

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 St. Room 100
Ozark, Missouri, 65721

on the 10th day of July 2025 at 9:00 a.m. **MEETING MINUTES**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived	Adjourned
Johnny Williams	Western Commissioner	Present	9:00 a.m.	11:34 a.m.
Bradley A. Jackson	Eastern Commissioner	Present	9:00 a.m.	11:34 a.m.
Lynn Morris	Presiding Commissioner	Present	9:00 a.m.	11:34 a.m.
Madi Raines	Minutes Secretary	Present	9:00 a.m.	11:34 a.m.

Attendees: Sheriff Brad Cole, County Counselor Austin Fax, Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles, John Beadles, Kelsee Embree, Eryn Flood, Mark Hamilton, Lt. Tim Clothier, Lt. Mark Maples, Bill Rawlings, Chris Twitchel

Susan Amyx, Andy Arndt, Mark Boyle, Michael Bridges, Chris Bryant, James Circo, Chris Coughenour, Amelia Curtis, Devon Davidson, Johnny Davidson, Kristy Davidson, Debbie Ebersold, Scott Ebersold, Barbara Fluty, Mike Fluty, Julia Fry, Amanda Ginter, Sara Hough, Ronnie Keithley, Heather King, Jaredd King, Susan Hicks, Rudy Hicks, Patti Hobbs, Stephen Hobbs, Larry LaRock, Marsha Lawrence, Herbert Lundy, Theresa Maples, Tom Merritt, Zoe McIntyre, Richard Neal, Joe Nelson, Samantha Payne, Duane Patterson, Christine Richele, Kenny Riley, Zach Riley, Renee Rethman, Gareth Rowell, Milissa Rowell, Marilyn Savage, Amanda Saterlee, Susan Spence, Gary Thater, Val Thater, Bob Titus, Lloyd Walles, Jym Wilson

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

Items to be removed from the consent agenda:

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda, which included Christian County Commission's agenda for today July 10, 2025, as posted, Christian County Commission's regular session minutes dated June 18, 2025; Christian County Commission's regular session minutes dated June 20, 2025; Christian County Commission's regular session minutes dated June 24, 2025; Christian County Commission's regular session minutes dated June 26, 2025; Christian County Commission's regular session minutes dated June 30, 2025; Christian County Commission's closed session minutes per RSMo 610.021.1 (litigation) dated June 30, 2025; and three financials, Certified Court Order no. 07-10-2025-01, The Auditor's Monthly report (June 2025), and Change Order no. 07 for the Campus Construction project. Eastern Commissioner Jackson so moved. Western Commissioner Williams seconded the motion.

Aye: Jackson, Morris, Williams. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

The Commission met for the hearing on the petition to vacate a portion of Holder Road. Western Commissioner Williams gave a brief description of the hearing order and rules for today's meeting. The petitioners and remonstrants were each given 60 minutes to share information, witness testimony and exhibits.

The petitioners had information and testimony shared by Susan Spence and Patricia Hobbs. The remonstrants had information and testimony shared by their Attorney Michael Bridges, Joe Nelson, Herb Lundy, Dwayne Patterson, Gary Thater, Amanda Ginter, Amanda Saterlee, Ronnie Keithley (Clever Fire Chief), Jaredd King, and Marsha Lawrence. The Commission had information and testimony shared by Sheriff Brad Cole, Nixa Fire Chief Lloyd Walles, Highway Administrator Miranda Beadles, and Republic Fire Chief Duane Compton.

The Commission had a brief discussion.

Western Commissioner Williams stated, "We are here to consider a Petition filed to vacate a portion of Holder Road under RSMo 228.110. That statute places the burden on the Petitioners to show that the portion of road they seek to vacate is "useless, and the repairing of the same an unreasonable burden upon the County. Whether a public road is "useless" is determined by whether it is of public utility and our Supreme Court has indicated that a finding of the ground for vacation required under Section 228.110(1) is, in effect, a finding of no public utility. Having considered all of the evidence in this case, including the testimony and exhibits of the Petitioners and Remonstrators and the evidence, I do not find that the Petitioners have met their burden."

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to deny the petition to vacate a portion of Holder Road by means of roll call vote. Western Commissioner Williams so moved. Eastern Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion

Roll Call Vote

Aye: Jackson, Morris, Williams. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to have County Counselor Fax draft an order with findings to that effect for consideration and approval by the Commission. Western Commissioner Williams so moved. Eastern Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Aye: Jackson, Morris, Williams. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:34 a.m.

Date:_

Johnny Williams Western Commissioner

Lynn Morris

Presiding Commissioner

Date: July 14, 2026

Bradley A. Jackson Eastern Commissioner