

OFFICIAL MINUTES

**JULY 25, 2011, 7th DAY OF
THE JULY ADJOURNED TERM**

The County Commission met in the Commissioner's Hearing Room at 8:03 am with Ron Houseman, Danny Strahan and Jim Strafuss present. The following proceedings were had and made a matter of record:

STAFF DEPARTMENTAL MEETING – PURCHASING

The Commission met with Purchasing Agent Ron Erickson and Planning & Zoning Administrator Bob Atchley regarding Purchasing/Hazardous Mitigation. Bob Atchley had spoken with Diane May, who had applied for some Community Develop Block Grant funds. She had received \$187,000, to be split within the region of 10 counties. He expressed that her grant could be used as a template to write the Hazardous Mitigation Grant.

Mr. Atchley announced that SEMA was holding a training session August 1st.

Commissioner Strahan moved to postpone to a definite time of 8:45 am, the purchasing discussion regarding Malcoat. Commissioner Strafuss seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Houseman (aye), Strahan (aye) and Strafuss (aye).

PUBLIC COMMENT

Boy Scout Tyler Marker addressed the Commission. He stated that he was working on his Eagle Scout Project and wanted it to involve a Veteran's Memorial. He had brought photographs for the Commission to view. Tyler requested that he be able to work with the Commission on completing his project. Locations for the memorial were discussed. The troop requested that it be in an area visible to the public at all times. Tyler stated that part of the project was time sensitive, and needed to be completed by September 25th.

STAFF DEPARTMENTAL MEETING – PURCHASING (CONTINUED)

Purchasing Agent Ron Erickson had questions regarding the Malcoat award letter. The Commission agreed there were additional questions that needed to be addressed, and that there was not currently enough information to review them further. Discussion ensued.

PRELIMINARY STUDY MEETING (COMMISSION HEARING ROOM)

The County Commission met to review previous meeting minutes and accounts payable.

**RECESS
8:57 AM**

**RECONVENED
9:00 AM**

CALL TO ORDER

Presiding Commissioner Houseman called the July 25, 2011 meeting to order at 9:00 am with all members present.

PRAYER

Sherry Veltkamp led the prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Strahan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES – 6/30 AND 7/5

Commissioner Strafuss moved to approve the minutes of 6/30 and 7/5/2011 with changes as noted. Commissioner Strahan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Houseman (aye), Strahan (aye) and Strafuss (aye).

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/JOURNAL ENTRIES/TRANSFERS

Commissioner Strafuss moved to approve accounts payable as follow:

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

DATE 7/25/2011

		CHECKS		WARRANTS	
325285	to	325356		5452	
325357	to	325361		5452	
	to			5454	
	to				
	to				

Please sign and date that you have reviewed the included information.

Date	Time	Signature	Comments
7/22/2011	9:45AM	J	1 TRANSFERJOURNAL

		J	ENTRY
			GREAT RIVER INVOICES TOTAL
			\$22,165.50
			GILMORE & BELL INVOICE FROM
			7/11/2011

Commissioner Strahan seconded the motion for discussion. The motion passed by vote: Houseman (aye), Strahan (aye) and Strafuss (aye).

COUNTY AUCTION

County Assessor Rick Findley addressed the Commission regarding a County Auction as there was a need to eliminate excess equipment. The auction would be held Saturday, August 27th as decided by the Commission.

CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

Lara Webb-Fors, First Assistant in Greene County and Director of the Multi-County Project for Child Support addressed the Commission. The Cooperative Agreement allowed Green County to act as a host for Green, Taney, and Christian Counties. Lara was there to ask the Commission to approve the annual contract. There were no substantive changes in the agreement.

Commissioner Strahan moved to approve the Child Support Enforcement Agreement. Commissioner Strafuss seconded the motion. Commissioner Strahan modified his motion to approve the Child Support Enforcement Cooperative Agreement and the Supplemental Agreement. Commissioner Strafuss modified his second. The motion passed by vote: Houseman (aye), Strahan (aye) and Strafuss (aye).

SENIOR SERVICES BOARD POSITION DISCUSSION

Commissioner Strafuss stated the Commission had previously appointed Pat Campbell to an unexpired one year term.

Commissioner Strafuss moved to reappoint Pat Campbell to a concurrent four year term on the Senior Services Board. Commissioner Strahan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Houseman (aye), Strahan (aye) and Strafuss (aye).

CORP OF ENGINEERS ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY

Commissioner Strahan wanted to look at the difference at the cost of the environmental study and haul material from a different location. He stated that he would like to approve an environmental study if it was cost effective. The other Commissioners requested that Commissioner Strahan move forward.

BRIDGE INSPECTIONS UPDATE

Bridge Inspector Mr. Alexander and Randy Haes addressed the Commission. The bi-annual inspection had been made, with the exception of the eight flooded bridges. An Inspection Highlight Sheet was presented.

Randy said the flooded bridges had already been identified with FEMA, so if there were any flood damage, it would be addressed.

Mr. Alexander stated that all bridges in Taney County were fairly new and the overall ratings were good and correctly posted. One bridge was rated as a four on the scour assessment which could not be inspected due to flood water. Bee Creek Bridge and Caney Creek Bridge had exposed pilings and needed concrete. Brown Branch Bridge (Caney Creek) had cracking and steel was exposed.

ASSESSMENT AGREEMENT

Assessor James Strahan addressed the Commission regarding two year assessment agreements driven by the statutes that were to be signed every two years, and were under the maintenance plan which extended items not included in the agreement prior.

Mr. Strahan stated that subsection 4 had been added, which talked of adjustments to foreclosure sales, and that it would be a very positive addition and beneficial to Taney County taxpayers.

Commissioner Strahan moved to approve the Two Year Assessment Agreement. Commissioner Strafuss seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Houseman (aye), Strahan (aye) and Strafuss (aye).

Commissioner Houseman and State Representative Lyle Rowland were both thanked for their involvement in the agreement.

COUNTY POSITIONS

Commissioner Strafuss wanted to move forward on employment vacancies within the County and call applicants. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Houseman suggested a work session the following week to discuss applicants.

Jerry Jeschke, Vice Chairman of the IDA Board addressed the Commission. The IDA could use assistance by the County hiring an economic development director to assist in the EEZ process. Mark Weisz, an IDA board member addressed the Commission. He felt Taney County needed economic development to raise the quality of living.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – LITIGATION, REAL ESTATE, PERSONNEL AND
CONTRACTS PER SECTION 610.021 (1), (2), (3) & (12)**

Commissioner Strafuss moved to go into Executive Session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (1), (2), (3) & (12). Commissioner Strahan seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote: Houseman (aye), Strafuss (aye) and Strahan (aye).

**EXECUTIVE SESSION
10:00 AM**

See Executive Session minutes for actions if any.

Commissioner Strafuss moved to go out of Executive Session. Commissioner Strahan seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote: Houseman (aye), Strafuss (aye) and Strahan (aye).

**OUT OF EXECUTIVE
12:25 PM**

**ADJOURNED
12:25 PM**

Minutes were taken and typed by Lyn Wieneke, Deputy Clerk.