

**May 11, 2009 18th DAY OF
THE APRIL ADJOURN TERM**

The County Commission met in the Commissioners Hearing Room at 9:00 am with Chuck Pennel, Danny Strahan, and Jim Strafuss present. The following proceedings were had and made a matter of record.

Prayer led by Jim Strafuss followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Chuck Pennel moved to approve the minutes for May 6, 2009. Commissioner Danny Strahan seconded the motion. Motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Commissioner Danny Strahan moved to approve the following Accounts payable:

Checks 309902 to 309910
 309911 to 310007

Warrants 5016, 501, 5018, 5019, 5020, 5021

Commissioner Chuck Pennel seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (abstain).

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CEDAR MEADOWS ROAD PETITION

The subdivision is located at the end of Road T-10. Frank Preston presented videos of the roads in the subdivision. 26% of the lots have been built on in this subdivision. Jim Strafuss brought up the fact that the criterion to take in a subdivision is 60% occupancy.

Commissioner Jim Strafuss moved to table the road petition for two weeks, as there are a number of questions and concerns that need to be addressed. Commissioner Chuck Pennel seconded the motion. Motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

HB875 – FOOD SAFETY MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2009

Danny Strahan brought this up to make the county aware of this legislation. He suggests concerned citizens contact their Federal representatives.

ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATES

Ron Houseman brought an update on the office of Economic Development.

Frank Preston brought an update from the Road and Bridge Department regarding the storm that went through and other miscellaneous issues

Presiding Commissioner Pennel declared a recess.

RECESS
9:56 AM

The minutes were taken and typed by Cindy Hemenway

RECONVENED
10:15 AM

The Commission reconvened in the Commission Conference Room with Chuck Pennel, Jim Strafuss, and Danny Strahan present. Also in attendance were Donna Neeley, County Clerk and Bob Paulson County Counselor.

Commissioner Jim Strafuss moved to go into executive session. Commissioner Chuck Pennel seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

EXECUTIVE SESSION 10:15 AM

During Executive Session James Strahan joined the meeting.

Chuck Pennel made a motion to table litigation issues until 1:00 pm. Jim Strafuss seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

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

Called back to order at 11:15 am in the commission conference room with Chuck Pennel, Danny Strahan and Jim Strafuss present.

NUSIANCE CASES ON JASMINE DRIVE

Joe Allen, currently living at 542 Jasmine Drive in Branson reported to the commission that 6 to 8 homes on Jasmine Drive are un-occupied and that lawns are not being mowed. Chuck Pennel made a motion to send a letter to the property owners on Jasmine Drive requesting that the lawns be mowed. Jim Strafuss seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

U.S. ENERGY RECOVERY SYSTEMS

KVAR Energy Controller Company gave a presentation on a product that would reduce electric cost. They were directed to contact John Soutee about looking into buying out pump stations.

ADMINISTRATIVE & DEPARTMENTAL

Discussed various issues regarding buildings and grounds, purchasing, sidewalks, and landscaping. Jim Strafuss will get with Frank to work on sidewalks, and get with Renee to work on landscaping.

RECESS until 1:00

Called to order at 1:05 pm in the commission conference room with Chuck Pennel, Danny Strahan and Jim Strafuss (via phone). Also present Donna Neeley County Clerk and Bob Paulson County Counselor.

RIDGEDALE ROAD

Chuck Pennel motioned to approve road vacation pursuant to the petition and order. Jim Strafuss (via phone) seconded the motion. Motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (via phone) (aye).

ADMINISTRATIVE

Chuck Pennel reported that Robert Melton would like to swap the 92 Ford for a Dodge Dakota from Sheriffs office.

Chuck Pennel reported that Ben Delgados property looks commercial property, do we want to stop him from proceeding. Chuck Pennel stated planning and zoning sent him a letter.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 1:25 PM

Chuck Pennel motioned to go into executive session pursuant to 610.021.01. Danny Strahan seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan

(aye). Jim Strafuss was available by phone but not voting. Also in attendance were Donna Neeley, County Clerk, Bob Paulson County Counselor, and James Strahan Assessor. Discussion ensued regarding the lawsuit with the State Tax Commission.

Chuck Pennel made a motion to table executive session until 2:30. Danny Strahan seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye).

RECESSED EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 1:34PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION RECONVENED

Commission reconvened at 2:30 in the commission conference room with Chuck Pennel and Danny Strahan present. Danny Strahan made a motion to go out of executive session at 2:31. Chuck Pennel seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye). Jim Strafuss not present.

Minutes taken and typed by Donna Neeley.