

PHELPS COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD

October 2, 2018 First day of the October term

Now at this the 2nd day of October 2018 the Commission met pursuant to adjournment and a quorum was present of the following members:

Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner
Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1
Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2
Pamela K. Grow, Phelps County Clerk

IN THE MATTER OF
SALES PRESENTATION:

Piper Steckelberg with Liberty National Insurance discussed her company's products with the Commission. Phelps County Focus Staff Writer Andrew Sheeley was also present.

IN THE MATTER OF
CITY OF EDGAR SPRINGS SEWER:

Collector Davis Haas came to discuss the possibility that his office would be collecting sewer fees for residents of the City of Edgar Springs. Haas asked if a Commission ordinance would be required.

IN THE MATTER OF
MERAMEC COMMUNITY
ENHANCEMENT CORPORATION:

Commissioner Gary Hicks is currently the chairman of the MCEC, and discussed two board vacancies. The organizational structure and meeting schedule were discussed.

IN THE MATTER OF
MISSOURI ASSOCIATION
OF COUNTIES:

The attendance of some county elected officials at the MAC meeting was discussed; Treasurer Carol Green, Recorder of Deeds Robin Kordes, and Commissioner Gary Hicks expect to attend.

IN THE MATTER OF
MISSOURI OZARKS COMMUNITY ACTION (MOCA):

Commissioner Hicks reported on a recent meeting and audit.

IN THE MATTER OF
HEALTH DEPARTMENT
FLU SHOT CLINIC:

Phelps/Maries Health Department Director Ashley Wann notified the Commission that flu shots would be available at the Health Department starting 10/5/2018 except on Thursdays, and a community flu shot clinic would be held 10/3/2018.

IN THE MATTER OF
FARMER'S MARKET:

Wann reported that discussions are underway exploring grant funding of a shared commercial kitchen for the farmer's market vendors.

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IN THE MATTER OF
COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS:

Wann also related that the Community Health Needs Assessment in conjunction with the hospital will be held today; mental health needs as related to opioid abuse problems will be a focus.

IN THE MATTER OF
COUNTY EMPLOYEES BENEFIT FAIR:

Commissioner Stratman observed that employee benefit providers who are not ready to service their product, by coming in person to meet with county employees, perhaps should not be afforded the privilege of payroll deductions. Presiding Commissioner Verkamp favored a benefit fair, after the renewal from Group Benefit Services for medical insurance had been presented.

IN THE MATTER OF
COUNTY ROAD 8030:

The Commission received a letter from counsel for a landowner on this road. No action was taken.

IN THE MATTER OF
PWS #4:

Board members Dennis Cullen and Curt Voss attended as did Collector Davis Haas. Two board members had tried to help a patron with multiple connections and a delinquent bill over \$5,000, to see if some of the trailers on his property were uninhabitable; the bill could be reduced. A daughter accused them of trying to "...kill her father." Haas and the Commission reviewed the process used in collecting these delinquencies.

IN THE MATTER OF
BUSINESS OPENING:

Local resident Bob Desai invited the Commission to the Grand Opening of a local Event Center.

IN THE MATTER OF
COURT ORDERS:

Personal Property Court Orders 1931, 1932, and 1933 representing add-on's of 2015, 2016, and 2017 property in June, 2018 were reviewed and approved. The assessed value added for those years was \$3,170; \$49,060; \$535,558 respectively.

IN THE MATTER OF
PHELPS COUNTY CLERK TURNOVER:

In compliance with RSMo 50.370, which requires every third class county officer who receives any fees or other remuneration for official services to file a report with the county commission showing all fees charged, the act or service for which each such fee was charged together with the names of persons paying of liable for same and to file a receipt with the commission, the clerk reported passport fees in September 2018 of \$3,150, and other fees of \$143.92.

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READ AND APPROVED:



Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner



Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1



Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2

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October 4, 2018 Second day of the October term

Now at this the 4th day of October 2018 the Commission met pursuant to adjournment and a quorum was present of the following members:

Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner
Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1
Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2
Pamela K. Grow, Phelps County Clerk

IN THE MATTER OF FORT LEONARD WOOD:

Commissioner Hicks reported on a recent Phelps for the Fort meeting. The new hospital at Fort Leonard Wood is expected to create 700 jobs and to open in 2019. Local resident Ray Schweikhardt was also present.

IN THE MATTER OF CART FUNDS:

Treasurer Carol Green presented CART (County Aid Road Trust) funds received; the gas tax, motor vehicle sales tax, and the motor vehicle fee totals received were \$52,216.51, \$16,407.60 and \$7,827.97, respectively. With respect to the gas tax, \$481,375.45 of the budgeted \$661,600--or 72.76%--had been received to date through September.

IN THE MATTER OF ROADS:

Presiding Commissioner Verkamp led a discussion about the Highway 72 Bypass, traffic volume and traffic flow at the intersection of Bridge School Road and Kingshighway.

IN THE MATTER OF LOBBY RECEPTIONIST:

Support Services had, as requested, provided some information about the call volume to the lobby desk phone. Six months of data showed 840 calls, or approximately 7 per day.

IN THE MATTER OF RESIDENTIAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT:

Local resident and realtor Faith Barnes came to discuss new federal regulations for small versus larger parcels. Presiding Commissioner Verkamp referred to parcels under three acres, and a variance only available from the county's Onsite Wastewater Treatment Board.

IN THE MATTER OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS:

Schweikhardt said that at the September 20 meeting he felt that elected officials and department heads implied that they did not need to account for all of their expenditures; he felt this was wrong, he was uncomfortable and for that reason excused himself from the meeting.

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IN THE MATTER OF
COURTHOUSE HVAC PROJECT:

Director of Support Services Mark Brookshire and assistant Sissy Korich attended to report that Mr. Frank Howey with MSI Constructors of Springfield was decreasing his involvement with the company and referring more of the operations to his son, Adam Howey, the current lead on the 1972 Jail Renovation. Brookshire said no one from MSI had been in the courthouse to complete the work on the HVAC for four weeks. There are diverse components of the project outstanding, and the balance owed the company was approximately \$30,000. Commissioner Stratman queried when and at what stage it would be considered that the contract was no longer in effect. Brookshire said the original finish date was July 1, 2017; rather than 6 months, the project has taken 20 months to date. Presiding Commissioner Verkamp called Frank Howey by cell phone and used the speaker; Howey said a supplier has caused numerous problems for him. He has a meeting with this supplier on October 8, 2018; he gave verbal assurance that the project would be completed by December 15, 2018 and he was requested to provide a letter of commitment to this.

IN THE MATTER OF
ROADS:

Michelle Bock of the Road Department reported that Department Head Walter Snelson needed a particularly sturdy cell phone because of the physical nature of the work, and had been unable to obtain this phone through the current contractual arrangement with the county. The Commission encouraged and authorized her to obtain the equipment he required.

IN THE MATTER OF
COURT ORDERS:


Personal Property Court Orders numbered 1934, 1935, and 1936 representing add-on's of 2015, 2016 and 2017 property in July, 2018 were reviewed and approved. The assessed value added for those years was \$3,750; \$21,530; and \$248,260 respectively.

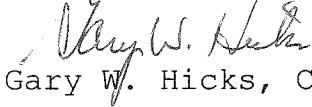
IN THE MATTER OF
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

The Commission reviewed and approved accounts payable for 150 invoices in the amount of \$467,519.69 and 10 invoices for payroll cycle deductions and garnishments in the amount of \$8,951.56.

READ AND APPROVED:


Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner


Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1


Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2

PHELPS COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD

October 9, 2018 Third day of the October term

Now at this the 9th day of October 2018 the Commission met pursuant to adjournment and a quorum was present of the following members:

Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner
Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1
Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2
Pamela K. Grow, Phelps County Clerk

IN THE MATTER OF
COURTHOUSE HVAC PROJECT:

Phelps County Focus Staff Writer Andrew Sheeley was also present. The Commission, clerk and Director of Support Services received a letter from Frank Howey, President of MSI Constructors. Dated 10/12/2018, the letter read as follows:

To: Phelps County Commission

Gentlemen,

Per our telephone conversation on 10/11/18 [sic] regarding the completion of the Phelps County Courthouse Building Automation Project. As I stated on the phone and having gave you my word that we will be done no later than 12/15/18 with the completion of the remaining installation, graphic and system verification. At this time this doesn't include the valves that need to be changed out but we will put the actuators on the old valves and wire them up, making sure they have power and a control signal. There may also be some additional items that are extra to the Contract. As of now I am not aware of what these might be.

I appreciate you all reaching out to me and once again we will be done with the Contract portion of the Project by 12/15/18.

Respectfully,

/s/
FE Howey
President
MSI Constructors

IN THE MATTER OF
PHELPS COUNTY WEBSITE:

The Commission received a conference call from Nick Rollins, about proposed improvements to the county's website. Rollins will formulate a proposal and submit to the county.

IN THE MATTER OF
ROADS:

Superintendent of Roads Walter Snelson and Michelle Bock of the Road Department came and several roads were discussed.

IN THE MATTER OF
CITIZEN INPUT:

Local resident Chester Kojro came to discuss the proposed animal ordinance.


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IN THE MATTER OF
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

The Commission reviewed and approved payment for Missouri LAGERS in the amount of \$51,224.12 and 51 other invoices for a total of \$126,944.84 for general invoices, contract pay, and employee reimbursements.

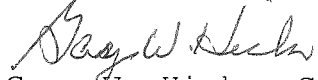
READ AND APPROVED:



Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner



Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1



Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2

PHELPS COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD

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Now at this the 11th day of October 2018 the Commission met pursuant to adjournment and a quorum was present of the following members:

Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner
Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1
Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2
Pamela K. Grow, Phelps County Clerk

IN THE MATTER OF
COUNTY ROAD 1050:

Local residents Curt Voss and Noah Wills came to inquire if there were any plans to pave County Road 1050, as had been done to Road 1060. Wills said the chip & seal on 1050 was in need of improvement; there was a great deal of loose gravel and the road was not very wide in Wills' opinion. He said there was something different about the chip & seal treatment this time; a wide swath of loose gravel had been left on the edges and a towed trailer catching that would be pulled over into the ditch. He said he believed it unsafe in its current state; Presiding Commissioner Verkamp called the Road Department and they will check on the situation.

IN THE MATTER OF
LIABILITY INSURANCE:

Dan Cavender of BPJ Insurance said another company had approached him about quoting liability coverage for the County. He said Texas County had another carrier. He proceeded to ask some questions about total miles of county roads and whether or not the county operated an impound lot. Rolla Daily News Reporter Lori Amos and Superintendent of Roads Walter Snelson arrived. Cavender said that if the county should decline to secure property coverage through MoPERM, they can return the following year; however, should they obtain liability coverage elsewhere, they cannot return to MoPERM for 5 years. Presiding Commissioner Verkamp observed that since MoPERM paid a dividend, and not all companies did, it was harder to make direct comparisons with other providers. The process of bidding was discussed.

IN THE MATTER OF
ROADS:

Superintendent of Roads Walter Snelson discussed numerous different roads and their maintenance and upkeep. He reported that he was satisfied with the new chip & seal machinery. Local resident Faith Barnes and Phelps County Focus Staff Writer Andrew Sheeley also arrived.

IN THE MATTER OF
SENATOR CLAIRE MCCASKILL:

Field Representative Justin Klocke and intern Aaron Carter, with U.S. Senator Claire McCaskill's office, came to solicit comments from the Commission. He prefaced the discussion by acknowledging that he could not conduct any activities related to her re-election campaign for the U.S. Senate; he was merely performing a constituent service function. Though he said that

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SENATOR CLAIRE MCCASKILL, Continued:

the Senator would not publicly take a position on a ballot initiative, Klocke did inquire about what Phelps County voters seemed to be thinking about one of the seven state-wide ballot issues on the Missouri General Election ballot: Proposition D with an increase in the gas tax. He asked what projects the County was likely to pursue should the tax increase pass. Presiding Commissioner Verkamp said he wished for more hard surface roads. Heavy rainfall essentially washes away county assets: gravel. He said Phelps Countians tend to care less about Interstate 70 and more about I-44. Commissioner Hicks said that support of Fort Leonard Wood was essential and Klocke assured all that this was a priority for the Senator. The opioid abuse problem, increased fatalities and the attendant mental health issues were discussed; Klocke said McCaskill had sponsored numerous federal legislative measures addressing the problem. Klocke planned to speak with the Phelps County Health Department later that day. Sheeley asked about the Senator's support of state targeted grant funding, mentioning three deaths in the last three months of patients who were on medically assisted therapy, allegedly using a prescription they attained through the system. Sheeley said the same manufacturer makes the abused prescription opioids as the MAT prescription. Klocke said that information about this must come from the Senator's press office, and he would have them send it to Sheeley. Presiding Commissioner Verkamp questioned about the rural broadband that has not, to his knowledge, materialized for anyone in Phelps County who lacked it previously, despite \$25 million coming to the state of Missouri ostensibly for just that purpose.

IN THE MATTER OF
COURT ORDERS:

The Commission reviewed and approved Real Estate Court Order Certificate 2017000162, Parcel 2017-7581, removing a nuisance fee.

IN THE MATTER OF
AFFORDABLE HOUSING ASSISTANCE
PROGRAM (AHAP) TAX CREDIT:

The Commission received a letter from Gus Metz, AHAP Administrator, informing them that the Missouri Housing Development Commission (MHDC) was considering an AHAP tax credit application from Great Circle for the rehabilitation of a 93-bed residential treatment and emergency shelter facility located at 13160 County Road 3610, St. James, Missouri. The units are set aside for persons at 50% or below of median income. The letter explained that AHAP tax credits are state tax credits allowed to business firms that make donations to not-for-profit neighborhood organizations approved by MHDC. The Commission provided a letter confirming the goal of the tax credit application, being that of spurring donations for the effort.

IN THE MATTER OF
PHELPS COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT
RESTITUTION FUND (PCLERF) BOARD:

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PCLERF BOARD, Continued:

The Commission approved the appointment of Ralph Roark, selected by Sheriff Rick Lisenbe, to the Phelps County Law Enforcement Restitution Fund Board. He will fill the vacancy created by the death of William P. "Pat" Botts and will join fellow board members Steve Zap, Judy Jepsen, Stoney Byrne, and Mike Singleton.

READ AND APPROVED:


Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner


Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1


Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2

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Pamela K. Grow, Phelps County Clerk

IN THE MATTER OF
MERAMEC REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Commissioner Stratman reported that the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) voted to support the statewide ballot issue "Proposition D" at its recent meeting. Phelps County Focus Staff Writer Andrew Sheeley was also present. Proposition D will ask voters to approve a \$0.10 increase in the state motor fuel tax, in four equal annual increments, with the projected generation of at least \$288 million annually to the State Road Fund to provide for the funding of Missouri state law enforcement and \$123 million annually to local governments for road construction and maintenance. Commissioner Stratman said the larger discussion was over the statewide ballot issue Amendment 1, known as "Clean Missouri", and the consensus of the group was that there was very little public knowledge about this ballot issue. Bonnie Prigge, of MRPC, and Mo DOT Regional Engineer Preston Kramer, will attend the Commission meeting November 15, 2018 to seek input on the top three transportation priorities.

IN THE MATTER OF
MERAMEC COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT
CORPORATION:

Commissioner Gary Hicks said, as Chair of the MCEC, he recommended the appointments of Dr. Greg Edwards and Mr. John Meusch to the two vacancies on this board. MCEC is a not-for-profit, 501(c)3 organization in existence since 1997, meeting quarterly to set policy and direction as well as to identify needs regionally and locally in providing services that increase the social, economic, educational, health-related and recreational opportunities of residents of the region, specifically in the areas of housing, transit, and child care. These appointments were approved on a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman.

IN THE MATTER OF
ROADS:

Commissioner Stratman reported on some concerns of residents of The Pines subdivision. Road 8030 and Schrenk Court were discussed. Rolla Daily News Reporter Lori Amos was also present.

IN THE MATTER OF
DURESS ALARMS:

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DURESS ALARMS, Continued:

Director of Support Services Mark Brookshire attended to discuss the update of the courthouse duress alarms. There is a concern that the technology is obsolete and if a replacement is particularly costly, competitive bidding will be required. An information meeting with the vendor is planned soon.

IN THE MATTER OF
COURTHOUSE HVAC PROJECT:

Brookshire reported that he has had no communication with MSI Constructors, despite the letter recently received regarding a commitment by MSI to completion of the work.

IN THE MATTER OF
SALES TAXES:

County Clerk Carol Green presented the sales tax receipts. October's report showed the County Revenue 0.5% and the Law Enforcement Sales Tax 0.375% receipts were \$228,419.75 and \$171,315.38, respectively. This was down 1.46% in the 17/18 month to month comparison, but was an increase of 4.61% in the rolling twelve month comparison. Green reported on some of the feedback she had received from other treasurers.

IN THE MATTER OF
COUNTY ROAD 1050:

Local resident Curt Voss reported on concerns with the Road 1050 and Highway 68 intersection as well as speed concerns on Road 1050.

IN THE MATTER OF
ANIMAL ORDINANCE:

The matter of more than a dozen lambs having been killed by dogs running at large earlier in the year was reported settled in civil court. Presiding Commissioner Verkamp said that should an ordinance be developed to address issues like this, it would be called the "Vicious, Dangerous, or Destructive Animal" ordinance. Local residents Faith Barnes and Chester Kojro as well as Doolittle Rural Fire Protection District President Paul Smith also attended.

IN THE MATTER OF
CDBG MATCHING FUNDS FOR
HMGP OF 2017 FLOOD BUY-OUT:

The grant authorization was approved on a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman. This project number FR-2018-15, for the purpose of purchasing four properties for a total of \$582,326, will provide \$146,504 in CDBG funding for the county match of the \$435,822 FEMA money. The form was signed and returned in triplicate to Missouri Department of Economic Development.

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IN THE MATTER OF
JEROME TORNADO SIREN
BID OPENING:

Doolittle Rural Fire Protection District President Paul Smith presented five bids received. The names and totals submitted were as follows:

BIDDER	AMOUNT OF BID
L&B Electronics, Eldon MO	\$17,000.00
Blue Valley Public Safety, Grain Valley, MO	\$20,790.78
Outdoor Warning Consulting, Jefferson City, MO	\$13,625.00
Storm Sirens, Inc., Norman, OK	\$19,850.00
Sentry, Canyon, CO	\$25,081.69

Doolittle Fire will be meeting this evening and will review these bids; on a motion by Commissioner Stratman, seconded by Commissioner Hicks, these were taken under advisement and referred to the fire board for review.

IN THE MATTER OF
FLOODPLAIN BUY-OUT RESOLUTION:

On a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman, the following Resolution was passed:

RESOLUTION 2018-10-16(1)

A RESOLUTION OF PHELPS COUNTY, MISSOURI, STATING INTENT TO SEEK FUNDING THROUGH THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER TO PURSUE ACTIVITIES IN AN ATTEMPT TO SECURE FUNDING AND IDENTIFYING A PROJECT MANAGER.

WHEREAS, The Robert T Stafford Act, as amended, does include provisions for property acquisition and relocation assistance; and ,

WHEREAS, Phelps County does have areas of need which may be addressed through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Phelps County, Missouri Commission, as follows:

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FLOODPLAIN BUY-OUT RESOLUTION, Continued:

SECTION 1. That Phelps County desires to participate with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the State of Missouri Emergency Management Agency in plans and activities for the improvement of the county under the program.

SECTION 2. That funds approved under the aforementioned program are intended to be used toward acquisition and/or relocation of residential properties damaged by past flood events.

SECTION 3. That all properties purchased under this grant must be removed from the parcel of land in question. The land that is acquired through this grant will be owned by Phelps County and must be restricted as to future use. By submitting this application, the county asserts that an evaluation has been conducted of all potential non-open space needs for this land including use for flood control. The county has determined that there are no such needs identified and therefore, the county is, with full knowledge, willing to commit to the purchase of this land and the placement of a permanent and irrevocable deed restriction that will prohibit future non-open space use including levees, flood walls and other flood control structures. The enclosed excerpt from the Robert T. Stafford Act, as amended, has been reviewed and is understood.

SECTION 4. That the Presiding Commissioner of the Phelps County, Missouri, be and is hereby authorized to prepare and submit an application to the State of Missouri Emergency Management Agency to pursue funding to conduct a

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FLOODPLAIN BUY-OUT RESOLUTION, Continued:

hazard mitigation project using State of Missouri and FEMA funds under the aforementioned program.

SECTION 5. That the Presiding Commissioner of Phelps County, Missouri, be and is hereby designated as the Project Manager, who shall act as the point-of-contact for the program participants, State officials and contractors.

WHEREUPON, this Resolution, having been read in full on this 16th day of October, 2018, the Phelps County Commission voted as follows:

3 ayes, no nays, no absences

ADOPTED and APPROVED this 16th day of October, 2018 by the County Commission for Phelps County, Missouri.

BY: Randy Verkamp
Presiding Commissioner

ATTEST:

Pamela K. Grow
County Clerk

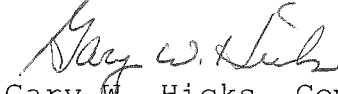
THE MATTER OF
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

The Commission reviewed and approved payment of 86 invoices and 5 invoices in the amounts of \$212,703.84 and \$5,481.25, respectively.

READ AND APPROVED:


Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner


Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1


Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2

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Now at this the 18th day of October 2018 the Commission met pursuant to adjournment and a quorum was present of the following members:

Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner
Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1
Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2
Pamela K. Grow, Phelps County Clerk

IN THE MATTER OF
COUNTY EMPLOYEE
HEALTH INSURANCE:

The timing of the renewal presentation by GBS for the county employee's health insurance was discussed. Phelps County Focus Staff Writer Andrew Sheeley was also present. It will be set for November 15, 2018 or earlier if possible. At the request of the clerk, Commissioner Stratman contacted GBS President Mike Deren regarding a practice consisting of diverting employees with large looming medical claims to the PPACA, then returning them to the county health plan several months post-op after the rehabilitative expenses had diminished.

IN THE MATTER OF
2017 FLOODPLAIN BUY-OUT:

Asbestos inspection services through MRPC for the properties in the buy-out were discussed.

IN THE MATTER OF
JEROME TORNADO SIREN
BID AWARD:

Doolittle Rural Fire Protection District President Paul Smith attended to inform the Commission that the Board had voted to make the award to the low bidder, Outdoor Warning Consulting of Jefferson City, for a bid of \$13,625.00. This was approved on a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman.

IN THE MATTER OF
COURT ORDERS:

Real Estate Court Orders, Certificates 2018000001 through 201800004 were approved, as was Personal Property Court Order 2018000115, on a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman.

IN THE MATTER OF
SUNSHINE LAW REQUEST:

Recorder of Deeds Robin Kordes briefly reported on a Sunshine Law Request through the Columbia Daily Tribune.

IN THE MATTER OF
CITIZEN INPUT:

Local resident Chester Crider visited with the Commission.

IN THE MATTER OF
COUNTY WEBSITE:

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COUNTY WEBSITE, Continued:

Nick Rollins called in regarding the county website and its utilization, and optimization of search results. One modification he highly recommends is converting to "https" as this will result in better acceptance overall with Google. He also recommended attention to the metadescriptions for the website pages, as Google looks for these and the County lacks them at present; improving outcomes of keyword searches through seeking input from office holders and department heads; upgrade of page loading speed, which is not at a high performance level at present. Rollins will provide further recommendations.

IN THE MATTER OF
COUNTY ROAD 2080:

The sign obstructing line of sight on this road was discussed.

IN THE MATTER OF
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

The Commission reviewed and approved payment of 32 invoices for a total of \$7,359.00, for general invoices and contract pay.

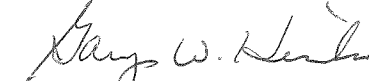
READ AND APPROVED:



Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner



Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1



Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2

PHELPS COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD

October 23, 2018 Seventh day of the October term

Now at this the 23rd day of October 2018 the Commission met pursuant to adjournment and a quorum was present of the following members:

Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner
Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1
Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2
Pamela K. Grow, Phelps County Clerk

IN THE MATTER OF
MERAMEC COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT
CORPORATION:

The Commission signed letters approving the appointments of Dr. Greg Edwards and Mr. John Meusch to the board as approved at the October 16, 2018 Commission meeting. Phelps County Focus Staff Writer Andrew Sheeley and local resident Faith Barnes were also present.

IN THE MATTER OF
VICIOUS, DANGEROUS, OR DESTRUCTIVE
ANIMAL ORDINANCE:

A brief discussion was held about the ordinance. Collector Davis Haas attended.

IN THE MATTER OF
2017 FLOODPLAIN BUY-OUT AND
ASBESTOS INSPECTION SERVICES:

Meramec Regional Planning Commission had submitted their qualifications for the service of inspection for asbestos; for 10 properties at \$300 each, this was below the bid threshold. On a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman, the award of the asbestos inspection services contract to MRPC was approved.

IN THE MATTER OF
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CONTRACTS
FOR THE 2017 FLOODPLAIN BUY-OUT:

Four contracts in duplicate were approved on a motion by Commissioner Stratman, seconded by Commissioner Hicks. Rolla Daily News Reporter Lori Amos arrived.

IN THE MATTER OF
COURT ORDERS:

Real Estate Court Orders numbered 2018-0000005 through 2018-0000008 were approved on a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman.

IN THE MATTER OF
KYLE CENTER DISBURSEMENT:

The Phelps County Board for the Developmentally Disabled had approved an additional disbursement above what had been budgeted in the amount of \$24,000 to the Kyle Center. On a motion by Commissioner Stratman, seconded by Commissioner Hicks, this was approved.

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IN THE MATTER OF
CART FUNDS:

Treasurer Carol Green presented the October CART Funds, with receipts of \$61,208.80 for the gas tax, \$14,489.89 for motor vehicles sales tax, and \$6,676.37 for motor vehicle fees.

IN THE MATTER OF
GENERAL ELECTION
STATEWIDE BALLOT ISSUE:

Proposition D raising the gas tax and the recent appearance locally by Governor Parson in support of the tax was discussed.

IN THE MATTER OF
COUNTY ROAD 8450:

Local resident David C. Smith came to express concern about a dead tree on private property that hangs over the county road. He is concerned that a dead limb might fall and strike a vehicle, or worse. He was given absentee property owner information so that he might coordinate removal with them.

IN THE MATTER OF
S&T CHANCELLOR:

Interim Chancellor Christopher Maples came to visit with the Commissioners. Having a higher percentage of Pell Grant-eligible students than University of Missouri-Columbia, his belief that enrollment once the campus is at capacity will be 10,000 students—8600 being the current enrollment—and the most recent figure for a 6-year graduation rate of 65%, were discussed. Local resident Chester Kojro also attended.

IN THE MATTER OF
CITY OF EDGAR SPRINGS:

Local resident Kim Fitzgerald came to discuss the building previously owned by the Edgar Springs Lion's Club, now owned by the city, and its state of disrepair. She is concerned that the building may be unsafe and that the city should curtail use of the building unless and until the repairs can be made. Commissioner Stratman suggested contacting Meramec Regional Planning Commission (MRPC) regarding federal grant monies that might be available.

IN THE MATTER OF
HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

Phelps/Maries Health Department Director Ashley Wann attended to report on the draft phase of the Community Health Assessment. She also reported on potential grant funding through the HRSA grant.

IN THE MATTER OF
DUKE RURAL FIRE
PROTECTION DISTRICT
AND DONATING GRANT WRITING HOURS:

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October 23, 2018 Seventh day of the October term


DUKE RFPD AND GRANT WRITING HOURS, Continued:

Duke RFPD has been denied a grant with the Delta Regional Authority and the district is hoping to find additional options. On a motion by Commissioner Stratman, seconded by Commissioner Hicks, the donation of up to 6 hours of grant-writing through MRPC to Duke RFPD was approved.

IN THE MATTER OF
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

The Commission reviewed and approved the payment of 111 invoices in the amount of \$124,603.59.

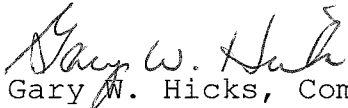
READ AND APPROVED:



Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner



Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1



Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2

PHELPS COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD

October 25, 2018 Eighth day of the October term

Now at this the 25th day of October 2018 the Commission met pursuant to adjournment and a quorum was present of the following members:

Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner
Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1
Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2
Pamela K. Grow, Phelps County Clerk

IN THE MATTER OF
2017 FLOOD DAMAGES:

Superintendent of Roads Walter Snelson, Michelle Bock of the Road Department, Phelps County Focus Staff Writer Andrew Sheeley and local resident Ray Schweikhardt were present. Meramec Regional Planning Commission had been in communication with the cities and counties administered by them, requesting information on recovery needs that were remaining, due to limited funding and assistance and feedback in general on communications and assistance from state and federal agencies. Preliminary damage assessments sent to SEMA and FEMA reimbursement requests submitted were wanted; the Missouri Department of Economic Development was looking to MRPC to substantiate requests for some \$100 million in CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) disaster funds. Presiding Commissioner Verkamp called Kelly Sink-Blair at MRPC and she was on speaker phone; he stated that all the information had been supplied to FEMA and most of the work had been done already, though it depleted the county's resources and he wondered what the county might stand to gain in terms of reimbursements. Snelson asked what guidelines would be used for low water crossings and what would the Corps of Engineers require. When asked how secure the funding source was, Sink-Blair said that her understanding, and that of others at MRPC, was that it was imminent. Presiding Commissioner Verkamp suggested a "dream list" might be developed, listing the most problematic low water crossings which tended to leave residents land-locked during floods.

IN THE MATTER OF
ROADS:

Multiple roads were then discussed, namely right-of-way electric work along Road 5030 which might necessitate 2,000 feet of excavation through yards, or down the center of the road; a church sign in the sight line along road 2080; Snelson reported every road in the Edgar Springs area had been chip and sealed, some double; asphalt overlayment of Hartville Road and its cost.

IN THE MATTER OF
HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

Phelps/Maries Health Department Director Ashley Wann came with a contract for laboratory work; the Department is one of only a few not offering laboratory services. Healthcare Procurement Solutions had offered to provide laboratory services and all needed equipment; testing would be done by LabCorp. On a motion by Commissioner Stratman, seconded by Commissioner Hicks, this was approved.

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IN THE MATTER OF VIDEO VISITATION:

Phelps County Jail Administrator Lt. Matt Shults arrived to discuss video visitation for inmates at the 1972 jail, to which he referred as the "Jail Annex." Currently, visitors to the main jail must provide photo ID and undergo background checks. After they have been cleared they are issued a badge; however, if they walk two blocks east to the annex, they might acquire contraband or even switch out with another individual. The proposal would be to permit video visitation from the main jail; for this capability, three quotes have been obtained. He believed all three had a low commission rate of 2-5%, and all three were examined because they had the ability to interface more-or-less seamlessly with the system currently in use. The video visits would provide a revenue stream to the PCSD. Under the proposed system, the friend or family desirous of visiting would have to create an online account from which funds would be drawn; the inmate would be messaged; a proximity indicator would blur everything outside of 2 feet from the screen, to insure privacy for other inmates; this would cost \$0.25 per minute. Verbal approval was given for Shults to explore this capability but no action was formally taken.

IN THE MATTER OF TIF PAYMENTS TO PHELPS COUNTY:

Treasurer Carol Green came to discuss the Rolla Westside Redevelopment Plan's clause stipulating \$5,000 per calendar year for the county's expenses incurred, once the Certificate of Substantial Completion is issued in 2019. Rolla City Administrator John Butz had referred her to Mark Spykerman, an attorney with Gilmore & Bell.

IN THE MATTER OF PAYROLL:

The Commission reviewed and approved payroll in the amount of \$166,800.59 net salaries, \$52,447.17 federal withholding, \$7,283.50 state withholding.

IN THE MATTER OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

The Commission reviewed and approved payment of 9 invoices in the amount of \$1,510.33.


IN THE MATTER OF STATE REPRESENTATIVE JASON CHIPMAN, 120TH DISTRICT:

State Representative Jason Chipman (R-120) came to discuss the 72 Extension and the Rolla West development. He discussed the Vicious, Dangerous, or Destructive Animal Ordinance under consideration; the context being proposed legislation that might be introduced in the upcoming session of the state legislature.

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READ AND APPROVED:


Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner


Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1


Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2

PHELPS COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD

October 30, 2018 Ninth day of the October term

Now at this the 30th day of October 2018 the Commission met pursuant to adjournment and a quorum was present of the following members:

Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner
Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1
Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2
Pamela K. Grow, Phelps County Clerk

IN THE MATTER OF ROADS:

Michelle Bock of the Road Department came to discuss several roads; Rolla Daily News Reporter Lori Amos was also present. Roads to be asphalted were discussed and these might include Road 3040, 3010, 3030, 7130, and 3620. Commissioner Stratman commented that collector roads need particularly to be considered for asphaltting. The only way to prioritize is by counting cars. He asked if Superintendent of Roads Walter Snelson could not deploy the traffic counters that had been acquired in 2006-2007. Presiding Commissioner Verkamp said the traffic count might justify treatment, but what treatment is recommended may differ: hot deck versus double chip & seal. Commissioner Hicks thought a cost/benefit analysis, traffic counts and accident reports would all be factors. Bock mentioned the Commissioner's role in urging the use of culverts for driveways and their proper size; Commissioner Hicks differed in his opinion in that culverts could not be required retroactively. Commissioner Stratman said guidelines for the use of asphalt were needed.

IN THE MATTER OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

Phelps/Maries Health Department Director Ashley Wann presented the contract for Maternal Child Health services in the amount of \$45,742.49; as moved by Commissioner Stratman and seconded by Commissioner Hicks this was approved.

IN THE MATTER OF CLOSED SESSION:

On a motion by Commissioner Stratman, seconded by Commissioner Hicks, the meeting entered a scheduled closed session with Senior Companions Director Jan Wiggins and her Advisory Committee President, Tina Lynn Pridgeon, at 10:02 a.m. pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (3) Personnel. After discussion, no action was taken; on a motion by Commissioner Stratman, seconded by Commissioner Hicks, the meeting returned to open session at 10:28 a.m.

IN THE MATTER OF TOUGH ON TRASH:

Local resident Faith Barnes asked if she could still obtain bags for collecting trash on her road; she was referred to the Road Department.

IN THE MATTER OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

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October 30, 2018 Ninth day of the October term

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE, Continued:

The Commission reviewed and approved payment of 67 invoices in the amount of \$50,511.85, and the premium for GBS for the employee medical coverage in the amount of \$107,289.61.

IN THE MATTER OF
PAYROLL CALENDAR, 2019:

The Commission reviewed the proposed payroll calendar for 2019 provided by Deputy Clerk for HR Lisa Dowdy; it was approved as moved by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman.

READ AND APPROVED:



Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner



Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1



Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2