

TERM OF COMMISSION: December Session of the November 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
County Counsel John Patton
Deputy County Clerk Melanie Stapleton

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

Subject: Budget revisions and purchase for the Sheriff's Dept

Captain Beverly Braun stated that one of the patrol cars had been wrecked on November 9th. She stated that the first estimate that the Sheriff's department received was around \$8,400. She stated that the County Clerk's office received the check, however shortly afterward it was decided that the car should be totaled.

Captain Braun stated that the market representative had indicated that the Sheriff's department would be receiving additional money to bring the total up to \$15,500. She stated that it would cost \$19,534 to replace a car. She stated that the Sheriff's department had a savings amount in one of their line items of \$4,034 that they wanted to transfer in order to replace the vehicle. Captain Braun stated that County Auditor June Pitchford wanted the item approved contingent upon getting the \$15,500 from the insurance company.

Commissioner Stamper wanted to know what year the wrecked car was.

Captain Braun stated that the car was a 1998, however she stated that it would have to be replaced with a 1999.

Commissioner Stamper stated that earlier that year they had taken three vehicles out of fleet to see if they could be sold at a residual value of \$12,000. He stated that the experiment failed. Commissioner Stamper wanted to know what the feasibility would be of taking one of those cars and putting it back into service for the rest of its life.

Captain Braun stated that this could be done, however she noted that the car that had been wrecked had a lot less miles on it than the one that was for sale.

Commissioner Stamper stated that he understood that, however he stated that it would serve as an immediate solution. Commissioner Stamper asked Captain Braun if she would be willing to discuss this with the Sheriff.

Captain Braun stated that she would be willing to do that, however she noted that today was the last day that this transfer could take place. She asked Commissioner Stamper if this could be approved contingent upon exploring the other possibility.

Commissioner Stamper stated that it could be approved authorizing one Commissioner to sign off on it, based on the inquiry. He stated that the thought was that something would have to be done about those three vehicles.

Captain Braun asked if the problem was the timing (of the sale).

Commissioner Stamper stated that he did not know.

Commissioner Miller stated that next year, they would still need another car because it would likely reach the level that cars are normally taken out of fleet.

Captain Braun stated that this was correct.

Commissioner Stamper moved to authorize the Presiding Commissioner to approve the necessary budget revisions if an arrangement could be made for a vehicle in inventory.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 600-98**

Commissioner Miller asked how the vehicle was wrecked and why the Commission was not notified about it.

Captain Braun stated that officers were responding to an emergency situation (going through a traffic light). She stated that oncoming traffic did not stop and the car was t-boned.

Commissioner Miller asked if it was the policy of the Commission to be notified of vehicle accidents involving officers.

Commissioner Stamper stated that it was.

Subject: Presentation of the Boone County Task Force Committee

Commissioner Stamper welcomed Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson to the Chambers.

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson introduced his guests. Accompanying him was Nonie Dudley, Hardeep Bhular, Frank Glenn, and Vicky Russell.

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that the County had an excellent opportunity to put together 400-500 acres of land (in the Boone County Fairgrounds area) that could be used for future recreational purposes. He stated that there could be some political liability in doing this, however the payoff would come 25 years down the road when there were residential homes in the same area as the recreational facilities owned by the County.

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson wanted to know how far the County Commission wanted the Task Force to proceed in trying to develop recommendations for actual finance packages. He stated that some of the things that would come back in the recreational needs assessment survey would be: what kind of activities people would like, what kind of development would appropriate with a private development, the Fair board/County relationship.

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that he was surprised at the lack of comment concerning the future land use of that area. He stated that there had been very little negative feedback if any concerning the future land use of that area being recreational. He stated that he had strong personal feeling that any Task Force that served as intermediaries would need to have the Commission at the same table (in order to stifle ill will).

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that a similar study was performed in 1994 by the city of Columbia. He stated that the Task Force tried to formulate a survey that would complement that one. He stated that the original goal had been to survey those people living in outlying areas. He stated however, that he understood that the County Commission represented everyone in Boone County and therefore if there was something that needed to be changed, then the Task Force was willing to do so.

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that in order to get the statistical sampling, Hardeep Bhular designed the survey for 2,000 people hoping to get responses from at least 1,000 people. He stated that he did not know if this would cause a significant change in the cost of the survey.

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that there was a real strong sentiment (from the Task Force) on the future recreational use. He stated that this was also a good economic tool. He stated that he would answer any questions from the Commission and stated that Hardeep Bhular would discuss the changes that had been made in the survey questions.

Commissioner Miller stated that the survey had been changed considerably.

Commissioner Stamper asked the other members of the Task Force if they wanted to make any general comments before they discussed the survey.

Vicky Wilson stated that the groups that the Task Force had heard from had expressed a need for more recreational facilities such as baseball fields, etc.

Commissioner Miller asked if these groups had any funding for that kind of facility.

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that the only group that had any money was the Daniel Boone Little League.

Commissioner Vogt stated that the Diamond Council had done some fundraising. She stated that the County had been working with this group.

Commissioner Stamper stated that the city of Columbia had almost always taken revenues from groups such as those for field use and reinvested them in the facilities. He stated that there was a revenue equation that would allow the revenues produced from the use of the field to go toward its development.

Frank Glenn stated that this situation should be viewed as: this is a piece of property that can be developed. He stated that there may not be enough money to build all the recreational facilities, however he stated that this area was really growing so this it was a perfect opportunity.

Hardeep Bhular stated that at the meeting of the Task Force, people had been asked for their comments and feelings. He stated that it was expressed that this opportunity was a "potential jewel." He stated that the development part could come later, however there was another opportunity available now.

Hardeep Bhular stated that the city of Columbia's survey involved a lot of user analysis. He stated that the Task Force survey would supplement that information. He stated that this information (task force survey) in addition to the Columbia's 1994 survey and its current one (comprehensive, infrastructure survey) would provide a good idea of what the County's recreational needs are.

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that the City of Columbia had put out an extensive survey and the Task Force did not have a chance to get identical questions put on it.

Hardeep Bhular stated that the survey (that the Commission had in hand) had been updated at the last meeting (held the evening before). He stated that there would be some additional questions and changes made to that draft as well.

Commissioner Miller stated that it was very easy to get people to give a yes or no answer to the actual use of certain facilities. However, she stated that when they are asked if they are willing to help pay for certain things, there could be a different response. She stated that these questions had been taken out, and this could cause the survey to be skewed.

Commissioner Vogt stated that there were questions on the survey that addressed that issue.

Commissioner Miller stated that there were other questions (concerning the acquisition of property) that had been taken out.

Hardeep Bhular stated that it had been recommended that these questions be taken out.

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that there was a question that Commissioner Vogt had wanted to be addressed.

Commissioner Vogt stated that the question was: "Should there be a Parks Commission?"

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that the Task Force felt that this question had some political volatility. He stated that this question might be perceived as one about expanding government, when they were actually trying to focus on whether or not the land acquisition was a good thing. He stated that the development of a parks department was something that the Task Force had not dealt with. However, he stated that the County Commission was paying for this survey, therefore the Commission could put any questions they wanted to on the survey.

Commissioner Vogt stated that the long-term question (addressed by this survey), in her mind was, how does local government deal with ownership?

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that he had no resistance to any questions that the Commission wanted to put on it.

Commissioner Vogt stated that she felt that the parks commission was a question that needed to be addressed at this time. She stated that if there were a parks commission, it would have the authority to request a tax levy from the people.

Commissioner Stamper wanted to establish the difference between a parks commission and parks department.

Commissioner Vogt stated that a parks commission would be in charge of a parks department. She stated that they would have to go through the Commission to indebt the County.

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that he was not sure you could address this issue without asking four or five questions.

Commissioner Vogt stated that they could ask the, "Do you believe there should be a parks commission with taxing authority?"

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that he thought this question would receive a resounding no.

Commissioner Stamper stated that it would involve a lot of questions to get to the bottom of that issue.

Commissioner Vogt stated that in her mind the answer to that question was very important to the decision made at this table about the land acquisition issue. Commissioner Vogt wanted to know how this (the land acquisition) would be paid for.

Commissioner Miller agreed with Commissioner Vogt's comments.

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that the historical perspective had been that if it was a swimming pool or a track, it was funded through a partnership and someone else managed it. He stated that there was not much discussion about a parks department.

Commissioner Vogt stated that a couple of the things that had been discussed among members of the Commission was, should this property be purchased with tax payer money or would there be a need for a group of people to look at funding opportunities.

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that this was why the Task Force had added the questions concerning ownership management.

Commissioner Stamper stated that there was a matrix of questions included in this discussion. He stated that the first question was whether or not the County wanted this land brought into public ownership (or to land-bank this land). He stated that this might lead to a park or it may just be land. He stated that he thought that the County should be aggressive in this opportunity to land-bank because the opportunity would only come while the area was growing.

Commissioner Stamper stated that the question before the Commission from the Task Force was how far does the Commission want the Task Force to go into the land acquisition issue (financing options, etc.). He stated that another question was one of where the County was headed in the

future of its parks initiatives. He stated that somehow there should be a way to draw out public opinion on this issue in the survey.

Commissioner Vogt asked the Task Force if they were here to ask the County Commission if they wanted to land-bank this property.

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that the Task Force thought that this was a great opportunity to land-bank, however the question was, how involved did the Commission want the Task Force to be in looking at the management, financing, and ownership options.

Commissioner Vogt wanted to know how many people were on the Task Force.

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that there were 15 people on the Task Force including Wendy S. Noren, Stan Shawver.

Commissioner Vogt asked if the survey would go to people in the unincorporated area only.

Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson stated that this was correct.

Commissioner Vogt asked if this would go to Harrisburg, Hallsville, Ashland, etc.

Hardeep Bhular stated that it would.

Commissioner Stamper stated that places such as Cosmos Park were not developed overnight, he stated that it took a lot of money from the user fees of that area to continue to develop it.

Commissioner Miller stated that she also thought that land-banking was a good idea, however she was concerned as to how the County was going to pay for the acquisition of this land. She stated that the question that she had wanted to place on the survey was irrelevant because it would not be answered by the entire public.

Commissioner Stamper stated that maybe there should be a discussion about expanding the survey. He stated that the Task Force felt that the 1994 survey still held value and would be useful in combination with the Task Force' survey.

Commissioner Vogt stated that the Commission would work on the questions that they wanted to add, and stated that perhaps the Commission should schedule a work session with the Task Force.

Everyone agreed that there should be a separate work session scheduled for this.

Commissioner Stamper thanked Lieutenant Governor Roger Wilson and the Task Force for coming.

Subject: Change Order No. (2) for Johnson Bldg project

Commissioner Miller stated that this project was to change the drainage by the sidewalks near the Johnson Bldg.

Commissioner Miller moved to approve a contract with Columbia Curb & Gutter for Change Order No. 2 of the Johnson Bldg/Courthouse Project at an additional amount of \$840.00. is further ordered that District I Commissioner Miller be hereby authorized to sign said change order.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 602-98**

Subject: Budget Revision for the County Clerk's Office

Beckie Jackson stated that these funds would be moved from the County Clerk’s Office to the Information Technology department.

Commissioner Vogt moved to authorize a Budget Revision as follows:

AMOUNT	ACCOUNT FROM	ACCOUNT TO
\$4930	1132-85900 Election/Special Election	
\$4930		1170-92301 Information Technology Replacement Computer Hardware

Said revision is to replace 2 P Cs in the Election/Registration department of the County Clerk’s Office and a tape drive CD-Ram for ballot counting.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 603-98**

Subject: Award Bids for Anti-icing Sprayer system, Full Maintenance Elevators, Router Maintenance, and Hot Bituminous Asphalt mix

Beckie Jackson presented a recommendation for the award of the bid for Anti-icing Sprayer system.

Commissioner Miller moved to award bid number 60-25NOV98 as follows:

FOR	TO
ANTI-ICING SPRAYER SYSTEM	KNAPHEIDE TRUCK EQUIPMENT COMPANY

Said bid is awarded per attached recommendation of the Purchasing Department. It is further ordered that the Presiding Commissioner be hereby authorized to sign all contract documents for said bid award.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 604-98**

Commissioner Miller moved to authorize a budget revision as follows:

AMOUNT	ACCOUNT FROM	ACCOUNT TO
\$1700	2040-86800 Emergency	
\$1700		2040-91300 Machinery & Equipment

Said revision is to cover purchase of anti-icing sprayer system for trucks for a bid that was higher than anticipated.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 599-98**

Kevin Ruggles presented the Purchasing department recommendation for Full Service Maintenance of Elevators, Hot Bituminous Asphalt Mix, and Router Maintenance.

Commissioner Miller moved to award the bid for MM20 Hot Bituminous Asphalt as follows:

FOR	TO
ASPHALT MIX	APAC OF MISSOURI, INC.

Said bid is awarded per attached recommendation of the Purchasing Department. It is further ordered that the Presiding Commissioner be hereby authorized to sign all contract documents for said bid award.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 605-98**

Commissioner Vogt moved to award bid 64-25NOV98 as follows:

FOR	TO
ROUTER MAINTENANCE	COMPUTERLAND

Said bid is awarded per attached recommendation of the Purchasing Department. It is further ordered that the Presiding Commissioner be hereby authorized to sign all contract documents for said bid award.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 606-98**

Commissioner Vogt moved to award bid number 57-18NOV98 as follows:

FOR	TO
FULL SERVICE MAINTENANCE OF ELEVATORS	MILLAR ELEVATOR SERVICE COMPANY

Said bid is awarded per attached recommendation of the Purchasing Department. It is further ordered that the Presiding Commissioner be hereby authorized to sign all contract documents for said bid award.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 607-98**

Commissioner Miller moved an additional item that had been neglected earlier during the meeting.

Commissioner Miller moved to authorize a Budget Revision as follows:

AMOUNT	ACCOUNT FROM	ACCOUNT TO
\$9000	2040-86800 Emergency	
\$9000		2040-60200 Equipment Repairs

Said revision is to cover unexpected increases in expenditures to repair and maintain county-owned vehicles that depleted Class 6 funds.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 601-98**

There were no Commissioner' Reports.

There was no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10a.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