



COLE COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
Agenda for the Commission of Cole County
For Thursday, January 7, 2016

(Commission is in session as posted beginning at 9:00 am, unless otherwise noted. The Commission will handle administrative matters between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:30 pm daily)

1. CALL TO ORDER **(Meeting to begin at 1:00 p.m.)**

CALL TO ORDER:

The Cole County Commission met with Presiding Commissioner Sam Bushman, Eastern District Commissioner Jeff Hoelscher, Western District Commissioner Kris Schepeler, Health Director Kristi Campbell, Auditor Kristen Berhorst, EMA Coordinator Bill Farr, Sheriff Greg White, Sheriff's Department Betsy Wieberg, Captain John Wheeler and Lt. Victor Pitman, Deputy Auditor Danielle Patterson, Public Administrator Marilyn Schmutzler, News Tribune Jeff Haldiman, Finance Debbie Malzner, KMIZ Joe McLean, Assessor Chris Estes, Recorder's Office Judy Ridgeway, Recorder Ralph Bray, Collector Larry Vincent, Juvenile Court Administrator Michael Couty, Deputy Clerk Lynne Reinkemeyer, present.

2. MINUTES & REPORTS RECEIVED AND FILED

FEES: December 2015 Sheriff Fees Filed

3. COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OTHER UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

5. COMMISSION COMMENTS

6. BIDS & CONTRACTS

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2016 BUDGET

Presiding Commissioner Sam Bushman opened the Public Hearing for 2016 Budget. Greg White spoke as a public citizen informing the Commissioners the Sheriff's Department lost eleven (11) part-time and six (6) full-time employees last year (2015) and two (2) full-time employees so far this year (2016), mainly due to salaries. Greg White asked the Commissioners to begin this month reviewing county employee salaries for 2017 and also asked that before next year's budget series the department be notified of anything that is added that they are not aware of before they begin the budget preparation. No other public comments made. Presiding Commissioner Bushman closed the public hearing.

Presiding Commissioner Bushman read a letter dated January 7, 2016 addressed to Elected Officials and Department Heads regarding Cole County's final budget for 2016 year, totaling \$72,000,000.00.

MOTION:

Commissioner Schepeler made a motion approve and sign the Court Order to adopt the final budget for 2016. Commissioner Hoelscher seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher (Yes), Commissioner Schepeler (Yes).

MOTION:

Commissioner Schepeler made a motion to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Recorder of Deeds. Commissioner Hoelscher seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher (Yes), Commissioner Schepeler (Yes).

MOTION:

Commissioner Scheperle made a motion to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Sheriff's Department to transfer into the Law Enforcement Fund monies from the Sheriff's Revolving Fund. Commissioner Hoelscher seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher (Yes), Commissioner Scheperle (Yes).

MOTION:

Commissioner Scheperle made a motion to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Prosecuting Attorney. Commissioner Hoelscher seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher (Yes), Commissioner Scheperle (Yes).

9. OTHER ISSUES THAT HAVE COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION THIS DAY

10. ADJOURNMENT

Commission will stand in recess until 4:30 p.m.

Commission adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Presiding Commissioner

Eastern District Commissioner

Western District Commissioner