## **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 13<sup>th</sup> day of December 2022, at 8:30 a.m.

Meeting Minutes

## Attendees:

Presiding Commissioner Ralph Phillips - Absent
Eastern Commissioner Lynn Morris
Western Commissioner Hosea Bilyeu
Commission Executive Assistant Tammy Nuckolls
Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles
Ozark Mayor Brad Jackson
County Auditor Amy Dent
Purchasing Agent Kim Hopkins-Will
Judge, Laura Johnson
Judge, Jessica Kruse
CCHD, Brent Young

County Clerk, Kay Brown
Resource Management Director Todd Wiesehan
Highlandville Mayor, Clint Ellingsworth
County Auditor, Amy Dent
Maintenance Supervisor, Richard Teague
Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles
CCJO, Perry Barnes
CCJO, Kane Northcutt
Nicholas Holliday

A quorum was established at 8:30 am.

Eastern Commissioner Morris (serving as Presiding Commissioner) entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda, which includes approval of today's agenda, approval of regular session minutes from November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022, and November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022, and closed session minutes from November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022, per RSM. 610.021.3, regarding personnel and Court Order #12-13-2022-01.

Eastern Commissioner Morris asked for the motion to approve the consent agenda. Western Commissioner Bilyeu made the motion. Eastern Commissioner Morris seconded the motion. Aye: Eastern Commissioner Morris, Western Commissioner Bilyeu Motion passed

The Commissioners met with Judge Johnson and Judge Kruse regarding the Mt. Grove Juvenile Facility (Regional Detention Center). Judge Johnson gave a summary from last week's Commission meeting. We recommend renewing this lease and regional contract and continuing this relationship for another five years. What would be the disadvantage of doing a two-year instead of a 5-year contract? The disadvantage is that this would cause a renegotiation of a contract with five different counties and five different county commissions, which may be approved or not approved and might throw the whole thing into flux. At the end of this five-year term, the commission's concern will be on my radar about maybe wanting to reduce the term of this contract. I will begin those conversations earlier with other counties and see if they are agreeable to working out something else.

Eastern Commissioner Morris would like to have the motion to approve renewing the contract and lease for another five years; Western Commissioner Bilyeu made the motion, Eastern Commissioner Morris seconded the motion.

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

The commissioners met with Kay Brown regarding the Destruction of Records. I wanted the destruction of these documents in the record. These have been noted in the minutes.

The Commissioners met with presenter Amy Dent regarding the 2023 Auditor's Office Budget Hearing. The main changes from last year are the COLA and salary schedules implemented through Human Resources, the health insurance increase, and a large increase in computer software.

Eastern Commissioner Morris needs a motion to approve the auditor's budget. Western Commissioner Bilyeu moved; Eastern Commissioner Morris seconded the motion. Aye: Eastern Commissioner Morris and Western Commissioner Bilyeu Motion Approved

The Commissioners met with presenter Amy Dent regarding the 2023 Unassigned Funds Budget Hearing. The main highlights would be for funds 201 & 250, which are law enforcement sales tax funds. These have in the past been used as operational funds when they should have been used as trust funds. So, we are reverting them to their original purpose. You will see a very large increase in General Revenue, Revenue Estimate that is due to the reimbursement from funds 201 & 250. The ARPA budget is anticipated to be spent in 2023. Funds 420 & 430 have reserve requirements—fund 255, which is the Law Enforcement Restitution fund which is handled by a committee.

Eastern Commissioner Morris needs a motion to approve the final transfer of the budget that Amy Dent was talking about. Western Commissioner Bilyeu made the motion that we approve the 2023 Unassigned Funds Budget as presented by Amy Dent. Eastern Commissioner seconded the motion. Aye: Western Commissioner Bilyeu and Eastern Commissioner Morris. Motion passed

The Commissioners met with presenter Amy Dent and Richard Teague regarding the 2023 Facilities Management Budget Hearing. There are a few changes to the budget from 2021, except that we did away with one custodian position. There are some slight increases in fuel. The facilities management team has done an excellent job of keeping costs down.

Eastern Commissioner Morris needs a motion to approve the facilities budget, Western Commissioner Bilyeu entertained a motion, Eastern Commissioner Morris seconded the motion. Aye: Eastern Commissioner Morris and Western Commissioner Bilyeu Motion Approved

The Commissioners met with presenter Miranda Beadles regarding Municipal Cost Share Request - Highlandville: ST -2022-01. In 2020 we modified our sales tax distribution program. They created the Municipal Cost Share Fund; they put a certain amount of funds in that every quarter. Those municipalities can apply for funding if there is a need or an emergency or health and safety issue. Miranda created an application. This is our first application in that program. The Mayer has requested stabilization and rebuild for a box culvert on the North side of Highlandville. If this broke down, there would be folks with no access to Highlandville Road. A recommendation is for the Commission to approve \$7,500. The county will not be doing the work, Mayor has a local contractor that has repaired the previous two box culverts, and he is going to hire him to do this job.

Eastern Commissioner Morris asked for the motion to approve the inter-governmental award between the county and Highlandville for \$7,500.00; 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 Kim Hopkins-Will regarding Award: ITB #2022-26 – Annual Contract for Bulk Highway Salt (Deicing) the Products for County Roads. We received four bids, two were no bids, and one was from Central Salt and Williams diversified materials. Highway Administrator Beadles would like to entertain a contract for both bidders, which our contract allows. My recommendation is to award both Williams Diversified as the primary and Central Salt as the secondary contract.

Eastern Commissioner Morris entertains a motion to approve the primary and secondary contracts, as Kim stated, for salt for this year. Western Commissioner Bilyeu makes the motion that we approve those two companies, one as primary and one as secondary. Eastern Commissioner Morris seconded the motion.

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:09

Hosea Bilyeu

**Presiding Commissioner** Ralph Phillips

Lynn Morris