

**ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY COMMISSION
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 10, 2026
TUESDAY**

CALL TO ORDER:

The County Commission met in regular session. Those present were Presiding Commissioner, Harold Gallaher, Commissioner First District, Kary Buckley and Commissioner Second District, David Kater. Also, present was County Clerk, Kevin Engler, and Deputy Clerk, Linda Balentine from the County Clerk's office.

Others present, Louie Seiberlich, Jay Graf, Parks Peterson, Eric Dugal, Misty Hedrick, Brian Long, Dustin Kopp, Dan Schucks, Amber Menjoulet, Kim Schrum, David Jirik, Mike Ramsey, Brandon Herrington, Vesta Mattingly, Brian Briley, Rich Luebcke, Colin Rogers, Linda Ragsdale, Cate Reando, Brad Yoder, Ken Byington, Scott Miller, Carol Gamble, Bridget Kimbrough, Captain Mike Ryan, and Sheriff Jeff Crites.

Commissioner Gallaher called the public hearing to order. The public hearing was about replacing the roof of the Courthouse. There was no discussion from the public. Commissioner Kater made a motion to close public hearing and go into regular session. Commissioner Buckley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Commissioner Buckley made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Kater seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of Minutes, February 3, 2026
2. Inventory assets for 2025/Public Administrator
3. Monthly Report & Sales Tax Report/Treasurer
4. Monthly Report/Recorder of Deeds
5. Probationary Period Completion February 11/Ethan Rawson-Operation Rd & Bridge

GENERAL BUSINESS:

**REAPPOINT SFC HEALTH
DIRECTOR/
LINDA RAGSDALE**

The Commission would like to reappoint Linda Ragsdale as the director of the Health Department. Commissioner Kater made a motion to reappoint Ms. Ragsdale as Director. Commissioner Buckley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

PRESENTATION ON W.I.C.

Cate Reando, Registered Dietitian, International Board-Certified Lactation Consultant, WIC Coordinator, President-Elect of Missouri WIC Association gave a presentation on the W.I.C. program and how beneficial it is to our community.

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**UNIFORM ALLOWANCE
APPROVAL/SHERIFF'S
DEPARTMENT**

Commissioner Buckley made a motion to approve new uniform allowance for the Sheriff's Deputies \$750 per year, Civilian Detention officers \$500 per year, Fleet Maintenance \$600 per year and Building Maintenance \$600 per year. This is a budgeted item and will be paid for out of the Inmate Security Fund. Commissioner Kater seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT
TIPS**

Commissioner Buckley made a motion to enter an interlocal agreement with TIPS a cooperative purchasing agent for construction bidding. This will save the County money on the bidding process. Commissioner Kater seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**ASSURANCE AGREEMENT
TARGET**

Target is set to close on their lot towards the middle of February. They (Target) would like a letter of assurance that if the City/County/Developer does not finish Bray Road they can have the road completed and be reimbursed at the same financial limits in the agreement. Commissioner Buckley made a motion to issue the assurance agreement. Commissioner Kater seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**REQUEST SOLE SOURCE
BAUMAN/FUEL SYSTEM**

Hwy Administrator, Brian Long, came before the Commission to request using Bauman as the Sole Source provider for the new fuel distribution and recording system. This will be a three (3) year agreement. Commissioner Kater made a motion to allow the request to use Bauman as a sole source provider. A 10-day intent will be run in the newspaper. Commissioner Buckley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**FUEL SYSTEM USE &
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Commissioner Kater made a motion to begin using the fuel system identification number. This number is issued for work purposes only and may be used solely for fueling County owned vehicles and equipment in the performance of certain job duties. Personal use is strictly prohibited. Commissioner Buckley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION
FUND GRANT/COURTHOUSE
ROOF**

Commissioner Buckley made a motion to approve applying for the Historic Preservation Fund Grant to replace the roof at the old Courthouse. This grant is through MoDNR, the amount of funds requested is \$200,000 and the amount required by the County to match if any is \$400,000. Commissioner Kater seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**RESOLUTION FOR THE
HISTORIC PRESERVATION
FUND GRANT-COURTHOUSE
ROOF**

Commissioner Kater made a motion to accept the Project Resolution 2026-0210 for the Historic Preservation Fund grant for the purpose of replacing the courthouse roof. Commissioner Buckley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**APPLY RTP GRANT
OWL CREEK**

Commissioner Buckley made a motion to apply for the RTP, (Recreational Trails Program) Grant for Owl Creek. The grant is funded through MO DNR Division of Parks, and the amount request is \$250,000 with a 20% minimum match. Commissioner Kater seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**RESOLUTION 2026-01
WOLF CREEK FIRE DIST.**

Commissioner Buckley made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-01 for the Board of Directors at Wolf Creek Fire District. SFC has agreed to obtain a grant to remediate the Property on behalf of Wolf Creek Fire District. Commissioner Kater seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the county commission will be held on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Brad Yoder addressed the Commission regarding having signage put up for Owl Creek. His property connects to the park, and he would like the signage to keep people off his private property. The Commission said they would investigate this.

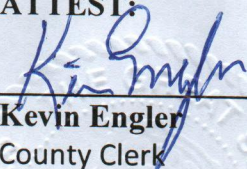
DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- Hwy Administrator, Brian Long, gave an update for Road & Bridge
- Sheriff Jeff Crites gave his annual report for the Sheriff's Department.

ADJOURNMENT:

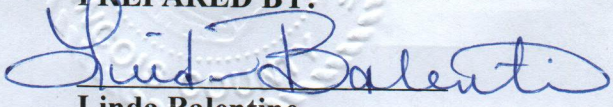
With there being no further business, County Commissioner Kater made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Buckley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

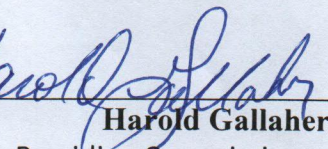


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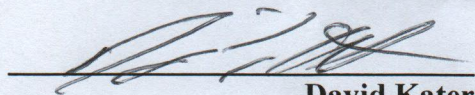


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