

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
 District II Commissioner Linda Vogt
 Deputy County Clerk Michelle Malaby
 County Counselor John Patton

The regular meeting of the County Commission was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

SUBJECT: Application for Permit for Organization Use of Courthouse Grounds by Arnold Air Society

Commissioner Stamper stated Arnold Air Society would like to use the veteran’s memorial area of the Courthouse Square on November 10th and 11th. He is not sure they are aware of construction on the square. He will contact the applicant and discuss the situation with them.

SUBJECT: Accept Victims of Crime Act Grant

Commissioner Stamper stated the Prosecuting Attorney requests acceptance of the Victims of Crime Act grant in the amount of \$35,180. The original request was for \$38,650.68. The county has received this grant since 1992. The memorandum from the Prosecuting Attorney does not say whether they plan to pursue the activities which were not funded. It does not appear the Auditor has reviewed the request. He would like to postpone action in order to obtain clarification.

SUBJECT: Set 1996 Tax Rates

County Clerk Wendy S. Noren reviewed the proposed tax rates to be set by the commission.

At the request of Commissioner Miller, Ms. Noren explained the countywide surtax on subclass III property was instituted with a constitutional amendment approved by voters in 1984. It replaced the merchants and manufacturers tax, which was a tax on inventory. Continuing, Ms. Noren advised the commission the levy submitted by Southern Boone County R-1 Schools may have to be changed. They have to re-certify their levy. Rates are submitted to the State Auditor’s office. They occasionally find a problem and a levy has to be changed. If tax bills have not been printed, the levy is changed. If tax bills have been printed, the levy is adjusted the following year. Ms. Noren stated she received notice from the State Auditor’s office today that they are working on an issue concerning an escrow amount for the Fire Protection District. They gave tentative approval to their debt service payment. However, the levy may have to be changed if the Fire Protection District cannot provide proper documentation.

Commissioner Stamper moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone set the 1996 tax rates per hundred dollars of assessed valuation as follows:

County of Boone		Total \$.29
General Revenue	\$.12	
Common Road and Bridge	\$.05	
Group Homes	\$.12	
Centralia Special Road District		\$.26
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 1996:

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 \$.66
General Revenue	\$.33	
Debt Service	\$.33	
City of Centralia		Total \$1.29
General Revenue	\$.75	
Parks & Recreation	\$.34	
Library	\$.20	
City of Hallsville		Total \$1.07
General Revenue	\$.78	
Debt Service	\$.29	
Town of Harrisburg	General Revenue	\$.36
Village of Hartsburg	General Revenue	\$.51
City of Sturgeon	General Revenue	\$.42
City of Rocheport	General Revenue	\$.32
Columbia Public Schools		Total \$4.56
Incidental Fund	\$1.17	
Teachers Fund	\$2.59	
Debt Service	\$.80	
Capital Projects	\$.00	
Southern Boone County R-I Schools		Total \$4.61
Incidental Fund	\$3.41	
Teachers Fund	\$.00	
Debt Service	\$1.20	
Capital Projects	\$.00	
Hallsville R-IV Schools		Total \$4.87
Incidental Fund	\$1.98	
Teachers Fund	\$1.04	
Debt Service	\$.75	
Capital Projects	\$1.10	
Sturgeon R-V Schools		Total \$3.45
Incidental Fund	\$2.98	
Teachers Fund	\$.00	
Debt Service	\$.36	
Capital Projects	\$.11	
Centralia R-VI Schools		Total \$3.42
Incidental Fund	\$2.75	
Teachers Fund	\$.00	
Debt Service	\$.67	
Capital Projects	\$.00	
Harrisburg R-VIII Schools		Total \$3.73
Incidental Fund	\$2.85	
Teachers Fund	\$.00	
Debt Service	\$.88	
Capital Projects	\$.00	
New Franklin R-I Schools		Total \$3.82
Incidental Fund	\$3.12	
Teachers Fund	\$.00	
Debt Service	\$.49	
Capital Projects	\$.21	

Fayette R-III Schools		Total \$3.14
Incidental Fund	\$2.75	
Teachers Fund	\$.00	
Debt Service	\$.39	
Capital Projects	\$.00	
North Callaway R-I Schools		Total \$3.31
Incidental Fund	\$1.66	
Teachers Fund	\$1.09	
Debt Service	\$.56	
Capital Projects	\$.00	
Southern Bo. Co. Fire Protect. District		Total \$.45
General Revenue	\$.22	
Dispatch	\$.03	
Debt Service	\$.20	
Callahan Watershed Subdistrict		\$.10

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 492-96.**

No one requested an opportunity to comment on the tax rates.

SUBJECT: Agreements with Engineering Firms for Road Design Services: Shafer, Kline & Warren for Gans Road and St. Charles Road; Engineering, Surveys & Services for Christian School Road; and Trabue, Hansen & Hinshaw for Andrew Sapp Road

Public Works Department Director Frank Abart reviewed a memorandum to the commission dated September 19, 1996. Mr. Abart stated the agreements represent pursuit of the objective to complete the 50 In 5 Road Improvement Program on schedule. They plan to acquire services from engineering firms on numerous projects.

Commissioner Miller noted the county required professional liability insurance in the amount of \$1 million for each project.

Mr. Patton commented \$1 million is the point at which the county's sovereign immunity begins. If there were an accident and the victim claimed the accident was due to road design deficiencies or errors, the county would have the ability to seek indemnity from the design professional provided they have insurance. Most design professionals do business as a corporation. Unless they have insurance, the county does not have the ability to seek meaningful indemnity for what is purported to be their error.

In response to a question from Commissioner Stamper, Mr. Patton replied the county began requiring such insurance on the building projects. He has always recommended professional liability insurance be required on road projects. Commissioner Miller previously raised a valid point that it may not be necessary to require a large amount of insurance on projects which are not a liability concern or which involve a small amount of money. There is no reason for the commission not to be flexible.

In response to a question from Commissioner Vogt, Mr. Patton replied most professionals have such insurance.

Following discussion, Mr. Patton stated if a severe school bus accident occurred, it might be that no amount of money is enough. Most cases are defense problems rather than liability problems.

Mr. Abart commented the State Highway Department's minimum requirement is \$1 million of professional liability insurance. The insurance trust the county belongs to recommends the county require a minimum of \$1 million.

Commissioner Miller moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone enter into contracts with Trabue, Hansen and Hinshaw; Engineering Surveys & Services; and Shafer, Kline and Warren for engineering services for the Andrew Sapp Road, Christian School Road, St. Charles Road and Gans Road improvement projects. The Presiding Commissioner is authorized to sign the agreements.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. Commissioner Miller and Commissioner Vogt voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Stamper voted in opposition to the motion. Motion passed.

Order 493-96.

SUBJECT: Re-Award Portion of Bid 78-17JUL96, Furniture Refinishing and Restoration

Purchasing Department Director Beckie Jackson read her memorandum to the commission dated September 16, 1996, recommending the "law library units" be re-awarded to Oak Chest and More for a total cost of \$610. The firm to whom the units were originally awarded agrees with the recommendation. The change does not represent an additional cost to the county.

Commissioner Vogt commented the original firm has not arrived at a good conclusion for finishing the barrister cabinets.

Commissioner Miller moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone amend the original contract with A. Serendipity to eliminate work to refinish and restore the law library units. The County of Boone shall enter into an agreement with Oak Chest and More for work to refinish and restore the law library units. The Presiding Commissioner is authorized to sign the amendment and agreement.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 494-96.**

SUBJECT: Award Bid 88-11SEP96, Patrol Cars

Ms. Jackson read her memorandum to the commission dated September 18, 1996, recommending award of eight vehicles with three alternate items to Joe Machens Ford for the total amount of \$149,136. A budget revision of \$6,853 will be required to purchase the vehicles.

Commissioner Stamper stated the commission needs to authorize disposal of a 1993 Crown Victoria (VIN 2FACP71W4PX162428) which was recently totaled in an accident.

In response to a question from Commissioner Miller, Ms. Jackson replied the bid submitted by Broadway Ford is for a 1996 model. The bid specified a 1997 model.

Commissioner Stamper stated the county needs to consider purchasing different vehicles next year. The price of a Ford Crown Victoria has increased \$6,000 over a three year period. The Ford Crown Victoria is the only rear wheel drive police model available.

In response to a question from Commissioner Miller, Commissioner Stamper replied the Sheriff's Department likes the performance and durability of a rear wheel drive vehicle.

Commissioner Miller stated the county may need to retain vehicles for a longer period due to the increasing cost of replacement.

Commissioner Vogt replied vehicles are replaced frequently in order to reduce maintenance costs.

Ms. Jackson noted the county received about \$55,000 from the sale of eight patrol cars during the past year.

In response to a question from Commissioner Vogt, Ms. Jackson replied a split bench seat is apparently safer with cages used in patrol cars. Cages had to be modified for use with bucket seats.

Commissioner Stamper moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone award bid 88-11SEP96, Patrol Vehicles, to Joe Machens Ford of Columbia, Missouri, in the amount of \$18,642 per vehicle for eight 1997 Ford Crown Victoria vehicles. The County Commission authorizes disposal of a 1993 Ford Crown Victoria (VIN 2FACP71W4PX162428). The Presiding Commissioner is authorized to sign the title to release the 1993 Ford and to sign the contract with Joe Machens Ford.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 495-96.**

SUBJECT: Order for Notice of Formation of University Estates and New Haven Meadows Neighborhood Improvement Districts

Neighborhood Improvement District Coordinator Andy Lister stated the county records the order for notice of formation of a neighborhood improvement district in order to give the public notice of the formation and the potential for a tax assessment.

Commissioner Vogt moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone adopt the attached Order for Notice of Formation of University Estates Neighborhood Improvement District and Assessment of Properties Within District for Cost of Improvements and the attached Order for Notice of Formation of New Haven Meadows Neighborhood Improvement District and Assessment of Properties Within District for Cost of Improvements.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 496-96.**

SUBJECT: Request by Information Services: Reallocate Class 9 Funds to Purchase Printer

Information Services Director Scott Monnig reviewed his memorandum to the commission dated September 19, 1996, requesting authorization to use \$2,500 of unused funds to purchase a refurbished printer like the printer used in the computer room for large print jobs.

In response to a question from Commissioner Miller, Mr. Monnig replied there are a few vendors who handle this type of equipment. He has been working with a company called Diamond Data of Fort Dodge, Iowa. He will request prices from the other vendors. The \$2,500 amount includes shipping and handling costs.

Commissioner Stamper moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone authorize the Information Services Department to use \$2,500 of unused funds in Account 91301, Computer Hardware, to purchase a refurbished IBM 3816 Model 01D printer.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 497-96.**

SUBJECT: Resolution: Issuance of Bonds for Neighborhood Improvement Districts

Commissioner Stamper moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone adopt the following:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OFFERING FOR SALE OF \$300,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF BOONE COUNTY, MISSOURI.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF BOONE COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Boone County, Missouri, is hereby authorized to offer at competitive public sale \$300,000 principal amount of General Obligation Bonds, Series 1996, as described in the Notice of Bond Sale attached hereto as **Exhibit A.**

Section 2. The County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to receive sealed bids for the purchase of said Bonds at the Government Center, 801 E. Walnut Street, Room 236, Columbia, Missouri, on October 1, 1996, until 10:00 a.m., Central Time, upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Notice of Bond Sale, and to deliver all bids so received to the County Commission at its meeting to be held at 11:30 a.m. on said date, at which meeting the County Commission shall review such bids and shall award the sale of the Bonds or reject all bids.

Section 3. The Notice of Bond Sale is hereby approved in substantially the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, and the County Clerk is hereby authorized to execute such Notice of Bond Sale, with such changes and additions thereto as such officials shall deem necessary or appropriate, and to use such document in connection with the public sale of the Bonds.

Section 4. The County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to give notice of said bond sale by mailing copies of the Notice of Bond Sale to bond dealers and banks with municipal bond departments located in the State of Missouri and elsewhere which might be interested in the purchase of said Bonds.

Section 5. The Presiding Commissioner, the County Clerk, the County Treasurer and the other officers and representatives of the County are hereby authorized and directed to take such other action as may be necessary to carry out the public sale of said Bonds.

Section 6. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the County Commission.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 498-96.**

SUBJECT: Corrected Statement of Overplus from Sale of Delinquent Properties

Commissioner Stamper moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone certify the attached corrected Statement of Overplus from Sale of Tax Lien Properties. The Presiding Commissioner is authorized to sign the revised document.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 499-96.**

SUBJECT: Reports from Commissioners

Commissioner Stamper reported on the New Haven Road construction project.

Commissioner Stamper reported he met with Mr. Patton and Mike Sanford and Laura Estabrooks of the Joint Communications and Information Center to discuss replacement of the E-911 system equipment. They will present a recommendation on the matter within a few weeks.

Commissioner Miller reported on her attendance at the Boone County Regional Sewer District meeting on Tuesday.

Commissioner Vogt reported on her attendance at the Missouri Association of Counties meeting yesterday.

The meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.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