

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 18th day of July 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Presiding Commissioner, Lynn Morris	Human Resources Director, Amber Bryant
Eastern Commissioner, Bradley Jackson	HR Benefits Coordinator, Krista Raleigh
Western Commissioner, Hosea Bilyeu	Jeff Mark
Commission Executive Assistant, Tammy Nuckolls	Jody Pena
County Auditor, Amy Dent	David Lundstom
Highway Administrator, Miranda Beadles	IT Manager, Bill Rawlings
Prosecutor, Kristen Tuohy	Resource Management Director, Todd Wiesehan
Treasurer, Karen Matthews	Sherriff Cole
IT Specialist John Beadles	Prosecutor, Kristen Tuohy
Counselor, Austin Fax	Renee Brumett
Stan Armer	Candace Anderson
Greg Anderson	Paula Haik
Matt Macfarland	Dave Emerson
Terry Kitterman	G. Garry
Chris Stockdale	Kim H.
Rich Hall	Cody Lunsford
Julie Jones	

A quorum was established at 9:00 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 July 11th, 2023, approval of regular session minutes from July 3rd, 2023, approval of work-study session minutes from July 11th, 2023, and approval of financials – Christian County, Missouri Annual Financing Disclosure Report (FYE 12/31/2022)

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

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

Motion passed.

The Commissioners met with presenter Amber Bryant regarding The Employee Services Quarterly Report. Amber presented her report. A discussion was held.

The Commissioners met with presenters Greg Anderson & Rich Hall to discuss Chadwick Fire PILT! The money comes in two avenues, PILT and Secure Rural Schools Funding. Secure Rural School Funding comes down in three potentially different titles, and each title has its own set of rules. This year they have sent a letter to all participating counties nationwide, saying that you can now make elections to decide what you want to do with your Secure Rural Schools Funding. You can switch your election from Title 1 to Title 2 and Title 3. Greg Anderson is here today to find out if you can use Title 2 or Title 3 money under the Secure Rural Schools portion of your government funding to help the Chadwick Fire Department. Secure Rural Schools funding is not your best bet. It wouldn't make sense for you to go through the election process to

take a percentage of your Title 1 money and put it into Title 3 so Greg Anderson could buy some equipment. It would be much easier to take PILT money, which has no restrictions on how you spend it, and take a sliver of that which would help Greg Anderson with his fire department. Presiding Commissioner Morris would like to have a work-study session and would love to carve out some money to give to the volunteer fire department. Chadwick Fire Department is hoping it's residual and not one lump sum.

The Commissioners met to Discussion & Vote on Latch Fund. This is the first year the Mo Assoc. of Counties has requested this. This is money that the Federal Government has given the county 168,364.72, and we have received half of this. They are asking all the counties receiving this money to donate 1%, which for us would be 1,683.65. This would allow the association to go to DC and petition the government to continue this funding. We will table this and look into what other counties are going to do. We will continue this discussion at a later date.

The Commissioners met with presenter Miranda Beadles regarding the Bid Award, Water & Sewer Infrastructure for County Property @ 2701 W Jackson St. Miranda is presenting what we received for bids for the water and sewer at the new campus. The engineers' estimate before the bid was just over 1.7 million dollars for the entire project. The low bid came in at 1.13 million dollars. The low bidder was K&B Equipment. We received a total of five bids. We would like to award this to K&B.

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to approve this bid by K&B Equipment Company. 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 regarding the Library Board of Trustee Appointment. Diana Brazeale, who represents the Ozark district, and Echo Alexander, who represents the Highlandville district. We are not voting, just signing the Appointment Letters.

The Commissioners met to discuss the potential Energy Grant. We have the opportunity to receive 77,850.00 from the Federal Government. We have to decide if we want to apply for this grant. What department in this county would be the most appropriate to use this money? Amy forwarded this information to Mr. Wiesehan. It's an energy-efficient related grant. With this amount of money, we are looking at replacing fleet vehicles with electric vehicles. We have plans to develop a charging station on that property. The charging station is intended for public use. The plan would be for Mr. Wiesehan to put this grant together a grant proposal.

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to approve. Eastern Commissioner Jackson made the motion that we allow Mr. Wiesehan to pursue this grant; Western Commissioner Bilyeu seconded the motion.

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

Motion passed.

The Commissioners met regarding Communications.


- All the Commissioners received the Special Event Process draft from Mr. Fax. We need to look, evaluate, make changes, and vote on this.
- Working with a corporation that has a national magazine, Business View. We have been chosen to be featured in a publication at no charge. Show Me, Christian County is going to lead it.

- Tammy will send a notice to add one more meeting this week.
- Senate Bill 190. MAC is having a call on this. We will have a work-study. Mr. Fax's office is researching this now and has put together a draft.


Recess at 10:16

10:16 - Closed Session per RSMo 610.021.19 & RSMo 610.021.21

This meeting adjourned at 11:28 am


Western Commissioner
Hosea Bilyeu
7-25-2023
Date


Presiding Commissioner
Lynn Morris
7/25/23
Date


Eastern Commissioner
Bradley A. Jackson
7-25-23
Date