

OFFICIAL MINUTES

**January 31, 2011, 18th DAY OF
THE JANUARY ADJOURN TERM**

The County Commission met in the Commissioner's Conference Room at 9:00 AM with Ron Houseman, Danny Strahan and Jim Strafuss present. The following proceedings were had and made a matter of record:

ADMINISTRATIVE & DEPARTMENTAL FUNCTIONS

WORK SESSION – PERSONNEL POLICY, MEETING PROCESS & COURTHOUSE POLICY

Ron Houseman called the January 31, 2011 meeting to order. Jim Strafuss lead prayer
Danny Strahan led pledge of allegiance.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Jim Strafuss move to approve accounts payable as presented. Danny Strahan seconded the motion.
Motion passed by vote: Houseman (yea), Strafuss (yea), and Strahan (yea).

JOURNAL ENTRIES AND TRANSFERS

Jim Strafuss motion to approved journal entries and transfers as presented (transfers within our own funds) Danny Strahan seconded. Motion passed by vote: Houseman (yea), Strafuss (yea), and Strahan (yea).

FOREIGN TRADE ZONE APPLICATION

Bob Paulson County Counselor explained that Alternative sight framework would allow a manufacturer to purchase goods from foreign companies and not pay import taxes until the sale of that product. Mr. Paulson also explained that by Opting in on Springfield Foreign Trade Zone there would be no cost to Taney County, but would provide an advantage to manufacturers who might want to use this process.

Jim Strafuss motioned to approve the foreign trade zone application as presented. Danny Strahan seconded the motion.

Bob Paulson explained that the zone will be all of Taney County. Any manufacturer can opt to belong to the foreign trade zone and then would be responsible for expenses. Ron Houseman called for the vote: Motion passed by vote: Houseman (yea), Strafuss (yea), and Strahan (yea).

Recessed at 9:15am until 9:30am

Reconvened at 9:39am

**RON HOUSEMAN STATED THAT WE NEED A LETTER TO ELECTED OFFICIALS
REGARDING EMPLOYEE TERMINATION DATES?**

The Commission discussed whether to have Severance Packages or extend Insurance verses cash and limiting them from being rehired part time.

RECESSED AT 10:28 UNTIL 11:00AM

RECONVENED 11:15AM

PERSONNEL POLICY

CLOSING OF COURT HOUSE

Jim Strafuss suggested that the commission send out e-mail to all elected officials by 6:00am and also send notice to the media to see if courthouse is open.

**RECESSED AT 12:00 UNTIL 1:15 PM
RECONVENE AT 1:19PM**

Jim Strafuss updated the Commission about the impending weather. Danny Strahan said he would be willing to let Road & Bridge crew drop plows on lettered roads if there are blizzard conditions. Ron Houseman said he was fine with it. The Commission Concurred.

Jim Strafuss left the meeting at 1:26pm

RECESSED AT 1:39

RECONVENED AT 2:25PM

Ron Houseman announced that the County Commission is in recess for the remainder of the day and will be watching the weather and working with road and bridge and other departments in an effort to be best prepare for the predictions of tomorrow historic storm.

RECESSED 2:28PM

Minutes were taken by and typed by Donna Neeley, Clerk.