ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES FEBRUARY 11, 2020 TUESDAY

CALL TO ORDER:

The County Commission met in regular session. Those being present were, Presiding Commissioner, Harold Gallaher, Commissioner First District, Gay Wilkinson and Commissioner Second District, Patrick Mullins. Also, present was County Clerk, Kevin Engler, Deputy Clerk, Linda Balentine, and Chief Deputy H/R, Corey Schrum, from the County Clerk's office

Others present: Ryan, Jaclyn, & Kent Hampton, Jeff & Sherri Hampton, Jim & Traci Carlyon, Mark Marberry, Jesse Rupp, Louie Seiberlich, Dan Duncan, John Gross, Charles Gamble, Kim Schrum, Angela Cowley, Amber Menjoulet, Betty Medley, Buck Copeland, David Jirik, Sandy Gallaher, Kerry Glore, Gary Matheny, Cindy Johnson, Sheriff Dan, and Deputy Prince Evans and Deputy Kristen Tate.

Commission opened with Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

AGENDA:

Posted agenda attached to minutes.

(Document also found in Open Meeting Agenda folder.)

CONSENT AGENDA:

A motion was made by Commissioner Mullins to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Wilkinson. All commissioners voted in favor of the motion. Consent Agenda Items:

- 1. Approval of Minutes, February 4, 2020
- 2. Appointment Order/Adrine Krikorian, Prosecuting Attorney
- 3. Monthly Report-County Auditor-December & January
- 4. Fiduciary Agreement, MADTF
- 5. Monthly Report-County Treasurer
- 6. Sales Tax Report-County Treasurer
- 7. Monthly Report-County Collector

TABLED AGENDA ITEMS: None.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

CHD WEEK
Congenital Heart Defect
KENT HAMPTON

February is Heart Month and the St. Francois County Commission wanted to show their support by honoring local CHD Warrior, Kent Hampton. Kent is 16 months old and has had multiple surgeries. The more awareness that is given to CHD the better the survival rate is for individuals diagnosed with a CHD.

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ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY HEALTH CENTER BOARD

The Health Board would like to appoint Ms. Joanie Bannister, RN, to replace Ms. Sherry Cauley who resigned her position on the Board. Commissioner Mullins made a motion to appoint Ms. Bannister to the board. Commissioner Wilkinson seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The Industrial Development Authority would like to appoint Mr. Chris Hulsey to the IDA Board. Mr. Hulsey would replace Ms. Mary Gilliam who has resigned from the board. This is a six-year term and would expire in October 2025. Commissioner Mullins made a motion to appoint Mr. Hulsey to the board. Commissioner Wilkinson seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

EXPANSION OF OWL CREEK PARK (BONE HOLE)

Commissioner Mullins gave a presentation on the expansion of Owl Creek Park formerly known as the Bone Hole. Mr. Mullins has spent countless hours working on this project with the end result being the County expand the original 37.75 acres by adding an additional 108.52 acres to create the first ever County Park for St. Francois County. Upon the recommendation of Commissioner Mullins, a motion was made to accept the 108.52 acres from the Trustees of Joseph C. Steward at no cost involved for St. Francois County Constituents to be used toward expanding the original 37.75 acres of Owl Creek Park. Commissioner Wilkinson seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

ASARCO SETTLEMENT

The Trustee Council who is in charge of the ASARCO settlement monies will purchase the 108.52 acres and will present St. Francois County with said Real Estate to be used for the Owl Creek Expansion Park. An Order and Resolution was entered into on February 11, 2020 approving a contract for purchase and sale of real estate and authorizing execution of the same. Commissioner Mullins made a motion to accept the contract for purchase and sale of real estate and authorizing execution of the same. Commissioner Wilkinson seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

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DNR & US FISH & WILDLIFE DESLOGE CITY HALL

Commissioner Mullins briefly mentioned that DNR & the US Fish & Wildlife would be holding a meeting at the Desloge City Hall on February 18, 2020 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. for the proposed restoration project. This meeting is open to the public.

PAY INCREASE LINDA HODGES/ JASON VAUGHN A request was made to the Commission to give Linda Hodges a pay increase and to create a new position for Ms. Hodges. A motion was made my Commissioner Wilkinson and Seconded by Commissioner Mullins to create and give Ms. Hodges this raise and title. The motion was objected by Linda Balentine, speaking on behalf of other employees as well as herself, to deny said raise. Ms. Hodges was given a raise and title change in 2018 and has taken on no new responsibilities. After much discussion the Commission voted to approve the position and pay increase for Ms. Hodges. The matter of Jason Vaughn receiving a raise was tabled unto further notice. The Commission is requesting that these matters on pay increases that have been requested be addressed immediately by Human Resources. There is a discrepancy that needs to be fixed in how pay raises are obtained.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the county commission will be held on

Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at 10:00a.m.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- County offices will be closed February 12, 2020 in observance of Lincoln's Birthday.
- County Clerk, Kevin Engler reported that the Weber Road would be open on February 12, 2020 until 5 p.m. for the last day to register to vote for Presidential Preference Election on March 10, 2020.
- County Treasurer, Kerry Glore spoke about the Sales Tax Report and the increase since last year.

<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u>

With there being no further business County Commissioner Wilkinson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Mullins seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned.

Kevin Engler County Clerk

St. François County, Missouri

PREPARED BY:

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Gay Wilkinson

Commissioner First District

Patrick Mullins

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