



# Jackson County Missouri

## JOURNAL

### County Legislature

Jackson County Courthouse  
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Henry C. Rizzo (2nd AL), Chairman, Bob Spence (6th), Vice-Chairman,  
Robert A. Stringfield (1st AL), Fred Arbanas (3rd AL), Scott Burnett (1st),  
Eugene Standifer Jr. (2nd), Dennis Waits (3rd), Dan Tarwater (4th),  
Rhonda L. Shoemaker (5th)

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Monday, September 25, 2006

2:30 PM

Thirty-Seventh Regular Meeting

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Independence Courthouse Annex, 308 West Kansas, Ground Floor, Legislative Chambers

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Henry C. Rizzo, Chairman, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

**1 ROLL CALL**

Present: Robert A. Stringfield, Henry C. Rizzo, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Eugene Standifer Jr., Dennis Waits, Rhonda L. Shoemaker, Bob Spence and Bob Spence

**2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Recited.

**3 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Rhonda L. Shoemaker moved to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on 9/18/2006. Seconded by Eugene Standifer Jr..

**The motion passed by a voice vote.**

(APPROVED)

**4 HEARINGS**

*Resolution #16021 was adopted at this time. See page 4 for details.*

*Discussion regarding Resolution #16021.*

*Bob Spence, County Legislator, said he is not anti-union. He said he opposes the Memorandum of Understanding and the Resolution because of the question of fairness to other county employees. He said Jackson County is a training ground for other law enforcement agencies. Jackson County can not keep correction officers or deputy sheriffs. He said salary savings are a large part of the fund balance we carry forward every year and use in budgeting purposes. If we eat up all the hard salary savings in raises, the 2007 budget process will be challenging.*

*Fred Arbanas, County Legislator, said he agrees with Mr. Spence on several points but in the past we have singled out different departments in the County for higher raises than other departments.*

*Henry C. Rizzo said he is opposed to comments made by Bob Spence. This was a contract that was negotiated by the County Executive and Prosecutor and we have that obligation. The other obligation is that the number one resource of Jackson County is the employees. Anytime we invest in the employees, it is a good investment. By getting the Prosecutor's office at a parody level it will help the entire county.*

*Robert A. Stringfield, County Legislator, asked when the pay increase becomes effective.*

*Ed Rucker, County Counselor, said it is at the discretion of the Prosecuting Attorney. The spending of Delinquent Tax Funds is by state statute at the prosecutor's discretion. The spending of hard salary savings is appropriated money that as a department head, he has the right to spend as he sees fit.*

*Robert A. Stringfield asked if there was enough money in the Delinquent Tax Fund to cover this expense.*

*Bob Spence said the raises are funded from the Delinquent Tax Fund and hard salary savings.*

*Eugene Standifer, County Legislator, said it is a good resolution for the County Legislature to pass to fulfill the Memorandum of Understanding. He thinks the Legislature needs to find money to give all employees of Jackson County a raise in 2007.*

*Glen Dvorak, employee with the Public Works Department, received a 20 year service pin.*

*Scott Burnett said that Stan Salva, Mayor of Sugar Creek, would like to attend the legislative meeting on October 9th to give more information to the County Legislature regarding the rezoning request by LaFarge Mining Company to facilitate a 167 acre mining project in Sugar Creek. The Jackson County Legislature adopted Resolution #16019 on September 18, 2006 expressing its opposition.*

## 5 COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

*None.*

## 6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Bob Spence moved to waive the reading of Ordinances #3806 and #3807. Seconded by Scott Burnett.

The motion passed by a voice vote. (APPROVED)

The Land Use Committee will have public hearing on the above named ordinances on Wednesday, September 27, 2006 at 1 P.M. at Fleming Hall.

### 3806

AN ORDINANCE amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by changing from A (Agricultural) and RR (Residential Ranchette) to District RR-p (Residential Ranchette - Planned Development) a certain 50 ± acre tract and approving the preliminary plat "The Hideaway," creating a twelve-lot residential subdivision.

*(Land Use Committee - 2nd. Perfection)*

- [3807](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by changing from District A (Agricultural) to District RE (Residential Estates), a certain 2.5 ± acre tract.  
*(Land Use Committee - 2nd. Perfection)*
- [3812](#) Public Works Committee moved to perfect.  
*Bob Spence objects to the Consent Agenda.*
- [3812](#) Bob Spence moved to perfect Ordinance #3812. Seconded by Rhonda L. Shoemaker.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote. (PERFECTED)**
- [3812](#) Bob Spence moved to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #3812. Seconded by Rhonda L. Shoemaker.  
*Consent Agenda. See Final Passage of Proposed Ordinances.*
- [3813](#) Health and Justice Committee moved to perfect. Consent Agenda.
- [3814](#) Health and Justice Committee moved to perfect. Consent Agenda.
- [3815](#) Health and Justice Committee moved to perfect. Consent Agenda.
- [3816](#) Health and Justice Committee moved to perfect. Consent Agenda.

## 7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

- [3804](#) Consent Agenda.
- [3812](#) Consent Agenda.

## 8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

- [16011](#) Scott Burnett moved to discharge from Committee to the Legislature Resolution #16011. Seconded by Eugene Standifer Jr..  
**The motion passed by a voice vote. (APPROVED)**
- Joe Sweeney from Ingram's Magazine was present and distributed a copy of the insert to the legislators. He said Destination Jackson County is a publication produced a couple weeks ago, which was bound in the September edition of Ingram's Magazine. Every other year they host various business and civic leaders in the Economic Development Assembly, which becomes a main feature of the Destination Jackson County publication. He said this project is done every other year and distributed to Ingram's 105,000 readers plus an additional 25,000 others. It is distributed nationally.*

Bob Spence asked what the \$5,000.00 was for and who contracted for the ad.

Mr. Sweeney said the cost is for co-sponsoring the project and the recipient of a one page advertisement on the back cover. He responded that the County Executive contracted for this ad but she did specify that it needed the Legislature's approval.

Henry C. Rizzo asked what was the benefit to Jackson County.

Mr. Sweeney responded that they spent much effort driving attention and attracting investment to Jackson County. Each of the other major counties of the Greater Kansas City area have all conducted similar projects and they will all be bound together in the Greater Kansas City Economic Development Quarter. He said the rate has been the same since the year 2000.

[16011](#)

Scott Burnett moved the passage of Resolution #16011, authorizing the Director of the Department of Finance and Purchasing to issue a check in the amount of \$5,000.00 to Ingram's Magazine, to co-sponsor the Jackson County Economic Development Assembly which will convene business and government leaders from around the County in furtherance of the Jackson County economic development initiative. Seconded by Eugene Standifer Jr..

Yes: 8 - Robert A. Stringfield, Henry C. Rizzo, Scott Burnett, Eugene Standifer Jr., Dennis Waits, Rhonda L. Shoemaker, Bob Spence and Bob Spence

Absent: 1 - Fred Arbanas

(ADOPTED)

[16018](#)

Public Works Committee moved do pass. Consent Agenda.

[16021](#)

Fred Arbanas moved the passage of Resolution #16021, expressing the Legislature's support for the decision of the Prosecuting Attorney to award salary increases to his staff out of his Delinquent Tax Collection Fund. Seconded by Eugene Standifer Jr..

Yes: 7 - Robert A. Stringfield, Henry C. Rizzo, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Eugene Standifer Jr., Dennis Waits and Rhonda L. Shoemaker

No: 2 - Bob Spence and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

## 9 CONSENT AGENDA

[3813](#)

AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$25,600.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2006 Grant Fund in acceptance of a grant awarded to the Family Court Division by the Missouri Department of Social Services for the Community Restitution Diversion Program.

(PERFECTED)

[3814](#)

AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$61,986.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2006 Grant Fund in acceptance of a grant awarded to the Family Court Division by the Missouri Department of Social Services for the School Based Prevention and Diversionary Program project.

(PERFECTED)

[3815](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$56,553.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2006 Grant Fund in acceptance of a grant awarded to the Family Court Division by the Missouri Department of Social Services, Division of Youth Services for the After School Supervision Education and Treatment Project.

(PERFECTED)

[3816](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$131,576.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2006 Grant Fund in acceptance of a grant awarded to the Family Court Division by the Missouri Department of Social Services for the Facilitating Treatment Delivery Project.

(PERFECTED)

[3804](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$39,242.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2006 Grant Fund to cover the Family Court Division's Child Protection Center (CPC) - Health Care Foundation grant received from the Health Care Foundation of Greater Kansas City.

(ADOPTED)

[3812](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$22,848.80 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2006 Special Road & Bridge Fund and awarding a contract on Bid No. PW10-2006 for the Lazy Branch Creek Improvement Project, No. 3041, to Dennis Johnson Construction, Inc., of Grandview, MO, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$909,480.80.

(ADOPTED)

[16018](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute a license agreement with the U.S. Department of the Army, in connection with the Woods Chapel Road Improvement Project, No. 2293, at no cost to the County.

(ADOPTED)

To perfect Ordinances 3813, 3814, 3815, 3816. To adopt Ordinances 3804, 3812. To adopt Resolution 16018.

Dennis Waits moved the passage of the consent agenda. Seconded by Scott Burnett. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Robert A. Stringfield, Henry C. Rizzo, Scott Burnett, Eugene Standifer Jr., Dennis Waits, Bob Spence and Bob Spence

Absent: 2 - Fred Arbanas and Rhonda L. Shoemaker

## 10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[3817](#) Approving the issuance of not to exceed \$15,000,000.00 principal amount of Jackson County, Missouri, Public Building Corporation Leasehold Improvement Revenue Bonds (Jackson County, Missouri, Capital Improvements Project) Series 2006B, authorizing and approving certain documents in connection with the issuance of said bonds, and authorizing certain other actions in connection with the issuance of said bonds.

*(Finance and Audit Committee)*

[3818](#) Appropriating \$145,605.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2006 Recorder's Technology Fund and \$43,737.11 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2006 Recorder's Fee Funds and awarding a contract for the furnishing of automated indexing software and software upgrades for use by the Records Department to Hart Intercivic, Inc., of Austin, Texas, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$189,342.11, as a sole source purchase.

*(Finance and Audit Committee)*

[3819](#) Appropriating \$24,093.05 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2006 Recorder's Fee Fund and awarding a contract for the necessary hardware and software for a wireless inventory project, to DCT Solutions Group of Kansas City, MO, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$24,093.05.

*(Finance and Audit Committee)*

## 11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[16022](#) Dennis Waits moved the passage of Resolution #16022, acknowledging Elva "Claudene" Collier for the many contributions she has made during her more than twenty-eight years of service as a loyal and dedicated Jackson County employee. Seconded by Eugene Standifer Jr..

Yes: 7 - Robert A. Stringfield, Henry C. Rizzo, Scott Burnett, Eugene Standifer Jr., Dennis Waits, Bob Spence and Bob Spence

Absent: 2 - Fred Arbanas and Rhonda L. Shoemaker

(ADOPTED)

[16023](#) Accepting a temporary construction easement, drainage easement, and right-of-way, and authorizing payment to the property owners, Bank of America, N.A., in the total amount of \$6,350.60, in connection with the 85th & Troost Avenue Roadway Improvements, Project No. 2407.

*(Public Works Committee)*

[16024](#) Authorizing a twelve-month extension to the term and supply contract with Cagill, Inc., of North Olmstead, OH, for the furnishing of rock salt for use by the Road and Bridge Division of the Public Works Department.

*(Public Works Committee)*

*No objection to consideration of Resolutions #16025 and #16026 - not on printed agenda.*

[16025](#)

Scott Burnett moved the passage of Resolution #16025, awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract, with three twelve-month options to extend, for the furnishing of property casualty insurance for use countywide to Lockton Companies, Inc., of Kansas City, MO, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 21-06. Seconded by Dennis Waits.

Yes: 8 - Robert A. Stringfield, Henry C. Rizzo, Scott Burnett, Eugene Standifer Jr., Dennis Waits, Rhonda L. Shoemaker, Bob Spence and Bob Spence

Absent: 1 - Fred Arbanas

(ADOPTED)

[16026](#)

Bob Spence moved the passage of Resolution #16026, authorizing the County Executive to execute an instrument conveying a certain tract of land to the City of Kansas City, Missouri, in connection with the Prospect Road Bridge Project, No. 2139-2. Seconded by Dennis Waits.

Yes: 8 - Robert A. Stringfield, Henry C. Rizzo, Scott Burnett, Eugene Standifer Jr., Dennis Waits, Rhonda L. Shoemaker, Bob Spence and Bob Spence

Absent: 1 - Fred Arbanas

(ADOPTED)

**12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS**

*None.*

**13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*None.*

**14 NEW BUSINESS**

Henry C. Rizzo said Gayle Holliday will attend the legislative meeting on October 2nd or 9th to give an update on the construction at the stadiums.

Dennis Waits, County Legislator, asked other legislators to consider adding some new standing committees to the County Legislature. The committees will not be effective until January 2007. He is proposing a Stadium Oversight Committee made up of county legislators. He also suggested separating the Health and Justice Committee into two committees; the Health Committee and the Justice Committee. If all legislators agree, Mr. Waits said he will introduce legislation to change the Rules of the Legislature to include these new committees.

**15 ADJOURNMENT**

Dennis Waits moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Eugene Standifer Jr..

**The motion passed by a voice vote.**

(APPROVED)

*The next legislative meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday, October 2, 2006 at 2:30 P.M. in the Kansas City Legislative Assembly Area.*