

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
County Counselor John Patton
Deputy County Clerk Mark Schlink

The regular meeting of the County Commission was called to order at 9:37a.m. by Commissioner Stamper.

Subject: Request for Additional Advertising Funds for the Human Resources Department

Commissioner Stamper stated that there have been many open positions this year and the Human Resources Department is requesting an extra \$6,800 for the year. To date advertising costs have been \$13,500 and their budget for the year is \$ 14,800.

Commissioner Miller stated that she did not think they had a choice, that there have been many openings.

Commissioner Stamper move to authorize the department to prepare paper work for approval for the transfer of \$6,800 in additional funds from the emergency funds to the department for the purposes of advertising for additional employees.

Commissioner Vogt seconded and went on to state that it was interesting that the unemployment rate is so low that extra money for advertising is needed to fill positions.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 369-98**

Subject: Variance Request for Rolling Hills Subdivision

Frank Abart stated that this went before the road and bridge committee and was approved. The variance amounts accepting this connection road instead of all the roads in the subdivision. Frank Abart stated that he was looking for approval of this variance and acceptance of the road.

Commissioner Miller stated that they have done a lot of work on theses roads.

Hugo Wilmsmeyer would like the county to take it over.

Commissioner Miller moved that the Boone County Commission approve the variance request for Rolling Hills Home owner's association and take over that section of Rolling Hills Road for full maintenance by the County

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 370-98**

Frank Abart stated that the Commissioners might recall the two phases, this is phase one the work has been done to the satisfaction of the Public Works department asking for acceptance, and authorize the Presiding Commissioner .

Commissioner Vogt moved that the Boone County Commission authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign the roadway maintenance acceptance certificate for Bentwood Lane and accept the road for county maintenance as detailed in the attached proposed order of acceptance of road as a county road.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 371-98**

Frank Abart reviewed the limits for the record:

Dripping Springs Road, Route BB, to State Highway 63	35 mph
Brandy Wine Creek Road (State Highway 63 to the Dead End)	35 mph
Hatton Chapel Road (from RTE E to 1 mile West)	35 mph

Some of these roads used to be gravel and instead of being 40 miles an hour we want them to be 35 miles an hour.

Commissioner Vogt thought that it was good that the speed limits are being adjusted, these roads merit that.

Commissioner Stamper moved to approve the speed limit changes as noted.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 372-98**

Subject: Boone Retirement Center Report

Commissioner Miller under a time crunch as to what the center was going to be and the task force was created to see the pros and cons. Chris Kelly has done a good job and the people on the task force all said good things about him.

Chris Kelly said the task force listened to public comment and looked at several questions posed to the task force and made a series of recommendations to the commission. The best recommendation, according to Chris Kelly was that MU and Boone Hospital could create a consortium to run the center. Three members of the task force thought that the county should lease the Center and one individual thought that the county needed to get out of the Boone Retirement Center completely. There was a strong sentiment among the members that there should be public involvement concerning the Boone Retirement Center.

Commissioner Vogt asked about public comment.

Chris Kelly stated that the members had very strong opinions, everyone thought there should be some room for public involvement. Since the tax payers own the property and the fact that there has been a long-standing commitment to taking care of the elderly in this community. The task force felt given the Medicare and management expertise available at Boone and MU was a truly great opportunity for the nursing school. Boone Retirement Center could go beyond adequate to excellent.

Commissioner Miller stated that there was a board meeting last night and Mr. Smull gave a good overview of the task force and that indigent people should have as good of health care, as people that can afford it.

Chris Kelly stated that it was important that although the center is currently suffering from public perception, the relatives of the patients are happy about the treatment of the patients.

Commissioner Miller stated that she was happy to hear that.

Chris Kelly stated that public perception is lagging behind reality.

Dorris Overton stated that this center has run for years and this is the biggest problem they have ever had and she had strong feelings that the indigent elderly should be taken care of.

David Rogers 813 E Walnut, he prefaced his comments by saying he was there strictly as a interested citizen. He attended all the meetings and is rather impressed with the results. He then

stated that the commission had done three things, first to have Chris Kelly as a chairman, second, that there was a considerable amount of public involvement in the task force and that was good because that meant the tax payer's interest was being served, and thirdly the idea that the sunshine law might apply to this, and that the Hospital and the University need to recognize this.

Chris Kelly thanked the commission

Commissioner Stamper thanked Chris Kelly for his work under the time that he had. Commissioner Stamper acknowledged and received his report. Now is the difficult time of working out the details.

Commissioner Vogt stated that she had never served the Boone Retirement board, but that Chris Kelly's work will certainly help the County Commission make a good decision.

Commissioner Miller stated that she was pleased that the task force had identified the University of Missouri and the Hospital. This is mutually beneficial, the University could have place that they are confident that they can send their people to.

David Rogers stated that the actual administration of the hospital has stated that they like the idea and they have the blessing from the top level of the University.

Commissioner Stamper thanked them again.

Subject: Needs Assessment with Bob Bailey

Bob Bailey requested that the Commissioners sign the contracts that they talked about last time they were here. People want to be paid. Right now have \$16,000 from the United Way and the Community Partnership but your funds are the most important. The second request is that you approve the funding agreements between the County of Boone and the Community Partnership. They are scheduled to go before the city council to address their concerns and they welcome the opportunity because every opposition we have a rebuttal for.

Commissioner Stamper at the bottom line this is one of the only indicators for public response.

Bob Bailey stated that the benefits far outweigh the costs.

Commissioner Stamper stated that there are three agreements between the county, the Community Partnership, and the United Way and one with the University.

Commissioner Vogt moved to approve the agreements between the three entities [Community Partnership, the United Way and the University of Missouri] that are involved with the Needs Assessment and the County and authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

Commissioner Miller stated that a woman called because she was concerned about the questionnaire and that that was good because that allows the public to know more about what this is about.

Bob Bailey stated that this was a blessing in disguise because now the county gets a chance to prove their case. The other thing is that this is a group of volunteers expending a great deal of time and effort, about three thousand Boone Contains.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 373-98**

Subject: Reports

Commissioner Miller moved to extend the term of Mr. Allen Kelly for two months or until reappointment or an appointment of a new member at the Library Board.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 374-98**

Commissioner Stamper stated that he forgot about the prior discussion concerning John Patton's new contract

John Patton stated that he had the same compensation. Some items that were not necessary were deleted and the rest is the same.

Commissioner Stamper moved to approve the contract titled County Attorney Legal Services and authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 375-98**

Commissioner Miller reported the Adult Lifestyle Festival starts on Friday and she thought that this would be a good festival for the Commissioner to attend.

Commissioner Stamper asked about the deadline for DOA

Commissioner Vogt stated that they needed to have a work session about DOA.

Commissioner Stamper stated that they may have to do it in Commission.

Commissioner Stamper moved for approval of the amendment of the contract for services of the Boone Retirement Center Administrator.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 376-98**

No public Comment.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30a.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