

TERM OF COMMISSION: December Session of the November Adjourned Term

PLACE OF MEETING: Boone County Government Center Commission Chambers

PRESENT WERE: Presiding Commissioner Don Stamper
 District I 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 9:33 a.m.

SUBJECT: Corrections Division Budget Revision: Outside Services

Sheriff Ted Boehm stated the budget revision is due to the increased population housed at the jail. Today, there are sixteen prisoners housed outside the county.

Commissioner Miller moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone authorize the following budget revision:

Department	Account	Account Title	Transfer From	Transfer To
1255	71100	Outside Services Out of County Housing		\$27,000
1255	23026	Intake/Indigent		\$500
1255	23027	Work/Incentive		\$1,000
1255	23030	Kitchen Supplies		\$1,000
1255	23400	Food		\$8,500
1255	23501	Prescription Drugs		\$5,000
1255	23502	Non-Prescription Drugs		\$5,000
1255	48200	Electricity		\$1,000
1255	48300	Water		\$500
1255	59000	Gas		\$1,000
1255	59100	Vehicle Repairs		\$2,000
1123	86800	Emergency Funds	\$52,500	

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 600-96.**

SUBJECT: Rename Buck Holl'er Road as Doe Brook Lane

Department of Planning and Building Inspection Planner Don Abell stated a request has been made to rename Buck Holl'er Road. The original developer wanted to name this road Buck Holl'er Road. Two lots have been sold. Ownership of the bulk of the remaining lots reverted to the original owners of the farm, the Garretts. The Garretts initiated a petition to rename the road Doe Brook Lane. They have the wholehearted support of the other two property owners. There is a home on one lot. The owner of that home said, "It is an embarrassment to live on a road named Buck Holl'er Road." He also indicated the road name is often misspelled. He is very willing to have his address changed. Joint Communications approved the recommended road name.

Commissioner Vogt moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone rename BUCK HOLL'ER ROAD, a private, non-county maintained road to DOE BROOK LANE. Said roadway begins on the east side of Boatman Hill Road, approximately 850 feet north of the intersection of Boatman Hill Road and Calvert Hill Road, and runs in an easterly direction for 2,462 feet, and is more exactly described as Tract 17 of a survey recorded in Book 1145 Page 125 of Boone County Records.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 601-96.**

SUBJECT: Budget Amendment: Oakland Interchange with Highway 63

Public Works Department Director Frank Abart presented the budget amendment, stating its purpose is to budget funds for the final payment for the Oakland Interchange with Highway 63. The amount was included in the 1997 budget, but will be removed to allow payment in 1996.

Commissioner Stamper provided a first reading of the budget amendment:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
2045	71100	Outside Services	\$152,800	

SUBJECT: Public Hearing: Residual Cash in Debt Service Fund

Auditor June Pitchford and Treasurer Kay Murray were present. Ms. Pitchford stated proceeds from the issuance of a bridge bond were received many years ago and were finally expended in 1989 for improvements to bridges. The principle and interest requirements on the debt involved balloon payments. The county levied taxes early in the life of the bonds in order to accumulate funds which could be invested in order to provide sufficient amounts to retire the outstanding debt. The residual assets in the debt service fund represent interest earned on the property taxes.

Ms. Murray stated Missouri statutes indicate any unused funds are to be transferred to the general fund where they can be used at the commission's discretion.

In response to a question from Ms. Murray, Ms. Pitchford replied the amount of unused funds is \$237,729.

Commissioner Stamper stated the Public Works Department requested the funds be earmarked for use in repairing low water crossings.

Ms. Pitchford stated outstanding debts the county has include \$300,000 for nursing home bonds which mature in 1999--

In response to a question from Commissioner Miller as to how much additional money will be needed to retire the nursing home bonds, Ms. Murray replied \$146,000. If the county earmarks \$125,000 of these funds for that purpose, she can probably earn the remaining \$21,000 in interest.

Ms. Pitchford stated there are also outstanding special revenue bonds for the Government Center.

Commissioner Stamper opened the public hearing. There was no response.

Mr. Abart stated it would probably be in the best interest of the county to use some of the funds to retire outstanding debt. In regard to the remainder, it occurs to him that the people paid the taxes with the intent that they be used for the specified road and bridge improvement.

Ms. Murray clarified the taxes were applied to the debt. The residual is composed of interest.

Mr. Abart stated he would like the remainder to be returned to the Road and Bridge fund.

Commissioner Miller stated the interest funds would not be available had there not been a bridge bond issue. She strongly supports using part of the funds for the nursing home bonds and transferring the remainder to the Public Works Department for use on low water crossings or bridges. There are low water crossings which need to be repaired.

Commissioner Vogt agreed.

In response to a question from Commissioner Stamper, Ms. Murray replied if these funds are not applied to the nursing home bonds, the county will have to levy a tax in order to retire the debt.

Commissioner Stamper moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone designate \$125,000 of the residual debt service funds from the bridge bonds for use in retiring the nursing home debt effective today. The balance shall be transferred to the Road and Bridge fund with the stipulation that the funds can only be spent on low water crossings and bridge repair.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

In response to a question from Commissioner Stamper, Ms. Pitchford replied the remaining funds could be included in the 1997 budget as a line item for low water crossings.

Motion passed unanimously. **Order 602-96.**

SUBJECT: Call Election: Centralia Special Road District Tax Levy

Commissioner Stamper moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone accept a petition which reads to wit:

We, the undersigned, qualified voters and taxpayers residing in the Centralia Special Road District of Boone County, Missouri, do hereby petition your honorable Commission, asking that the County Commission of Boone County, Missouri call an election on March 4, 1997 to be held in said District for the purpose of voting for or against the levy of an additional tax in said District for the purpose of voting for or against the levy of an additional tax in said District for road and bridge purposes of Twenty-six (\$.26) Cents on the One Hundred Dollars assessed valuation of all taxable real and tangible personal property in said District for the year 1997, as provided for in Section 12, Article X of the Constitution of Missouri and Section 137.565, V.A.M.S. Dated December 3, 1996.

Said Commission also accepts from the County Clerk and Election Authority of Boone County the following certification:

I, Wendy S. Noren, County Clerk and Election Authority within and for the County of Boone, State of Missouri, hereby certify that the attached petition contains the names of at least 10 registered voters who are qualified to vote in the Centralia Special Road district.

/s/ Wendy S. Noren
County Clerk and Election Authority
within and for the County of Boone,
State of Missouri

In that said petition meets the requirements set forth in Chapter 137.565 RSMo., the County Commission hereby orders an election to be held in the Centralia Special Road District and conducted by the County Clerk on Tuesday, the 4th day of March, 1997 in accordance with the provision of Chapter 115 RSMo.

Be it further ordered that the Commission adopts the Notice of Election and Sample Ballot to be printed in substantially the following form:

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the Centralia Special Road District that the County Commission of the County of Boone has called an election to be held in said District on Tuesday, the Fourth day of March, 1997, between the hours of six o'clock a.m. and seven o'clock p.m. on said day for the purpose of voting on the levy of an additional twenty-six cent (\$.26) tax on the \$100.00 assessed valuation as finally equalized for the year 1997.

The ballots to be used at said election shall be in substantially the form as set forth in the following sample ballot:

OFFICIAL BALLOT
CENTRALIA SPECIAL ROAD DISTRICT
OF BOONE COUNTY, MISSOURI
Tuesday, March 4, 1997

PROPOSITION

Shall the Centralia Special Road District of Boone County, Missouri, levy an additional tax rate of 26 Cents (\$.26) on the hundred dollar valuation for the year 1997?

YES

NO

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 603-96.**

SUBJECT: Reports from Commissioners

Commissioner Miller reported the December, 1996 issue of Golf Digest lists Eagle Knoll golf course as tied for eighth in the Best New Affordable Courses category. The recognition speaks well of the way the course was developed and will promote tourism in that area.

Commissioner Stamper reported Circuit Court Administrator Bob Perry requests reallocation of class nine funds for use in acquiring a new time clock for the Juvenile Justice Center. They are experiencing difficulties with the current time clock, which was purchased in 1988. They secured oral bids and can obtain a replacement for \$424.95.

Commissioner Miller stated she has a new time clock in her garage which she will donate to the county if it will fulfill their needs. She will discuss the matter with Mr. Perry.

Commissioner Stamper reported he was contacted by attorney Herb Willbrand. He represents the family who wants to change their financial trust. They are again appealing to the county to not object to their request to change the way they can invest the trust funds.

Following discussion, the County Commission agreed to have Mr. Patton advise Mr. Willbrand that the commission will not oppose the change.

Commissioner Stamper reported on the progress of the Courthouse Square construction and the Scott Boulevard Bridge construction projects.

Commissioner Stamper stated he would like to discuss the composition of the group to be formed to work on the jail overcrowding issue. The general consensus is that the group be composed of the eight Jail Visitors' members, a Prosecuting Attorney's Office representative, a Court En Banc representative, Sheriff Boehm, Major Warren Brewer, Ms. Pitchford, a Boone County Bar Association representative, and a Columbia Police Department representative. Commissioner Stamper stated in discussions, he questioned whether other municipalities should have representation on the task force. The concern expressed was that the group would become too large and that use of the correctional facility by other municipalities is very limited. Commissioner Stamper stated a Facilities Maintenance Department representative and a county commissioner could serve as ex officio members.

Sheriff Boehm commented he believes the Jail Visitors come from all over the county, which would provide countywide representation.

Commissioner Vogt stated she believes countywide representation is necessary. Municipalities should also be allowed to have representation.

Commissioner Stamper stated Sheriff Boehm has a good point concerning the representation the Jail Visitors would provide. Commissioner Stamper asked how many prisoners does the City of Hallsville send to the correctional facility each year?

Sheriff Boehm replied they might send ten people a year. Centralia sends even fewer.

Commissioner Vogt reiterated her position, asking how do they know what will happen in Boone County communities in coming years.

Commissioner Miller stated an option might be to obtain feedback from the municipalities on the the group's recommendations before taking action.

Commissioner Stamper stated he failed to list one other member: a professional criminologist from Columbia College has asked to serve on the task force. Commissioner Stamper suggested the commission examine representation provided by the Jail Visitors before finally forming the group. This needs to be done this week. Commissioner Stamper stated he does not propose to change the rights of municipalities.

Commissioner Vogt commented it would be appropriate for the Presiding Commissioner to participate on the task force.

Commissioner Miller stated she wants the group to look at all options. She is not concerned with having a commissioner serve on the task force, but she is also not opposed.

The meeting adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

Attest:

Don Stamper
Presiding Commissioner

Wendy S. Noren
Clerk of the County Commission

Karen M. Miller
District I Commissioner

Linda Vogt
District II Commissioner