

PHELPS COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD

March 5, 2019 Eighteenth day of the January term

Now at this the 5th day of March 2019 the Commission met pursuant to adjournment and a quorum was present of the following members:

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

IN THE MATTER OF
PHELPS COUNTY PDMP:

Local resident Ray Schweikhardt was provided with the responses to the questions he posed during the February 19, 2019 meeting from Phelps/Maries Health Department Director Ashley Wann. Phelps County Focus Staff Writer Andrew Sheeley was also present.

IN THE MATTER OF
COUNTY EMPLOYEE
HEALTH INSURANCE:

The Benefit Management Report from Group Benefit Services which did not yet include any pharmacy claims and showed a loss ratio of 7% was reviewed by the Commission.

IN THE MATTER OF
SALE OF ROAD EQUIPMENT:

Superintendent of Roads Walter Snelson and Michelle Bock of the Roads Department provided some real time information about the Purple Wave auction of used equipment.

IN THE MATTER OF
AWARD, ROCK AND GRAVEL BIDS:

On a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Presiding Commissioner Verkamp, rock bids were awarded jointly to Voss Quarry, Cuba, MO; Melrose Quarry, Rolla, MO; Capital Quarries, Jefferson City, MO; Smith Sand & Gravel, Rolla, MO; and Willard Quarries, Lebanon, MO. Proximity of vendors will be considered when procuring materials for road projects.

IN THE MATTER OF
AWARD, GRADER BLADE BIDS:

A typographical error on the Erb Equipment Company bid was noted; on a motion by Commissioner Hicks seconded by Presiding Commissioner Verkamp, the bid was awarded to Fabick, St. Louis.

IN THE MATTER OF
AWARD, CULVERTS BID:

Metal Culverts of Jefferson City, the sole bidder, provided a letter dated 3/1/19 saying the bid would be revisited in May 2019 and prices would be adjusted downward if steel costs had decreased significantly by then. As moved by Commissioner Hicks and seconded by Presiding Commissioner Verkamp, the bid was awarded to Metal Culverts.

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IN THE MATTER OF
AWARD, ASPHALT PRODUCTS BID:

After some discussion about the oil index fluctuations, Snelson recommended that Capital Materials be awarded the bid for black base and BP-1, both freight on board, to Capital Materials of Jefferson City. The bids were jointly awarded as moved by Commissioner Hicks and seconded by Presiding Commissioner Verkamp as NB West of Cuba was the sole bidder for UPM (Ultimate Paving Mix).

IN THE MATTER OF
AWARD, CHIP AND SEAL ROCK
AND MANUFACTURED SAND:

Bock reported that Iron Mountain Trap Rock Company, Maryland Heights, MO had made an error on their bid, listing their price as their routine delivery charge only. On a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Presiding Commissioner Verkamp, the chip and seal rock bid was awarded to Central Stone Company, Fenton, MO and the manufactured sand bid was awarded to Smith Sand and Gravel, Rolla, MO.

IN THE MATTER OF
CONTRACT HAULING BIDS:

Superintendent of Roads Walter Snelson presented a bid solicitation for 2019 Contract Hauling, which solicitation was approved on a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Presiding Commissioner Verkamp:

Phelps County is currently seeking bids for contract hauling of road materials for the maintenance or construction of county roads and bridges. The requested bid will be for an hourly rate for a driver, tandem axle dump truck or greater with a capacity of 15 tons or greater within the legal haul weight limit of the truck. The requested bid will be for an hourly rate only no materials. Materials will be hauled from vendors within a 50-mile radius of Phelps County. Dump trucks must be equipped with a chipper bar and asphalt lip. Material being hauled will be the responsibility of the trucking company until it is delivered to the desired location. The contract company will be responsible for any down time due to break downs, flats etc. and shall not bill Phelps County for time down. The contract will be for the 2019 year. Multiple contracts may be awarded to qualified bidders in order for the County to accomplish necessary work in a timely and efficient manner. Successful bidder(s) must provide adequate proof of insurance. Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) are encouraged to participate. Sealed bids in envelopes clearly marked "Contract Hauling" on the exterior will be accepted in the Phelps County Clerk's Office, 200 N. Main St. Ste 102, Rolla, MO 65401 until 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 21, 2019 at which time they will be opened. Phelps County reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Done by the order of the Phelps County Commission this 5th day of March, 2019.

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CONTRACT HAULING BIDS, Continued:

s/s Pamela K. Grow, Phelps County Clerk

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IN THE MATTER OF
CITIZEN INPUT:

Local resident Chester Kojro visited the meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF
ROAD 5170:

Brief discussion of a possible vacation of this road was discussed.

IN THE MATTER OF
COUNTY CORONER:

Coroner Andy Davis spoke briefly with the Commission.

IN THE MATTER OF
CLOSED SESSION:


The Commission entered a closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (1) - Legal Action, at 11:00 a.m. on a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Presiding Commissioner Verkamp. No actions having been taken, the Commission returned to open session on a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Presiding Commissioner Verkamp at 11:35 a.m.


IN THE MATTER OF
COURT ORDERS:

The Commission reviewed and approved Collector's Certificate 0218001791.

READ AND APPROVED:


Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner


Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1


Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2

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March 7, 2019 Nineteenth day of the January term

Now at this the 7th day of March 2019 the Commission met pursuant to adjournment and a quorum was present of the following members:

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

IN THE MATTER OF
PHELPS/MARIES HEALTH
DEPARTMENT:

Phelps/Maries Health Department Director Ashley Wann reported that a representative from the State of Missouri, Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) Environmental Health division would likely visit the Commission regarding county food code ordinances. Phelps County Focus Staff Writer Andrew Sheeley was also present. A report was given on Core Public Health funding, billing for restaurant inspections after fires and inspection of food-transporting trucks after accidents.

IN THE MATTER OF
OUTLAWED PERSONAL
PROPERTY TAXES:

The taxes on personal property considered uncollectable and thus to be outlawed dating to the 2015 tax year were reviewed. On a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Presiding Commissioner Verkamp, a total of \$46,046.11 in taxes was abated. Collector Faith Barnes was also present.

IN THE MATTER OF
COURTHOUSE FACILITIES:

Crystal Cox of the Prosecutor's Office wanted to reserve the multipurpose room for a program known as Kids-n-Court, a collaboration between Kids' Harbor Child Advocacy Centers and local prosecutors intended to help prepare children for court. The meeting is on election day evening, and the multipurpose room was unavailable; however, she was told she could use the sky room as long as she observed no food or drinks.

IN THE MATTER OF
COUNTY WEBSITE:

Cox said that the county website needed to have its payroll and holiday dates calendar updated. The clerk will see to this.

IN THE MATTER OF
EMPLOYEE SUGGESTION BOX:

Cox said she would check the box every 6 months.

IN THE MATTER OF
EMPLOYEE CONFIDENTIALITY:

Cox said a suggestion had been received requesting a more private place for employees to meet to speak with the HR clerk.

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IN THE MATTER OF
STATE CYBERCRIME GRANT:

Corporal Mike Kirn and Detective Shawn Hedge of the Phelps County Sheriff's Department came to obtain Commission review and approval of their State Cybercrime Grant (SCCG) application. This is a reimbursement grant and is strictly non-federal revenue. Detective Scott Jarrett will be returning to the PCSD to work with the grant full time; a part time individual works from Waynesville. Hedge uses an undercover persona to better engage the target population. On a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Presiding Commissioner Verkamp, this was approved.

IN THE MATTER OF
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
PERFORMANCE GRANT:

The application for this grant was reviewed and approved by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Presiding Commissioner Verkamp.

IN THE MATTER OF
CITIZEN INPUT:

Anthony Sanchez came to vent his frustrations with a court decision in a matter relating to family property.

IN THE MATTER OF
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

The Commission reviewed and approved payment of 151 invoices in the amount of \$110,893.89.

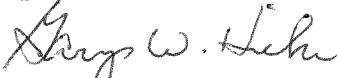
READ AND APPROVED:



Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner



Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1



Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2

PHELPS COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD

March 12, 2019 Twentieth day of the January term

Now at this the 12th day of March 2019 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
ROAD 2080 AND PVT DR 2083:

Local resident Monique Pinkston came in to relate a concern about a church planning to be build off their road and the heavy traffic that will be impacting people. Phelps County Focus Staff Writer Andrew Sheeley was also present. Commissioner Stratman said that from a legal standpoint, since there was no zoning in the unincorporated portions of the county, there was little recourse. Commissioner Hicks said there was probably an easement for access off Pvt. Dr. 2083. Presiding Commissioner Verkamp suggested that she check the easement documents for any restrictions.

IN THE MATTER OF
TYLER/NEW WORLD:

A request for services to Tyler, for changes in the financial software which will allow payroll and accounts payable checks to be printed in such a way that the folding machine will properly fold them for insertion in the commonest type of window envelope, was approved by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman.

IN THE MATTER OF
COURT ORDERS:

Court orders numbered 2016, 2017 and 2018 adding on personal property values for February 2019 in the amounts of \$352.82, \$4,901.11 and \$28,402.61, respectively, were approved.

IN THE MATTER OF
SALE OF ROAD EQUIPMENT:

Superintendent of Roads Walter Snelson reported that the Purple Wave auction of the unused road equipment netted \$56,505.

IN THE MATTER OF
APPEAL OF FEMA
REIMBURSEMENT DENIAL:

Snelson remained to discuss a denial of reimbursement for flood damage on a project from FEMA. There were problems with the permitting; the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers declined to issue an after-the-fact permit. Snelson said that the flood was 2 years ago, and FEMA and SEMA had not done their final inspections. Presiding Commissioner Verkamp recommended that Snelson have legal counsel review the refusal document.

IN THE MATTER OF
CITIZEN INPUT:

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CITIZEN INPUT, Continued:

Local residents David and Linda Hance came to inquire about county outreach in April. They were informed that community tours of the 1972 Jail and the Courthouse would be substituted instead, on Saturday, April 27. The Hances spoke about roads 8260-8240-8170, which have a somewhat problematic intersection. Some of the ditches are dug out below their culverts.

IN THE MATTER OF
CITIZENS CLIMATE LOBBY:

Commissioner Stratman spoke of a meeting with this group, which is dedicated to passing legislation related to clean energy.

IN THE MATTER OF
ANIMAL PROBLEMS:

Local resident Dennis Gray reported on problems near his road, County Road 7170, with wandering and destructive animals. The recently-passed "Vicious, Threatening, or Destructive Animals" Ordinance was discussed.

IN THE MATTER OF
PAYROLL:

The Commission reviewed and approved payroll for March 15, 2019, for pay dates 2/16/18 through 2/28/18. The net salary figure was \$178,276.79; federal and state withholding were \$52,267.28 and \$7,121.50, respectively.

READ AND APPROVED:



Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner



Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1



Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2

PHELPS COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD

March 14, 2019 Twenty-first day of the January term

Now at this the 14th day of March 2019 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
BRO PROJECT, ROAD 7100:

Jeff Banderet, P.E. of Great Rivers Engineering spoke with the Commission about this project and the DBE (disadvantaged business enterprise) goal. Phelps County Focus Staff Writer Andrew Sheeley was present. The geotechnical work for the bridge was discussed. Two borings on either side of the bridge, looking for inhomogeneity in the substrate, will need to be completed. This work may be done by TSI, a DBE firm from St. Louis. Later events in the project were then discussed in general detail. The short- and longer-term viability of the federal BRO program was then discussed; rescission of some or all of the funds at the federal level has been threatened. The Commission will contact the federal legislative delegation. Banderet then outlined some components to be found in a standard letter and a contract that needed to be completed for the LPA liason at Mo DOT. After Banderet left, Sheeley sought a better understanding of the process. Presiding Commissioner Verkamp said that counties tended to accumulate a balance from year to year so that, after multiple years of \$60,000 grant allowances, funds of the magnitude of \$500,000 might be available to construct a bridge. The federal government tended to rescind some of this money at times. Sheeley was referred to Kim Tipton at Mo DOT for further information. Commissioner Hicks, the LPA for the BRO Program, reported that the county currently held \$568,000 in hard match and \$73,000 in soft match as of 9/20/18, which was before the \$106,000 estimated annual allotment. The bridge will be an 80/20 split; for a \$500,000 project the county will need to produce approximately \$100,000 for which soft match money can be used.

IN THE MATTER OF
COUNTY EMPLOYEE
MEDICAL INSURANCE:

The Commission reviewed the February Benefit Management Report from Group Benefit Services (GBS), which showed a loss ratio of 41%.

IN THE MATTER OF
DUKE RURAL FIRE
PROTECTION DISTRICT:

Commissioner Hicks reported on attending the Duke Fire Department meeting recently; they are raising money to put equipment under roof and received a small grant from the Meramec Regional Community Foundation.

IN THE MATTER OF
ROAD 5430:

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ROAD 5430, Continued:

Local resident Suzanne Butler came in to discuss problems with water along this road.

IN THE MATTER OF
COURTHOUSE SECURITY:

The arrangement of doors from the 2nd floor lobby into the secure hallways were discussed. Some of the 25th Circuit Judges have reported individuals with access through the keypad entry doors who should not have been permitted to gain entry. Options were discussed with Director of Building and Grounds Mark Brookshire and Sissy Korich of the Building and Grounds Department. Rolla Fire & Rescue Chief Ron Smith and Assistant Chief Jeff Breen entered the meeting and went to assess the doors and the paths of ingress and egress with Commissioner Hicks, Brookshire and Korich. Smith returned to report that the doors, if reversed, would no longer comply with the building engineer's plans for ingress and egress, as well as no longer complying with city fire code. Significant and non-trivial liability could devolve onto the county.

IN THE MATTER OF
COURTHOUSE PARKING LOT:

Brookshire notified the Commission that he would speak with Steve Hargis, P.E., of the City of Rolla's Public Works Department, about options for maintenance of the parking lots.

IN THE MATTER OF
U.S. SENATOR JOSH HAWLEY'S STAFF:


Ray Bozarth, Deputy State Director for Senator Josh Hawley, stopped to discuss the BRO bridge replacement program and infrastructure funding more generally. The issue of road funding with options such as toll roads, gas tax and vehicle miles traveled were touched upon. Commissioner Hicks mentioned how difficult it was, at times, to work with the St. Louis Office of the Corps of Engineers.


IN THE MATTER OF
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

The Commission reviewed and approved payment of 76 invoices in the amount of \$132,848.92.

READ AND APPROVED:


Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner


Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1


Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2

PHELPS COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD

March 19, 2019 Twenty-second day of the January term

Now at this the 19th day of March 2019 the Commission met pursuant to adjournment and a quorum was present of the following members:

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

The clerk appointed Commissioner Stratman to preside pursuant to RSMo 49.070.

IN THE MATTER OF
2017 FLOOD BUY-OUT:

Treasurer Carol Green and Gary O'Day of MRPC were present. O'Day reported that the appraisals of the 10 properties to be bought out were finished; he will be collating the amount the homeowners are receiving from their flood insurance to forward to SEMA and thereafter FEMA. Based on the flood insurance coverage (if any), FEMA will make an offer on the property. O'Day said that homeowners are allowed to obtain their own appraisal which will be forwarded through MRPC to SEMA. He then discussed the process of securing reimbursement from CDBG and FEMA nearly simultaneously.

IN THE MATTER OF
CLOSED SESSION:

The Commission then entered closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (3) - hiring, on a motion by Commissioner Hicks seconded by Commissioner Stratman at 10:00 a.m. No action having been taken, the Commission returned to open session at 10:30 a.m. as moved by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman.

IN THE MATTER OF
SOUTH CENTRAL
COMMISSIONER'S ASSOCIATION:

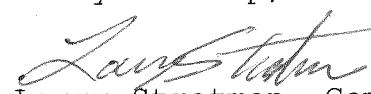
Commissioner Hicks reported on the recent SCCAM meeting where Secretary of State Jay Ashcroft spoke.

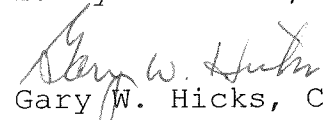
IN THE MATTER OF
CLOSED SESSION:

The Commission entered closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (3) - hiring, on a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman, at 11:02. The Commission returned to open session at 11:25 a.m. as moved by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman; no actions were taken.

READ AND APPROVED:


Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner


Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1


Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2

PHELPS COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD

March 21, 2019 Twenty-third day of the January term

Now at this the 21st day of March 2019 the Commission met pursuant to adjournment and a quorum was present of the following members:

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

The clerk appointed Commissioner Stratman to preside pursuant to RSMo 49.070.

IN THE MATTER OF
BID OPENING AND AWARD,
CONTRACT HAULING:

The bids for contract hauling were opened as scheduled at 9:00 a.m. Superintendent of Roads Walter Snelson, Michelle Bock of the Road Department and Phelps County Focus Staff Writer Andrew Sheeley were also present. Bids were received from Daniels Construction of Rolla, MO; Double F Exteriors of Newburg, MO; Stan Parsons of Edgar Springs, MO. All the bidders submitted bids of \$72.50/hour for hauling. Commissioner Stratman asked if there was anything to differentiate the bidders; aside from less experience with Parson's, Snelson said there wasn't. Snelson suggested it would be best to award jointly, which was approved as moved by Commissioner Hicks and seconded by Commissioner Stratman.

IN THE MATTER OF
NEWBURG STREETS AND
GRANT FUNDING:

Kelly Sink-Blair with Meramec Regional Planning Commission (MRPC) and Rick Elder, Ward 2 Alderman for the City of Newburg, came to discuss plans to seek grant funding for upgrade of Wolfpride Drive and Walnut Road in Newburg, which extends north through a short section of unincorporated territory to MacArthur Street in Doolittle. The County Road 7310 section is approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mile in length, and is chip and seal. School buses use this fairly narrow road before and after school. An application for a \$500,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) has been made; MRPC would like to see the county consider a bit of work on Road 7310 which could be used for a match for the CDBG. At 18 feet in width, the road is barely wide enough for school buses; a 2" asphalt overlay might work well but a 4" overlay was considered something of a hazard, with the drop-off for the buses. Sink-Blair said the application process will run through the end of May and requested the county provide a letter indicating that they might perform some work on the county road.

IN THE MATTER OF
CITIZEN INPUT:

Local resident Khan Powell entered the meeting to voice displeasure at neighbors Joshua and Melissa Griffith, who do not contain their trash. Their trash receptacle is often open, wind or dogs disperse the litter, it goes both onto other's private property as well as county right-of-way. He also reported that

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CITIZEN INPUT, Continued:

the dogs were often left without shelter during times of extremely inclement weather, only sheltering against the house foundation in sub-zero and windy temperatures. He was referred to the Phelps County Sheriff's Department on the matter of refuse, and to the Humane Society regarding the animals.

IN THE MATTER OF
SALES PRESENTATION:

John McCarty, Benefits Consultant of Gallagher Insurance, Risk Management, and Consulting, spoke about the signing over of the Allstate benefits within the last 30 days due to the broker managing the employee accounts resigning, moving, or passing away. McCarty emphasized that he did not want to oversell duplicative products e.g. life insurance. He expressed interest in meeting with the Commission and attending a benefit fair with employees.

IN THE MATTER OF
CLOSED SESSION:

On a motion by Commissioner Hicks that was seconded by Commissioner Stratman, the meeting entered closed session at 10:30 a.m. pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (3) - hiring. No actions taken, the Commission returned to open session as moved by Commissioner Hicks seconded by Commissioner Stratman at 11:10 a.m.

IN THE MATTER OF
BRO PROJECT AND
ROAD 7100:

Commissioner Hicks called Jeff Banderet, P.E., with Great Rivers Engineering, and while on speaker phone with him discussed BRO paperwork that was needed.

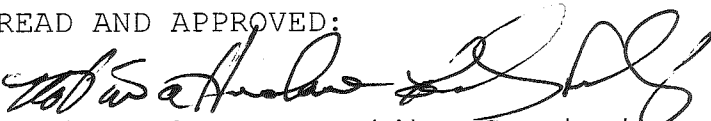
IN THE MATTER OF
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

The Commissioners reviewed and approved payment of 6 invoices for payroll deductions in the amount of \$11,237.22 and 79 general invoices for a total of \$90,859.10.

IN THE MATTER OF
CLOSED SESSION:

As moved by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman, the meeting entered closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (3) - hiring at 11:30 a.m. No actions having been taken, the meeting returned to open session at 12:20 p.m. on a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman.

READ AND APPROVED:




Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner

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READ AND APPROVED, Continued:


Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1


Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2

PHELPS COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD

March 26, 2019 Twenty-fourth day of the January term

Now at this the 26th day of March 2019 the Commission met pursuant to adjournment and a quorum was present of the following members:

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

IN THE MATTER OF
SALE OF ROAD EQUIPMENT:

Michelle Bock of the Road Department provided a report on the sale of various items no longer used by the Road Department using the online auction services of Purple Wave.

IN THE MATTER OF
DEVNET CONTRACT RENEWAL:

Collector Faith Barnes presented the renewal of the contract with DevNET. In light of the new collector being in office, Commissioners felt there was a sole-source provider situation. The price to the county was locked in at current levels until 2024. On a motion by Commissioner Stratman, seconded by Commissioner Hicks, the contract was approved.

IN THE MATTER OF
2017 FLOOD BUY-OUT:

The handling of the funds for the buyout was discussed. MRPC input is needed.

IN THE MATTER OF
NEWBURG STREETS AND
CDBG FUNDING:

Presiding Commissioner Verkamp asked how the county could provide a soft match for the CDBG by working on Road 7310 when the county was not an applicant for the grant. Commissioner Hicks said perhaps Newburg and Doolittle could both annex the right of way of the ¼ mile of road.

IN THE MATTER OF
BRO PROJECT AND
ROAD 7100:

There is the possibility that there will not be, as had been feared, a rescission of federal BRO funds according to sources at Mo DOT. Documents were signed on a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman.

IN THE MATTER OF
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
AND DISTRICT BOUNDARY:

Assessor Bill Stoltz had been asked for confirmation that the boundaries of the county sales tax district, that of the county of Phelps, were accurate. Since the state constitution provides no latitude for the county to determine its boundaries, this seemed to be a reduction absurdum example of the need for DOR to

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DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND DISTRICT BOUNDARY, Continued:

accurately pinpoint sales taxing districts' boundaries. Nevertheless, the letter to DOR that was requested was approved on a motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman.

IN THE MATTER OF
CITIZEN INPUT:

Local resident Chester Kojro entered the meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF
COURTHOUSE SECURITY:

The Commission discussed payment of the alterations to the 2nd floor security arrangements; Circuit Clerk Sue Brown will fund them.

IN THE MATTER OF
PHELPS COUNTY AUDIT:

The 2017-2018 Audit has been awarded by the Missouri State Auditor to a Kansas City firm, McBride, Lock, and Associates, and the Commission was made aware of this.

IN THE MATTER OF
COURTHOUSE OPEN HOUSE:

In observation of County Government Month, the 1972 Jail and the now 25-year-old Courthouse might be open for tours to the public on Saturday, April 27, 2019. This plan will be reviewed with the Sheriff.

IN THE MATTER OF
CART FUNDS:

Treasurer Carol Green presented the CART fund revenue for the month: Gas Tax of \$50,676.01, Motor Vehicle Fees of \$13,981.52, and Motor Vehicle Sales Taxes of \$5,015.59.

IN THE MATTER OF
SALES TAXES:

Green also presented sales tax figures; the County Revenue 0.5% sales tax was \$256,022.62 for a rolling twelve month increase of 2.14%.

IN THE MATTER OF
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

The Commission reviewed and approved payment of general invoices and employee reimbursements of \$6,885.82.

IN THE MATTER OF
CLOSED SESSION:

As moved by Commissioner Stratman, seconded by Commissioner Hicks, the meeting entered closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (3) - hiring at 11:25 a.m.; recent applicants for the

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CLOSED SESSION, Continued:

position of Director of Senior Companions were reviewed. Commissioner Stratman will speak with one of the candidates and the meeting returned to open session as moved by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Stratman, at 11:57 a.m.

READ AND APPROVED:



Randy Verkamp, Presiding Commissioner



Larry Stratman, Commissioner District 1



Gary W. Hicks, Commissioner District 2

PHELPS COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD

March 28, 2019 Twenty-fifth day of the January term

Now at this the 28th day of March 2019 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 OPIOID ABUSE:

Commissioner Stratman reported that U.S. Senator Roy Blunt would appear at Your Community Health Center on Sunday, March 31, at 1:00 p.m. to hold a round table discussion on opioid abuse. Phelps County Focus Staff Writer Andrew Sheeley was also present.

IN THE MATTER OF CITIZEN INPUT:

Former Commissioner Charles "Bud" Dean came and visited with the Commission.

IN THE MATTER OF COURTHOUSE SECURITY:

Sheriff Rick Lisenbe arrived and spoke about modifications to the security measures on the second floor.

IN THE MATTER OF 1972 JAIL:

Sheriff Lisenbe discussed the furnishings for the renovated 1972 jail. He wants to have an open house for the public from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 27, 2019.

IN THE MATTER OF JEROME TORNADO SIREN:

Paul Smith of the Doolittle Rural Fire Protection District came to report on a slight delay for the tornado siren project, funded by a Community Development Block Grant.

IN THE MATTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

Cyndra Lorey, with the Rolla Regional Economic Commission, came to discuss planning for the City of St. James. A company they are contracting with, called "Plaid", has need of accurate city maps and the procurement of needed information was discussed. Federal grant money is funding some of the community planning. Assessor Bill Stoltz came to discuss a few options that might make the entire process less financially taxing for the city.

IN THE MATTER OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

The Commission reviewed and approved the Group Benefit Services monthly premium bill of \$126,501.87; payment of 61 general

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March 28, 2019 Twenty-fifth day of the January term

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE, Continued:

invoices in the amount of \$22,765.27; and payment of 171 petit jurors in the amount of \$1,938.53.

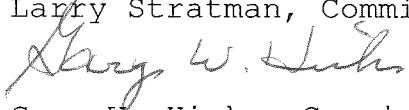
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