

TERM OF COMMISSION: April Session of the January Adjourned Term

PLACE OF MEETING: Roger B. Wilson Boone County Government Center
Room 243

PRESENT WERE: Presiding Commissioner Kenneth M. Pearson
District I Commissioner Karen M. Miller
District II Commissioner Skip Elkin
Deputy County Clerk Joshua Norberg

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m.

Purchasing

Tyson Boldan, Purchasing, was present on behalf of these items.

1. 22-13MAR09 – Motor Graders (first reading)

Mr. Boldan stated the bid for Motor Graders closed on March 13, 2009. Four bids were received. Purchasing and the Public Works Department recommend award to Tri-State Construction Equipment Company for offering the lowest and best bid for Boone County.

Two new motor graders will be purchased on this contract. The new motor graders will replace two older models, asset tag numbers 13357 and 13356. Public Works requests permission to dispose of these assets by trade to Tri-State at a value of sixty thousand five hundred (\$60,500) dollars apiece. The cost for the two new motor graders including trade-in discount is \$290,400.00 and will be paid from Department 2040 – Public Works Maintenance Operations, Account 92300 – Replacement Machines and Equipment. \$430,000.00 was budgeted for these vehicles.

Commissioner Miller asked if we added alternates.

Mr. Boldan stated we added two alternates. The first alternate was an automatic transmission to both machines, and the second was toothed blades.

Commissioner Elkin asked about the front wheel assist option.

Mr. Boldan stated we did not pick up that option.

Commissioner Elkin stated the Public Works employees did not like that we wouldn't be getting that. He stated it will slow them down; when they dig deep the front end pulls to the right, so it won't be as efficient because they will have to dig less at once.

Commissioner Miller stated the option is \$11,000 per machine.

Commissioner Pearson stated the operators would rather have it, but management's point of view is that it is cheaper without it.

Commissioner Miller stated this is a first reading so we have time to evaluate that option. She asked if that would matter to the company.

A representative from Tri-State stated it would not matter to them. He stated it would be the same size engine without the front wheel assist. He stated what you look at is blade pull, which is how much weight you can pull with the blade. With a four wheel drive machine you can pull 28,000 lbs, but when you go to a six wheel drive you can pull 42,000 lbs.

Commissioner Elkin asked if the machine will veer off if they pull too much load.

The Tri-State representative stated it will want to pull.

Commissioner Elkin stated they will have to take a smaller load.

The Tri-State representative stated that is correct.

Commissioner Pearson stated you may be saving money on the front end, but you will be spending more on fuel and tire wear.

The Tri-State representative stated that is correct.

Commissioner Miller stated we should have a discussion with Public Works about it before the second reading.

Commissioners Pearson and Elkin stated the would be good.

Commissioner Pearson stated this is a first reading and requested the Deputy County Clerk to schedule this item for a second reading at the next available commission meeting following the mandatory 10 day waiting period with an appropriate order for approval.

Miscellaneous

2. Appoint Boyd L. Harris to Planning and Zoning Commission

Commissioner Elkin moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby appoint Boyd L. Harris to the Planning and Zoning Commission for an interim term beginning April 2, 2009, and ending February 27, 2012.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

There was no discussion and no public comment.

The motion passed 3-0 **Order 155-2009**

3. Authorize Use of Commission Chambers

Commissioner Miller moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby authorize the use of the Commission Chambers on April 25, 2009, from 1:30 p.m. through 5:00 p.m. for the Christian Peacemakers Team.

Commissioner Elkin seconded the motion.

There was no discussion and no public comment.

The motion passed 3-0 **Order 156-2009**

4. Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Miller reported on the following:

County Legislation Update: Commissioner Miller stated she did a report on where our bills are. She stated we are in pretty good shape. We were asked to cut it down to the five highest priorities, and now we have seven priorities in bills, so that is pretty good. The House has been very receptive, and the Senate has heard all of our bills.

Commissioner Pearson reported on the following:

Boone County Family Resources: Commissioner Pearson stated he briefed Boone County Family Resources on the Chapter 100 policy.

5. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

Attest:

Wendy S. Noren
Clerk of the County Commission

Kenneth M. Pearson
Presiding Commissioner

Karen M. Miller
District I Commissioner

Skip Elkin
District II Commissioner