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# Jackson County Missouri

## JOURNAL

### County Legislature

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

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**Monday, May 23, 2011**

**2:30 PM**

**Twenty-Second Regular Meeting**

**Independence Courthouse Annex, 308 W. Kansas, Ground Floor, Legislative Chambers**

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Dennis Waits, Chairman, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

**1 ROLL CALL**

Present: Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits and Greg Grounds  
Absent: Dan Tarwater and Bob Spence

**2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Recited.

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

Greg Grounds moved to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on 5/16/2011.  
Seconded by Scott Burnett.

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

**(APPROVED)**

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**4 HEARINGS**

*Presentation by Mike Curry, Director of Emergency Preparedness and Homeland Security, regarding the New Madrid Earthquake Exercise was postponed because Bob Spence, County Legislator, was absent.*

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**5 COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

*Mike Sanders, County Executive, said the tornado in Joplin, Missouri (Jasper County) is the deadliest in Missouri history. He reported that Mike Henderson from the Medical Examiner's office and Craig Mosher from Public Works are in Joplin, Missouri assisting in the recovery efforts following Sunday evening's tornado. Mike Curry has been in contact with Joplin's Emergency Management Director and they are in need of first responders. Jerry Page, Director of Public Works, is putting together a plan for his crew and heavy equipment for clean up efforts. Mike said it is our moral obligation to send everyone we can to a community in need. Since this is a federal emergency, Jackson County will be able to recoup some or all of the monies spent.*

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*Crystal Williams, County Legislator, said Sheriff Sharp and his staff as well as the Kansas City Fire Department are also assisting in Joplin.*

*James D. Tindall, County Legislator, asked about Homeland Security cuts.*

*Mike Sanders responded that Jackson County, Missouri may be spared from cuts on our programs. Dennis Waits said Mike Curry has information available for those who are interested.*

*Scott Burnett, County Legislator, asked Mike Sanders to keep the County Legislature informed on the next step, after first responders, in Joplin, Missouri.*

*John Reece, Director of the Little Blue Valley Sewer District, received a proclamation in recognition of his retirement and exemplary service for 10 years.*

*Mike Sanders introduced Tom Wyrsh and Gary Dusenberg, Co-chairs of the Jackson County Reapportionment Committee. Gary and Tom explained the results of their work redrawing Jackson County legislative districts with the updated U.S. Census data. Tom Wyrsh thanked Melissa Lanclos, GIS Specialist, for a job well done.*

*Dennis Waits thanked the committee for moving quickly in completing their task.*

**6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE**

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[4309](#)

AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$24,995.00 from the fund balance of the 2011 Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund and authorizing the County Executive to execute an agreement with the Afrikan Centered Education Collegiums Campus to provide support for anti-drug and crime prevention activities and purposes, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$24,995.00.

*(Anti-Drug Committee - 2nd. Perfection)*

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[4310](#)

Finance and Audit Committee moved to perfect. Consent Agenda.

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**7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES**

None.

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**8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE**

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[17593](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved do pass. Consent Agenda.

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[17595](#) Health and Environment Committee moved do pass. Consent Agenda.

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**9 CONSENT AGENDA**

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[4310](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$157,131.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2011 General Fund in acceptance of \$200,000.00 in additional revenue from increased court records copy fees, for use by the Circuit Court for a pilot project to digitize court records.

(PERFECTED)

[17593](#) A RESOLUTION awarding twenty-four month term and supply contracts with three twelve-month options to extend, for the furnishing of safety equipment and supplies for use countywide to Orr Safety Corporation of Kansas City, MO, and Davis Safety Supply Inc., of Kansas City, MO, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 11-11.

(ADOPTED)

[17595](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$83,290.00 within the 2011 Health Fund to cover the cost of outside physician contracts and equipment necessary to maintain National Association of Medical Examiners' accreditation for the Medical Examiner's Office.

(ADOPTED)

To perfect Ordinance 4310. To adopt Resolutions 17593, 17595.

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

Yes: 7 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits and Greg Grounds

Absent: 2 - Dan Tarwater and Bob Spence

## 10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

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- [4311](#) Enacting sections 5100., 5101., 5102., 5103., and 5104., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to blasting, with a penalty provision.  
(Health and Environment Committee)

*Dennis Waits explained Ordinance #4312. He thanked Courtney Thomas, Shelley Kneuvean and Earl Newill for their assistance.*

*No objection to the consideration of Ordinance #4312 - not on printed agenda.*

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- [4312](#) Scott Burnett moved to perfect Ordinance #4312. Seconded by James D. Tindall.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.** (PERFECTED)  
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- [4312](#) Scott Burnett moved to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #4312. Seconded by Greg Grounds.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.** (APPROVED)

- [4312](#) Scott Burnett moved the passage of Ordinance #4312 as perfected, transferring \$50,000.00 within and appropriating \$8,020.00 from the fund balance of the 2011 Health Fund, and awarding a contract on Bid No. 03-2011, for the Animal Shelter Facility Project, No. 3119, to R.L. Philips Construction, Inc., of Raymore, MO, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$4,849,500.00, and authorizing the Director of Public Works to approve line item adjustments under this contract at no additional cost to the County. Seconded by James D. Tindall.  
Yes: 7 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits and Greg Grounds  
Absent: 2 - Dan Tarwater and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

## 11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

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[17596](#)

Theresa Garza Ruiz moved the passage of Resolution #17596, authorizing the County Executive to execute an Agreement for Services with the Mid-America Local Emergency Planning Committee and the Mid-America Regional Council, at no cost to the County. Seconded by Scott Burnett.

Yes: 7 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits and Greg Grounds

Absent: 2 - Dan Tarwater and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

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[17597](#)

James D. Tindall moved the passage of Resolution #17597, awarding a twelve-month contract with two twelve-month options to extend for the furnishing of LEWeb law enforcement computer information services for use by the Sheriff's and Prosecuting Attorney's Offices, and the Department of Corrections, to the Regional Justice Information Service (REJIS) Commission of St. Louis, MO, as an acquisition from another governmental entity, at a cost to the County for 2011 not to exceed \$11,592.00. Seconded by Fred Arbanas.

Yes: 7 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits and Greg Grounds

Absent: 2 - Dan Tarwater and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

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[17598](#)

Scott Burnett moved the passage of Resolution #17598, authorizing the Jackson County Legislature to hold a closed meeting on Monday, May 23, 2011, for the purpose of conducting privileged and confidential communications between itself and the Jackson County Counselor under section 610.021(1) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, and closing all records prepared for discussion at said meeting. Seconded by Theresa Garza Ruiz.

Yes: 7 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits and Greg Grounds

Absent: 2 - Dan Tarwater and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

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[17599](#)

Authorizing the Director of Finance and Purchasing to issue a check in the amount of \$2,000.00 to the Twin Cities Saddle Club, to sponsor the Invitational Black Rodeo, to be held June 17 - 18, 2011.

*(Anti-Drug Committee)*

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[17600](#)

Fred Arbanas moved the passage of Resolution #17600, awarding a contract on Bid No. PW 05-2011 for the Ranson Road Culvert Replacement Project, No. 3138, to Ground Breaking Excavation & Utilities, LLC, of Pleasant Hill, MO, at an actual cost to the County not to exceed \$187,192.00, and authorizing the Director of Public Works to approve line item adjustments under this contract at no additional cost to the County. Seconded by James D. Tindall.

Yes: 7 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits and Greg Grounds

Absent: 2 - Dan Tarwater and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

*Dennis Waits explained Resolution #17601. He thanked Shelley Kneuvean for continuing to communicate with the people at MCC.*

*No objection to the consideration of Resolution #17601 - not on printed agenda.*

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[17601](#)

Fred Arbanas moved the passage of Resolution #17601, expressing the intent of the County to cooperate with the Metropolitan Community College (MCC), for a regional expansion of the veterinarian technology educational programs at the MCC - Blue River campus in conjunction with the new animal shelter facility. Seconded by Greg Grounds.

Yes: 7 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits and Greg Grounds

Absent: 2 - Dan Tarwater and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

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**12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS**

*None.*

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**13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Greg Grounds, County Legislator, asked when the new districts become effective.

Jay Haden, Chief Deputy County Counselor, said he will review and send an opinion to the County Legislature.

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**14 NEW BUSINESS**

*None.*

The County Legislature went into closed session.

The County Legislature reconvened.

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**15      ADJOURNMENT**

James D. Tindall moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Scott Burnett.

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

(APPROVED)

*Meeting adjourned until Monday, June 6, 2011 at 2:30 P.M. in the Kansas City Legislative Assembly Area.*

*The County Legislature will not meet on Monday, May 30, 2011 in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday.*

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