

TERM OF COMMISSION: April Session of the February 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: Open Bids for 09-08APR99 Creasy Springs/Mauller Rd Project

Commissioner Stamper stated that there were five bids.

Commissioner Miller opened a bid from J C Industries of Jefferson City, MO. A bid bond, statement of bidders' qualifications, and Addendum 1,2,3 were included. The concrete pavement option was \$1,398,984.65. The asphalt option was \$1,162,731.40.

Commissioner Stamper opened a bid from Emery Sapp & Sons, Inc. of Columbia, MO. The concrete paving option was \$1,069,959.95. There was no bid for asphalt paving option. A bid bond and acknowledgement, statement of qualifications, and Addendum 2,3 were included. Commissioner Stamper stated that he did not see Addendum 1, but stated that he would sort through the paperwork to see if it was present.

Commissioner Vogt opened a bid from Chester Bros. Construction Co. of Hannibal, MO. A bid bond, bidders' qualifications, and Addendum 1,2 were included. The concrete paving option was \$1,755,745.50. There was no bid for the asphalt paving option.

Commissioner Miller opened a bid from APAC of Missouri, Inc. A bid bond and acknowledgement, bidders' qualifications, anti-collusion statement, and Addendum 1,2,3 were included. There was no bid for the concrete paving option. The asphalt paving option was \$924,697.28.

Commissioner Stamper opened a bid on behalf of Don Schneiders Excavating of Jefferson City, MO. The concrete paving option bid was \$1,264,940.69. The asphalt paving option was \$1,110,443.00. The bidders' qualifications, a list of projects completed, anti-collusion statement, and Addendums 2,3 were included.

Commissioner Stamper stated that the bids would be referred to the Purchasing Department and then returned to the County Commission with a recommendation for award.

Commissioner Miller asked what the estimate for the project was.

Frank Abart stated that it was 1.25 million.

Subject: Surplus Disposals

Beckie Jackson stated that she had two requests for disposal. She stated that the first was for office equipment to be disposed of through the Kemper Auction.

Commissioner Vogt moved to authorize the disposal of surplus property listed on the April 6, 1999 memorandum from the Purchasing Director at the Kemper Auction and the disposal of the surplus property (vehicles listed on the April 8, 1999 memorandum at the Kirksville Auto Auction with Cornell Motors serving as the County representative.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

Discussion: Commissioner Stamper asked if Commissioner Vogt intended that he have authorization to sign the vehicle titles.

Commissioner Vogt stated that it was and asked if it needed to be added to the motion.

Commissioner Stamper stated that it was implied in the motion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 136-99**

Subject: Hiring above the base of the range in the Information Technology Department

Mark Stone-Human Resources Director stated that the County had been recruiting for the Information Technology Director position. He stated that there had been extensive recruitment in the Kansas City, St. Louis, and Central Missouri areas. He stated that the position had been posted on the Internet and the Human Resources Department had placed an ad in a newsletter that targeted minorities and women. He stated that 32 people applied and the IT Advisory Committee forwarded a questionnaire to 16 of those individuals to find out more about their experiences and qualifications. He stated that the IT Advisory Committee conducted five first-round interviews, and of those five, three were selected for final interviews.

Mark Stone stated that the three individuals were referred to the Commission. He stated that all three candidates had similar salary requirements. He stated that the salary requirement of the candidate of choice was \$67,500 (44% over the base of the range). He stated that the candidate of choice had a Bachelors' Degree in Business Administration and over 15 years of related experience. He stated that as of late, it had not been uncommon to go well into the range of pay for the technical positions or Director position in the IT Department. He stated that there was certification that the funds did exist within the department to accommodate the salary.

Commissioner Miller moved to authorize the hiring of the Director of Information Technology at a rate of pay above the base of the range.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 137-99**

Subject: Sign the Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and File the Federal Annual Certification Report

Sheriff Ted Boehm stated that he was present to ask the Presiding Commissioner to sign a report that the Sheriff's Department is required to send to the federal government on the money received from the U. S. Treasury or from the federal, judicial branch of government. He stated that the forms were to acknowledge that the funds were received and spent properly.

Commissioner Miller asked if the Auditor had reviewed the documents to see if they complied because at one point there had been a problem with some forms that had been submitted.

Sheriff Boehm stated that those forms had to do with salaries, and these forms were standard for equipment, etc.

Commissioner Miller moved to authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign the Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and the Federal Annual Certification Report.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 138-99**

Commissioner Miller asked if this was the money that some people believed should go to the schools.

Sheriff Boehm stated that this was federal money.

Subject: Release of Bond for Haystack Acres Addition

Thad Yonke stated that Planning and Building Inspection had approached the Commission in May of 1998 to authorize a release of bond for the Haystack Acres sewer improvements. He stated they needed to release the remaining bond (that had been retained for the completion of the third phase of the sewer).

Thad Yonke stated that he received notice from the City of Columbia and the Boone County Regional Sewer District that the infrastructure improvements had been completed.

Commissioner Vogt moved to authorize the Release of Bond for Haystack Acres Addition, CD #13432 in the amount of \$35,000.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 139-99**

Subject: Speed Limit Establishment on Old Millers Rd

Frank Abart stated that per a request from a citizen, the Public Works pursued a review of the speed limit on Old Millers Rd. He stated that by default there would be a 40 mph speed limit. He stated that this road connected to other roads that had 35 mph speed limits and there was some concern (especially due to a subdivision in the vicinity) about congestion on the road. He stated that the department concurred that a 35 mph speed limit on this road would be more acceptable.

Commissioner Miller thanked Frank Abart for the department's expediency on this matter.

Commissioner Miller moved to authorize an adjustment to the speed limit on Old Millers Road (Hwy 63 to Rolling Hills Road) from 40 mph to 35 mph pursuant to Section 1.3.0, Chapter I of the Roadway Regulations.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 140-99**

Subject: Reconveyance of right-of-way for High Point Lane

Frank Abart stated that he had briefed the Commission about this matter in a work session on the previous Monday. He stated that there had been a change in ownership of this property due to a death in the family. He stated that the current owner was requesting that the County give him a quit-claim deed in exchange for an easement. He stated that County Counsel had approved the wording of the order.

Commissioner Stamper moved to authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign the Quit-Claim Deed between the County of Boone and Earl A. Cecil (a married person) contingent upon Mr. Cecil executing and delivering a Public Road Right-of-Way and Easement for the same (property) to Boone County.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 141-99**

Subject: Designation of Delegates for MAC Conference

Commissioner Vogt stated that the County was allowed ten delegates for this conference. She stated that they had seven individuals to present as delegates.

Commissioner Vogt moved to designate the following delegates for the Missouri Association of Counties' Legislative Conference:

District I Commissioner Karen M. Miller
District II Commissioner Linda Vogt
County Clerk Wendy S. Noren
County Auditor June Pitchford
County Treasurer Kay Murray
Recorder of Deeds Bettie Johnson
Boone County Sheriff Ted Boehm

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

Discussion: Commissioner Vogt stated that the Boone County Health Report Card breakfast was the same day as the MAC Conference. She stated that she had decided not to attend the breakfast and asked if Presiding Commissioner Stamper could attend in her absence.

Presiding Commissioner Stamper agreed to attend the breakfast.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 142-99**

Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Stamper

Commissioner Stamper stated that he had met with Mr. Watkins-City staff concerning the Centre State proposal. He stated that they had discussed the feasibility of treating the proposal as a revenue-sharing project. He stated that the Commission wrote them a letter identifying that the County wanted to spread the project over eight years. He stated that the City of Columbia indicated that they would prefer that it be spread over four years instead of eight.

Commissioner Stamper stated that (by State mandate) the City of Columbia would have to complete the unfinished portion of Vandiver Dr to be hooked into Mexico Gravel Rd. Commissioner Stamper stated that he told Mr. Watkins that he did not know how the Commission would feel about the four years rather than eight. He stated that he expressed to Mr. Watkins that if the Commission agreed to the four-year option, then the Commission would have less money to spend (during those four years) on any other revenue-sharing project with the City of Columbia. He stated that Mr. Watkins indicated that he understood.

Commissioner Stamper stated that Mr. Watkins stated that the Commission needed to think through the estimate versus in-cost format and whether the Commission wanted to go on a percentage of the project or on the dollar amount of the project.

Commissioner Miller stated that it would be difficult for her to go with the percentage format because she would want to know what the County would be committing to.

Commissioner Stamper stated that he would need the input of the Commission concerning the Pic SDA-5 issue. He stated that he believed that SDA-5 would want to stay the way that it currently is and ask the Governor's staff for assistance in expanding the region by adding more counties to it.

Commissioner Miller stated that when she was attending the Business Expo, Mrs. Westwood had made some strong comments concerning that situation. She recommended that Presiding Commissioner Stamper meet with Mrs. Westwood to discuss her concerns. She also stated that she felt that Presiding Commissioner Stamper should work through this situation using his judgement since she did not have enough information to make a decision on this issue.

Commissioner Vogt stated that if the SDA-5 were to reconfigure then they would be a larger region.

Commissioner Stamper stated that this would be very desirable. He stated that this issue should be decided on educational and labor markets. He stated that there was a very small relationship between the SDA-5 and Rolla, but there was more of a relationship between Sedalia, Marshall and perhaps Cole. He stated that the options were to either stay the same way or to form other regions. He stated that SDA-5's low unemployment rate did not allow it to get as much money from the State.

Commissioner Vogt stated that it probably hurt the people within the region who needed the money.

Commissioner Stamper stated that when the eight counties within SDA-5 came to a consensus, Boone County would have to sign a document and he would have to get ratification for the signature.

Commissioner Vogt

Commissioner Vogt stated that the Community Partnership had been working on an agreement with Pic and the State suggested that they go ahead with the agreement.

Commissioner Vogt stated that on this past Wednesday, Donna Gates had come to the Commission Office. She stated that Donna Gates had prepared a document that she would be distributing throughout the community for the National day of Prayer on May 6, 1999.

Commissioner Vogt stated that she wanted to have a consensus of agreement that the Commission would put its name on the document.

Commissioner Stamper stated that he had been working with Donna Gates on the document.

Commissioner Miller stated that she did not have any problem with putting her name on the document.

Commissioner Vogt also stated that at the Community Partnership meeting, there was a discussion about the fact that the Community Partnership was composed mostly of people within the Columbia City limits. She stated that she submitted a number of names for people to work on committees. She stated that the Commission needed to get some people in the County involved in the Community Partnership, especially to serve on the boards.

Commissioner Miller

Commissioner Miller reported that the first meeting of Phase II of the Jail Project had been held. She stated that the meeting had been an informational one and they received a report on the what the projected need (for space) would be in five and ten years. She stated that in five years the jail would need an additional 95 beds and in ten year it would need 124 more beds. She stated that they were in the process of putting some thoughts on paper for the development group.

Commissioner Miller reported that this past Wednesday, she had attended the MO Transportation Council Annual Meeting. She stated that the new Director of MoDOT was the speaker. She

stated that the Commission needed to be aware that there were groups around (and a person had commented at the meeting) that SMART growth was strictly environmental and against highways.

Public Comment

Sheriff Ted Boehm asked Presiding Commissioner Stamper if he had received a communication from the State Court Administrator's Office.

Commissioner Stamper stated that to his knowledge, he had not. He asked if the letter would have come recently.

Sheriff Ted Boehm stated that it would have come very recently.

Commissioner Stamper stated that he would look for the letter.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10pm.

Attest:

Don Stamper
Presiding Commissioner

Wendy S. Noren
Clerk of the County Commission

Karen M. Miller
District I Commissioner

Linda Vogt
District II Commissioner