TERM OF COMMISSION: April Session of the April Adjourned Term

PLACE OF MEETING:

Roger B. Wilson Boone County Government Center

Boone County Commission Chambers

PRESENT WERE:

Presiding Commissioner Kip Kendrick

District I Commissioner Justin Aldred

District II Commissioner Janet Thompson

Deputy County Clerk III Jodi Vanskike

Conference Call Information:

Number: 425-585-6224 Access Code: 802-162-168

The meeting was called to order at 1:30PM and roll call was taken.

Boone County Resource Management

1. First Reading: Annual Consultant Service Agreements for Engineering, Architecture and Surveying with A Civil Group & CBB

Commissioner Thompson stated this is an annual contract into which they enter as a County. Commissioner Thompson stated they utilize services from professional organizations around the county. Commissioner Thompson stated A Civil Group has been on the county's consultant list for many years, as has CBB. Commissioner Thompson stated Resource Management asks the Commission to consider this agreement with these two companies again in order to effectuate the work of the County.

Commissioner Kendrick 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 appropriate order for approval.

Boone County Sheriff's Office

2. Second Reading FY2023 JAG Subrecipient Monitoring Agreement – First Read 04.23.24

Commissioner Aldred moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the attached FY2023 JAG Subrecipient Monitoring Agreement with the City of Columbia.

The terms of the agreement are set out in the attached and the Presiding Commissioner is authorized to sign the same.

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #202-2024**

Boone County Counselor

3. Second Reading: Approving proxy designation for the Wilton Levee District annual meeting – First Read 04.23.24

Commissioner Thompson moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby designate Greg Edington as the County's proxy to attend the annual meeting of the Wilton Levee District in May 2024. The Presiding Commissioner is authorized to execute the attached proxy form provided by the Levee District.

Commissioner Aldred seconded the motion. The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #203-2024**

Commission

4. First and Second Reading: Application for Organizational Use of the Boone County Chambers - Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of Columbia

Commissioner Aldred moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the application for organizational use of the Boone County Government Center Commission Chambers by the Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of Columbia on Wednesday, May 22, 2024, from 5:00PM until 9:30PM for the Commemoration of the Declaration of the Bab.

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #204-2024**

5. Boone County Proposition 1 – Open Public Hearing

Commissioner Kendrick started the public hearing by going over the Senior Property Tax Relief timeline, which is inserted below and attached to the end of the minutes.

Commissioner Kendrick stated he would like people to understand that this has been an ongoing process. Commissioner Kendrick stated the Commission's first statement on this issue is they would be deliberate in this process, and they certainly have been deliberate. Commissioner

Kendrick stated they have been deliberate in seeing this through, but not deliberate in sitting on their hands. Commissioner Kendrick stated the Commission has been working on this for quite some time and Boone County is in a good position to implement a program and see it through. Commissioner Kendrick stated, having served in the Missouri General Assembly, there is infinite wisdom inside the General Assembly no doubt but sometimes legislation is crafted in such a way that it may not be clear. Commissioner Kendrick stated sometimes when it gets told to people, it seems as if it's ready to go, should have been ready to go yesterday and people want them to get the program going. Commissioner Kendrick stated that's not how it works when statutes are written, you must be clear in how you administer state statute. Commissioner Kendrick stated Boone County is a statutory county and they must work within the confines of state law. At this point, Commissioner Kendrick began going through the timeline below.

May 8, 2023-SB 190 Truly Agreed and Finally Passed by General Assembly

May 23, 2023-Counties across the state begin sending technical concerns to

MAC July 6, 2023 - SB 190 signed into law by the Governor

July 13, 2023 - Boone County Commission sent all taxing jurisdictions a letter requesting a fiscal analysis July 25, 2023-MAC creates an SB 190 Task Force to address concerns and propose clean up legislation

July 27, 2023 - The State Tax Commission issues an opinion on SB 190

August 2023-First of the fiscal analysis start to trickle in from Boone County taxing jurisdictions

August 22, 2023 - MAC issues first guidance on SB 190 to counites

September 2023 - MAC SB 190 Task Force continues to meet and draft recommendations

October 25, 2023 - Final of the fiscal analysis arrives-from CPS - responses from 12 entities

November 2023-MAC SB 190 Task Force releases recommendations and draft legislation

November 20, 2023-MAC adopts SB 190 clean up legislation is top legislative priority at Annual Conference

November 21, 2023-Boone County Commission adopts SB 190 clean up legislation as top legislative priority and issues resolution that it will wait to act until clarity Is provided by General Assembly

December 5, 2023-SB 190 bill sponsor pre-files clean up legislation at the request of MAC

January 8, 2024-Boone County Commission begins discussions with taxing jurisdictions re: possible Prop 1

January 16, 2024 - Senate hearing on SB 756 - legislation begins moving

January 26, 2024 - Boone County Commission votes to place Proposition 1 on the April ballot

April 2, 2024-Voters approve Proposition 1 in Boone County

April 4, 2024-Boone County Commission announces public hearing and tentative timeline for policy

April 11, 2024-Boone County Commission accepts certified election results from the Boone County Clerk

April 18, 2024-Public hearing held in Commission Chamber at 1:30pm

April 25, 2024 - Public hearing held in Hallsville City

Hall at 1:30pm

May 2, 2024 - Public hearing held in Centralia City

Hall at 1:30pm

May 9, 2024-Public hearing held in Ashland City

Hall at 1:30pm

May 17, 2024-The 2024 Legislative Session in end at 6pm on Friday, May 17, 2024

Commissioner Aldred stated he feels it is very important to have Boone County citizens weigh in on this issue and it was important that the Commission put this item to a vote on the ballot so every individual affected by this policy and decision would have a chance to weigh in, as opposed to the voice of just the Commissioners. Commissioner Aldred stated he would like to thank everyone for being here today and would like to thank the City of Hallsville for letting the Commission use this space.

Commissioner Kendrick added that he wants to make clear there has never been a discussion of an income-based means test, the Commission doesn't have the capability to do that, that is done at the State level and is called the Circuit Breaker tax credit. Commissioner Kendrick stated the Department of Revenue has administered that program for the last twenty-five to thirty years and they do a great job. Commissioner Kendrick stated there will be no means test in the County policy as it's currently written so the policy will not discriminate against any seniors who meet the eligibility criteria that's in the current draft. Commissioner Kendrick stated they can't technically give this credit to every citizen in Boone County because the State has defined it as age 62 and older and those who own a home. Commissioner Kendrick stated he would like to reiterate there is no means test in the current drafted policy.

There were no public comment forms submitted for this item at the meeting.

6. Public Comment

None

7. Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Aldred stated, just before today's meeting, it was his honor to join with the 175th Military Battalion and the United States Exercise Tiger Foundation recognizing the 80th anniversary of the battle of exercise tiger. Commissioner Aldred stated they also flew at the Columbia Armory, a 48-star 1944 WWII battle flag. Commissioner Aldred stated this is the first time the flag has been flown since WWII. Commissioner Aldred stated Audrain County will hold a recognition at the Audrain County Courthouse on Sunday, April 28th at 1:00pm to recognize the 80th anniversary of Exercise Tiger.

Commissioner Thompson stated Boone County was chosen as one of five counties nationwide to participate in a Juvenile Justice initiative project. Commissioner Thompson stated she just got back last night from Albuquerque, where they spent a day and a half talking with experts in the area to try to figure out better practices to keep kids out of the criminal justice system. Commissioner Thompson stated they explored what they need to do to keep the kids from getting into that field, and direct their lives in a better way. Commissioner Thompson stated they also explored if the kids get into that field, how to make sure they don't end up in adult criminal court. Commissioner Thompson stated they spent time looking at the abuse and neglect side of it as well. Commissioner Thompson stated it was a wonderful meeting with individuals from across the country. Commissioner Thompson stated the administrator from the Department of Justice, Liz Ryan, along with some of her deputies, were at the meeting to help connect them with the resources for the kids in our community.

Attest:

Brianna L. Lennon

Clerk of the County Commission

Kip Kendrick

Presiding Commissioner

Justin Aldred

District I Commissioner

Janet M. Thompson District II Commissioner