

TERM OF COMMISSION: May Session of the May Adjourned Term

PLACE OF MEETING: Boone County Government Center Commission Chambers

PRESENT WERE: Presiding Commissioner Don Stamper
District I Commissioner Karen M. Miller
District II Commissioner Linda Vogt
Deputy County Clerk Michelle Malaby
County Counselor John Patton

The regular meeting of the County Commission was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

SUBJECT: Donation of \$5,000 to Sheriff's Department from Optimist Clubs

Sheriff Ted Boehm stated the Optimist Clubs making the donation to the County include the Sunrise Optimists, Downtown Optimists, Mizzou Optimists, Midway Optimists, Southside Optimists, Rainbow Diamond Optimists, Ashland Optimists and Four Season Optimists.

Herman Page presented a \$5,000 check to Sheriff Ted Boehm for the drug dog program.

Sheriff Boehm stated the money will be used to purchase and train a dog for search, rescue and drug detection operations. It will be their second dog. An officer will be sent for training May 22. The support of the Optimist clubs means more than the check--but the check is appreciated.

SUBJECT: Request to Hire Information Services Employee Above Base of Range

Commissioner Stamper stated Information Services Director Scott Monnig has an opportunity to hire an experienced programmer. He would like to pay him five percent above the range base.

Commissioner Stamper moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone authorize Information Services Director Scott Monnig to hire an employee at a salary of \$23,500, which is five percent above the base of the range.

Commissioner seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 264-95.**

SUBJECT: Agreement with University of Missouri for Support of 1995 Show-Me Games

Commissioner Stamper moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone approve, and authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign, the attached agreement with the University of Missouri for support of the 1995 Show-Me Games.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 265-95.**

SUBJECT: Discuss Status of El Chaparral Park Maintenance

Commissioner Vogt stated she obtained park maintenance costs from the City of Columbia. The cost to repair existing equipment ranges from \$11,000 to \$17,000. The annual cost to mow the park for 32 weeks is \$2,560. The annual cost to clean the park is \$3,000.

Mr. Patton stated the options are maintain the park or return the grant money.

Commissioner Vogt stated the amount of the grant was \$30,000. Work which needs to occur at the park soon includes removal of the structure the neighborhood believes to be dangerous and mowing the grass. The park is twenty years old. The State might prorate the amount to be repaid.

In response to a comment from Mr. Patton, Commissioner Vogt replied the building to be demolished is an old well house--a rock structure that was already on the property. It is not the park shelter. The roof of the shelter needs to be repaired.

Commissioner Miller stated this ties in to the request by Facilities Maintenance for a temporary groundskeeper. When she looked at the Courthouse grounds today, she decided the groundcover should be removed from the beds. It does not look like a groundcover. The area is filled with weeds. It needs mulch, but it is her understanding the Courthouse does not like mulch. The area needs to be evaluated before the County hires someone to take care of it. Commissioner Miller asked is there still a well under the well house?

Commissioner Vogt replied she is not certain it is a well house. That is what it looks like. The County has not identified funding for this work, but it has to be done. She could ask the Public Works Department to demolish the building, but she really does not want them to do that.

Commissioner Stamper stated temporary MKT Trail workers are not working right now.

Following further discussion, Commissioner Vogt moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone authorize the Facilities Maintenance Department to work on adding mowing the El Chaparral park for the 1995 mowing season to the existing contract for mowing County property, in an amount not to exceed a cost of \$6,000.

Commissioner Miller asked Commissioner Vogt if she is insisting the work be contracted?

Commissioner Stamper stated he interpreted the motion to direct the Facilities Maintenance Department to determine what the existing vendor would charge to mow the El Chaparral park. Commissioner Stamper seconded the motion.

Commissioner Vogt stated she is not opposed to investigating hiring a part-time employee or having an existing part-time employee perform the work. The El Chaparral park needs to be mowed. The strategy stated in her motion seems like the best solution at this time.

Commissioner Miller stated she has no problem with the Facilities Maintenance Director investigating the cost and returning to the Commission so it can be discussed further.

In response to a question from Commissioner Stamper, Mr. Patton replied if the cost is over \$1,500, the work should be bid. Other vendors did not have an opportunity to bid on this work.

Commissioner Vogt stated her motion did not say they should extend the contract. They could not do that without returning to the Commission.

Ms. Malaby pointed out there is a not to exceed amount of \$6,000 in the motion, but the Commission decided the motion should not be changed.

Motion passed unanimously. **Order 266-95.**

SUBJECT: Award Bid 59-04MAY95, Surveying Services

Manager of Design and Construction Tom Ratermann, referring to his memos to the Commission dated May 9, 1995 and May 11, 1995, stated a bid tabulation is attached. He recommends the County also award a contract to Engineering Surveys & Services. Their original proposal was not complete, but they have since provided the necessary information. One of the six firms responding to the request for proposals is located out of town. The County has not paid travel expenses in the past. That issue is being clarified with the out of town vendor. It is anticipated the issue will be resolved and an award will be made to the firm at a later date.

In response to a question from Commissioner Stamper, Mr. Ratermann replied the services are for the five year road improvement plan. Firms will survey a centerline for each road and locate the existing property monuments.

In response to a question from Commissioner Stamper, Mr. Ratermann replied the out of town firm is located in Jefferson City.

In response to a question from Commissioner Vogt, Mr. Ratermann replied the firm did not request reimbursement for travel time, the Department is simply clarifying the issue.

Commissioner Stamper moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone award bid number 59-04MAY95, Surveying Services to the following firms for the respective amounts:

Crockett Engineering Consultants for \$8,300
Brush and Associates for \$8,300
Marshall Engineering and Surveying for \$8,300
Engineering Surveys and Services for \$8,300
Miller and Associates for \$8,300.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

In response to a question from Mr. Patton as to whether the amounts are not to exceed amounts or lump sum amounts, Mr. Ratermann replied they should be not to exceed amounts.

Commissioner Stamper revised the motion to reflect the amounts are not to exceed \$8,300. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 267-95.**

SUBJECT: Discuss Provision of Funding to Constitution Committee

Commissioner Stamper stated the purpose of discussing funding is not to come to a conclusion today, but to determine what the perceptions of the Commission are. There are a variety of ways to fund writing a constitution. The County will not be involved in funding the ballot issue concerning the constitution in any way.

Barbara Shoemaker, representing Boone Hospital Center, 1600 E Broadway, stated they would like to offer professional resources as might be needed by the constitution writing committee. Assistance could be provided in terms of group dynamics training, orientation tools, or consensus building skills--the type of tools that are sometimes necessary in negotiations.

Commissioner Miller stated it is a wonderful offer. The task of the group is phenomenal. Their focus is important. What Boone Hospital Center is offering will help them with that task.

Commissioner Vogt stated other areas of assistance the committee will need include legal assistance, clerical support, a meeting place, and technical support. Upon completion, the document might be placed on the Columbia On-Line Information Network.

Commissioner Stamper stated the County is not in a position of funding consultants or expert witnesses. Commissioner Stamper suggested the Commission wait until the committee is appointed, then meet with the chairperson and ask what they need.

Commissioner Miller stated the County owes the group support staff and legal counsel, at least.

Mr. Patton commented how much the Commission spends is probably its judgment. It is clearly a public purpose. He is still researching the vehicle for the funding.

SUBJECT: Government Center Change Order No. 26 Commission Chamber Furnishings

The item was added to the agenda. CRSS Construction Manager Dave D'Eagle summarized the change order which provides a footing for future louvered gates at the generator for \$133; twelve minor miscellaneous close out items for \$2,727; and the Commission Chamber desk for \$10,471.

Commissioner Stamper moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone approve, and authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign, Government Center Change Order No. 26.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 268-95.**

Commissioner Stamper requested Mr. D'Eagle determine whether the Commission Chamber doors can be modified so they do not have to be locked when closed.

Mr. D'Eagle replied the lock can be modified without violating the code which requires the doors to automatically close in the event of fire.

SUBJECT: Vote to Authorize Closed Meeting 610.021 (1) (3)

Commissioner Miller moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone authorize a closed meeting to immediately follow the regular meeting of the County Commission on May 16, 1995 to discuss hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of a particular employee by a public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded, pursuant to section 610.021 (3) and to discuss legal actions, causes of action, or litigation involving a public governmental body, and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys, pursuant to section 610.021 (1) RSMo.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 269-95.**

SUBJECT: Reports from Commissioners

Commissioner Miller reported she attended the meetings of both fire district boards this week. The Southern Boone County Fire Protection District had a presentation on life safety codes. They are investigating implementation of the codes. Boone County Fire Protection District implemented life safety codes with new construction. If the Commission knows anyone who has the time and necessary training to perform the inspections, let them know.

Commissioner Vogt reported she located affordable chairs for the Commission desk. She looked at two pieces of granite at the north facility which are about six feet by two feet in size. Mr. Nichols believes he can build bases for them to be used as benches. They were recovered from this site during excavation and are believed to have been part of the original Courthouse.

Commissioner Vogt reported the Missouri Association of Counties has not decided where to hold the annual conference in 1997. Commissioner Miller was appointed to the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee. She was appointed to the Missouri Association of Counties Committee 2000.

Commissioner Stamper reported there is additional damage in the McBaine bottoms due to flooding. Bur Oak Road is washed out. There is a hole there which is between four and thirty feet deep. Unless a great deal more rain is received, they do not anticipate a big problem.

Commissioner Stamper read a letter, written in humor, from the "Citizens for the Constitution, Deer Park, Misery."

Commissioner Stamper reported the State Emergency Management Agency submitted a check in the amount of \$5,246.98 to cover eligible personnel and administrative items on the EMA claim for the months of January, February and March, 1995.

The meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

Attest:

Don Stamper
Presiding Commissioner

Wendy S. Noren
Clerk of the County Commission

Karen M. Miller
District I Commissioner

Linda Vogt
District II Commissioner