

**SEPTEMBER 8, 2008 38TH DAY OF
THE JULY ADJOURNED TERM**

The County Commission met in the Associate Circuit Courtroom II at 8:59 a.m. pursuant to adjourn with Chuck Pennel, Presiding and Danny Strahan, Eastern Commissioner present and the following proceedings were had and made a matter of record.

Prayer was led by Commissioner Strahan followed by the pledge.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

Commissioner Strahan made a motion to approved accounts payable warrants #305669 – 305681, #305703 – 305748 and manual warrants #4885 – 4887. Commissioner Pennel seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (yes), Herschend (absent), Strahan (yes).

PRIOR MINUTES

Commissioner Strahan made a motion to approve prior Commission Minutes dated 8/15/2008, 8/18/2008, 8/19/2008, 8/20/2008, 8/21/2008, 8/22/2008 and 8/27/2008 with corrections. Commissioner Pennel seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (yes), Herschend (absent), Strahan (yes).

PURVIS LANE & BLUE RIDGE DRIVE

Commissioner Pennel stated that the Commission has looked at Purvis Lane & Blue Ridge Drive, which are both located off of Fruit Farm Road. Commissioner Strahan noted that he would need more information before a decision is made to accept into the county maintenance system. He also expressed concern of Commissioner Herschend not being present.

Commissioner Strahan made a motion to table Purvis Lane & Blue Ridge Drive. Commissioner Pennel seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (yes), Herschend (absent), Strahan (yes).

**JAMES STRAHAN,
COUNTY ASSESSOR**

Assessor Strahan questioned whose responsibility it was to inform his department when roads are taken into the county maintenance system, in order that the systems are correctly mapped. Tressa Luttrell, County Administrator stated that the Assessor's Office is supposed to get a copy of the petition once it is approved by the Commission.

COMMISSIONER PENNEL

Commissioner Pennel commented on attending the Branson City Council Meeting and that he was very impressed with the company that presented their financial information. He also noted that he has the presentation of the meeting if anyone would like to see it.

Commissioner Pennel also mentioned that the Taneyville School was building a new building and discussed trying to get some type of exemption for government entities in regards to prevailing wage. Commissioner Strahan stated that he would be in favor of sending a letter of support to the legislature.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Art Beck commented on the new generator at the Judicial Facility and making sure that it was serviced on a regular basis.

RECESS
9:13 a.m.

Minutes were taken and typed by Nikki Lawrence.

RECONVENE
1:42 p.m.

JOHN LAVENDER **ADDITIONAL HELP**

John Lavender, Maintenance Supervisor met with the Commission to ask for an additional employee as the janitorial work with the added Judicial Facility was overwhelming. Mr. Lavender indicated that they had already interviewed an individual and would ask that the Commission consider hiring Amy Sanders at a rate of \$10.00 an hour.

Commissioner Pennel noted that he would like to see the application prior to making a decision.

RESIDENTIAL FURNITURE **JUDGE JUSTUS' OFFICE**

Commissioner Strahan made a motion to approve the bid as offered by Wheelers Furniture in the amount of \$7,174.00 for the furniture in Judge Justus' office. Commissioner Pennel seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (yes), Herschend (absent), Strahan (yes).

JOHN LAWLER **LEASE AGREEMENT**

Commissioner Pennel made a motion to approve the lease agreement between Taney County and John Lawler for airplane maintenance. Commissioner Strahan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (yes), Herschend (absent), Strahan (yes).

**ADDITIONAL MAINTENANCE
CONT.**

Commissioner Pennel made a motion to approve the addition of Amy Sanders with a 90 day probationary period. Commissioner Strahan seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Pennel (yes), Herschend (absent), Strahan (yes).

FORSYTH STUDENT PROGRAM

Frank Preston, Road Superintendent informed the Commission that the Forsyth School has a student program where ten to twelve students would work at the recycling center for two hours on Mondays. The Commission questioned as to who would be supervising the students. Mr. Preston noted that he would get additional information.

GENERAL UPDATE

Mr. Preston let the Commission know that they were looking at paving the end of Casey next week. A meeting with the Degraffenreid's will be scheduled for Wednesday morning to discuss their request regarding the replacement of trees and a fence along Casey Road.

Mr. Preston noted that FEMA has indicated that 80% of John Rider's salary will be reimbursed from the beginning of the declaration by FEMA.

Mr. Preston also noted that the cleaning of the retention ponds by Sunbelt Environment will be completed soon, and that both Mr. Preston and Sunbelt has been in contact with the DNR.

RECESS

3:05 p.m.

Minutes taken and typed by Tressa Luttrell.