

TERM OF COMMISSION: September Session of the August Adjourned Term

PLACE OF MEETING: Hearing Room One, Boone County Courthouse

PRESENT WERE: District I and Acting Presiding Commissioner Karen M. Miller
District II Commissioner Linda Vogt
Deputy County Clerk Michelle Malaby

The regular meeting of the County Commission was called to order at 9:38 a.m.

SUBJECT: Set 1994 Tax Rates

County Clerk Wendy S. Noren reviewed proposed tax rates. Ms. Noren stated she does not recommend a levy for debt service this year. Available reserves for the bridge bond are enough to cover all but \$50,000 of outstanding payments. Over \$40,000 should be received in surtax payments in the next two years, which should cover outstanding payments. Available reserves are adequate until 1997 for Boone Retirement Center nursing home bonds. Outstanding debt at that time will be approximately \$70,000. A one cent levy will be needed in 1994, 1995 or 1996. Ms. Noren recommended 1995 or 1996. Debt service levys would not be affected by the Hancock II amendment on the November ballot. The general revenue tax rate ceiling is 35¢. The road and bridge fund had a 29¢ levee last year. Ms. Noren stated against her better judgement, she has indicated a voluntary 24¢ rollback. If the Hancock II amendment passes, the County will be locked into the lower rate.

Commissioner Vogt commented the rollback was promised to voters if they approved the sale tax increase for road improvements. If Hancock II passes, the County will simply not be able to provide services on roads.

Ms. Noren stated the county-wide surtax on subclass III property replaced the merchants and manufacturers tax in 1985. The second part of the commission order orders the extension of the tax books for 1994 based on levies supplied to the County by the various jurisdictions. Some are higher; some are lower. A tremendous number of the entities levy an amount below their tax rate ceiling, as they have traditionally. They have tried to be conservative, levying only the amount they need. Most of them will be penalized if the Hancock II amendment passes. If the amendment passes there will more than likely be significant increases in the property tax rate for schools. As the Hancock II amendment is worded, it will likely reduce the Proposition C revenue to school districts. Proposition C revenue is used to reduce property taxes for local school districts. In the Columbia School District, it could amount to a ten percent increase in the property tax rate. In some of the others, such as the Hallsville School District, it is a twenty five percent increase. In 1982, voters approved replacing some of the property tax revenue with sales tax revenue statewide. The Hancock II amendment would essentially negate that voter approval. Therefore, the law requires property tax rates go back up to their pre-Proposition C rollback amount. The amendment will essentially wipe out taxes approved by the voters since 1980. The issues placed on the ballot by the State since 1980 are under what is called the revenue lid. The State would have to cut a corresponding amount of money from what the voters approved. That is what would happen from now on. If the voters approve a State tax increase that generates half billion dollars, the State has to cut a corresponding half billion dollars elsewhere.

In response to a question from Commissioner Miller, Ms. Noren confirmed revenue will not be higher than it is now.

In response to a question from Commissioner Vogt, Ms. Noren replied it will not affect the half cent sales tax approved by voters for road improvements. Political subdivisions are not under a revenue lid. Voted levies are considered voted. When the levy expired at the end of five years, with this corresponding voluntary reduction in the road and bridge property tax levy, road and bridge revenue would drop to what is generated by a 5¢ levy, or about \$400,000. In 1993, the road and bridge budget was about \$3.8 million.

Commissioner Miller opened the public hearing.

In response to a question from a Missourian reporter, Ms. Noren replied the road and bridge and assessment funds and criminal programs will probably be hardest hit if the amendment passes. Basically, any program adopted since 1980 will be wiped out. That would include reassessment and many of the

judicial funding gains received since 1980. The State does not have many areas it can cut. A lot of its revenue is dedicated to federal mandates and debt service requirements.

Commissioner Vogt moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone set the 1994 tax rates per hundred dollars of assessed valuation as follows:

County of Boone	\$.29
General Revenue	\$.12
Common Road and Bridge	\$.05
Group Homes	\$.12
 County-wide Surtax on Subclass III Property	 \$.61

Now be it further ordered that the County Commission, having received reports from the various political subdivisions, so sets their tax rates per hundred dollars of assessed valuation as instructed for the year 1994:

State of Missouri	\$.03
Boone County Library District	\$.25
Special Business District	\$.43
Boone County Fire Protection District	Total \$.88
General Revenue	\$.66
Dispatch Fund	\$.03
Fire Bond	\$.19
City of Columbia	Total \$.48
General Revenue	\$.22
Debt Service	\$.26
Columbia Regional Library	Total \$.30
General Revenue	\$.25
Building Fund	\$.05
City of Ashland	Total \$.50
General Revenue	\$.17
Debt Service	\$.33
City of Centralia	Total \$ 1.28
General Revenue	\$.75
Parks & Recreation	\$.33
Library	\$.20
City of Hallsville	Total \$ 1.05
General Revenue	\$.76
Debt Service	\$.29
Town of Harrisburg	General Revenue \$.34
Village of Hartsburg	General Revenue \$.49
City of Sturgeon	General Revenue \$.42
City of Rocheport	General Revenue \$.30
Columbia Public Schools	Total \$ 4.45
Incidental Fund	\$ 1.14
Teachers Fund	\$ 2.59
Debt Service	\$.72
Building Fund	\$.00
Southern Boone County R-I Schools	Total \$ 4.16
Incidental Fund	\$ 3.75
Teachers Fund	\$.00
Debt Service	\$.41
Building Fund	\$.00

Hallsville R-IV Schools	Total	\$ 3.77
Incidental Fund		\$ 1.98
Teachers Fund		\$ 1.04
Debt Service		\$.75
Building Fund		\$.00
Sturgeon R-V Schools	Total	\$ 3.85
Incidental Fund		\$ 3.08
Teachers Fund		\$.00
Debt Service		\$.77
Building Fund		\$.00
Centralia R-VI Schools	Total	\$ 3.42
Incidental Fund		\$ 1.38
Teachers Fund		\$ 1.37
Debt Service		\$.67
Building Fund		\$.00
Harrisburg R-VIII Schools	Total	\$ 3.68
Incidental Fund		\$ 2.88
Teachers Fund		\$.00
Debt Service		\$.80
Building Fund		\$.00
New Franklin R-I Schools	Total	\$ 3.01
Incidental Fund		\$ 3.20
Teachers Fund		\$.00
Debt Service		\$.57
Building Fund		\$.00
Fayette R-III Schools	Total	\$ 3.40
Incidental Fund		\$ 2.75
Teachers Fund		\$.00
Debt Service		\$.65
Building Fund		\$.00
North Callaway R-I Schools	Total	\$ 3.25
Incidental Fund		\$ 1.66
Teachers Fund		\$ 1.09
Debt Service		\$.50
Building Fund		\$.00
Southern Bo. Co. Fire Protect. District Total		\$.49
General Revenue		\$.22
Dispatch		\$.03
Debt Service		\$.24
Callahan Watershed Subdistrict		\$.20

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Commission Order 378-94.

SUBJECT: Final Assessments for Neighborhood Improvement Districts (Clearview, Bon Gor Lake Estates, Trails West)

Ms. Noren presented three commission orders reflecting final assessments on three neighborhood improvement district projects. The individual assessment for property owners living in the Clearview Neighborhood Improvement District is \$1,563.05; \$1,330.91 for individuals in the Bon Gor Lake Estates Neighborhood Improvement District; and \$1,108.76 for those living in the Trails West Neighborhood Improvement District. All are less than the estimated assessment. There will be a supplemental assessment for those individuals paying the amount out over ten years to cover the cost of issuing bonds.

Commissioner Vogt moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone compute the final costs of the road improvement project for the **Clearview Neighborhood Improvement District** to be \$254,777.08 and apportion the costs of said project by lot/tract of property within said district according to the provisions of 67.463.2 RSMo.(1993 Supp) and petition approved by said Commission.

The Commission further orders special assessments against the property described on the attached sheets and in the attached amounts and orders the Clerk to proceed with the notification and collection of said assessments pursuant to the statutory provisions of 67.463 RSMo.(1993 Supp).

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Commission Order 379-94.

Commissioner Vogt moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone compute the final costs of the road improvement project for the **Bon Gor Lake Estates Neighborhood Improvement District** to be \$89,171.21 and apportion the costs of said project by lot/tract of property within said district according to the provisions of 67.463.2 RSMo.(1993 Supp) and petition approved by said Commission.

The Commission further orders special assessments against the property described on the attached sheets and in the attached amounts and orders the Clerk to proceed with the notification and collection of said assessments pursuant to the statutory provisions of 67.463 RSMo.(1993 Supp).

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Commission Order 380-94.

Commissioner Vogt moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone compute the final costs of the road improvement project for the **Trails West Neighborhood Improvement District** to be \$87,591.90 and apportion the costs of said project by lot/tract of property within said district according to the provisions of 67.463.2 RSMo.(1993 Supp.) and petition approved by said Commission.

The Commission further orders special assessments against the property described on the attached sheets and in the attached amounts and orders the Clerk to proceed with the notification and collection of said assessments pursuant to the statutory provisions of 67.463 RSMo.(1993 Supp.)

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Commission Order 381-94.

Ms. Noren noted this is another program which will be affected by passage of the Hancock II amendment. It would not allow special assessments. Therefore, this program, approved by voters in 1992, would likely have to cease. The special assessments in this case are requested by property owners. The Hancock II amendment makes no provision for assessments requested by property owners.

Commissioner Miller noted 26 neighborhoods have expressed interest in the program.

SUBJECT: Second Public Hearing, OTSCON Project

REDI Marketing Director Rick McDowell stated the project is approximately 90% complete. This is the second public hearing required following completion of 80% of the project. It should be complete in November.

Commissioner Miller opened the public hearing.

Mr. Elmore commented the project also included improvement of the County portion, and 400 feet of the State portion, of Rangeline Road. It looks great and has provided another 10 years of stability on the road.

SUBJECT: Award Bid 77-08SEP94, Cable, Telephone and Data Wiring, Government Center

Data Processing Director Scott Monnig distributed a bid tabulation and summary of bid award. GTE submitted the low bid. Several vendors bid equipment which differed from the specifications. The two major areas were the wiring itself and the data jacks. Sample products were obtained from the vendors. The Department feels safe in substituting the Mohawk cable, but believes the ATT jacks specified should be used. Award to GTE in the amount of \$44,754.60 is recommended. Vendors were given estimates of the amount of wiring required with the provision that vendors are responsible for the amount ultimately required. The wiring in the current building is very limited. The wiring scheme has changed 4 times in eight to ten years. This scheme will be flexible.

Commissioner Vogt asked what was the budget for the wiring?

Mr. Monnig replied he was told to use a budget of \$35,000.

Commissioner Vogt what caused it to be higher?

Mr. Monnig replied 92 drops were added. Very few will be connected. The wiring will be in the wall to allow for growth. The wire costs 18¢ per foot. The cost of the wire alone is \$20,000.

Commissioner Vogt moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone award bid 77-08SEP94, Cable, Telephone and Data Wiring for the Boone County Government Center, to GTE in the amount of \$44,754.60.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Commission Order 382-94.

SUBJECT: Award Bid 64-01SEP94, Motor Graders

Assistant Director of Public Works Frank Abart recommended award to Tri-State Construction as the lowest and best bidder with the options of lower window wipers and spare tires and rims. Three motor graders will be replaced.

Commissioner Miller asked were bidders asked to allow purchase of motor graders next year at the same price?

Mr. Abart replied such a provision was included in the specifications but the logistics have not been worked out as to whether doing so is possible. This bid is all or none.

Commissioner Vogt stated although bidding the equipment is a major undertaking, she prefers that to extending the award to another year. You never know what they may be able to accomplish.

Commissioner Vogt moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone award bid 64-01SEP94, Motor Graders, to Tri-State Construction for the purchase of three motor graders with the optional lower wipers and spare tire/rims, in the amount of \$227,225.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Commission Order 383-94.

SUBJECT: Cooperative Agreement with City of Rocheport: Maintenance and Repair of Roadways

Commissioner Miller moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone enter into a cooperative agreement with the City of Rocheport for maintenance and repair of municipal roadways.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Commission Order 384-94.

Commissioner Miller stated it would probably be beneficial to have an agreement with each municipality.

SUBJECT: Award Portion of Bid 65-09AUG94, Computer Equipment

Juvenile Justice Center Superintendent Kathy Lloyd and Circuit Court Data Processing Supervisor Pete Jackson were present.

Ms. Lloyd stated the award is for computer equipment and software for the new Juvenile Justice Center. The purchase is budgeted in owner's cost. Facsimile price quotes were obtained for a 28.8 dialup/leased line modem that was not included in the bid. Software prices are detailed separately.

Commissioner Miller moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone award the final portion of bid 65-09AUG94, Computer Equipment, as follows:

Company	Item	Total Cost	Bid Method
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CDW Computer	HP4 Plus Printer	\$ 1,520	65-09AUG94
Cedar Computer Center	6-16 Bit Ethernet Cards	660	65-09AUG94
Computerland	File Server Machine	5,861.70	65-09AUG94
Computerland	6 Work Station Machines	10,698	65-09AUG94
Computerland	JetDirect Card	265.30	65-09AUG94
Computerland	28.8 Modem Dialup/Leased Line Use	286.59	Facsimile Bid
DataPort	Gandalf LanLine Bridge	2,150	65-09AUG94
Tandy Computer City	Ethernet Hub	324.71	65-09AUG94
Computerland	Netmenu License	299	Not Specified
Computer Answer	2 Quattro Pro Licenses	84.92	Not Specified
Computer Answer	2 WordPerfect Licenses	357	Not Specified

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Commission Order 385

SUBJECT: Request by Boone Retirement Center to Share Cost of Gallup Demand Study

Commissioner Miller stated when they met with the Board, Commissioner Stamper said he would like an in-depth study on the type of facility people look for. The Boone Hospital Center Board of Trustees and CH Allied also had an interest and agreed to participate in the cost. The cost is \$2,500 per entity.

Commissioner Miller moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone authorize payment of \$2,500 as the County contribution toward the Gallup study of the community need for senior health care services.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Commission Order 386-94.

SUBJECT: Submission of Moses U. Payne House to National Register of Historic Places

The Commission reported the Department of Natural Resources has submitted the Moses u. Payne House for consideration to be included on the National Register of Historic Places.

SUBJECT: Authorize Use of Courthouse Grounds

Commissioner Vogt moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone authorize use of the Courthouse grounds by Kenny Hulshof on September 21, 1994, provided the use does not interfere with a previously authorized use or conflict with circumstances surrounding a court trial.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Commission Order 387-94.

SUBJECT: Proclamation Honoring Mr. Leonard Scheffler Columbia/Mid-Missouri Chapter 1994 Restaurateur of the Year

WHEREAS, this honor is based on the consistent quality of operations, which is evident in Mr. Schefflers' ability to stand the test of time, 22 years, and;

WHEREAS, his leadership abilities has enabled the operations to flourish and grow, from his first store at the Biscayne Mall in 1972 to a total of five units and 200-300 employees, and;

WHEREAS, his involvement within the Missouri Restaurant Association and the hospitality industry has nurtured and produced other capable leaders, not only in his operations, but within the Missouri Restaurant Association and other civic activities, such as his work with United Way and the Ronald McDonald House, and;

WHEREAS, his commitment and resolve to give back to the community is self-evident and the lives he has touched is, in itself, a tribute, and;

WHEREAS, his love of fishing and watercolor paintings are evident in the award winning landscaping and decor of his restaurants, and;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, that Mr. Scheffler has enriched the lives of the people of Boone County by helping to make our community a better place to live and grow in, and;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY PROCLAIMED, that the Boone County Commission hereby declare September 20, as Leonard Scheffler Day in Boone County and all citizens are hereby called upon to honor this outstanding citizen.

SUBJECT: Reports from Commissioners

Commissioner Vogt reported on the pilot solid waste program.

SUBJECT: Public Comment

No comments were received.

The meeting adjourned at 10:51 a.m.

Attest:

Absent

Don Stamper
Presiding Commissioner

Wendy S. Noren
Clerk of the County Commission

Karen M. Miller
District I Commissioner

Linda Vogt
District II Commissioner