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County Legislature

*Dan Tarwater (4th) Chairman, Scott Burnett, (1st) Vice Chairman,
Theresa Garza Ruiz (1st AL), Crystal Williams (2nd AL), Fred Arbanas (3rd AL),
James D. Tindall (2nd), Dennis Waits (3rd), Greg Grounds (5th)
Bob Spence (6th)*

Monday, October 1, 2012

2:30 PM

Thirty-eighth Regular Meeting

K.C. Legislative Assembly Area, Kansas City, Missouri

Dan Tarwater, Chairman, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

1 ROLL CALL

Present 8 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater, and Bob Spence

Absent 1 - Greg Grounds

2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A motion was made to Recited The motion carried.

3 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by County Legislator Waits, seconded by Vice-Chairman Burnett, to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on for September 24, 2012. The motion carried by a voice vote.

4 HEARINGS

Jaime Guillen, Legislative Aide to Theresa Garza Ruiz, received his 5 year service pin.

Public Hearing regarding the property tax rates of Jackson County, Missouri, the Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled (Sheltered Workshop), the Community Mental Health Fund and the Merchants and Manufacturers' Inventory Replacement. (Ordinances 4453 - #4456)

The public hearing was opened.

Bruce Eddy, Executive Director of the Jackson County Community Mental Health Fund, said the levy rate for the community mental health fund has not changed since 2008 and it serves 16,000 Jackson Countians. He thanked the County Legislature, the County Executive and the Administrative office for their assistance and support.

Duane Lewis, Director of Steppingstone, an organization that serves homeless teens, unwed mothers and young people phasing out of the system, said they have been receiving money from the community mental health fund for 20 years and have served 600 citizens in eastern Jackson County.

Discussion.

Janine Hron, Chief Executive Officer with Crittenton Children's Center, an organization that provides mental health services for children, stated that mental health funds provide hope and keep families together.

Brian Wilson, Captain with the Lee's Summit Police Department, talked about the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Program.

Discussion.

The public hearing was closed.

5 COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Mike Sanders, County Executive, spoke about the financial issue faced in Jackson County, Missouri. He said although Jackson County was looking at roughly a 6 percent revenue growth, the State of Missouri has passed on the following cuts: \$1.3 million cut in the per parcel rate for the Assessment Fund, \$800,000.00 cut from the Family Support Division and \$1.8 million cut because of the out of state sales tax on vehicles, boats and airplanes. He said there will be 35-40 positions cut in the Assessment and Prosecutor's Departments.

Jean Peters Baker, Prosecuting Attorney, said they have offered employees incentivized early retirement and the next process is to cut jobs. They are working to make it fair and equitable.

Shelley Kneuvean, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, said it is a two-phased approach to accomplish a balanced budget. First they are offering incentivized resignation with a severance package and secondly they will eliminate jobs by keeping positions based on business needs.

Additionally, Mike Sanders reported that there will be a 10% increase in health insurance premiums.

Discussion.

Jean Peters Baker said the Family Support Division will need to be re-tooled. They will strive to maintain the same service delivery by cross training employees but the cut is substantial to this division. They will need to eliminate up to 17 positions in this department.

Fred Arbanas, County Legislator, asked Gary Panethiere, Legislative Auditor, to do a 20 year study on health insurance premiums for review by the County Legislature and Administration.

Mike Sanders presented a check to Sister Berta with Operation Breakthrough in the amount of \$17,000.00 from the County Executive Golf Tournament.

6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

- [4439](#) AN ORDINANCE renewing the tax of 4.25% of the tariff rate for each local telephone access line, not to exceed 100 lines per person or per location, for emergency telephone service utilizing a single three-digit number "911."
(Finance and Audit Committee - 5th. Perfection)
Fred Arbanas moved to waive the reading of Ordinances #4444, #4445, and #4446. Seconded by Bob Spence.
The motion passed by a voice vote.
(APPROVED)
- [4444](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by changing a certain 10 ± acres tract from District A (Agricultural) to District RR (Residential Ranchette).
(Land Use Committee - 3rd. Perfection)
- [4445](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by changing a certain 7.9 ± acres tract from District A (Agricultural) to District RR (Residential Ranchette).
(Land Use Committee - 3rd. Perfection)
- [4446](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by changing a certain 1.05 ± acres tract from District A (Agricultural) to District RS (Residential Suburban).
(Land Use Committee - 3rd. Perfection)

The Land Use Committee will have a public hearing on Thursday, October 4, 2012 at 1 P.M. at Fleming Hall regarding Ordinances #4444, #4445 and #4446.
- [4453](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved to perfect.
Scott Burnett objects to the Consent Agenda.
- [4453](#) A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Burnett, seconded by County Legislator - 2nd District Tindall, to perfect. The motion carried by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)
- [4453](#) A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Burnett, seconded by County Legislator - 2nd District Tindall, that this matter be suspend the rules to consider final passage. The motion carried by a voice vote.

(APPROVED)
- Consent Agenda. See Final Passage of Proposed Ordinances.*

[4454](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved to perfect.

Scott Burnett objects to the Consent Agenda.

[4454](#) A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Burnett, seconded by County Legislator - 2nd District Tindall, to perfect. The motion carried by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[4454](#) A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Burnett, seconded by County Legislator - 2nd District Tindall, that this matter be suspend the rules to consider final passage. The motion carried by a voice vote.

(APPROVED)

Consent Agenda. See Final Passage of Proposed Ordinances.

[4455](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved to perfect.

Scott Burnett objects to the Consent Agenda.

[4455](#) A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Burnett, seconded by County Legislator - 2nd District Tindall, to perfect. The motion carried by a voice vote.

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(APPROVED)

Consent Agenda. See Final Passage of Proposed Ordinances.

[4456](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved to perfect.

Scott Burnett objects to the Consent Agenda.

[4456](#) A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Burnett, seconded by County Legislator - 2nd District Tindall, to perfect. The motion carried by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[4456](#) A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Burnett, seconded by County Legislator - 2nd District Tindall, that this matter be suspend the rules to consider final passage. The motion carried by a voice vote.

(APPROVED)

Consent Agenda. See Final Passage of Proposed Ordinances.

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

[4453](#) This matter was Consent Agenda. The motion carried.

[4454](#) This matter was Consent Agenda. The motion carried.

[4455](#) This matter was Consent Agenda. The motion carried.

[4456](#) This matter was Consent Agenda. The motion carried.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

[17983](#) This matter was Consent Agenda. The motion carried.

[17984](#) This matter was Consent Agenda. The motion carried.

[17985](#) A motion was made by County Legislator - 2nd District Tindall, seconded by Vice-Chairman Burnett, to substitute for October 1, 2012. The motion carried by a voice vote.

(APPROVED)

Consent Agenda.

9 CONSENT AGENDA

[4453](#) A motion was made to adopt on the Consent Agenda.

(ADOPTED)

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(ADOPTED)

[17983](#) A motion was made to adopt on the Consent Agenda.

(ADOPTED)

[17984](#) A motion was made to adopt on the Consent Agenda.

(ADOPTED)

[17985](#) A motion was made to adopt on the Consent Agenda.

(ADOPTED)

To adopt Ordinances 4453, 4454, 4455, 4456. To adopt Resolutions 17983, 17984, 17985.

A motion was made by Scott Burnett, seconded by Theresa Garza Ruiz for passage of the consent agenda.

Yes: 7 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dan Tarwater and Bob Spence

Absent: 2 - Dennis Waits and Greg Grounds

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

None.

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[17987](#)

Declaring certain property within various County departments as surplus and unusable personal property and authorizing its disposal

(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

[17988](#)

A motion was made by County Legislator - 2nd District Tindall, seconded by Vice-Chairman Burnett, to adopt. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dan Tarwater and Bob Spence

Absent: 2 - Dennis Waits and Greg Grounds

(ADOPTED)

[17989](#)

A motion was made by County Legislator - 2nd District Tindall, seconded by Vice-Chairman Burnett, to adopt. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dan Tarwater and Bob Spence

Absent: 2 - Dennis Waits and Greg Grounds

(ADOPTED)

Col. Hugh Mills with the Jackson County Sheriff's Department answered questions regarding Resolution #17989.

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

[12-13](#)

I hereby make the following reappointments to the Housing Resources Commission:

Annette Le Pique is reappointed for a term to expire October 31, 2013.

Anne McGregor is reappointed for a term to expire October 31, 2014.

David S. Odegard is reappointed for a term to expire October 31, 2013.

[12-14](#)

Pursuant to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Kansas City, Missouri, chapter 74, article IV, section 74-73.(a), I hereby appoint Diane Burnette to the Land Bank of Kansas City, Missouri, for a one-year term to expire on October 1, 2013. A copy of Ms. Burnette's resume is attached.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

14 NEW BUSINESS

The County Legislature did not have a closed session.

15 ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by County Legislator - 2nd District Tindall, seconded by Vice-Chairman Burnett, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned until Monday, October 8, 2012 at 2:30 P.M. at the Independence Courthouse Annex, 308 W. Kansas, Ground Floor, Legislative Chambers.