

TERM OF COMMISSION: February Session of the February 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 Skip Elkin  
County Counsel John Patton  
Deputy County Clerk Melanie Stapleton

The Presiding Commissioner called the meeting to order 9:30am.

**Subject: Request by PF Net to approve a review plan and subdivision plat for Midway Communications Subdivision located at 7301 W Henderson Rd, Columbia**

Tom Schneider, agent of the applicant was present on behalf of this matter. He stated that he was present to answer questions, since the County Commission had already voted on the zoning issue. He stated that the most notable features of the review plan were the large amount of landscaping and the chainlink fence.

Tom Schneider stated that the County Commission would see another one of these requests soon. He stated that PF Net originally planned to have two of these buildings on the site, however the topography would not permit it. He stated that therefore PF Net has an option to place the other building on the adjoining 2.5 acres.

Commissioner Miller asked if the parking areas would be dust-free.

Tom Schneider stated that this stipulation was referenced on the plat.

Commissioner Miller moved to approve the Review Plan for Midway Communications Subdivision located at 7301 W Henderson Rd, Columbia and authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign the document.

Commissioner Elkin seconded the motion.

Discussion: Commissioner Stamper called for public comment. He stated that the County Commission is not required to hold a public hearing on the review plan.

There was no public comment.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 78-2001**

Commissioner Miller moved to receive and accept the Subdivision plat for Midway Communications and authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign said plat.

Commissioner Elkin seconded the motion.  
There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 78A-2001**

**Subject: Williams Estate. S21-T48N-R12W. R-S. George and Ethel Williams, owners.  
Ronald G. Lueck, surveyor.**

Stan Shawver stated that this is a one-lot subdivision, located on Hwy WW, is zoned R-S. He stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission approved the plat. He stated that a modular home is being placed on the property.

Stan Shawver showed Commissioner Elkin the location of the property on a site map.

Commissioner Elkin moved to receive and accept Williams Estates and authorize the Presiding to sign the plat.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

There was no discussion

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 79-2001**

**Subject: Presentation on Sole Source Requests from Public Works**

Commissioner Stamper stated that the Public Works Department is always looking for ways to improve bridge maintenance. He stated that they have come across an approach that they would like to try that would assist in the rehabilitation of three, existing structures. He introduced David Nichols, Public Works and Mark Huck, Harrington & Cortelyou for the presentation.

Mark Huck stated that Harrington & Cortelyou (H & C) has specialized in the design of roads and bridges since 1928. He stated that the H & C involvement with the County dates back to 1976, during which time they worked on approximately 100 bridges. Mark Huck stated that in February 1999, Frank Abart, past Public Works Director approached H & C about upgrading the above referenced bridge sites to increase their load limits. He stated that under the Bridge Engineering Assistance program, H & C reviewed the structures and made a recommendation using conventional construction methods to remove the existing decks and beams and replace them with steel stringers and a new concrete deck.

Mark Huck stated that based on this recommendation, H & C worked with Frank Abart under a contract to develop specifications for the work. He stated that shortly afterward, H & C came across a new, innovative technology using fiber-reinforced polymer to strengthen these kinds of structures. He stated that H & C learned that Dr. Nani at the University of Missouri-Rolla was

working with the Missouri Highway Department on using this technology.

Mark Huck stated that H & C contacted Dr. Nani in March 2000 about the use of this technology on Coats Lane, Creasy Springs and Brown School Road bridges. He stated that Dr. Nani did some research and investigation of these three bridges and determined that they could be upgraded with the application of fiber-reinforced polymer. He stated that it was also found that this work could be done in a week's time for approximately \$60,000. He stated that H & C had originally estimated (under conventional procedures) that it would take approximately two to three months time per bridge for rehabilitation at a cost of approximately \$200,000 total.

Mark Huck noted that both the Missouri Highway Department and the Federal Highway Commission classify the reinforced polymer as innovative. He stated that there is only one source of this material and workers capable of applying this in the manner required.

Mark Huck stated that H & C is proposing that Boone County utilize this technology to save both time and money.

David Nichols presented a packet of information regarding the technology and Mark Huck presented a summary on the proposed upgrade rehabilitation to the three bridge.

Commissioner Stamper noted that it is incredible that this technology could be offered at a cost so significantly less than the conventional method. He also noted that it has been used in other areas.

Mark Huck stated that an example of the Missouri Highway Department's use of the technology was included in the packet. He stated that once the resin is applied to the concrete beams, it hardens and chemically bonds with the concrete.

Commissioner Miller moved to authorize the Public Works Department to pursue a Sole Source Contract for the Bridge Rehabilitation work (as outlined in the attached documentation) through Harrington & Cortelyou. The Presiding Commissioner is hereby authorized to sign any related documentation.

Commissioner Elkin seconded the motion.

Discussion: Commissioner Stamper asked the Public Works to take good photographs of every stage of this process, since there would undoubtedly be interest from other counties around the state.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 80-2001**

Commissioner Miller thanked Harrington & Cortelyou for offering Boone County a more cost-effective solution.

**Subject: Letter of Engagement for Year 2000 Audit to be performed by KPMG**

June Pitchford, County Auditor stated that this letter is standard language that is developed by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. She stated that the document outlines the scope of work to be performed, responsibilities of County management, identifies the work to be done with respect to federal grants, and the agreed upon fees.

Commissioner Stamper stated that this is a change in firms. He stated that the County worked for a number of years with a different, local firm.

Commissioner Stamper stated for the public record that the County has first read a request by the County Auditor for work to be performed by KPMG for the year 2000 Audit. He stated that the document would be brought forward for approval at the next meeting.

Commissioner Miller stated that the audit usually looks at one department in depth.

June Pitchford stated that the in-depth review of department occurred with the last firm after they had gained a familiarity with the County's functions. She stated that the County Commission could certainly meet with KPMG to discuss strategies and approaches prior to the audit. She noted that this would be an appropriate time for the County Commission to offer input and shape the audit process. She noted that the in-depth review had been very beneficial to departments in the past. She noted that perhaps the implementation of the GASB-34 system could be an item to consider for possible in-depth review of how it would effect the County.

June Pitchford stated that she could schedule a formal meeting between KPMG and the County Commission.

The County Commission agreed to meet with KPMG. They thanked June Pitchford for her presentation.

**Subject: Proposal for Judicial and Law Enforcement Task Force**

Commissioner Stamper stated that the County Commission developed a potential list of members for this task force in a work session some time ago. He stated that he met with Kevin Crane, Prosecuting Attorney and other members of the Court en banc to discuss the task force. He stated that the Court has provided some written feedback to him. He noted that Kevin Cranes's primary concern was that the task force mission statement reflect that a primary goal would be to collect, maintain, and present accurate data and information on the current activities at the Boone County Jail and the people that are moving through the system.

Commissioner Stamper stated that he spoke with June Pitchford regarding this issue this morning. He stated that she was concerned about identifying the Reality House as a quasi-stakeholder, since they are a contract with the County.

Commissioner Miller stated that the Reality House could serve as a resource rather than a stakeholder.

Commissioner Stamper stated that June Pitchford also asked about the Commission's intent on having a local media representative. He stated that he believed that this representative would bring to the table a community media perspective.

Commissioner Stamper stated that there were also questions regarding the County Commission involving the Community Partnership in this discussion. He stated that it was the County Commission's desire to engage the social services agencies that the County works with in this issue. He stated however that the question of the Community Partnership's involvement in the whole matter was worth pondering.

Commissioner Stamper also noted that Kay Murray, County Treasurer asked not to be included. He stated that Judge Conley requested that a Court representative be added as a representative of both Adult and Juvenile Services representative be added to the list.

Commissioner Stamper reviewed the other representatives on the list. He stated that the County Commission needed to try to formalize the list and address all questions.

Commissioner Elkin stated that he felt that a citizen at large representative should also be included on the task force.

Commissioner Miller stated that the task force representatives proposed were citizens. She stated that she saw the task force as one, big group of citizens.

Commissioner Stamper stated that the strategy behind this task force was to bring together all of the special interest and specialty groups. He stated that task force could be broken down into subcommittees and focus groups once everyone was at the table. He stated that the County Commission would continue to work on the task force and report to the public. He stated that he did not want to try to formalize this without input from Sheriff Boehm.

Commissioner Stamper asked if there was anyone that wished to give comments regarding his presentation.

There was no one that wished to speak.

**Subject: Approve a Quit Claim Deed for the Southern Boone County Fire Protection District**

Commissioner Stamper welcomed Chief John Thomas of the Southern Boone County Fire Protection District.

Commissioner Miller stated that about a year ago the Missouri Highway Department decided to

the County this excess right of way for the placement of a fire station. She stated that this item was delayed in coming forward because the Public Works department had to adjust the survey to accurately reflect the property that was being handed over to the Southern Boone County Fire Protection District.

Commissioner Miller moved to approve and authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign the Quit Claim Deed between Boone County and the Southern Boone County Fire Protection District for 2.65 acres of property as described in said document.

Commissioner Elkin seconded the motion.

Discussion: John Thomas stated that this location would provide access to old and new Hwy 63. He stated that it is a good location.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 81-2001**

The County Commission thanked John Thomas for coming.

**Subject: Boone Retirement Center Format**

Commissioner Stamper stated that it was the County Commission intent to hold a discussion regarding the potential sale of Boone Retirement Center to the Hospital Trustees. He stated that this was originally set for an evening meeting, however the meeting was moved to this morning. He stated that he would provide some clarification on this matter during today's meeting.

Commissioner Stamper stated that the Hospital Trustees have approached the County Commission with a proposal for the trustees to purchase the Boone Retirement Center facility. He stated that the purchase would occur after the Boone Retirement Center is relocated to its new site. He stated that the proposed purchase price is \$950,000, which is a compromise of two appraisals. He stated that it was the County Commission intention to reinvest the funds in the new Health Department facility and the Family Health Center. He stated that the County Commission would continue to receive comments on this matter.

Commissioner Stamper noted that this proposed purchase is a crucial part of Boone Hospital's masterplanning process. He stated that BHC has identified this property as a possible future expansion area. He stated that it would be their intention to significantly modify or rebuild the structure.

Commissioner Stamper stated that this item would be scheduled on the Commission agenda, a week from Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup> as agreement to general terms and an expression of intent.

**Subject: Public Hearing to Approve a Budget Amendment for Overtime Expenses in year 2000**

Commissioner Stamper stated that this budget amendment was being returned to the Commission agenda following the ten-day waiting period for public comment.

Commissioner Stamper opened a public hearing.

There was no one that wished to speak.

Commissioner Stamper closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Elkin moved to approve a budget amendment as follows:

<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>(increasing) ACCOUNT</b>
\$11,282	1251-10110 Sheriff: Overtime
\$2,497	1251-03411 Federal Grant Reimbursement Sobriety Checkpoint
\$6,785	1251-03411 Federal Grant Reimbursement: Hazardous Moving Violation (“Operation Slowdown”)
\$2,000	1251-03411 Federal Grant Reimbursement: Operation Cash Crop

Said amendment is to account for overtime expense reimbursed by grants throughout year 2000.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 82-2001**

**Subject: Rescind Commission Order 50-2001 and Reappoint Scott Cristal to the Community Services Advisory Commission**

Commissioner Stamper moved to rescind Commission Order 50-2001 and reappoint Scott Cristal to a 2-year term on the Community Services Advisory Commission. Said term will be retroactive to January 1, 2001 and will expire on December 31, 2003.

Commissioner Elkin seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 83-2001**

**Commissioner Reports**

*Commissioner Stamper*

*Rusty Gamett and Raymond Beade*

Commissioner Stamper reported for the public record that Rusty Gamett, a former Boone Electric Cooperative employee died of a heart attack last night.

Commissioner Miller reported that Raymond Beade, a Ashland City Councilman also died of a heart attack yesterday.

The County Commission extended condolences to the families of both gentlemen on behalf of Boone County.

*MoDOT Enhancement Funds*

Commissioner Stamper stated that the County may want to get in touch with the Boone County Historical Society to apply for funds for identification of the Booneslick Trail. He stated that he would meet with David Sapp to discuss this possibility.

*Jail Visitor's Report on the Juvenile Justice Center*

Commissioner Stamper submitted this report for the public record. He stated that the report outlines what an outstanding job Kirk Kippley does as director of that facility.

*Public Service Commission Notice in the matter of a Commission Inquiry into purchased gas cost recovery; Order establishing Case and Creating Task Force*

Commissioner Stamper submitted the notice for the public record.

*Commissioner Miller*

*Boone County Fire District meeting*

Commissioner Miller stated that there have been a couple of structural fires in Boone County, where places burned to the ground. She stated that one of the fires was in the Hillcreek area where there is a lack of water and waterlines. She stated that the waterlines were voted on and approved, however they had never been installed. She stated that the water district sent a letter to each homeowner in the area stating that it would be beneficial to have fire alarms installed that would sent out an alarm to the local protection agencies to provide help in case of an emergency.

Commissioner Miller asked if the County Commission should meet with the water district regarding the waterlines

Commissioner Stamper stated that the County Commission should invite the water district in to give a report.

*Section 8 Housing public meetings*

Commissioner Miller stated that there were two public meetings (hosted by the Columbia



Housing Authority) this week regarding Section 8 Housing. She stated that she was able to attend one entire meeting and a portion of the other meeting. She stated that the meetings had good turnout and a lot of fears were dispelled. She stated that the Columbia Housing Authority is working to help citizens understand the process.

Commissioner Elkin stated that the process had been confusing in the past. He noted that the switch to the Columbia Housing Authority was a good idea.

*Human Development Corporation meeting*

Commissioner Miller noted that her first meeting with them was held this week. She stated that there would be a lot of paperwork involved, however an orientation would be held for the new board members.

*Public Works Report*

She stated that she met with Public Works yesterday to discuss the humidity study for the Jail. She stated that the County needs to authorize Public Works to work with Malicot-Winslow on that matter.

Commissioner Miller moved to authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign a proposal in the amount of \$3200 authorizing the Public Works Director to work with Malicot-Winslow Engineers, PC for the Boone County Jail Humidity Study.

Commissioner Elkin seconded the motion.

Discussion Commissioner Stamper stated that this item was being brought forward for immediate action without delay because of the concern about mold and humidity at the Boone County Jail. He stated that the proposal is only \$200 above what the Public Works Director is authorized to sign off on independently.

The motion passed 3-0. **Order 84-2001**

Commissioner Miller asked the other members of the Commission to describe their perception of how the County is to maintain the roads in the annexed portions of its cities. She stated that she has received a lot of calls from people who live in the southern part of the County (Ashland) wanting to know who is going to maintain the roads. She stated that the County and the cities are placed in a bad position because there is no formal plan. She stated that the Public Works Department needs guidance on this matter.

Commissioner Stamper stated that he was not aware of a formal agreement, however there was a lot of discussion on the matter during this tenure as Interim Public Works Director. He stated that citizens and staff regarding this matter have also contacted him. He stated that a policy would have to be established. He noted that the policy should include that cities take responsibility for the areas that they have annexed.

Commissioner Miller concurred with Commissioner Stamper's comments.

Commissioner Elkin stated that a similar issue was taking place regarding speed limits on roads that have been annexed into cities.

Commissioner Stamper stated that the County Commission should ask David Mink to revisit this issue to work on having a policy drawn up to address these problems.

Commissioner Miller noted that she would be out of town until the middle part of next week attending the NACo Legislative Conference.

*Commissioner Elkin*

*Mid-Missouri Tourism Council*

Commissioner Elkin stated that he met with this council and was presented with the 2001 Visitor's Guide. He stated that the Mid-Missouri Tourism Council is working with David White, manager of the Missouri Symphony Society on restoring and expanding the old Missouri Theatre.

*Hallsville Annexation (proposed)*

Commissioner Elkin reported that the city of Hallsville would hold a public hearing on March 6th regarding a proposed annexation of property owned by Larry & Ruth Ann Douglas of a tract of land at the intersection of Hwy U and Hwy 124 west of Hallsville. He stated that this tract of land would front the new, proposed Rte B bypass.

There was no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 10:40am.

Attest:

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Wendy S. Noren  
Clerk of the County Commission

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Don Stamper  
Presiding Commissioner

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Karen M. Miller  
District I Commissioner

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Skip Elkin  
District II Commissioner