



COLE COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
Agenda for the Commission of Cole County
For Tuesday, August 13, 2019

(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

CALL TO ORDER:

The Cole County Commission met with Presiding Commissioner Sam Bushman, Eastern District Commissioner Jeff Hoelscher, Western District Commissioner Kris Schepelerle, Health Department Director Kristi Campbell, Finance Debbie Malzner, Counselor Jill LaHue, Dennis Braun (Osage Fire Protection District), Michael Amantea (US Census), Recorder Judy Ridgeway, GIS Coordinator Melissa Johnson, Tom Wallace, Mary Schantz, Terry Lyskowski, Ronda Findlay, Jim Findlay, Jeff Holzem, Nancy Ames, Alan Ames, Ruth Wallace, Barbara Ross, Allen Templeton, Dana Opie (Citizens with CAFO Group), Health Department Joe Gassner, Brian Smith (Missouri Rural Crisis Center), Melvin Stubinger (Russellville-Lohman Fire Protection District), Jack Brade (Regional West Fire Protection District), EMA Coordinator Bill Farr, Auditor Kristen Berhorst, Collector Larry Vincent, News Tribune Jeff Haldiman, Public Works Director Larry Benz, Juvenile Court Administrator Michael Couty, Prosecuting Attorney Locke Thompson, Deputy Clerk Lynne Reinkemeyer, present.

2. MINUTES & REPORTS RECEIVED AND FILED

REPORT(S): July 2019 Treasurer's Reconciliation Report Filed

3. COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OTHER UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

5. PRESENTATIONS FROM STAFF, CONSULTANTS AND INVITED GUESTS

Michael Amantea, with the Federal Government, provided a presentation regarding the 2020 Census. Amantea provided a folder with Census information to the Commissioners to review stating the 2020 Live Census begins in the middle of March, they are looking to create a "Complete County Committee" for Cole County, there are 10 questions to answer for the Census (the Census can be completed by mail, online or by phone) and they are hiring for different positions at this time to help with the Census (at least 18 years old with no violent criminal history).

Brian Smith, with Missouri Rural Crisis Center, spoke about Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO), which may be coming into Cole County if no changes are made to current legislation. Smith provided handouts for the Commission to review and requested the Commission to adopt a County Health Ordinance to stop CAFO in Cole County and provide a letter of support. No action taken today.

6. COMMISSION COMMENTS

7. BIDS & CONTRACTS

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

MOTION:

Commissioner Schepelerle made a **motion to approve the Accounts Payable Review pending final review.** Commissioner Bushman seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher

(Abstain), Commissioner Scheperle (Yes).

DISCUSSION:

Discussion was held regarding the **2019 Tax Levy/Roll Back for General Revenue and Public Works**. Finance Malzner stated these are due September 1, 2019 and the Public Hearing is set for August 20, 2019. Malzner suggested to set the General Revenue fund levy at .0788 up from .0707 to level out sales tax vs. property tax with new ceiling being .0788 and Public Works fund levy at .2725 and the new ceiling being the same (.2725). Malzner had emailed the Commissioners this information prior to today's meeting. The Commissioners agreed to Malzner's recommendations for the 2019 Tax Levy.

DISCUSSION:

EMA Coordinator Bill Farr and Jack Brade (Regional West Fire Protection District) were present to discuss the status of the Cole County Radios System Tower, the cost of the tower, maintenance cost, the current partnership of the tower, the agreement between the County of Cole and the Cole County Emergency Radio System Governing Board, and an invoice the County has received with payment being due.

MOTION:

Commissioner Bushman **made a motion to approve and sign the Agreement between the County of Cole and the Cole County Emergency Radio System Governing Board (in the amount of \$31,171.43)**. 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 approve and sign the Missouri Highways And Transportation Commission County Agreement - MODOT Job No. J5P3121 US54 Pavement and Guardrail Improvements**. Commissioner Hoelscher seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher (Yes), Commissioner Scheperle (Yes).

DISCUSSION:

Recorder of Deeds Judy Ridgeway was present regarding funding of one (1) part-time employee in her office (MOU), stating the funding would begin September 1, 2019 through the end of 2019 (not to exceed \$6,920.00). The Recorder currently has a part-time position.

MOTION:

Commissioner Scheperle **made a motion to approve and 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 Scheperle (Yes).

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT:

1st Reading of Budget Adjustment #13 in the amount of \$1,750.00 for the General Fund for Donation for WIC Sponsorship. No action taken today.

MOTION:

Commissioner Scheperle **made a motion to approve and sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services and Cole County Health Department (September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020)**. 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 approve and sign the Program Services Contract (Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Epidemiology Services) between the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services and Cole County Health Department (July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020)**. 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 approve and sign the Engagement Letter with Michael G. Berry, Newman Comley Ruth P.C. (regarding Malin v. Cole County Prosecuting Attorney - Case No. 15AC-CC00573 - at a rate of \$250.00 per hour plus out of pocket expenses as incurred)**. Commissioner Hoelscher seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher (Yes), Commissioner Scheperle (Yes).

10. CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Bushman **made a motion to go into Closed Session at 10:47 a.m.** Pursuant to Section 610.021 of the

Revised Statutes of Missouri, the Commission will go into Closed Session to discuss the following: Personnel Issues [Section 610.021(3)] and Real Estate [Section 610.021(2)]. Commissioner Scheperle seconded the motion. The motion passed by a roll call vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher (Yes), Commissioner Scheperle (Yes).

RECONVENE:

Commissioner Bushman made a **motion to go out of Closed Session at 11:40 a.m. and reconvene as the Cole County Commission.** Commissioner Hoelscher seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher (Yes), Commissioner Scheperle (Yes).

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

Commissioner Scheperle spoke about an article in today's paper regarding Case Tracking with the Public Defender.

Some discussion was held regarding the Lewis Allen & Reed agreement the County has with them on the 2013 Ameren Appeal, whether a new agreement needs to be signed for their services, is the County going to continue with the appeal, the increase in percentage the County is liable for as other Counties have dropped out of the appeal. No action taken today.

Health Department Director Kristi Campbell asked the Commissioners for some guidance on what they would like her to do with the NAFO in Cole County. The Commissioners agreed for Campbell to obtain the facts, review other county ordinances along with the Department of Natural Resources permitting process. Campbell will report back to the Commissioners at next week's meeting.

12. 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