

TERM OF COMMISSION: January 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 Melanie Stapleton

The meeting was called to order by the Presiding Commissioner at 1:35pm.

**Subject: Out of County Housing (November 1999)**

Sheriff Boehm presented the statistics for out of County housing for November 1999. {A copy of his statistics were included as part of the public record.} He submitted a draft revision for the funds to cover the out of County housing fee for November 1999.

Deputy County Clerk Melanie Stapleton stated that the Auditor's office had notified her that there were not enough funds in the Emergency Fund to cover the revision.

Commissioner Stamper referred the budget revision to the Auditor's Office for review.

**Subject: Authorize Courthouse Grounds Use for Partners In Education Kickoff Celebration (May 8, 2000)**

Commissioner Stamper moved to authorize the Columbia Public Schools to use the Courthouse grounds for the Partners In Education Week Kick-off Celebration from 5:00pm until 8:00pm on May 8, 2000.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 17-2000**

**Subject: Notice from the State Emergency Management Agency of check sent to the City of Columbia for SLA claims (July, August, September 1999)**

Commissioner Stamper stated that a check in the amount of \$724.50 was sent to the City of Columbia to cover the eligible personnel, administrative costs for the LEPC.

**Subject: Missouri Housing Development Commission's year 2000 proposal for housing tax credits**

Commissioner Stamper stated that he received a packet of information on the year 2000 proposal for housing tax credits. He stated that he would forward the packet to Commissioner Vogt. He stated that the Missouri Housing Development Commission is increasing housing opportunities for low/moderate income families in the state of Missouri through low-interest loans, grants, and other federal incentives.

**Subject: Review of Metro 2020 Community Structure Plan-Planning and Zoning Draft**

Commissioner Stamper stated that the city of Columbia intends to re-establish the discussion on the Metro 2020 Plan. He requested that the County Commission send the city any comments that

they might have on the Metro 2020 Plan.

**Subject: Employee (s) of the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter (1999)**

Commissioner Stamper introduced Kea Metzger, Administrative Assistant for Public Works as the Employee of the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 1999.

Commissioner Stamper read the following statement on behalf of Kea Metzger:

Kea is always pleasant and greets her phone calls and the public with enthusiasm and a sincere desire to help. She presents a very professional image and has excellent organizational skills. Kea is to be commended for the period of time in which she willingly maintained both administrative assistant positions in Design & Construction and Maintenance Operations. She is a true asset to the Public Works Department.

Angela Ayers presented Kea Metzger with a certificate of recognition, a pin, a gift certificate and the employee of the Quarter parking space.

Frank Abart stated that Kea Metzger has done an outstanding job in the short period of time that she has been here. He stated that she is able to work well with coworkers and not so pleasant members of the public.

Frank Abart thanked Kea Metzger for her hard work.

Prosecuting Attorney Kevin Crane stated that Joy Berg is a great employee. He stated that Joy Berg started with the County in 1988. He stated that Joy Berg is industrious, hardworking, kind, and loyal. He stated that he is very proud to honor her with a certificate of recognition and pin.

Stan Shawver stated that Thad Yonke has been with the Planning and Building Inspection since 1995. He stated that Thad Yonke does an excellent job interacting with the public and his fellow employees. He stated that Thad Yonke strength is recognizing the weaknesses of his fellow employees and making a sincere effort to step in, in a non-condescending way, and help in anyway he can. Stan Shawver stated that he is happy to present Thad Yonke with a certificate and pin in honor of his commitment to excellent.

Captain Braun stated that the Sheriff's Department is very fortunate to have April Johnson as an employee. She stated that April Johnson has been in the Records division of the Sheriff's Department since 1992. She stated that the officers always seek out April Johnson's help. She stated that April Johnson is very courteous and the Sheriff's Department is proud to recognize her as one of the Employees of the Quarter.

Captain Braun stated that Mary Schooley is the supervisor for the Warrant Division. She stated that the Sheriff's Department is very proud of Mary Schooley's work as supervisor of a 24-hr operation. She stated that Mary Schooley has gone through some difficult times this year, but has also made some very good hiring decisions.

Captain Braun stated that Scott Perkins is one of the Warrant Clerks in the Joint Communication Information Center. She stated that Scott Perkins is a new employee himself, but has had to train almost all of the employees that had been hired since his employment. She stated that Scott Perkins has been willing to change shifts and has made himself very available. She stated that the Sheriff's Department appreciates Scott Perkins good attitude, loyalty, and dedication.

Frank Abart stated that he wanted to recognize Mark Donoho and Wayne Garrett of the Public Works Department. He stated that Mark Donoho has been with the Public Works Department for about two years and has worked with the department very well. He stated that Wayne Garrett has worked in Mechanics for about three years. He stated that the work in Mechanics is very hard and dirty. He congratulated Wayne Garrett on a fine job for the Public Works Department and the citizens of Boone County.

Commissioner Vogt stated that she wanted to congratulate Jane Watson as her Administrative Assistant. She stated that Jane Watson is dedicated to helping her as a County Commissioner and to helping the public. She also stated that Jane Watson has a wonderful way of communicating with the public. She thanked Jane Watson for all of the hard work that she does in the County Commission Office.

Commissioner Stamper stated that it is his honor to present a certificate of merit to Linda Sloan. He stated that his job would go much smoother if he would only listen to what Linda Sloan tells him to do. He stated that Linda Sloan is more than an employee. He stated that she keeps the office focused and keeps him on track. He stated that it was an honor to have had an opportunity to work with Linda Sloan.

Commissioner Stamper asked Commissioner Miller to introduce the new Human Resources Director.

Commissioner Miller stated that Betty Dickneite is the newest department head for Boone County. She stated that January 3<sup>rd</sup> was Betty Dickneite's first day. She stated that since her first day, Betty Dickneite has received some very big challenges and is working to gain an understanding of how the different offices/departments work.

Commissioner Stamper stated that there would be a reception for all of the Employees of the Quarter in the Atrium.

**Subject: Proclamation for Willis Smith's Retirement**

Commissioner Stamper moved to adopt a proclamation for Willis Smith (who is retired from the Assessor's Office as of this date) as follows:

**PROCLAMATION  
Honoring  
Willis Smith**

**WHEREAS**, January 20<sup>th</sup>, of the year 2000, will mark the end of the illustrious and distinguished career of Willis Smith with the Boone County Assessor's Office, and ;

**WHEREAS**, a man who has seen the county that he has called home move from the horse-drawn days to the age of cross-continent interstate travel while maintaining the same, steady (albeit some would say slow) pace, and;

**WHEREAS**, a man's career that has spread across the centuries. . . well, just part of the last one and just a little of this one, and;

**WHEREAS**, a man who has successfully withstood the onslaught of the computer age, armed with just a sharpened pencil and a keen ability to resist the temptation of working faster, and;

**WHEREAS**, a man who didn't mind being mistaken for an Amish Farmer, or let an eight hour workday interfere with a good nap, and;

**WHEREAS**, a man who has passed his years of experience and knowledge on to his co-workers. . . which took less than one afternoon, and;

**THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN:** He has been a true friend and dedicated employee. A person whom we have all had the pleasure and gift to have know over the years, and whom we will miss with a smile and a laugh from remembrances past until we see him again, and;

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED:** That January 20<sup>th</sup> is hereby declared as Willis Smith's

Day in Boone County and all citizens are called on to honor this distinguished citizen.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 18-2000**

**Commissioner Reports**

*Commissioner Miller*

Commissioner Miller reported that she presented information on behalf of County Government to the Governor’s Transportation Conference this morning. She stated that she felt that the information was well received by MoDOT and many others that previously did not have an understanding of the huge amount of roads and bridges that County governments are responsible for.

*Commissioner Stamper*

Commissioner Stamper reports included the subject headings Notice from the State Emergency Management Agency, the Missouri Housing Development Commission’s year 2000 proposal of housing tax credits, and Metro 2020 Community Structure Plan-Planning and Zoning Draft.

*Commissioner Vogt*

Commissioner Vogt did not give reports.

There was no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00pm.

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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Linda Vogt  
District II Commissioner