

TERM OF COMMISSION: December Session of the October Adjourned Term

PLACE OF MEETING: Roger B. Wilson Boone County Government Center
Room 338

PRESENT WERE: Presiding Commissioner Daniel K. Atwill
District I Commissioner Karen M. Miller
Stormwater Coordinator Georganne Bowman
Facilities Maintenance Manager Bob Davidson
Deputy County Clerk Cameron Clarke

District II Commissioner Skip Elkin was absent.

The meeting was called to order at 2:31 p.m.

Purchasing

1. RFP award to Geosyntec Consultants for RFP 22-24JUN11 – Urban Retrofit Monitoring of Storm Water Practices in Hinkson Creek (first reading)

Stormwater Coordinator Georganne Bowman was present on behalf of this item. Ms. Bowman stated the County received a grant from the Department of Natural Resources in March, 2011 to do quite a bit of work at the Grissom Building with the City, and at Sunrise Estates in the County. Ms. Bowman stated one of those things is to monitor the effectiveness of BMP's that have been place: how well they're working, if they capture runoffs from parking lots, and if they're slowing down the flow of water. Ms. Bowman stated in the original project plan, she anticipated working with the University of Missouri, but that fell through. Ms. Bowman stated she has been looking at different ways to get the monitoring piece done. Ms. Bowman stated the County has contracted with Geosyntec. Ms. Bowman stated the contract covers developing the water quality assurance project plan, laboratory analysis, and data management and review. Ms. Bowman stated this process was started in May, but the County has gotten to the place where we can sign the contracts. Ms. Bowman stated the contract is for \$156,318, paid for out of grant funding.

Commissioner Miller asked what BMP's the County is monitoring.

Ms. Bowman stated the Grissom Building is right next to the power plant, and is a ten acre impervious site, similar to the public works site. Ms. Bowman stated the County will put in pervious pavement and an underground detention, bio retention, and a step pool conveyance system. Ms. Bowman stated each one of these will have inflow and outflow monitoring so it will pull water coming off the parking lot before it goes into the treatment cell, and then as it comes out of the treatment cell. Ms. Bowman stated this way you can figure how much pollutant is coming in, and how much is being removed by this process.

Commissioner Miller asked if this process has been tested before.

Ms. Bowman stated not in these climates. Ms. Bowman stated this is what we need to know. Ms. Bowman stated the Midwest gets very flashy storms, and most of the data that is found is coming from the east or west coast. Ms. Bowman stated the soils and storms are different. Ms. Bowman stated we need to know how well we're capturing the first flush.

Commissioner Miller asked how long the monitoring will take place.

Ms. Bowman stated the grant is for three years, but she hopes to push it back another year due to the late start. Ms. Bowman stated they're looking at monitoring each BMP for 20 events, and then move it to the next set of BMP's. Ms. Bowman stated there are some additional things being done at Sunrise Estates to slow down water and keep it in rain gardens. Ms. Bowman stated they are looking at how effective rain gardens are. Ms. Bowman stated Geosyntec will help the County flesh out the design, and make sure the County is doing scientific research that will hold up if there are legal issues.

Commissioner Miller asked how much reporting the Commission will get.

Ms. Bowman stated there are annual reports to DNR.

Commissioner Miller stated she understands that, but if there are six events, she would like to know how they went.

Ms. Bowman stated that it will be tough to do that quickly, because the samples will have to go to the lab and be analyzed. Ms. Bowman stated as they learn things they will let the Commission know.

Commissioner Atwill stated this is a sizable payment, and asked if the County had worked with Geosyntec before.

Ms. Bowman stated we worked with them on the TMDL. Ms. Bowman stated they looked at the science behind the TMDL, and gave the County recommendations. Ms. Bowman stated the County has a fairly good working relationship with them. Ms. Bowman stated the City has also worked with them.

Commissioner Miller stated she thinks the County has worked with them for years for different environmental testing things.

Ms. Bowman stated they are the best in the state at developing monitoring plans.

Commissioner Atwill asked if they have to buy equipment.

Ms. Bowman stated they have equipment on site, and the County can rent from them. Ms. Bowman stated the equipment rental is part of this. Ms. Bowman stated the County is purchasing some equipment with the grant.

Commissioner Atwill stated we're mostly buying Geosyntec's labor.

Ms. Bowman stated that is correct. Ms. Bowman stated \$46,760 is for lab analysis. Ms. Bowman stated each rainfall event is about \$1,200 to get the two samples analyzed at the lab.

Commissioner Atwill asked what the County hopes to know at the end of this.

Ms. Bowman stated how loaded the pollutant level is, and how well are features pulling the pollutant out before they are discharged back into the spring. Ms. Bowman stated if there is anything the County can do to tweak those numbers, the causes can be analyzed.

Commissioner Miller stated they have said all along they want something that can be scientifically proven so that when they ask a developer to put in a rain garden, they know it will work. Commissioner Miller stated this is why the experiment has to be done; it can prove what best management practices are the most effective for our climate and soils.

Ms. Bowman stated the County is not putting in rain gardens correctly, and the County is trying three different designs at Sunrise Estates. Ms. Bowman stated they will be able to determine which design works with our climates and soils. Ms. Bowman stated when they determine which design is best; they will only approve that design.

Commissioner Atwill asked if the County is obligated to do this by the EPA.

Ms. Bowman stated no. Ms. Bowman stated this is a grant she applied for about a year or two ago. Ms. Bowman stated they just received this funding. Ms. Bowman stated they have \$713,000 worth of funding coming in to do these types of things.

Commissioner Atwill asked about the optional Urban Stormwater Modeling Workshop Case Study.

Ms. Bowman stated it is something she would like to be able to do, but she didn't know where the County would be in terms of the budget, and how things would play out. Ms. Bowman stated this is a high priority for her, but if too much is spent in other categories, this is the first thing she would drop.

Commissioner Miller stated the grant money can't be used for anything else. 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 an appropriate order for approval.

2. Cooperative contract 152/2009 – Tree and Stump Removal Service with Arthur Ratliff Tree & Stump Removal, LLC (first reading)

Facilities Maintenance Manager Bob Davidson was present on behalf of this item. Mr. Davidson read the following memo:

Purchasing and Facilities Maintenance request permission to utilize the City of Columbia cooperative contract *152/2009 – Tree and Stump Removal Service* with Arthur Ratliff Tree & Stump Removal, LLC of Columbia, Missouri.

Invoices from this Term and Supply contract will be paid from department 6100 – Facilities and Grounds Maintenance; 1610 – Parks & Recreation, account 60400 – Grounds Maintenance.

Commissioner Miller asked what is going to be done with these contracts.

Mr. Davidson stated there are many trees downtown that are designated to be removed, and that it is common for trees to come down on the MKT trail.

Commissioner Miller stated this will allow the County to remove the trees that are splitting and have problems when the time comes.

Commissioner Atwill asked how you determine the cost to remove a stump.

Mr. Davidson stated stump grinding for stumps 13-20 inches is \$2.20 per inch.

Commissioner Atwill stated he once hired Arthur Ratliff and he did a good job.

Mr. Davidson stated Mr. Ratliff told him that if he used the cooperative contract with the City it would be cheaper.

Commissioner Atwill asked if Mr. Davidson got any other bids.

Mr. Davidson stated no, he went to the grounds term and supply contract, and they said they use Arthur Ratliff.

Commissioner Miller stated that by using a cooperative contract, the Purchasing Department doesn't have to go through the bidding process.

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 an appropriate order for approval.

3. Cooperative contract 15/2010 – Tree Cutting and Removal Service with Arthur

Ratliff Tree & Stump Removal, LLC (first reading)

Facilities Maintenance Manager Bob Davidson was present on behalf of this item.

Commissioner Miller asked if there is an extra cost for emergencies that need to be removed as soon as possible.

Mr. Davidson stated he did not ask him, but when he called him he was there that day.

Commissioner Miller stated Mr. Davidson might want to talk to Mr. Ratliff about this and get some sort of commitment.

Mr. Davidson stated he could do that.

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 an appropriate order for approval.

Sheriff's Department

4. Use class 9 funds to purchase K9 vehicle alarm system (second reading, first read 11/29/2011)

Commissioner Miller moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the request by the Sheriff's Department to use remaining class 9 funds in replacement equipment to purchase a K9 vehicle alarm system.

Commissioner Atwill seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order # 492-2011**

Commission

5. Domestic Violence Shelter Funding (first reading)

Commissioner Miller stated this quantifies how the County does business. Commissioner Miller stated they have been collecting domestic violence funds for many years, and there is only one eligible agency in Boone County, True North. Commissioner Miller stated in order to meet policies and work through the system; this is an agreed to process by True North and the County. Commissioner Miller stated this will be managed through the Community Services Office.

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 an appropriate order for approval.

6. Approve Closed Session authorized per RSMo 610.021(2) at 8:00 am on 12/2/2011 (first and second reading)

Commissioner Miller moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby authorize a closed meeting on Friday, December 2, 2011, at 8:00 a.m. The meeting will be held in Room 338 of the Roger B. Wilson Boone County Government Center at 801 E. Walnut, Columbia, Missouri, as authorized by 610.021 (2) RSMo. to discuss the leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public government body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefore.

Commissioner Atwill seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order # 493-2011**

7. Public Hearing on Proposed FY 2012 Budget

No members of the public were present to comment on this item.

8. Public Comment

9. Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Miller reported that it was a very successful West Central Commissioner's meeting today. Commissioner Miller stated she wanted to thank Midway USA for hosting 56 Commissioners for tours and understanding the Missouri Quality Awards and the Malcolm Baldrige awards, and what it takes to take a good business to an extremely great business. Commissioner Miller stated they will look at things differently as commissioners.

Commissioner Atwill stated he agreed, and stated Commissioner Miller did an excellent job putting it together as President of the association.

Commissioner Miller stated our staff did a wonderful job.

Commissioner Atwill stated he also found the Malcolm Baldrige information extremely interesting, and would like to look into it further. Commissioner Atwill stated it sounds like a good management theory.

Commissioner Miller recommended the Commissioner's try to attend some of their monthly meetings, and get a feel from the discussion.

Commissioner Atwill stated it's all about efficiency and economy, which we need as much of as we can develop. Commissioner Atwill stated he read about Malcolm Baldrige, and stated he was the Director of the U.S. Department of Commerce for eight

years.

Commissioner Miller stated they need to look at the non-profit side and see if they have different criteria or categories to focus on.

The meeting adjourned at 2:57 p.m.

Attest:

Wendy S. Noren
Clerk of the County Commission

Daniel K. Atwill
Presiding Commissioner

Karen M. Miller
District I Commissioner

Skip Elkin
District II Commissioner