

TERM OF COMMISSION: April Session of the April Adjourned Term

PLACE OF MEETING: Roger B. Wilson Boone County Government Center
Commission Chambers

PRESENT WERE: Presiding Commissioner Daniel Atwill
District I Commissioner Karen Miller
County Counselor C. J. Dykhouse
BCRSD General Mgr. Tom Rattermann
Senior Buyer Amy Robbins
Health Dept. Administrator Kara Stowers
Chief Juvenile Officer Cindy Garrett
Deputy County Clerk Mike Yaquinto

The meeting was called to order at 1:34 p.m.

Health Department

**1. 1st & 2nd reading; Abatement of a property located at 181 N. Stardust Lane, parcel #
17-319-12-01-193.00 01**

Kara Stowers said that the vehicle has been removed and the trash has been picked up. There is no need to abate the property.

The Commissioners thanked Ms. Stowers for her report and tabled the issue.

Purchasing

**2. First reading; Bid Award 16-19MAR14, Fire Alarm & Suppression Inspection,
Testing and Repairs Term & Supply**

Amy Robbins read the following memo:

16-19MAR14 – Fire Alarm & Suppression Inspection, Testing & Repairs Term & Supply opened on March 19, 2014. Four bids were received and Facilities Maintenance recommends award by low bid to Korsmeyer Fire Protection LLC of Jefferson City, MO.

This is a term and supply contract and invoices will be paid from department 6100 – Facility & Grounds Maintenance, account 60200 – Equipment Repairs/Maintenance and account 71100 – Outside Services.

There were no comments or questions.

Commissioner Atwill 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 with appropriate order for approval.

Juvenile Division

3. 1st & 2nd reading; Grant Approval for Disproportionate Minority Contact

Cindy Garrett said that this DMC project is working with Columbia Public Schools who have agreed to develop two Teen Courts. They will be from West and Lange Middle Schools. There were extra federal funds and this grant will allow us to get on with obtaining the necessary curriculum materials to start the program. The classes will be bused to the program site. This is fully reimbursable.

Commissioner Miller asked Ms. Garrett to explain the concept of Teen Court.

Ms. Garrett said that each school will have a classroom and select students who meet the criteria of the program and the rules. They will be part of a Teen Court. If a student gets in trouble, for instance, has a fight, that student and the family can choose to come in front of the Teen Court, a classroom of other students. They would then determine the punishment. It

could be community service or writing a paper instead of the student being referred to the Juvenile Court. The request is for a first and second reading today because the proposal was received on March 20th with a due date of April 15th.

Commissioner Atwill asked the value of the grant.

Ms. Garrett said it is \$1,540.60.

There were no further comments or questions.

Commissioner Miller moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the attached grant application with the Missouri Juvenile Justice Association for the Disproportionate Minority Contact Diversion Strategies Grant.

Commissioner Atwill seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #159-2014**

Boone County Regional Sewer District

4. First reading; Manchester Heights CDBG Administrative Contract

Tom Ratermann said that the Commission received a letter on October 8, 2013 from the Missouri Department of Economic Development awarding a grant of \$210,000 on a \$488,000 project. Total construction will be \$375,000 of which \$200,000 of the grant will go towards this and the other \$10,000 will be applied to grant administration. The balance of \$278,000 will be secured by a USDA rural development loan. The agreement has been reviewed by County Counsel and the Auditor's Office. The scope of the services are in the attachment along with the requirements needed for such a request.

Commissioner Miller said that the Regional Planning Commission is best suited for this. It is what they do and will administer the grant as opposed to having to do all of it in house.

There were no further comments or questions.

Commissioner Atwill 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 with appropriate order for approval.

County Counselor

5. First reading; Defense & Indemnity for defendants in the Ryan Ferguson v. John Short case

C. J. Dykhouse said this request is consistent with what was previously approved in a work session. This is formal authorization to proceed forward with the defense of the cause of action filed in the matter by Ryan Ferguson. Given that the County does not have a standing Defense & Indemnity policy, this Commission Order was designed to deal with just this one matter.

Commissioner Atwill inquired as to whether this policy will apply across the board.

Mr. Dykhouse said that is a long term goal.

Commissioner Atwill asked if this request is tailored for this instance only.

Mr. Dykhouse said it is.

There were no further comments or questions.

Commissioner Atwill 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 with appropriate order for approval.

6. First reading; Authorization to hire or arrange for Outside Counsel for defendants in the Ryan Ferguson v. John Short case

Mr. Dykhouse said this was discussed in a previous work session for the need to avoid conflicts of interest as best as possible between the various moving parts of the County related defendants. Attorneys that have previously been discussed have undertaken the defense of this matter. A budget amendment will be prepared in the near future on this subject. In an unrelated matter, Scott Pool has been hired to give the County a second opinion on the insurance coverage issue which is an essential component.

There were no comments or questions.

Commissioner Atwill 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 with appropriate order for approval.

7. First reading; Resolution relating to the acquisition of property for Boone Hospital Center Board of Trustees.

Mr. Dykhouse said this is a result of the meeting the Commission had with the Hospital Board of Trustees. The County Right of Way agent has worked with me in getting our process together to move forward with this. Our agent has begun a lot of the preliminary work. One of the things we want to do, because it is a necessary component if we end up in a situation where we have to file a condemnation, is a resolution from the governing body to authorize us

to do this. The resolution for consideration basically states that the Hospital Trustees have requested the Commission to do this and deemed it necessary in the public interest to acquire this property. Also, the language in the resolution authorizes that if negotiations fail, then there will be a filing of a petition for condemnation. A certified copy of this resolution will be part of that petition if we get that far.

There were no comments or questions.

Commissioner Atwill 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 with appropriate order for approval.

Resource Management

8. First reading; Consultant Services with Engineering Surveys and Services for geotechnical engineering on Angel Lane

Commissioners Atwill and Miller said they have been briefed on this issue and have no comments or questions.

Commissioner Atwill 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 with appropriate order for approval.

911/Joint Communication

9. Second reading; Consultant Services Agreement with PWA Architects, Inc. for the 911/Joint Communications Facility project (1st read 4-7-14)

Commissioner Atwill moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone

does hereby approve the Consultant Services Agreement with PWA Architects, Inc. for survey and engineering services for the 911/Joint Communications project.

It is further ordered the Presiding Commissioner is hereby authorized to sign the attached Consultant Services Agreement.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #160-2014**

Commission

10. Proclamation for Fair Housing Month 2014

Commissioner Miller read the following proclamation:

Whereas, April 11, 2014 marks the 46th anniversary of the passage of the U.S. Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended, which enunciates a national policy of Fair Housing without regard to race, color, creed, national origin, sex, familial status and handicap, and encourages fair housing opportunities for all citizens; and

Whereas, the Fair Housing Law sought, both in letter and spirit, to eliminate discrimination in housing opportunities and to affirmatively further housing choices for all Americans; and

Whereas, the ongoing struggle for dignity and housing opportunity for all is not the exclusive province of the Federal government; and

Whereas, vigorous local efforts to combat discrimination can be as effective, if not more

so, than Federal efforts; and

Whereas, illegal barriers to equal opportunity in housing, no matter how subtle, diminish the rights of all; and

Therefore, in the pursuit of the shared goal and responsibility of providing equal housing opportunities for all men and women, the Boone County Commission does hereby join in the national celebration by proclaiming April 2014 as Fair Housing Month and encourages all agencies, institutions and individuals, public and private, in Boone County to abide by the letter and the spirit of the Fair Housing law.

Commissioner Atwill moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby proclaim April 2014 as Fair Housing Month. It is further ordered the Boone County Commissioners are hereby authorized to sign the attached proclamation.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #161-2014**

11. 1st & 2nd reading; Approval for repairs at the Central Missouri Events Center by Air Systems, LLC

Commissioner Miller moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve maintenance repairs done by Air Systems, LLC at the Central Missouri Events Center in the amount of \$8,629.50 per attached invoice description.

Commissioner Atwill seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #162-2014**

12. 1st & 2nd reading; Organizational Use of the Government Center Chambers by

League of Women Voters for September 17, 2014

Commissioner Miller moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the Organizational Use of the Government Center Chambers by the League of Women Voters of Columbia for September 17, 2014 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.

Commissioner Atwill seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #163-2014**

13. 1st & 2nd reading; Reappointment of John Schloot to the Judicial & Law Enforcement Task Force

Commissioner Atwill moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby re-appoint the following:

Name	Board	Period
John Schloot	Judicial & Law Enforcement Task Force	April 10, 2014 through April 10, 2017

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #164-2014**

14. 1st & 2nd reading; Reappointment of Nancy McKerrow and Dewey Riehn to the Children's Services Board

Commissioner Miller moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby re-appoint the following:

Name	Board	Period
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Nancy A. McKerrow	Children's Services	April 18, 2014 through April 18, 2017
Dewey M. Riehn	Children's Services	April 18, 2014 through April 18, 2017

Commissioner Atwill seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #165-2014**

15. 1st & 2nd reading; Appointment of Harry Williams to the Children's Services Board

Commissioner Atwill moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby appoint the following:

Name	Board	Period
Harry D. Williams	Children's Services	April 18, 2014 through April 18, 2017

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #166-2014**

16. Public Comment

Commissioner Miller introduced Martha Mertz and asked her to speak on why she has come to Columbia.

Ms. Mertz said she is here to celebrate the 20th anniversary of presenting the Athena Award in the Columbia area. The Athena Award was started 32 years ago in Lansing, Michigan by her because there was only one woman on the Chamber of Commerce board that looked at issues that dealt with the business climate and the health of the community. The challenge was to find very bright women and have them serve on the board after being told that women are not

leaders. This award was created in order to put a new face on leadership. Individuals are given an Athena Award each year. It started as just being for the local Chamber of Commerce, but it resonated so well, that it has become international in scope.

Ms. Mertz said that Athena International is a non-profit organization that is devoted to developing, supporting and honoring people who have achieved the highest level of professional excellence and giving back to their community and who open leadership opportunities for others, particularly for women. The ultimate vision is to achieve a balance in the voices of leadership. She is here to help the people of Columbia, not to just join, but to be part of the celebration that 20 years ago, somebody had the vision to bring this here. It has lasted and has expanded. This is her third time here and on her first visit, met Muriel Battle and she resonated with everything that we are talking about.

Commissioner Atwill asked Ms. Mertz what is on her agenda while here in Columbia.

Ms. Mertz said she will be at Stephens College tonight for a big presentation for the recipients of the Athena Award and these young professionals do not know they will be honored tonight. This will be a complete surprise to them and this was how it was originally set up 32 years ago.

Commissioner Atwill said that Richard Mendenhall is the only man to have been a recipient of the award in this area.

Ms. Mertz said that there have been over 100 males to receive the award. We are looking for individuals that meet the three key criteria of excellence, giving back to the community and opening up leadership to others. This has always been about men and women working together.

Commissioner Atwill noted that of the 13 Boone County elected officials, nine are women.

Ms. Mertz said she has been to a lot of different communities and feels that the Columbia area is a very forward area and it is quite enlightening to find such good leadership.

The Commissioners said they are very pleased to have this award presented to individuals in the area and that Ms. Mertz has come to our community to present these awards.

17. Commissioner Reports

None

The meeting adjourned at 2:07 p.m.

Attest:



Wendy S. Noren
Clerk of the County Commission



Daniel K. Atwill
Presiding Commissioner



Karen M. Miller
District I Commissioner



Janet M. Thompson
District II Commissioner