

TERM OF COMMISSION: January Session of the January Adjourned Term

PLACE OF MEETING: Roger B. Wilson Boone County Government Center
Commission Chambers

PRESENT WERE: Presiding Commissioner Kenneth M. Pearson
District I Commissioner Karen M. Miller
District II Commissioner Skip Elkin
Deputy County Clerk Joshua Norberg

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

Health Department

Kala Gunier, Health Department, was present on behalf of this item.

1. Order for Abatement – 710 W. Dripping Springs Road, Columbia

Ms. Gunier stated this property has gotten worse since the original photos were taken. She stated she got a complaint in October, and the owner didn't sign for the notice, so it took a while to get the notice back and publish it in the newspaper. She stated she has gotten several other complaints wondering why it hasn't been cleaned up. She stated she has tried unsuccessfully to call the property owner, and nobody ever comes to the door when she is there.

Commissioner Miller asked if there is ever anybody there.

Ms. Gunier stated there is a Blazer that is always in the driveway.

Commissioner Pearson asked if there was anyone living there.

Ms. Gunier stated they are living there. She stated there are horses and other animals out there.

Commissioner Miller asked what the estimate was on the clean up.

Ms. Gunier stated it was \$300 a couple of weeks ago, but it has gotten worse since then so it might be higher.

Commissioner Elkin moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign the attached Finding of Public Nuisance and Order for Abatement of a public nuisance located at 710 W. Dripping Springs Rd., Columbia (parcel #06-903-35-00-003.00 01).

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

There was no discussion and no public comment.

The motion passed 3-0 **Order 7-2009**

Human Resources

Betty Dickneite, Director of Human Resources, was present on behalf of this item.

2. Recommendation from Personnel Advisory Committee to Correct Vacation Leave Policy (first reading)

Ms. Dickneite stated this will remove the two words “three year” in the second paragraph of the policy because it was brought to attention by one of the Personnel Advisory Committee (PAC) members that it could possibly be interpreted to mean that the third year of employment was the maximum. She stated they wanted to be clear on the policy that the maximum is defined as three times your annual accrual rate. Depending on the length of service, there are different rates. She stated the new paragraph would read:

“An employee entitled to vacation leave that resigns or otherwise separates from the County shall be entitled to receive reimbursement for the amount of accrued vacation leave which does not exceed the maximum allowable accumulation. The maximum allowable accumulation (cap) is equal to three times their annual accrual rate.

Prior to January 1, 2009, employees may convert any existing balance of their vacation leave over the cap to sick leave. Thereafter, on an annual basis, any balance over the cap of the [three year] maximum vacation leave accumulation will be converted to the employee’s sick leave balance. Once a conversion becomes effective, it cannot be changed.”

Ms. Dickneite this was discussed at the PAC meeting on January 8, 2009. It was unanimously supported by the PAC members in attendance. She stated it has been distributed to all absent members and she has not received any comments objecting to this change.

Commissioner Pearson stated this is a first reading and requested the Deputy County Clerk to schedule this item for a second reading at the next available commission meeting with an appropriate order for approval.

Public Works

John Watkins, Public Works, was present on behalf of this item.

3. Roadway Maintenance Acceptance Certificate (first reading)

Mr. Watkins stated there will be a few more of these coming in the future. He stated these documents have not been filed for several years on any of the subdivisions that the County has

accepted for maintenance. Although we have been doing snow removal and maintaining the roads, the official documentation has never come forward. He stated he brought it to the bosses attention in the past and decided to go ahead and bring them forward.

Commissioner Elkin asked how many are out there.

Mr. Watkins stated there are approximately six more on his desk. He stated he will be trying to work one in every couple of weeks to get them completed and cleared out.

Commissioner Miller stated they definitely need to be on the record. That is very important. She stated she thinks we should put in the order that they were accepted from the date that we began maintaining them.

Mr. Watkins stated some of these have been finished for some time but he didn't sign off on them until recently because there was no process in place.

Commissioner Elkin asked what mechanism is in place to make sure we record these in the future.

Mr. Watkins stated he will just have to take it upon himself when it needs to be done.

Commissioner Miller stated there needs to be a policy that we follow because when Mr. Watkins is not there someone else is going to have to pick it up.

Mr. Watkins stated that is correct. He stated it should be done at the time of the acceptance of the roads.

Commissioner Miller stated she just wants there to be a guarantee that they all get recorded.

Commissioner Pearson stated it needs to be a process.

Mr. Watkins stated when he writes his letter to the County planning department that he will immediately follow up with these forms as well.

Commissioner Pearson stated this is a first reading and requested the Deputy County Clerk to schedule this item for a second reading at the next available commission meeting with an appropriate order for approval.

Purchasing

Melinda Bobbitt, Director of Purchasing, was present on behalf of these items.

4. Sole Source Purchase – 84-123109SS – Video Camera Systems for Patrol Cars (first reading)

Ms. Bobbitt stated the Sheriff's Department requests permission to make a sole source purchase due to only one feasible source being available to purchase video camera systems for patrol cars to match existing equipment. No other vendor's products will work with this L3 equipment.

The purchase is with L3 Communications Mobile-Vision, Inc. of Boonton, New Jersey. The video camera systems equipment will be purchased in 2009 from Department 2901 – Sheriff Operations LE Sales Tax, Account 92300 – Replacement Machinery and Equipment for a cost of \$101,139.00 and the first year of maintenance will be purchased from Department 2901, Account 60050 – Equipment Service Contract for \$5,000.00.

Commissioner Miller asked Ms. Bobbitt if she could explain what the L3 equipment is that they are trying to hook to.

Ms. Bobbitt stated she cannot, but she can ask Chad Martin from the Sheriff's Department to appear for the second reading to explain it.

Commissioner Miller stated she thinks a \$101,000 purchase as a sole source is a bit of a stretch. She stated she doesn't know how many cameras we have or don't have right now.

Ms. Bobbitt stated this purchase will be twenty cameras.

Commissioner Miller asked if we purchased twenty last year.

Commissioners Pearson and Elkin stated they could not recall.

Commissioner Miller asked Ms. Bobbitt if she would have bid it if they would have purchased the first twenty.

Ms. Bobbitt stated she would have.

Commissioner Miller stated they are going to want another twenty next year. She stated her point is that we probably should have bid it.

Commissioner Elkin asked to have Chad Martin come in to explain it on Thursday.

Commissioner Pearson stated this is a first reading and requested the Deputy County Clerk to schedule this item for a second reading at the next available commission meeting with an appropriate order for approval.

5. Cooperative Contract – SM10-08 and 04-1443 – Road Maintenance Equipment (first reading)

Ms. Bobbitt stated Purchasing and Public Works request permission to utilize the HGACBuy

cooperative term and supply contract for road maintenance equipment. The contract is with multiple companies for different types of road maintenance equipment. This contract does not require our signature. When we choose to order from it, we utilize Purchase Orders.

The purchase is for an Asphalt Zipper with Asphalt Zipper of American Fork, Utah, for \$103,949.00. A 150 gallon Water System is also included for no additional charge. This equipment is budgeted for \$104,000.00 in Department 2040 – PW Maintenance Operations, Account 91300 – Machinery & Equipment.

Commissioner Pearson asked what the value of the Water System is.

Ms. Bobbitt stated it is \$3,000.00.

Commissioner Elkin asked what HGAC is.

Ms. Bobbitt stated it is Houston-Galveston Area Council.

Commissioner Pearson stated this is a first reading and requested the Deputy County Clerk to schedule this item for a second reading at the next available commission meeting with an appropriate order for approval.

Sheriff’s Department

6. Budget Amendment for 2008 Portion of Full-Time Traffic Unit Grant (first read on 12/23/08)

Commissioner Miller moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the following budget amendment for the Full-Time Traffic Unit Grant:

Department	Account	Department Name	Account Name	Decrease	Increase
1251	03411	Sheriff	Federal Grant Reimb		\$12,853.00

Commissioner Elkin seconded the motion.

There was no discussion and no public comment.

The motion passed 3-0 **Order 8-2009**

7. Budget Amendment for Internet Crimes Task Force Grant (first read on 12/23/08)

Commissioner Elkin moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the following budget amendment for the Mid-MO Internet Crimes Task Force Grant:

Department	Account	Department Name	Account Name	Decrease	Increase
1253	03451	Mid-MO Internet Crimes Task Force Grant	State Grant Reimb		\$92,837.00
1253	10100	“	Salary & Wages		\$52,877.00
	10110	“	Overtime		\$6,606.00
	10200	“	FICA		\$4,551.00
	10300	“	Health Insurance		\$5,542.00
	10325	“	Disability Insurance		\$220.00
	10350	“	Life Insurance		\$62.00
	10375	“	Dental Insurance		\$416.00
	10400	“	Work Comp		\$2,724.00
	10500	“	Match		\$758.00
	23050	“	Other Supplies		\$398.00
	23850	“	Minor Equipment		\$300.00
	37220	“	Travel		\$2,100.00
	37230	“	Meals & Lodging		\$8,203.00
	48000	“	Telephones		\$720.00
	70050	“	Software Service Contract		\$3,575.00
	71100	“	Outside Services		\$900.00
	91301	“	Computer Hardware		\$2,885.00

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

There was no discussion and no public comment.

The motion passed 3-0 **Order 9-2009**

8. Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Pearson reported on the following:

Mental Health Board: Commissioner Pearson stated he attended the Mental Health Board yesterday afternoon. He stated they had a 15 minute video on stigma. He stated what was interesting was that health professionals that work in the field sometimes stigmatize their own clients. There is the possibility of stigma from those providing care, from family members, the outside world, and even among those with mental health issues. Sometimes if you have a group of people with similar mental health issues, there is the possibility of stigma.

Commissioner Pearson stated they are also going to do a taping for the League of Women Voters on the 28th of January. The idea is to try to build some community awareness.

9. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

Attest:

Kenneth M. Pearson
Presiding Commissioner

Wendy S. Noren
Clerk of the County Commission

Karen M. Miller
District I Commissioner

Skip Elkin
District II Commissioner