

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 27th day of June 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Presiding Commissioner, Lynn Morris	Purchasing Agent, Kim Hopkins-Will
Eastern Commissioner, Bradley Jackson	Human Resources Director, Amber Bryant
Western Commissioner, Hosea Bilyeu	Sergeant Graham
Commission Executive Assistant, Tammy Nuckolls	CC Links, Andrea Swope
Tory Pegram	Road Superintendent, Brent Young
Highway Administrator, Miranda Beadles	IT Manager, Bill Rawlings
County Auditor, Amy Dent	Tonya & Adelynn Gardner
Maintenance Supervisor, Richard Teague	BJ Jones
Robert & Beverly Hughes	Michael West
Andy Iorg	Dan Cordder
Commercial Appraiser, Jeremy Burns	IT Specialist, John Beadles
Polly Dross	

A quorum was established at 9:01 am.

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda, which includes approval of today's agenda, approval of regular session minutes from June 20th, 2023, and approval of financials –Court Order #06-27-2023-01.

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda as stated. Western Commissioner Bilyeu made the motion; Eastern Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion.

Aye: Presiding Commissioner Lynn Morris, Western Commissioner Bilyeu, Eastern Commissioner Jackson

Motion passed.

The Commissioners met with presenter Purchasing Agent Hopkins-Will and Sergeant Graham regarding Award: Panic Button Alarm System – ITB #2023-0015. This is the first electronic bidding that we have done, and the bidders had no problem entering their information. The reporting is clear, concise, organized, and easy to compare the bidder's responses and summarize the results. Kim Hopkins-Will wanted to thank Springfield Public Schools Manager Kara Daniel for coming to Ozark and assisting with our first bid electronic bid opening. The evaluation committee was Sergeant Graham, Captain Larose, and Bill Rawlings. We received two proposals, Capital Electronics Sales Inc. and SecureTech Systems, Inc. The evaluation committee consensus was that SecureTech Systems provided the lowest and best overall bid for the Panic Button Alarm System. We are asking for you to award this to SecureTech.

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to approve. Eastern Commissioner Jackson made the motion, Western Commissioner Bilyeu seconded the motion

Aye: Presiding Commissioner Lynn Morris, Commissioner Bilyeu, Eastern Commissioner Bradley Jackson

Motion passed

The Commissioners met with presenter Purchasing Agent Hopkins-Will and Amber Bryant regarding Award: ITB #2023-8 Employee Drug Screening Services. In 2018 the Commission made an agreement with Tox Review, which was a testing company here in Ozark. The gentleman retired, and he sold that to KT Health which is located in Springfield. KT Health honored our original price with Tox Review, but we didn't like for our people to drive to Kearney in Springfield. We received three proposals, DSI Medical Services, KT Health Clinics, and Tomo Drug Testing. Unfortunately, KT Health was nonresponsive. After reviewing the proposals, we went to the lowest and best bid, DNI Services. They have agreements with multiple facilities. One is in Nixa. They come on-site when we do randoms. Our recommendation is to award DSI Medical Services. They also offer background checks.

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion. Western Commissioner Bilyeu made the motion, Eastern Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion

Aye: Presiding Commissioner Lynn Morris, Commissioner Bilyeu, Eastern Commissioner Bradley Jackson

Motion passed

The Commissioners met with presenter Purchasing Agent Hopkins-Will regarding Surplus Property GovDeals.com. The Circuit Clerks' office had some reorganizing and Spring cleaning, and we always go to departments and elected officials for first right of refusal to see if they need it. If they don't, we have a deal with Govdeals.com, and we had five items that went out for a surplus. They have all been paid and picked up for \$5820.00 to the county.

The Commissioners met regarding the CC Links Board Appointments.

Eastern Commissioner Jackson – The appointments were brought to us, three reappointments and a new individual interested in serving. I don't know a few of these people. In the effort of consistency, we should follow the same process with the library board, with Senate Bill 40. I would like to know who they are when I put my stamp of approval. I would prefer that we do not appoint these board members today but do a little background to ensure no other parties are interested in serving.

Western Commissioner Hosea Bilyeu - Our counselor made it clear that we don't have to utilize the same process with every board. We have to learn to invest trust in organizations that are part of what we are doing. I would invest trust in the CC Links and their board, and I would not go through that process.

Presiding Commissioner Morris – I have been involved with CC Links for ten years or more. Every organization is going to be different in this county. I have never heard of a complaint about what the board members do with CC Links. Mr. Fax stated that we don't have to do everything the same way. I called Brian Stone yesterday, spent 25 minutes on the phone with him, and got to know him. Since we have had no complaints about CC Links or these three reappointment members. I know a lot about the new appointment with Mr. Brian Stone after a 25-minute conversation. I am very comfortable with the first three.

Eastern Commissioner Jackson – I ask that we delay this vote for a week. I ask that I can Vet these individuals before voting.

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to delay nominations until July 3rd. Eastern Commissioner Jackson made the motion, Western Commissioner Bilyeu seconded the motion

Aye: Presiding Commissioner Lynn Morris, Commissioner Bilyeu, Eastern Commissioner Bradley Jackson

Motion passed

The Commissioners met regarding a discussion on Large Gatherings. Just recently, over in the Bruner area, we had a large gathering that started early in the evening and lasted past midnight. There was a question if


they had a permit to have hundreds of people on their property. Resident - Neighbors were concerned and called the nonemergency dispatch, and I was told there was a licensed event in the area and that it had already been checked out and to basically not to call back again. My daughter was scared, our road is narrow, and it's not equipped to handle that many people. I was cautioned about what was going on at the event. Resident – We are concerned as part of this community where events are held like that in a subdivision. This was permitted for 800 people. My son said the music was so explicit that he called the Sheriff's department, and they said our lieutenants told us to stand down and that this was a permitted event without checking or knowing what was going on there. Is it legal to hold an event in Christian Count with drugs and alcohol there? They made it known they will have multiple events, and \$60 – \$100 dollars is being charged to enter. There was nudity; what must we do to get this safe? I called, and dispatch said that our lieutenant said to stand down, that it was a permitted event, and that a deputy would get ahold of you. The deputy called and didn't let me speak; that's the first thing he said. I said maybe we need to get the Sheriff and lieutenant out of bed, and you need to come out here and see what's happening. Stand down? That doesn't make sense to me when we have drugs and alcohol going up and down the roadways. What must we do to ensure the proper channels are being met? We have to worry about our children driving down a one-way road with intoxicated drivers. There is another event going to happen on July 4th. Presiding Commissioner Morris and EMA Director Phil Amtower agreed that we need to look at the county website and update the event policy. We will have to have a work-study to develop a new policy. Presiding Commissioner Morris will call Mr. Fax and see what is legal. There was no permit issued for that event that took place. Eastern Commissioner Jackson stated that 911 records show two phone calls were made. There is no representation from the Sheriff's office here. I am willing to meet as many times as we can to fix this. Presiding Commissioner Morris

The Commissioners met regarding Communications.


-Commissioner Meeting will be held Monday, July 3rd at 9 am on the 2nd floor due to the holiday.

Closed Session per RSMo 610.021.2, Real Estate

This meeting adjourned at 10:02 am


Western Commissioner
Hosea Bilyeu
7-3-2023
Date


Presiding Commissioner
Lynn Morris
July 3, 2023
Date


Eastern Commissioner
Bradley A. Jackson
July 3, 2023
Date