

TERM OF COMMISSION: August 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 Melanie Stapleton

The meeting was called to order at 9:30am by the Presiding Commissioner.

Subject: Approval for the Harg Hustlers to place benches in the Helen Beckett Memorial Shelter at the Boone County Fairgrounds

Carol Wilson stated that as a service project the Harg Hustlers wanted to build benches for the Helen Beckett Memorial Shelter at the Boone County Fairgrounds. She stated that she wanted to get approval for this project from the County Commission before the group continued with the grant application process. She stated that the grant is for a community service project such as improving an existing facility that benefits an agricultural community.

Commissioner Stamper stated that there was a document submitted for the County Commission's review. He asked if anyone had any questions.

No one had any questions.

Commissioner Stamper stated that when he and Carol Wilson first discussed this idea, he relayed the fact that the County was not currently the owner of the Boone County Fairgrounds, however it appeared that this would occur in the future. He stated that he spoke with Vicky Russell, president of the Fair Board. Vicky Russell stated that the Fair Board had no objection to the project.

Commissioner Vogt asked if the grant would go directly to the Harg Hustlers.

Carol Wilson answered affirmatively. She stated that the Harg Hustlers would first have to build the benches, and then they would be reimbursed through the grant.

All members of the Commission agreed that the project was a good idea.

Commissioner Vogt moved to approve the placement of benches in the Helen Beckett Memorial Shelter at the Boone County Fairgrounds by the Harg Hustlers upon grant approval.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 314-99**

Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Stamper

Commissioner Stamper stated that Bob Perry received a communication from Double Dog Productions who are doing a history on the Arnold Research Cave in Callaway County. He stated that the group had held discussions with Sid Larson and were interested in doing some filming at the Courthouse. He stated that the other members had a document in their packets that gave further detail.

Commissioner Stamper reported that the County anticipated the receipt of the appraisal this week. He stated that there were three or four items that the County needed to begin discussion on. He stated that the items were Fairgrounds financing, Budget amendment, final details of an agreement

between the Fair Board and the County, and a decision on a closing purchase. He stated that he wanted to receive comments from the Commission and permission to proceed.

Commissioner Miller asked what was going to happen with the Coliseum.

Commissioner Stamper stated that they would have to develop an RFP.

Commissioner Vogt stated that there should be a work session to discuss an e-mail that she received from County Auditor June Pitchford regarding using General Revenue Funds for the purchase.

The County Commission asked that County Commission be cancelled for Thursday, August 26th due to a lack of agenda items. He stated that this time would probably be replaced with a work session.

Commissioner Miller

Commissioner Miller stated that the Regional Planning Commission met last night. She stated that they are moving forward with getting their matching funds from the Office of Administration and MoDOT. She stated that the only thing that they were waiting on was their federal identification number. She stated that the personnel committee had received 23 applicants for executive director (to date). She stated that the posting period was open until September 15th or until the position is filled. She stated that the personnel committee is composed of Rodney Garnett of Callaway County, Eddie Brickner of Cooper County, Skip Elkin of Boone County, Barb Elfin of Howard County, Bob Jones of Cole County, and Steve Etcher, president of the Missouri Association of Council of Government.

Commissioner Miller stated that the balance of the interim board would be the building committee seeking housing. She stated that she would be serving on this committee. She stated that they would be asking each community for their designee from the board so they could begin to participate in the decision making. She stated that they would also be asking for the areas of importance from the individual communities.

Commissioner Vogt asked which cities in Boone County signed the Regional Planning Commission resolution.

Commissioner Miller stated that all cities in Boone County except Centralia, Harrisburg and Columbia had signed the resolution.

Commissioner Vogt stated that Harrisburg was very interested in signing the resolution.

Commissioner Miller stated that she received an informational package called Federal Money Retriever, which is an interactive database that deals with all federal grants. She stated that it only cost \$95. She wanted to know if there was an interest in this package.

Commissioner Stamper stated that there was an interest for this sort of information.

Commissioner Miller stated that she would pass the information for the package on the Information Technology Department.

Commissioner Vogt

Commissioner Vogt stated that the new board for the Boone Retirement Center met last Thursday. She stated that she found out earlier in the week during a collaborative effort meeting, that there are four entities that are discussing collaboration and agreed to issue a letter of intent concerning collaboration. She stated that the letter also addressed the situation that Boone Retirement Center is in with the State insisting that they move ground by December.

Commissioner Vogt stated that at the Boone Hospital Board of Trustees meeting she sat through a presentation to that board on the collaboration effort. She stated that they are discussing a 120-bed facility, 150-bed, or a 247-bed facility. She stated that there is nothing resolved at this point.

She stated that the Boone Retirement Center Board is still very interested in whatever they can do to collaborate.

Commissioner Vogt stated that Boone Hospital Board of Trustees made a resolution last night to issue \$30 million worth of revenue bonds. She stated that she informed them that the Commission would want to meet with them to discuss this.

Commissioner Vogt reported that she discussed (with Jane Flink) the possibility of working with the Boone County Historical Society on a preservation policy for the County.

Public Comment

Frank Abart stated that he needed to discuss the remonumentation program with the Department of Natural Resources. He stated that in June, a letter was received from the DNR regarding a project that involved remonumentation. He stated County Commission and the Public Works Department decided to pursue this. He stated that Public Works would pay \$175 per location with possible additional costs. He stated that the PW department would like to pursue ten locations. He stated that DNR required a County Commission Order authorizing the PW department to work with DNR on this project.

Commissioner Miller moved to approve and authorize the Boone County Public Works Department to coordinate all activities related in the Department of Natural Resources involving the “Remonumentation” project developed by the State of Missouri. Boone County was invited by the Department of Natural Resources to participate in the program in a letter dated June 10, 1999, a copy of which is attached in this document. The extent of the initial involvement of Boone County will be to pursue ten (10) sites to be remonumented.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 315-99**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10am.

Attest:

Don Stamper
Presiding Commissioner

Wendy S. Noren
Clerk of the County Commission

Karen M. Miller
District I Commissioner

Linda Vogt
District II Commissioner