# **OFFICIAL MINUTES**

# June 01, 2010, 29<sup>th</sup> DAY OF THE APRIL ADJOURN TERM

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

Rick Findley opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Strahan moved to approve the minutes for 5/24, and 5/26/2010. Commissioner Strafuss seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

# APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Commissioner Strahan moved to approval accounts payable and transfers as follows:

Checks: 319918 – 319953, 319955

Warrants: 5213-5214

Void Checks: 319954

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

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Bob Schanz spoke about homes and information being on the Internet.

# POLLING PLACES

County Clerk Donna Neeley reported on the polling places in Taney County. The report is as follows:

2010 PRECINCT REPORT					
POLLING PLACE	LOCATION	REGISTERED VOTERS	COMMENTS		
BOSTON CENTER	BOSTON COMMUNITY CENTER, Located at 7829 Hwy. 248, Branson	Currently 739 Registered Voters, with 360 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	This location is currently working well, but would not accommodate a large increase of voters.		

BRADLEYVILLE	BRADLEYVILLE SCHOOL, 16475 N. State Hwy 125	Currently 442 Registered Voters, with 251 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Generally, voting takes place in the hall, right inside the main front doors. Partitions are set up to prevent voters from entering the school. However, the location within the school sometimes changes. The facility is handicap accessible. The school has concerns about us using their facility; unfortunately, there are few handicap accessible alternatives
BRANSON 1	BRANSON COMMUNITY BUILDING, 201 Compton, Branson.	Currently 2616 Registered Voters, with 1116 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Voting takes place in a large room divided off from the food service area. There does not appear to be congestion caused by other activities offered at the Community Building. The facility is handicap accessible and parking is more than adequate.
BRANSON 2	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 420 W. Main Street, Branson	Currently 2444 Registered Voters, with 953 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Voting takes place in the basement which is accessible by an elevator
BRANSON 3	UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 1208 W. Hwy 76, Branson	Currently 3286 Registered Voters, with 1477 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Voting takes place in the gym area off of the front doors. It is a large gym which is adequate for all types of elections. The facility is handicap accessible and parking is adequate.
BROWN BRANCH	CANEY GENERAL BAPTIST CHURCH, 184 Hwy W, Brown Branch	Currently 113 Registered Voters, with 88 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Voting takes place in the front of the sanctuary. The facility is handicap accessible and parking is adequate.
BRYANT	NORTH STAR COUNTRY CHURCH, 32862 Hwy 160, Reuter	Currently 101 Registered Voters, with 96 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	
CEDARCREEK	CEDARCREEK FIRE DEPARTMENT, 6981 State Highway "M", Cedar Creek	Currently 438 Registered Voters, with 242 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Voting takes place in a large foyer, right inside the side door. The facility is handicap accessible and parking is adequate.
FORSYTH 1	FORSYTH MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 15404 Hwy 160, Forsyth	Currently 2149 Registered Voters, with 1076 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Voting takes place in a large room to the left of the front doors. The facility is handicap accessible and parking is adequate.
FORSYTH 2	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF FORSYTH, 10000 Hwy 76, Forsyth	Currently 3859 Registered Voters, with 1740 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Excellent polling place capable of handling large elections
HOLLISTER 1	HOLLISTER CITY HALL, 312 Esplanade St, Hollister	Currently 3176 Registered Voters, with 1367 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Voting takes place in the Courtroom directly in line with the front door. The facility is handicap accessible and parking is adequate.

HOLLISTER 2	HOLLISTER MIDDLE SCHOOL, 1798 St Hwy BB, Hollister	Currently 3356 Registered Voters, with 1351 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Voting takes place in the gym. The school has been very good to us.
HOLLISTER 3	OAKMONT COMMUNITY BUILDING, 2308 Hwy 86	Currently 2306 Registered Voters, with 1174 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Voting takes place in a large double room off to the right of the front doors. There is a long driveway to the building, but parking is adequate and the facility is handicap accessible. The building is being remodeled but will be done by the next election
KIRBYVILLE	KIRBYVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL, 6225 Hwy 76E, Kirbyville	Currently 1332 Registered Voters, with 653 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Voting takes place in the gym. The facility is handicap accessible and parking is adequate. The school is very cooperative
KISSEE MILLS	FORSYTH NAZARENE CHURCH, 20896 Highway 160, Kissee Mills	Currently 1152 Registered Voters, with 572 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Voting takes place in a room off to the side of the worship area. Double door access available off of the parking lot. The facility is handicap accessible and parking is adequate.
MERRIAM WOODS	DEL SHOWERS COMMUNITY BUILDING, 4385 Hwy 176, Merriam Woods	Currently 1291 Registered Voters, with 577 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Has a gravel entrance. We will be purchasing a handicap accessible mat.
MT BRANSON	MT BRANSON CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 178 Saints Street, Branson	Currently 2580 Registered Voters, with 1258 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Voting takes place in a room that is quite small. We may need to use both rooms.
NORTH BRANSON	BRANSON HIGH SCHOOL, 935 Buchanan Rd, Branson	Currently 5636 Registered Voters, with 2114 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Excellent location. Have received a lot of compliments. The school is very cooperative
PROTEM	MARK TWAIN SCHOOL, 37707 U.S. Highway 160, Rueter	Currently 454 Registered Voters, with 261 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	This location allows for good storage of election equipment
ROCKAWAY BEACH	ROCKAWAY BEACH CITY HALL, 2762 Hwy 176, Rockaway Beach	Currently 962 Registered Voters, with 417 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Voting takes place in the room adjacent to the City Hall area. Outside access is separate and to the right of the City Hall door. Parking is adequate and the facility is handicap accessible.
SKYLINE	SKYLINE BAPTIST CHURCH, 949 State Hwy 165, Branson	Currently 1268 Registered Voters, with 535 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Voting takes place in the church's gym. Excellent location.
TANEYVILLE	TANEYVILLE VILLAGE HALL, 227 Central Ave, Taneyville	Currently 1037 Registered Voters, with 595 Cards Cast at the November 08 Presidential Election	Voting takes place in the main meeting room. Parking is difficult.

The Walnut Shade polling place (Branson Lakes Area Welcome Center) was closed in March 2010 because the tenants are in the process of subleasing the building. After careful consideration, the Walnut Shade voters were merged with North Branson. There have been a few buildings suggested that would serve as good voting locations for the Walnut Shade voters, but with the 2010 Census in progress it seemed fruitless to create a new polling place when the redistricting of the county by State and Local officials could have an impact on polling place locations. We should receive Census data by the first of next year. At that time I will put together a committee of representatives from all areas that will help solve polling place issues throughout the county.

The committee will determine the impact of creating any new polling places in Taney County based on the following parameters:

\* Must be centrally located for all voters within the precinct if at all possible

\* Building must be handicap accessible or owners willing to make accessible

\* Interior of building must be lighted and large enough to handle the voters and potential growth through the next census or ten years

\* Parking must be handicap accessible and adequate to meet current and future needs of voters

\* Entrance must be safe and have good site distance

\* Parking must be accessible during bad weather

#### **STATE AUDIT**

Bob Schanz, James Strahan, Sheriff Russell, Rick Findley and Donna Neeley spoke concerning a state audit.

#### **ASSESSORS BOOKS COMPLETE**

James Strahan announced the closing of 2010 assessment books and turning them over to the County Clerk.

# RECESS 9:46 AM

RECONVENED 9:55 AM

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE & DEPARTMENTAL FUNCTIONS**

Sheriff Russell discussed the Round Mountain Bridge issue of people causing trouble on weekends and possible remedies

#### TAX SALE PUBLISHING BID

Mike Schuver, Tri-Lakes Branson news publisher asked that the Taney County Times bid for the tax sale be disallowed believing that their bid is late.

#### GIS

Patsy Alexander presented an agreement to share GIS information on the Internet Community Map.

Commissioner Strafuss moved that we accept the Arcs GIS Online Community Maps Program with changes to the signature page as presented. Commissioner Pennel seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (nay), and Strafuss (aye).

# NIKKI LAWRENCE – WORK SESSION W/COMMISSION

Nikki reviewed the week's agenda with the Commission.

#### WELLNESS CENTER

A personal trainer is seeking permission to instruct employees in the Wellness Center. The Commission is going to consult with the County Counselor before giving consideration.

# NUISANCE CASES

The Commission discussed issues with nuisance cases and future actions needed.

# MJCCG GRANT

Commissioner Strafuss moved to direct the Presiding Commissioner Pennel to sign the MJCCG Grant as amended and presented. Commissioner Pennel seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

#### KIRBYVILLE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Commissioner Strafuss moved to approve the Kirbyville Intergovernmental Agreement as presented. Commissioner Pennel seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

#### **BOB PAULSON - WORK SESSION WITH COMMISSION**

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION – LITIGATION, REAL ESTATE & PERSONNEL PER SECTION 610.021 (1) (2) (3)

Commissioner Strafuss moved to go into Executive Session pursuant to RSMo. 610.021.3. Commissioner Pennel seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION 11:26 AM

See Executive Session minutes for actions if any.

Commissioner Strafuss left the meeting at 11:50 AM.

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

# OUT OF EXECUTIVE 11:59 AM

# RECESS 11:59 AM

#### RECONVENED 3:30 PM

Reconvened in the County Clerk's Conference room, on an emergency basis due to bid opening at 3:30 PM coming before the posted 4:00 PM meeting, with Chuck Pennel, Danny Strahan present and Jim Strafuss attending via teleconference.

#### TAX SALE BID

Commissioner Strafuss moved to table the discussion and not open bids until tomorrow morning at 10:00 AM. Commissioner Pennel seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (nay), and Strafuss (aye).

# BOX CULVERT FOR HARP LANE

Commissioner Strahan moved to accept Scurlock Industries as the lowest bidder. Commissioner Pennel seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

# **CULVERTS**

Commissioner Strahan moved to accept both bids Contech as primary vendor and Metal Culverts as secondary vendor. Commissioner Strafuss seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (aye), Strahan (aye), and Strafuss (aye).

Presiding Commissioner Pennel declared a recess.

#### RECESS 4:13 PM

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