

TERM OF COMMISSION: September Session of the August Adjourned Term

PLACE OF MEETING: Boone County Government Center Commission Chambers

PRESENT WERE: Presiding Commissioner Don Stamper  
District I Commissioner Karen M. Miller  
County Counselor John Patton  
Deputy County Clerk Ashley Williams

The regular meeting of the County Commission was called to order at 1:35 p.m.

**SUBJECT: Change Order #7 for Obermiller/Roemer/Blackfoot Project**

Public Works Director Frank Abart said he hoped this would be the last change order for this project, though these were the types of change orders the department liked to see because it's a credit for \$30,944.76.

Commissioner Miller moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone approve change order number 7 for the Blackfoot/Roemer/Obermiller Roads Project and authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign the order.

Commissioner Stamper seconded. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 372-97.**

**SUBJECT: Railroad Agreement for Flashing Light Signals and Gates on Benson Road**

Mr. Abart said that the railroad crossing on Benson Road had fallen into the priority list for safety measures. Federal funds will pay for materials, the railroad will pay for the installation and Boone County Public Works will provide temporary signage and traffic control during and construction.

Commissioner Miller moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone approve the attached agreement between the County Commission, Missouri Department of Transportation, and Norfolk & Western Railway Co. for traffic control and temporary warning signs while flashing light signals and gates are installed at the railroad crossing on Benson Road near Sturgeon.

Commissioner Stamper seconded. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 373-97.**

**SUBJECT: Request to Hire Above the Base of the Range**

Sheriff Ted Boehm requested authorization to offer an applicant for the position of Investigator, range 20 with an hourly rate of \$11.68, a salary at .82 cents or 7% above the base of the range, bringing the hourly rate to \$12.50. Sheriff Boehm explained that an investigator was leaving the middle of the month and out of three outstanding applicants had chosen one with 25 years of experience in police work. Sheriff Boehm said he had confirmed the funding of the position with County Auditor June Pitchford and had communicated with Human Resources Director Mark Stone, both of whom, he said, were in agreement with his request.

Commissioner Stamper moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone authorize a request to offer an applicant for the position of Investigator, a beginning salary 7% or .82 cents above the base of the range for a range 20 position.

Commissioner Miller seconded. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 374-97.**

**SUBJECT: Budget Revision to Cover Purchase of Camera Lenses**

Sheriff Boehm said that the wide angle camera lenses were for increased security measures in the C-Pod recreation yard. The Department determined the need after a recent escape attempt.

Commissioner Stamper moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone approve the following budget revision:

Dept.	Account	Account Title	Transfer From	Transfer To
1251	92000	Sheriff: Replacement Office Equipment	\$100	
1255	92300	Corrections: Replacement Machinery & Equipment		\$100

Explanation: To cover purchase of camera lenses;

and to approve a purchase requisition to Tel-Vi Communications from department 1255, account 92300 for 9 wide angle camera lenses at a unit price of \$188.40, a total expenditure of \$1,695.60

Commissioner Miller seconded. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 375-97.**

**SUBJECT: Permit to Use Courthouse Grounds**

Commissioner moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone approve the following three applications for organization use of Boone County Courthouse Grounds: Mentor Mid-Missouri, a committee of the Community Partnership for a Mentor Recruitment Rally from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on September 25, 1997; Columbia/Mid-Missouri Fellowship of Reconciliation for a demonstration from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on October 8, 1997; the Shelter for a Candlelight Vigil for Domestic Violence Awareness Month from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on October 5, 1997.

Commissioner Miller seconded. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 376-97.**

**SUBJECT: Noise Level Measurements During the National Hot Air Balloon Championships**

Planning and Building Inspections Director Stan Shawver said that after the background study was conducted, the company came up with suggestions on ways to mitigate the sound levels at the fairgrounds. A report drafted by Shell Engineering and Associates showed that noise levels during this year's Hot Air Balloon Championships were lower. Mr. Shawver said that because no noise level measurements were taken in 1996, they could not compare data from last year's event. This year, he explained, weather conditions were such that the overcast nights would have inhibited some of the sound.

Commissioner Stamper said it had been his intent to enter three documents provided by Shell Engineering & Associates, regarding the noise level during the National Hot Air Balloon Championships into the Public Record. He said that the requirements outlined in the conditional use permit issued to the fairground set the noise level so low that a performing band could feasibly exceed it before they started playing music.

County Counselor John Patton explained that the last revamp of County zoning regulations did not address changes in conditional use permits and that flaw was now coming back to haunt them. He suggested that when the next changes are made to those regulations that a mechanism for changing a conditional use permit, structured so that either party can bring an issue to the table, be put into place. Mr. Patton clarified that the requirements outlined for the fairgrounds were not contained in a conditional use permit; they are part of the Commercial Planned Development.

Mr. Shawver also notified that Commission that he would be returning to the chambers to request funding for noise level measurements services provided by Shell Engineering & Associates, as the costs of the study had exceeded the department's professional allocation.

The Commissioners agreed that they had known more funding would be required and agreed to address the issue in another meeting.

**SUBJECT: Comments to Governor Carnahan Regarding Transportation Planning**

Commissioner Stamper referred to a letter from Governor Mel Carnahan regarding Missouri's transportation infrastructure. Commissioner Stamper asked that the Commissioners discuss their thoughts on the issue during Monday's staff meeting.

**SUBJECT: Report on Rock Bridge Park**

Commissioner Stamper submitted a report for Rock Bridge Park that outlined the goals and objectives.

**SUBJECT: SLA Claim**

Commissioner Stamper submitted a letter from the State of Missouri Emergency Management Safety to Mike Sanford, Director of Columbia-Boone County Disaster Preparedness regarding a check in the amount of \$1,008.76 which covers the eligible personnel and administrative items on an SLA claim for the months of April, May and June 1997. The claim was paid with the following exception of exceeded allocation by \$4,061.47.

**SUBJECT: Union Electric Natural Gas Emergency Procedures**

Commissioner Stamper submitted pamphlets from Union Electric regarding natural gas emergency procedures.

**SUBJECT: Reports from Commissioners**

Commissioner Stamper submitted a letter from TCI Cable dated July 29, advising of a relocation in channel assignment.

Commissioner Stamper reported on a meeting with the Human Resources Department and a draft document of negotiating principles for the upcoming renegotiations with Local 45. He also reported on the Extension Council’s look at their annual budget.

Commissioner Miller reported that sponsors for the West Central Commissioner Association luncheon had been confirmed.

The meeting adjourned at 2:06 p.m.

Attest:

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Don Stamper  
Presiding Commissioner

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Wendy S. Noren  
Clerk of the County Commission

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Karen M. Miller  
District I Commissioner

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**ABSENT**  
Linda Vogt  
District II Commissioner