ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY COMMISSION
MINUTES December 10th, 2024
Tuesday

CALL TO ORDER:
The County Commission met in regular session. Those being present were Presiding Commissioner, Harold Gallaher, Commissioner First District, Kary Buckley and Commissioner Second District, David Kater. Also present was County Clerk Kevin Engler.

Others present: Dan Schunks, Connor Harbit, Dave Jirik, Rich Luebcke, Corey Schrum, Dan Bullock, Eric Dugal, Misty Hedrick, Kim Schrum, Jay Graf, Parks Peterson, Laura Smith, Carol Gamble, Nick Jones, Amber Menjoulet, Clay Copeland, John Gross, Mike Sumpter, Scott Miller, Adam Wells, Alan Wells, Ashton Kramne, Derek Drury, Brad Hessing, Mark Huber, Melissa Rose, Bridget Smith, Adam Jones, Chuck Kimes, Jacy Coleman, Laurie Wood, Mike Ryan, Louie Seiberlich, and Vesta Mattingly.

The Commission opened with Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

AGENDA: Posted agenda attached to minutes.

**Commissioner Buckley was asked to leave the room, and he abstained from voting on the Consent Agenda due to a potential conflict of interest. He exited the room.

CONSENT AGENDA: A motion was made by Commissioner Kater to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Gallaher. Roll call vote – Gallaher: Approve, Kater: Approve, Buckley: Absent. All were in favor and the motion passed. Agenda Items:

- Approval of Minutes, December 3, 2024
- Approval of Special Meeting Minutes, December 5, 2024
- Presentation of Proposed 2025 Budget
- Monthly Report/Sales Tax/Treasurer
- Appointment Order/Kolby Buckley, Upland Restoration Biologist/Owl Creek $42,000 per year/12-27-24
- Disposal of Inventory/Public Administrator, Tag #'s 29, 35, 39, 0538
- Appointment Order/Koral Hill Reitenour, Detention Officer $20.01, 12-07-24
- Disposal of Inventory/Prosecutor, Tag#s 3805, 2000, 0251, 0321, 0323

** Commissioner Buckley entered and joined the meeting.

TABLED AGENDA ITEMS: **NONE**

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Bid Opening/West County Tap Grant There were 6 bids received and opened for the West County School Tap Grant. No action taken.

Bid Opening/Fiber Services There were 2 bids received and opened for Fiber Services. No action taken.

Bid Opening Door Access Systems There was 1 bid received and opened for door access systems. No action taken.

Ordinance #2024-12-10 SB190 and SB756 This ordinance will freeze real estate taxes for eligible senior citizens and only by change of assessment of 2025. Commissioner Kater made the motion to approve. Commissioner Buckley seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Approval of Opioid Settlement Fund Awards

The Committee met and agreed to award applications totaling $656,735.61. Commissioner Kater mad the motion to approve. Commissioner Buckley seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Berry Rd. Bridge Agreement w/Cherokee Landing

John Gross, Hwy. Administrator asked the Commission to approve the agreement with Cherokee Landing for $25,000. This is to be paid for out of the R&B budget. Commissioner Kater made the motion to approve. Commissioner Buckley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Change Order for Old Fredericktown Rd. Clay Copeland, Superintendent asked the Commission to approve the change order in the amount of $57,614.67 for the Old Fredericktown Rd. project. This is for additional asphalt. Commissioner Buckley made the motion to approve. Commissioner Kater seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, December 17th at 10:00 a.m.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Carol Gamble complimented the County on the Christmas Decorations and Harold mentioned that it was thanks to our Maintenance Department.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Sheriff Dan Bullock stated that Shop with A Cop is scheduled for Dec. 17th at Farmington Wal-Mart at 7:30 a.m. with a make-up day of Dec. 19th at Desloge Wal-Mart at 5:00 p.m.

Commission Kater made a motion to go into the Closed Session per 610.021(1) and Commission Buckley seconded. All were in favor and meeting went into closed session.

Adjournment: Commissioner Gallaher brought the meeting back into regular session. Kater made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Buckley seconded. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

Kevin Engler County Clerk
St. Francois County

PREPARED BY:

Corey Schrum HR

Harold Gallaher
Presiding Commissioner

Kary Buckley
Commissioner First District

David Kater
Commissioner Second District