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 **24th** day of **September 2026** at **9:00 a.m.**

MEETING MINUTES

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived	Adjourned
Johnny Williams	Western Commissioner	Present	9:00 a.m.	9:48 a.m.
Bradley A. Jackson	Eastern Commissioner	Present	9:00 a.m.	9:48 a.m.
Lynn Morris	Presiding Commissioner	Present	9:00 a.m.	9:48 a.m.
Madi Hires	Minutes Secretary	Present	9:00 a.m.	9:48 a.m.

Attendees: Assessor Jeremy Burns, Collector Ted Nichols, County Clerk Paula Brumfield, Kim Hopkins-Will, Blair Mitchell, Brenda Porterfield, Amy Smith, Richard Teague,

Kyle Whitaker

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

Items to be removed from the consent agenda: None

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda, which included: Christian County Commission's agenda for today September 24, 2026, as posted

Financials:
Certified Commission Order no. 09-27-2026-01
Sales Tax Redemption

Christian County Commission's regular session minutes dated:
September 03, 2026
September 10, 2026
September 17, 2026
September 18, 2026, Special Session

Christian County Commission's closed session minutes dated:
September 03, 2026, Closed per RSMo 610.021.17 (Auditor communication)
September 10, 2026, Closed per RSMo 610.021.3 (Personnel)
September 17, 2026, Closed per RSMo 610.021.2 (Real Estate)

Western Commissioner Williams so moved. Eastern Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with County Clerk, Paula Brumfield, for the Certification of 2026 Tax Levies. Discussion was held.

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to accept the Certification of the 2026 Tax Levies as presented. Eastern Commissioner Jackson so moved Western Commissioner Williams seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with Collector, Ted Nichols, and Purchasing Manager Kim Hopkins-Will for the renewal of ITB #2025-10 Process, Print and Mail Tax Bills and SB190 Statements to Ozark Mailing Service LLC. Discussion was held.

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to approve the renewal of ITB #2025-10 Process, Print and Mail Tax Bills and SB190 Statements to Ozark Mailing Service LLC, as presented. Western Commissioner Williams so moved. Eastern Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with Quartermaster Amy Smith and Purchasing Manager Kim Hopkins-Will for the purchase of computer equipment for the Sheriff's Office (patrol & investigators) from Turn-Key Mobile Inc. Ms. Smith noted that grant funding will cover the total purchase cost, which was less $2,200.00. Discussion was held.

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to approve the purchase of Computer Equipment for the Sheriff's Office from Turn-Key Mobile Inc. Eastern Commissioner Jackson so moved Western Commissioner Williams seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with Maintenance Supervisor Richard Teague and Purchasing Manager Kim Hopkins-Will for the RFP #2026-9 Painting Services. This bid is to pain the back half of the Justice Center. Discussion was held.

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to award the contract for Painting Services (RFP #2026-9) to Branson Paint Company. Western Commissioner Williams so moved. Eastern Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with Maintenance Supervisor Richard Teague and Purchasing Manager Kim Hopkins-Will for the Fire Alarm Monitoring Services in the Circuit Court Building. Discussion was held.

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to approve the contract with NetWatch Incorporated for Fire Monitoring Services in the Circuit Court Building as presented. Eastern Commissioner Jackson so moved Western Commissioner Williams seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with Maintenance Supervisor Richard Teague and Purchasing Manager Kim Hopkins-Will for the Contract Award for Life Safety Inspections. The County previously used JCI for this service but was able to participate in the TIPS Cooperative for cost savings to the County. The Life Safety Inspection service includes inspections of fire extinguishers, emergency lights, annual fire alarm inspection, fire sprinklers, backflow preventers, and semi-annual kitchen hood systems (for the Jail). The annual cost of this contract will be $5,664.25 with NetWatch Incorporated. Discussion was held.

Presiding Commissioner Morris entertained a motion to approve the contract with NetWatch Incorporated for Life Safety Inspections for $5,664.25 annually as presented. Western Commissioner Williams so moved. Eastern Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met for the Missouri Good Neighbor Week Proclamation. Presiding Commissioner Morris read the proclamation.

Presiding Commissioner Morris entered a motion to approve the Missouri Good Neighbor Week Proclamation. Eastern Commissioner Jackson so moved Western Commissioner Williams seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met with MU Extension Engagement Specialist, Kyle Whittaker for the 2027 Proposed Budget. Specialist Whittaker gave a brief presentation of Extension's yearly update as well as the proposed budget for 2027. The budget request is for a total of $82,186.00

Presiding Commissioner Morris entered a motion to approve the 2027 Proposed Budget for MU Extension as presented. Western Commissioner Williams so moved. Eastern Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met to discuss the 2027 Employee COLA (cost of living adjustment). Western Commissioner Williams explained the importance of a COLA to employees and referenced the impact of rising living costs. A maximum of 3% was recommended by Auditor Dent. Eastern Commissioner Jackson agreed. Discussion was held.

Presiding Commissioner Morris entered a motion to approve a 3% COLA for the 2027 Budget Year. Western Commissioner Williams so moved. Eastern Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion.

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

The Commission met briefly for communications.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 a.m.

Date: 10-15-26

Johnny Williams
Western Commissioner

Date: 10-15-26

Lynn Morris
Presiding Commissioner

Date: 10-15-2026

Bradley A. Jackson
Eastern Commissioner