ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY COMMISSION
MINUTES
JUNE 16, 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, Parks Peterson, Dan Schucks, Jeremy Rousan, Carol Gamble, Laura Smith, Bridget Kimbrough, David Jirik, Eric Dugal, Misty Hedrick, Brian Long, Jay Graf, Peyton Ryan, Jerrell Poor, Leroy Mauller, Angie Usery, Vesta Mattingly, Mike Graham, Mike Sumpter, Adam Jones, Mike Ramsey, Dustin Kopp, Captain Mike Ryan, and Sheriff Jeff Crites.

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, June 9, 2026
2. Monthly Report/Recorder of Deeds
3. Disposal of old monitor tag #1217/Assessor
4. Appointment Order Zane Degrant, Detention Officer $20.61 per hr./SFC Jail

GENERAL BUSINESS:

ROTARY CLUB GRANT OWL CREEK PARK

Park Superintendent, Mike Sumpter, is requesting permission to apply for the Rotary Club CAP Grant. The grant is a $2,000 max grant with no match required. Commissioner Buckley made a motion to apply for the CAP grant. Commissioner Kater seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

LEMHWA/LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANT

Captain, Michael Ryan, is requesting permission to apply for the Law Enforcement Mental Health & Wellness Act grant. This is a non-matching grant. Capt. Ryan stated the grant funding will be used to support the development of a new mental health & wellness services & programming for employees of SFC Sheriff's department & their families. The Sheriff's Department currently does not have such a program. The program will implement peer support, training, family resources, suicide prevention, stress

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reduction and clinical support. Commissioner Kater made a motion to approve applying for this grant. Commissioner Buckley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

MOU/TRUSTEE

Commissioner Buckley made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for the Trustee job. The compensation is 10% of all costs and is added to the cost of the purchase. Term is automatic renewal each year unless either party wishes otherwise and Trustee cannot purchase any property and have no financial involvement in it. Commissioner Kater seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

APPOINT NEW TRUSTEE

Commissioner Kater made a motion to appoint Haley Smith as the new Trustee for the County. Commissioner Buckley 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, June 23, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- **Sheriff Jeff Crites gave the Sheriff's report.**
- **Highway Administrator, Brian Long, gave the Road & Bridge report.**
- **County Clerk, Kevin Engler, gave an update on Elections.**

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:

Kevin Engler
County Clerk
St. Francois County, Missouri

PREPARED BY:

Linda Balentine
Deputy Clerk
St. Francois County, Missouri

Harold Gallaher
Presiding Commissioner

Kary Buckley
Commissioner First District

David Kater
Commissioner Second District