

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  
County Counselor John Patton  
Deputy County Clerk Ashley Williams

The regular meeting of the County Commission was called to order at 9:38 a.m.

**SUBJECT: Airport Study Group Final Report**

Airport Study Group Chairman Bob Alderson presented the Commissioners with the Final Report of their findings. The report, he said, includes a mini wastewater study that was commissioned and paid for by the Boone County Regional Sewer District and was reviewed by the committee during the course of their deliberations. The report, done by Schaefer Kline, led the committee to recommend a regional approach to the wastewater plan.

Mr. Alderson said that Tom Ratermann had worked diligently to create a map that summarizes the study area and its characteristics. As shown on the map, he said, the airport sits on a plateau and drains into the protected Turkey and Bass Creeks and also into Cedar Creek.

The group identified two possibilities for dealing with wastewater. One possibility was for an interim facility that would serve the area around the airport. Because of the drainage, he said, the system would have to be a series of forced mains and pump stations that would pump over a hill and into Cedar Creek. The other option, was for a facility, south of Ashland with two initial wastewater facilities that would ultimately be consolidated into one facility serving the airport area and the city of Ashland. That wastewater would go to the Missouri River. Mr. Alderson stressed that the sensitivity of the Cedar Creek area has not been studied and while the Department of Natural Resources might grant interim permits, they recommend the regional facility in Ashland that would be routed to the Missouri River.

Mr. Alderson thanked the Commissioners for their support during the deliberations and noted the exceptional support provided by Linda Sloan, Bill Florea and Stan Shawver.

Commissioner Stamper asked Mr. Alderson to focus on the recommendations listed on page 9 of the report.

Mr. Alderson said that wastewater and stormwater are two of the challenges presented because of the nearby protected watersheds. Stormwater, he said, is not as easily controlled because it can't be put in a pipe and moved around like wastewater can. Mr. Alderson explained that the area would require stormwater management and the overall recommendation is that a stormwater ordinance be considered by the County Commission.

Mr. Alderson said that their initial concern was to take into account the Airport Master Plan, which includes extension plans and buffer zones. The existing Airport Master Plan provides for an extension of the primary runway and would require the relocation of Route H. The city, he said, has the easements necessary for that extension. The city is in the process of updating the Airport Master Plan and it is a recommendation of the Airport Study Group that any time development occurs, the city have an opportunity to review that development for its affect on the airport's expansion plans.

Commissioner Stamper said that the Commission had not seen the recommendations until this morning, but said the report appears to be very thorough and he thanked the committee for their work. Commissioner Stamper said they would take a week or ten days to review the recommendations and would examine where they were in relationship to land use at the airport. He said that the document would be terribly valuable because it had brought a diverse group of people together at a table for a common purpose. The result had been meaningful

recommendations to urban development in a rural setting. This demonstrates, he said, that while propagating land use plans, it didn't hurt to take a specific look at certain areas from time to time.

Mr. Alderson said that the Commission had formed a good group.

Commissioner Miller thanked the trustees of the sewer district to have the insight, she said, to take a proactive role and pay for the study on sewer needs. It made a difference to the committee to have a professional study commissioned and the recommendations would serve future needs in the County.

Commissioner Vogt said that in the last few days, knowing that the report was almost finalized, she had been looking through the County's master plan. She said she appreciated the fact that the committee used the County and the City's master plans. The County master plan suggests that task forces be developed for problem solving and using those types of groups to ensure that the airport remains viable in the community. She said that from what she could see this morning, the committee had done a wonderful job and she was anxious to look through the recommendations to see how the County can deal with the issue on the table.

Mr. Alderson said that one of the recommendations by the Airport Study Group involved setting up a subcommittee of Planning and Zoning Commissioners from the County and from cities within the County. Whenever a land use issue would arise, he said, it would facilitate the input that each entity wants to provide and would provide a forum for issues of common interest.

**SUBJECT: Jail's Physician Medical Service Agreement**

Sheriff Ted Boehm said that he had hoped to have a few loose items tied up yet this morning, but because he was unable to, was not looking for authorization for the Jail's Physician Medical Service Agreement today. Sheriff Boehm explained that the Department always looks at this issue around budget time to see the viability of placing the services in-house. He said he had been working closely with a Dr. Allen who had indicated he would be willing to abide by the proposed contract. Sheriff Boehm said he had also met with Mike Sanford, keeping him abreast of the dialog with Dr. Allen.

Sheriff Boehm said that one of the unanswered questions was who would provide backup services for Dr. Allen. The other issue, he said, is that Dr. Allen is still waiting from his insurer regarding malpractice insurance.

Sheriff Boehm said that he personally believes it is his responsibility to take on the issue of a corrections physician and that the County needs to have more control. Sheriff Boehm emphasized that they have received good service from the current physicians, but both parties involved have agreed that they will not be burning any bridges by entering into a contract that makes inmate health care a County responsibility. Sheriff Boehm said he was bringing the issue to the table to make the Commissioners aware of current discussions and to let them know he had been working with Mr. Sanford and that it did not make a difference to Mr. Sanford if the County assumed responsibility.

Commissioner Miller said she was pleased to see that the County would be getting an on-site pharmacy.

Sheriff Boehm said there was currently an on-site pharmacy, but it needed to be looked at and improved every day.

Commissioner Stamper asked if the services provided would remain essentially the same.

Sheriff Boehm said that the level of service would remain about the same. The current contract provides one physician that visits the jail at least four hours a week, he explained, and another physician is on-call 24 hours a day. If neither doctor is available the inmate is taken to the hospital. Sheriff Boehm said that Dr. Allen is willing to take total responsibility for the weekly visits and the 24-hours a day, 7 days a week on-call. Dr. Allen, he said, is asking for \$36,000 a year, within the numbers the County has been paying.

Commissioner Vogt asked what the nursing protocols were.

Sheriff Boehm explained that the protocols are a policy procedure manual written by the physician and followed by the nursing staff. He asked that the Commission come to a closure on this issue, saying he felt it was time that the County assume total responsibility for inmate health care. He said he would be available to answer the Commission's questions and asked that they come to a decision within the next week.

**SUBJECT: Valley Creek PRD, Replat of Lot 83**

Commissioner Vogt moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone receive, accept and authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign Valley Creek PRD, Replat of lot 83.

Commissioner Miller seconded. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 403-97.**

Commissioner Vogt moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone receive, accept and authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign Valley Creek PRD, Replat of lot 87.

Commissioner Miller seconded. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 404-97.**

**SUBJECT: Purchase Requisition and Contract Agreement for 8 Sheriff Pursuit Vehicles**

Commissioner Stamper moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone approve the purchase of eight 1998 Ford Crown Victorias through state contract issued to Joe Machens Ford for a total cost of \$154,560; and authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign the contract.

Commissioner Miller seconded. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 405-97.**

**SUBJECT: Permit to Use Courthouse Grounds by Air Force ROTC**

Commissioner Stamper moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone approve an application for permit for organization use of the Boone County Courthouse Grounds by the Air Force ROTC from 11:00 p.m. November 10 through 4:00 p.m. November 11, 1997 for a 24 hour vigil honoring veterans.

Commissioner Vogt seconded. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 406-97.**

**SUBJECT: Public Service Commission Notice**

Commissioner Stamper requested that the Public Service Commission Notice be posted publicly.

**SUBJECT: Reports from Commissioners**

Commissioner Miller reminded the Commissioners that the Business Expo is scheduled for January 1998. She also asked Commissioner Stamper to attend, in her place, the CATS meeting on October 16.

Commissioner Stamper reported that the Columbia School District has discussed moving out of the old Juvenile Justice Center building during the winter semester break in December. He asked the Commissioners to think about the monetary value the County needs to place on canceling the current lease, taking into consideration the \$1,000 remodeling and estimated \$2,000 in moving expenses. Commissioner Stamper suggested a proposed \$10,000.

He also said that he spent Friday working with the United Way on their Day of Caring. His crew, from Boone Hospital Center painted the Harbor House.

**SUBJECT: Public Comment**

Blake Spry, 8660 Gray Road, said he was upset with the road grader and the road department because of the condition of the gravel roads in his area and possibly all over the County. When

they get new gravel, he said, the grader pushes it all out to the side and half of what is put down ends up in the ditch. He also said they keep making the road wider and in front of his driveway in particular, the road's been widened until three or four cars could pass. Mr. Spry said he was not bashful about calling the road department and they did come out and do some work on the road. He said he has a nice grass ditch that drains well, and all of the gravel was shoveled into his nice grass ditch, leaving it full of rock.

Commissioner Vogt clarified that Mr. Spry had spoken with Mike Denbow. She had also spoken with Mr. Denbow who said he had never been able to satisfy Mr. Spry and has been instructed to stay away from the area.

Mr. Spry said he would do better work with his own blade. He said a lot of folks in his neighborhood were upset with the way the roads were maintained but because of their schedules couldn't make it to the Commission meetings. He also said Mr. Denbow had told him that one of the public works employees a few years ago didn't believe in ditches and graded them all out.

Commissioner Vogt said that the Commission addresses road drainage at every level and have been working for years to get 850 miles of gravel road draining properly.

Mr. Spry said that the last time the County did anything to his road they filled his ditch with gravel and never came back to get it out. He said he would appreciate the County staying off the road.

Commissioner Vogt said she understood that's what he had told Mr. Denbow.

**SUBJECT: Budget Revision for Sheriff's Department Fax Machine**

Commissioner Stamper said he did not understand why the fax machine purchase could not wait until 1998.

Commissioner Miller said that \$2,300 was too much for a fax machine.

Commissioner Stamper asked to decline the request and to discuss it at a later date.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

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Clerk of the County Commission

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