

TERM OF COMMISSION: February Session of the January Adjourned Term

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

PRESENT WERE: Presiding Commissioner Kip Kendrick  
District I Commissioner Justin Aldred  
District II Commissioner Janet Thompson  
Chief Engineer Jeff McCann  
Chief Juvenile Officer Angie Bezoni  
Purchasing Assistant Brijanna Purdy  
Director of Purchasing Melinda Bobbitt  
Senior Buyer Liz Palazzolo  
Deputy County Clerk III Jodi Vanskike

**Conference Call Information:**

**Number: 425-585-6224 Access Code: 802-162-168**

The meeting was called to order at 9:30AM and roll call was taken.

**Resource Management**

- 1. First Reading: Approve Development Agreement and Performance Bond between Boone County and KW COU, LLC for Enterprise Subdivision Plat 1**

Chief Engineer Jeff McCann stated this agreement is to secure the extension of Enterprise Drive. Mr. McCann stated this security bond is slightly over \$1.5 million to guarantee that work is completed.

Commissioner Kendrick stated this is a first reading and requested the Deputy County Clerk schedule this item for a second reading at the next available Commission meeting with appropriate order for approval.

**2. Second Reading: Budget Amendment - Department 1725 - Agreement for Additional Work – First Read 01.30.25 Open Public Hearing**

Commissioner Kendrick opened and closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Aldred moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the Budget Amendment for Department 1725 for their Agreement for Additional Work.

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.  
The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #79-2025**

**13<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit**

**3. First and Second Reading: Grant Application: Proposal for the Domestic Relations Program for Parents and Children, Contact for Kids: A Safe Way**

Chief Juvenile Officer Angie Bezoni stated they have been receiving this grant since 2009. Ms. Bezoni stated, for FY2025, the 13<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Family Court requested \$20,000 in funding to continue the Supervised Visitation Program. Ms. Bezoni stated the court was awarded \$16,000. In May of 2024, KVC, the provider, informed the court they no longer had a licensed clinical social worker available to provide the supervised visits and that they were no longer willing to partner with the court. Ms. Bezoni stated she is confident that if they are awarded this grant for FY2026, they will find a qualified provider for the supervised visits.

Commissioner Thompson moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the attached Grant Application: Proposal for the Domestic Relations Program for Parents and Children, Contact for Kids: A Safe Way, submitted by the 13th Judicial Circuit Court, Family Court.

Commissioner Aldred seconded the motion.  
The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #80-2025**

**4. Second Reading: Budget Amendment - Department 2860 - Cover Class 7 – First Read 01.28.25 Open Public Hearing**

Commissioner Kendrick opened and closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Aldred moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the Budget Amendment for Department 2860 to cover Class 7 costs.

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.  
The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #81-2025**

### **Purchasing**

#### **5. First Reading: Surplus Disposal**

Purchasing Assistant Brijanna Purdy read the following memo:

The Purchasing Department requests permission to dispose of the following list of surplus equipment by auction on GovDeals or by destruction for whatever is not suitable for auction.

	Asset #	Description	Make & Model	Department	Condition of Asset
1.	NO TAG	BLACK COMPUTER CHAIR	NA	COUNTY CLERK	RECYCLE BY MRC
2.	NO TAG	METAL VOTE HERE SIGN	NA	COUNTY CLERK	RECYCLE BY MRC
3.	NO TAG	GRAY COMPUTER DESK (2 PIECE)	NA	COUNTY CLERK	USED
4.	NO TAG	METAL STACKABLE CHAIRS	NA	COUNTY CLERK	RECYCLE BY MRC
5.	NO TAG	PLASTIC CHAIRS	NA	COUNTY CLERK	RECYCLE BY MRC
6.	NO TAG	LARGE PARTY BASED BALLOT SHELVES	NA	COUNTY CLERK	TRASH

7.	NO TAG	ROLLING OFFICE CHAIRS (3)	NA	CIRCUIT CLERK	RECYCLE BY MRC
8.	NO TAG	COMPUTER CHAIR	NA	AUDITOR	RECYCLE BY MRC
9.	3462	4 DRAWER FILING CABINET	NA	ROAD & BRIDGE	FAIR
10.	14242	ROLLING 3 DRAWER METAL CABINET	NA	ROAD & BRIDGE	FAIR
11.	4067	BOOKSHELF	NA	ROAD & BRIDGE	FAIR
12.	10807	OAK TABLE WITH 4 OAK CHAIRS	NA	ROAD & BRIDGE	FAIR
13.	08390	4 DRAWER FILING CABINET	NA	CIRCUIT CLERK	FAIR
14.	08244	4 DRAWER FILING CABINET	NA	CIRCUIT CLERK	FAIR
15.	10291	5 DRAWER FILING CABINET	NA	CIRCUIT CLERK	FAIR
16.	14087	TRAILER	2003 WELLS CARGO	ROAD & BRIDGE	POOR/FAIR
17.	9294	LAWN TRACTOR	JOHN DEERE 425	ROAD & BRIDGE	FAIR

Commissioner Kendrick stated this is a first reading and requested the Deputy County Clerk schedule this item for a second reading at the next available Commission meeting with appropriate order for approval.

**6. First Reading: Amendment #13 to Contract C000016 (bid # 03-13APR17) - ERP System Selection Project with Superior, LLC, n/k/a CentralSquare Technologies, LLC**

Director of Purchasing Melinda Bobbitt read the following memo:

Contract C000016 (bid #03-13APR17) - ERP System Selection Project was approved by Commission for award to Superior, LLC, n/k/a CentralSquare Technologies, LLC on July 25, 2019, Commission order 308-2019.

Amendment #14 is to purchase the following:

IntelliTime Professional Support Hour Budgeted for \$6,200  
Public Administration Project Management Services for \$780

Department: 2711 – BOCO Joint Comm Administration, account 92302 – Replacement Computer Software. A budget amendment is on the agenda to approve the funds.

Commissioner Kendrick stated this is a first reading and requested the Deputy County Clerk schedule this item for a second reading at the next available Commission meeting with appropriate order for approval.

**7. First Reading: Award of Contract C000683 from Sole Source 173-123123SS for the Chloride Study Related to the Macroinvertebrate Data Mining Study for Hinkson Creek with Geosyntec Consultants of Jefferson City, Missouri, for the Boone County Resource Management Department**

Senior Buyer Liz Palazzolo read the following memo:

Purchasing requests approval of contract Sole Source# 173-123123 SS for the purchase of a Chloride Study Related to the Macroinvertebrate Data Mining Study of Hinkson Creek from Geosyntec Consultants, Inc. of Jefferson City, Missouri. The Purchasing Department also requests approval of Contract C000683 that is being established from the Sole Source. The contract is being established on behalf of the Boone County Resource Management Department. The Chloride Study relates to the initial Macroinvertebrate Data Mining Study of Hinkson Creek performed by Geosyntec Consultants, Inc. under contract 20-07NOV 19. The County requested competitive proposals from various vendors through a Request for a Statement of Qualifications posted as 20-07NOVI 9. Geosyntec Consultants, Inc. was the only respondent,

and a contract was awarded to the vendor for the original Macroinvertebrate Data Mining Study of Hinkson Creek. During that study, Geosyntec noticed a correlation between chloride concentrations and macroinvertebrate health. This new study builds on the previous work. The single feasible source has been advertised in both the Missourian and the Columbia Tribune. No other vendors have come forth to indicate that they are able to provide it. The contract period will run for a three-year period starting October 26, 2023, through October 25, 2026.

Payments under the contract will reference the following department and object codes:

- 1725 - General Fund Resource Management Storm water Planning/71100 - Outsourced Services: \$124,500.00.

Commissioner Kendrick stated this is a first reading and requested the Deputy County Clerk schedule this item for a second reading at the next available Commission meeting with appropriate order for approval.

- 8. Second Reading: Award of Amendment #1 to Contract C000877 awarded from 44-01NOV24 for 2025 Model Year Ford Police Interceptor Sports Utility Vehicles with CFLR Auto, LLC dba Corwin Ford Republic for the Boone County Sheriff's Office – First Read 02.06.25**

Commissioner Thompson moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the award of Amendment #1 to County Contract C000877 awarded from County RFB 44-01NOV24 for 2025 Model Year Ford Police Interceptor Sports Utility Vehicles with CFLR Auto, LLC dba Corwin Ford Republic of Republic, Missouri, for the Boone County Sheriff's Office. The contract amendment is set out in the attached and the Presiding Commissioner is authorized to sign the same.

Commissioner Aldred seconded the motion.  
The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #82-2025**

- 9. Second Reading: Cooperative Contract: C000976 (070821-LPI) - Land Pride 10' Cutter with Farm Power - Lawn and Leisure – First Read 02.06.25**

Commissioner Aldred moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve Contract C000976 (070821-LPI) with Farm Power - Lawn and Leisure for the purchase of One Land Pride 10' Cutter. The terms of the agreement are set out in the attached contract and the Presiding Commissioner is authorized to sign the same.

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.  
The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #83-2025**

**10. Second Reading: Cooperative Contract: C000977 (031121-KBA) - Kubota Diesel Tractor with Farm Power - Lawn and Leisure – First Read 02.06.25**

Commissioner Thompson moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve Contract C000977 (031121-KBA) with Farm Power - Lawn and Leisure for the purchase of one Kubota Diesel Tractor. The terms of the agreement are set out in the attached contract and the Presiding Commissioner is authorized to sign the same.

Commissioner Aldred seconded the motion.  
The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #84-2025**

**Office of Emergency Management**

**11. Second Reading: Budget Amendment - Department 2702 - Grant Reimbursement – First Read 01.28.25 Open Public Hearing**

Commissioner Kendrick opened and closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Thompson moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the Budget Amendment for Department 2702 for Grant Reimbursement.

Commissioner Aldred seconded the motion.  
The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #85-2025**

**12. Second Reading: Budget Amendment - Department 2101 - SEMA Award – First Read 01.30.25 – Open Public Hearing**

Commissioner Kendrick opened and closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Aldred moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the Budget Amendment for Department 2101 for the SEMA Award.

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.  
The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #86-2025**

**Facilities Management**

**13. Second Reading: Budget Amendment - Department 6220/1190 - Cover Class 6 – First Read 01.28.25 Open Public Hearing**

Commissioner Kendrick opened and closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Thompson moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the Budget Amendment for Department 6220/1190 to Cover Class 6 costs.

Commissioner Aldred seconded the motion.  
The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #87-2025**

**Treasurer**

**14. Second Reading: Disposition of the 2023 tax sale surplus for Parcel 16-604-00-00-017.00 – First Read 02.06.25**

Commissioner Aldred moved now on this day, the Boone County Commission takes up the disposition of the 2023 tax sale surplus relating to Parcel 16-604-00-00-017.00, which had an owner of record at the time of the tax sale named Byron Hickam:

Pursuant to RSMo §140.230 the Commission is authorized to approve claims for any tax sale surplus being held by the County Treasurer associated with the County Collector's annual tax sale as part of a redemption or to claimants after the expiration of the applicable redemption period. In this instance, the Collector's Deed was issued on 9/11/2024 (recorded at Book 5911, Page 180 Boone County records) which ended the defeasible right to redeem under RSMo §140.340 and began the 90-day claims period contemplated in RSMo §140.230.2. No claims have been received. The owner of record at the time of the sale has applied for the surplus. The documentation which supports this claim is made a part of this record. The application of the Claimant to the County Treasurer for the surplus funds is timely.

The County Treasurer, based upon the documents presented to her office and made a part of this record, is satisfied Byron Hickam is entitled as the owner of record at the time of the sale to the total surplus of \$9,777.92.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon the recommendation of the County Treasurer and the evidence made a part of this record, the County Commission hereby approves the application for surplus from the owner of record and directs the payment \$9,777.92 per the surplus application to Byron Hickam, c/o Adam Dowling, Attorney at Law, 1000 West Nifong Blvd., Bldg 7, Ste. 201, Columbia, Missouri 65203.

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.  
The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #88-2025**



**Boone County Sheriff's Office**

**15. Second Reading: Laclede County Sheriff's Department K-9 Maintenance Training Agreement – First Read – First Read 02.06.25**

Commissioner Thompson moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the attached K-9 Maintenance Training Agreement between Boone County and Laclede County.

The terms of the Agreement are set out in the attached and the Presiding Commissioner is authorized to sign said Agreement.

Commissioner Aldred seconded the motion.  
The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #89-2025**

**Commission**

**16. Public Comment**

None

**17. Commissioner Reports**

Commissioner Thompson stated her brother is a 1976 graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, served 30 years in the United States Army, with much of that time spent at Ft. Sam Houston, and on the front line in Desert Storm. Commissioner Thompson stated she would like to read a letter that her brother wrote to be published in the San Antonio newspaper.


To the editor: As the former Director of the University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio's National Cancer Institute, I was stunned by the White House's plan to reduce the indirect cost rate for Federal Grants to 15%. I am most familiar with grants from the National Institutes of Health, NIH, and specifically the National Cancer Institute. These grants have enabled me and my colleagues to make discoveries in the prevention, detection and treatment of cancer and have saved lives around the world. Many of our discoveries were only possible through clinical trials often involving hundreds or thousands of participants. One of my greatest joys has been to visit with a patient and their spouse and make a treatment recommendation based on the study we conducted and to inform them that the specific treatment will significantly reduce their risk of dying of cancer. Indirect funds are dollars provided to research institutions used to pay for costs that can not be directly linked with a research project. Indirect cost rates are based on long-established factors and vary from institution to institution and are periodically updated. These are related to the institutions costs to providing buildings, maintenance, staff, equipment and other costs required to conduct research. Specifically in the case of cancer clinical trials, they help cover the cost of research staff who help educate patients

about new cancer treatments that are often only available through a clinical trial. Tracking patients progress, collecting and analyzing data as well as the cost of the building where the study is conducted. Often, even with indirect costs, clinical trials are a money losing proposition for the institution but are essential to discover new cancer cures. Many clinical trials that I have led, which have fundamentally changed cancer treatment, could not have been completed without indirect funds. We now face a proposed across the board reduction in the indirect funds rate for all institutions down from the current level to 15%. At my former institution, the UT Health Science Center, the indirect rate is about 50%. While some grants have much lower indirect rates, with the published University of Texas San Antonio Health Sciences Center NIH funding level, in 2023 of \$131.5 million dollars a drop from 50% to 15% would be a \$46 million dollar reduction in NIH funds alone. There are many other sources of federal funding including the National Science Foundation Department of Defense, etc so the total amount could be much more. It is estimated that the total reduction for US Research Institutions will be \$9 billion dollars. The impact of this change will be catastrophic for most research institutions, many of which are located in San Antonio. Options for cancer center directors and university presidents around the United States would be 1. To take funds from other education or community services activities; 2. Shutter research programs; 3. Limit the number of grants that can be submitted; 4. Discontinue plans for promising new programs and/or 5. End construction of new scientific facilities. This process is being repeated around the United States in hundreds of premier research institutions. The results will be the greatest reduction in scientific and medical progress seen in our nation's history. The opportunity and need for scientific progress has never been greater and the United States has been at the forefront of scientific advances for the last century. Our patients with cancer, Alzheimer's, heart disease, diabetes and other diseases demand that we continue our work to eliminate suffering and death from these diseases.

Commissioner Thompson stated the front page of The Missourian today echoed what her brother wrote. Commissioner Thompson stated this is catastrophic in terms of treatment of individuals with cancer and other diseases, and it is catastrophic for the general health and welfare of our county, our state, and our nation. Commissioner Thompson stated she does not know how we will survive this, on many levels.

Commissioner Kendrick stated the University of Missouri has made significant financial investments, capital investments, doubling down on medical research, including the Roy Blunt Institute. Commissioner Kendrick stated part of the reason why it is named after him is his assistance in landing not just federal earmarks for the construction but for the NIH support as well. Commissioner Kendrick stated this will be felt locally and globally.

Attest:

  
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Kip Kendrick



Brianna L. Lennon  
Clerk of the County Commission

Presiding Commissioner



Justin Aldred  
District I Commissioner



Janet M. Thompson  
District II Commissioner