

OFFICIAL MINUTES

August 24, 2009, 21st DAY OF THE JULY ADJOURN TERM

The County Commission met in The Commissioner's 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 Helen Souttee, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Strahan moved to approve the minutes of August 17 and 19. Commissioner Pennel seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Commissioner Strahan moved to approve the following Accounts payable:

Checks: 315758– 315870

Warrants: 5076

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

Commissioner Pennel moved to approve journal entries and transfers for Road and Bridge and 911 administration as presented by the Auditor. Commissioner Strahan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bobby Clay spoke on the need for a limit on number of animals per household.

Bob Schantz spoke on trying to have his issue put on the agenda.

Ricky Renfro spoke on this being a time to speak up to our governments in asking for the whole truth.

ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROJECTS

Ron Houseman spoke on some of the stimulus projects that have been consummated. \$14,760,531 has been committed to Taney County Projects. Mr. Houseman emphasized that we have to have projects on the shelf and ready when funding is announced.

Ron Herschend spoke about having a priority list of projects, but to err on the side of caution in spending to get a project shovel ready as some of the projects may not get an opportunity to be funded and the cost of getting shovel ready might be wasted. Mr. Herschend encouraged long lasting projects that create long term jobs.

TANEY COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL

Bob Paulson spoke about the agreement drafted for the Taney County Health Department to take over the Animal Control function and lease the property to continue the animal control function. Bob presented the Commission with the agreements for their approval and adoption.

Commissioner Pennel moved to table this issue until the afternoon session. Commissioner Strafuss seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

Ron Herschend asked the Commission to look at the contracts between the County Animal Control and the small municipalities in the County and the need for the TCHD to continue with that service to the small municipalities after their contracts expire at 12/31/09.

Russ Prothero spoke to the report of increase of rabies in Arkansas and Missouri and the dumping of animals out on H highway.

Sherrie R-Veltkamp spoke to the need for an off hours number to call in emergencies for animal control.

LONG DISTANCE ELIMINATION FOR COUNTY CALLS

Commissioner Strafuss reported on the calling of Branson numbers will be toll free by the end of this week for County Government calls.

Commissioner Strafuss met with the Secretary of Agriculture in Sedalia Mo. on Friday.

Commission Strahan talked about the efforts that brought stimulus funding for the Taneycomo Bridge and roundabout.

Presiding Commissioner Pennel declared a 5 minute recess.

RECESS
10:05 AM

RECONVENED
10:16 AM

CDBG SUPPLEMENTAL DISASTER FUNDING

Joan Chowning and Ron Houseman are recommending a mixture of projects be presented for grant writing.

Commissioner Strahan moved that the Bradleyville Fire Project be one of the projects submitted for the CDBG grants. Commissioner Strahan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

Tim Connell submitted a Tantone Developmental Connection project for consideration for the CDBG grant asking for partial funding from CDBG in the amount of \$500,000 to \$600,000 as matching funds.

Commissioner Strafuss moved to add the Tantone project for \$600,000 matching funds for the CDBG grant. Commissioner Strahan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

Frank Preston recommended 2 Road fill projects (1) Boys Camp Road and (2) Clevenger Cove for the CDBG grant as both have only one way in and out when the road is flooded. Also discussed were Round Mountain Road and Stehle Bridge.

Mel Eakins presented sewer projects for consideration. Venice on the lake is one of the projects to be considered.

Commissioner Strafuss moved to submit Boys Camp, Clevenger Cove, and Round Mountain Road on a 50% matching basis by Road and Bridge as applications for the CDBG grants. Commissioner Strafuss seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

Presiding Commissioner Pennel declared a recess.

RECESS
11:20 AM

RECONVENED
1:05 PM

The Commission reconvened in the Commissioner's Hearing Room at 1:05 PM with Commissioners Pennel and Strafuss present. Commissioner Strahan was absent.

Commissioner Pennel move to assign engineering for CDBG grant on Boys Camp and Clevenger Cove to Archer Engineers and Round Mountain Road to Great River

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

ROAD & BRIDGE

Frank Preston discussed status of road projects in the county.

Commissioner Strahan joined the meeting at 1:10 PM.

Commissioner Strafuss moved that the county authorize Kathy and Deborah of the Road and Bridge department, to go to cartograph training in Iowa, not to exceed \$2000.00 in cost. Commissioner Pennel seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote in favor: Pennel (aye) and Strafuss (aye) and opposed: Strahan (nay).

ANIMAL CONTROL – LEASE AND CONTRACT

Commissioner Strahan moved to accept the Taney County Health Department animal control management contract – both the lease and management agreement. Commissioner Strafuss seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

Commissioner Strafuss left the meeting at 2:15 PM.

Presiding Commissioner Pennel declared a recess.

RECESS 2:22 PM

The minutes were taken and typed by Jim Yust, Deputy Clerk.