

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 3rdrd day of January 2023, at 9:00 a.m.
Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Lynn Morris, Presiding Commissioner	Jon Jackson, IT
Bradley Jackson, Eastern Commissioner	Bill Rawlings, IT
Hosea Bilyeu, Western Commissioner	Alicia Chaves, Sheriff Executive Administrator
Miranda Beadles P.E., Highway Administrator	Kim Hopkins-Will, Purchasing Agent
Brent Young, Road Superintendent	Nicholas Holladay, Christian County Library
Barb Stillings, Circuit Clerk	Eryn Burton, Clerk Admin
Kristin Jackson, citizen	Paula Brumfield, Clerk
Becka Jackson, citizen	Brad Cole, Sheriff
Riley Jackson, citizen	Laura Rush, citizen
Amber Bryant, Human Resources Director	Richard Teague, Building Maintenance Supervisor
Amy Dent, Auditor	Austin Fax, Attorney, Lowther-Johnson
Rocky Seiner, Patrol Cpt	Todd Wiesehan, Human Resources Director
Ronald Floyd, Jail Cpt	Don Currance, citizen
Chris Snyder, citizen	Ashley Hannah, Highway Department
Danny Gray, Assessor	Joan Doss, Planning and Development Administrator

A quorum was established at 9:00 a.m.

Presiding Commissioner Lynn Morris and Western Commissioner Hosea Bilyeu

Commissioner Morris entertained a motion of approval for the consent agenda for January 3rd, 2023, with the removal of “public time” until reviewed by the new County Attorney, Austin Fax; which was posted in accordance with statute and approval of open minutes from December 29th, 2022, Commissioner Bilyeu made the motion to approve the consent agenda. No financials were presented. Commissioner Morris seconded the motion.

Aye: Commissioner Bilyeu and Commissioner Morris.

Motion passed.

Swear in Eastern Commissioner Brad Jackson – Paula Brumfield

Christian County Clerk, Paula Brumfield swore in Bradley Jackson as the Christian County Eastern Commissioner.

A quorum was re-established.

Presiding Commissioner Lynn Morris, Western Commissioner Hosea Bilyeu, Eastern Commissioner Bradley Jackson

Discuss and Ratify the Contract for Austin Fax, Attorney for Lowther Johnson - Commission

Commissioner Morris made the motion to approve the contract, Commissioner Jackson moved, Commissioner Bilyeu seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Swear in Lawyer Austin Fax – Paula Brumfield
Christian County Clerk, Paula Brumfield swore in Austin Fax as the Christian County Attorney.

Inmate Medical Renewal with Turnkey Health – Brad Cole

Sheriff Brad Cole requested the 3rd and final renewal with Turnkey Health Clinics, LLC for Inmate Medical Services, with a 3% cost increase.

Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to approve renewal, Commissioner Bilyeu made the motion, Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion.

Aye: Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Bilyeu, and Commissioner Jackson

Motion passed.

Award: RFP #2022-28 Vehicle Lease Purchase – Kim Hopkins-Will

Purchasing Agent Kim Hopkins-Will presented the RFP for the lease purchase of a 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe for the Sheriff's Department. ACME, KS State Bank, and OakStar Bank submitted proposals. DEA Taskforce will make the lease payments, and once the lease is fully paid, the Sheriff's Department will own the vehicle. OakStar Bank was chosen for the award of RFP.

Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to approve the award to OakStar Bank, Commissioner Jackson made the motion, Commissioner Bilyeu seconded the motion.

Aye: Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Bilyeu, and Commissioner Jackson

Motion passed.

Zoom Internet Discussion and Vote – Commission

IT Department Bill Rawlings and Jon Jackson recommend the Zoom program for recording and public access for Commission Meetings. The cost to use would be \$150 annually. New laptops and other equipment would need to be purchased.

Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to approve the program, Commissioner Bilyeu made the motion, Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion.

Aye: Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Bilyeu, Commissioner Jackson

Motion passed.

More Robust Meeting System Discussion – Commission

A discussion was held regarding the Zoom program for meetings. There has yet to be a definite start time for when the meetings would go live with this program. The program could be better for larger meeting spaces; we will look into another software program for Courtroom meetings at a future date.

Discussion on County 3% Tax on Recreational Marijuana – Commission

A discussion was held on whether Christian County should put a 3% tax on all recreational marijuana purchases. With the 3% tax revenue, the County would allocate funds to different County departments. Commissioners recommended that all departments submit proposed budget increases due to the crime increase in the recreational use of marijuana. The decision on the tax will be put on the April 4th ballot. Continued discussion of this agenda item will be held on January 10th, 2023.

Building Maintenance Quarterly Report – Richard Teague

Building Maintenance Supervisor Richard Teague presented the 2022 4th quarter report.

10:00 am – Planning and Zoning – Joan Doss

Planning and Development Administrator Joan Doss presented the request for a zoning change for Art Zone, LLC, case number 2022-0303. The current Zoning is O-2 (General Office), and we would like to rezone it to C-2 (General Commercial).

Commissioner Morris entertained a motion for rezoning approval, Commissioner Jackson made the motion, Commissioner Bilyeu seconded the motion.

Aye: Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Bilyeu, Commissioner Jackson

Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned.



Western Commissioner
Hosea Bilyeu



Presiding Commissioner
Lynn Morris



Eastern Commissioner
Bradley Jackson