeu Motioned to approve that adjustment in the budget. Eastern Commissioner Morris seconded the motion.

Aye: Western Commissioner Bilyeu and Eastern Commissioner Morris.
Motion passed

The commissioners met with presenter Amy Dent, Auditor, regarding Gilmore & Bell. They administer the reporting for our bond debt service at the circuit court building. They charge us less than 3,000 a year to do this. Their contract expires, so we need to renew it. We will need to send this to Mr. Housley for review and will leave it for Presiding Commissioner Ralph Phillips to sign.

Eastern Commissioner Morris entertained the motion to renew the contract with this company and have Mr. Housley check it, then have Presiding Commissioner execute the contract. Western Commissioner Bilyeu made the motion that we approve this contract contingent upon the review by our county's attorney and signature by our Presiding Commissioner. Eastern Commissioner Morris seconded the motion.

Aye: Western Commissioner Bilyeu and Eastern Commissioner Morris.
Motion passed


The commissioners met with presenter Todd Wiesehan, Resource Management Director, regarding the Chadwick Flyer Trail – The plan is to develop a bike/pedestrian bridge that will cross the highway. We are looking at a 4-million-dollar project, and we have an opportunity to receive a 1.5 million grant to help pay for this. As with most grant applications, community matching funds are considered. Christian County is being asked to commit 375,000. This would be combined with 375,000 thousand from Ozark and 1.5 million from the OTO TAP. Todd is asking the Commission to commit to allocating funds for this project. Our goal for both Ozark and the County is to contribute.

Eastern Commissioner Morris entertained the motion to approve. Western Commissioner Bilyeu made the motion that the recommendation to the County Commission is to formally vote to confirm the Commission's intent to authorize OTO to make use of \$375,000 from our STBG-Urban funding balance as a matching community contribution for the purpose of constructing a Chadwick Flyer trail bridge over US65 upon the successful award of the MoDED Local Tourism Asset Development Grant. Eastern Commissioner Morris seconded the motion.

Aye: Western Commissioner Bilyeu and Eastern Commissioner Morris.
Motion passed

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 am.


Western Commissioner
Hosea Bilyeu


Presiding Commissioner
Ralph Phillips


Eastern Commissioner
Lynn Morris