TERM OF COMMISSION:

October Session of the October Adjourned Term

PLACE OF MEETING:

Roger B. Wilson Boone County Government Center

Commission Chambers

PRESENT WERE:

Presiding Commission Daniel Atwill
District I Commissioner Karen Miller
District II Commissioner Janet Thompson

Interim PSJC Director Joe Piper Deputy County Clerk Mike Yaquinto

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

### Public Safety/Joint Communication

## 1. Proclamation recognizing Public Safety Joint Communications for earning Emergency Medical Dispatch Accreditation

Joe Piper said he would like to introduce Carlynn Page, the Associate Director of the International Academies of Emergency Dispatch. She is here today to recognize Joint Communications as an accredited center of excellence in Emergency Medical Dispatch. This is the second accreditation for Boone County. A few months ago, Joint Communications received accreditation for Emergency Fire Dispatch. Carlynn Page would like to address the Commission.

Carlynn Page said she is please to be in Boone County today. Accredited Centers share a common goal of improving public care and maximizing the efficiencies of 911 systems. On July 8, 2014, Boone County Public Safety Joint Communications became the 187<sup>th</sup> of an elite group of Emergency Medical Dispatch accredited centers of excellence.

Boone County also became one of 29 centers in the entire world that are accredited in both

Fire and Medical Dispatch. This shows they have joined a group of accredited centers of all over the world providing superior, up-to-date, public care and efficient resource utilization to achieve maximum results in emergency situations. Brian Maydwell, Operations Manager, told me he always considered Boone County dispatchers amongst the best in the world and now he has external validation that they are among the best in the world. Joe Piper also pointed out that this accreditation is not due to one individual, but is a team effort. I have been told that this is only the next step in ultimately becoming tri-accredited. That would be in Fire, Medical and Police. This would be an even more elite group.

Commissioner Miller asked how many have this tri-accreditation.

Ms. Page said there are only eight in the world.

Commissioner Thompson asked how many of those are in the U.S.

Ms. Page said all eight are in the U.S., but this is still an elite status. So, on behalf of the International Academies of Emergency Dispatch, it is my honor and pleasure to officially present the accreditation to Boone County Public Safety Joint Communications.

Commissioner Atwill thanked Ms. Page for the presentation of the plaque and read the following proclamation:

Whereas, Columbia/Boone County Public Safety Joint Communications provides exemplary services to the citizens of Boone County through collaboration with 13 response agencies;

Whereas, the mission statement of Columbia/Boone County Public Safety Joint Communications is, "Public Safety Joint Communications is committed to serve as the vital link between citizens and public safety agencies of our community. As the 'first' first responders, we strive to provide prompt, courteous, and professional service for all of our customers. Through our actions, we help save lives, protect property and assist the

public in their time of need;

Whereas, International Academies of Emergency Dispatch is a non-profit, standard-setting organization promoting safe and effective emergency dispatch services worldwide and comprised of allied academies for fire, medical and police dispatch;

Whereas, International Academies of Emergency Dispatch Emergency Medical

Dispatch Accreditation is based on the organization's "20 Points of Accreditation

Excellence" for Medical Dispatch Centers;

Whereas, these "20 Points of Excellence" include the current Academy certification of all emergency medical dispatch personnel; consistent case evaluation that meets or exceeds the Academy's minimum performance expectations; proper description of the process that will occur when medical response is requested by another agency; documentation for the call center's incidence (numbers) of all Medical Priority Dispatch Systems codes and levels; and the agency's agreement to abide by the Academy's Code of Ethics and the standards set forth for an Accredited Center of Excellence;

Whereas, accreditation by the International Academies of Emergency Dispatch is based upon the comprehensive training and performance of staff in responding to calls as well as in working with local responding agencies on policies, procedures, established training and quality assurance processes;

Whereas, an example of the excellence of Columbia/Boone County Public Safety Joint Communications lies in scoring within the highest percentiles of one of the 20 Points of Excellence through independent review of 911 calls involving a request requiring a medical component;

Whereas, International Academies of Emergency Dispatch Medical Accreditation is rare, with Columbia/Boone County Public Safety Joint Communications being one of only three public safety dispatch centers in the state of Missouri to have earned this accreditation;

Therefore, in recognition of the exemplary service and tireless dedication of Columbia/Boone County Public Service Joint Communications to the safety of Boone County residents and visitors, the Boone County Commission extends its sincerest appreciation and congratulations.

The Commissioners congratulated those in attendance from PSJC and thanked them for their endless work in providing care to the citizens of Boone County.

Commissioner Atwill moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby recognize the Columbia/Boone County Public Safety Joint Communications for earning Emergency Medical Dispatch Accreditation by the International Academies of Emergency Dispatch.

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. Order #495-2014

### Sheriff's Department

2. Public Hearing and Second reading; Budget Amendment to establish a budget for underage alcohol enforcement activities (1<sup>st</sup> read 10-9-14)

Commissioner Atwill opened the Public Hearing and asked if there is anyone present that would like to speak on this issue. There were no speakers and Commissioner Atwill closed the Public Hearing.

Commissioner Miller moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby acknowledge the following budget amendment for the Sheriff's Department to establish a budget for underage alcohol enforcement activities funded by the Youth

Community Coalition.

Department	Account	Department Name	Account Name	Decrease \$	Increase \$
2521	3525	Community Traffic Safety	Reimburse Special Projects		15,000
2521	10110	Community Traffic Safety	Overtime		1,425
2521	10200	Community Traffic Safety	FICA		110
2521	91300	Community Traffic Safety	New Equipment		1,300
2521	23300	Community Traffic Safety	Uniforms		500
					18,335

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. Order #496-2014

# 3. Public Hearing and Second reading; Budget Amendment to establish a budget for Internet Crimes related activities (1<sup>st</sup> read 10-9-14)

Commissioner Atwill opened the Public Hearing and asked if there is anyone present that would like to speak on this issue. There were no speakers and Commissioner Atwill closed the Public Hearing.

Commissioner Thompson moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby acknowledge the following budget amendment for the Sheriff's Department to establish a budget for Internet Crimes related activities from program income.

Department	Account	Department Name	Account Name	Decrease \$	Increase \$
1253	3540	Internet Crimes Task Force	Defendant Court Costs & Recoupment		1,950
1253	23050	Internet Crimes Task Force	Miscellaneous Supplies		330
1253	23850	Internet Crimes Task Force	Minor Equipment		500
1253	70050	Internet Crimes Task Force	Software Services Contract		1,120
					3,900

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. Order #497-2014

### Commission

### 4. Public Comment

Jeff Cook said he is the President of the Boone County Fair Board. He had presented a letter to the three Commissioners and is here today to follow up on that letter. Speaking from the heart, Mr. Cook said we are down to the wire and need to make a decision. We can't let the Fairgrounds close. Something needs to be figured out. We had a task force and four public meetings and not one person proposed closing the Fairgrounds. Everyone proposed the subsidization of the Fairgrounds until we get it up and running with a permanent solution. The EPIC proposal on the ballot did not pass.

Mr. Cook said this is a HUB to our community and youth. We can't let it close. In the letter sent, we propose using the Fairgrounds, but not the Coliseum. It addresses how we can still have the Youth Arts. These kids work just as hard as the kids showing their animals. They need a place for their show. The community uses this facility as well as Boone Electric and

the 4H. It is time to figure out what we need to do to keep this open.

The Boone County Fair Board wrote a proposal that the board would share the cost of the winter utility bills so the building would not freeze. It would keep the heat and electric on at lower levels. We have been in contact with Boone Electric on getting us an estimate on what this would cost. The months of January, February and March are the critical months. The board is willing to join the Commissioners to keep it open, but not occupy it so it can eventually be used for the fair. This would buy the Commission some time to figure out a solution. If the building is shut down, it will go to "hell in a handbasket." Boone Electric has said they fear that if the heating system in the front is shut down, it may not start up again. Mr. Cook said the Fair Board is willing to step forward and try to help to see what can be done. It is not all on the shoulders of the Commission. It is on everyone.

Commissioner Atwill said the Commissioners have received the letter but have not had an opportunity to discuss it and will do that. The Commission understands and appreciates the continued interest and at the same time, it always comes back to how to fund these things. From what we have heard, the board is offering to pay part, but there are no specifics until Boone Electric has an estimate.

Mr. Cook they are looking at paying half the costs. The thought is that the estimated cost to winterize the building is about \$50,000. Utilities for the year are approximately \$120,000 and if the utilities are lowered to where the building would not freeze, the cost can be split with the County. This would save the County money as well as the building and allow us to use the building for the fair. We are just trying to give the Commission an avenue that would help prolong this situation to get to a solution. This would save the County some money it the cost is shared.

Commissioner Atwill said he very much appreciates the thoughts and suggestions and we will continue to work on this.

The Commissioners thanked Mr. Cook for his efforts on this and for what he has done in the past with the EPIC proposal.

### 5. Commissioner Reports

None

The meeting adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

Attest:

Wendy S. Moren

Clerk of the County Commission

Daniel K. Atwill

Presiding Commissioner

Karen M. Miller

District I Commissioner

Janet M. Thompson

District II Commissioner