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Garry J. Baker (1st AL), Crystal Williams (2nd AL), Tony Miller (3rd AL), Dennis
Waits (3rd), Dan Tarwater III (4th), Greg Grounds (5th), Theresa Galvin (6th)*

Jackson County Courthouse
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Kansas City, Missouri 64106
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Monday, July 10, 2017

2:30 PM

Twenty-fifth Regular Meeting

**Eastern Jackson County Courthouse, 308 W. Kansas, Independence, Missouri, Ground
Floor, Legislative Chambers**

Scott Burnett, Chairman, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

1 ROLL CALL

Present 8 - Garry Baker, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Alfred Jordan, Dan Tarwater III, Greg Grounds and Theresa Galvin

Absent 1 - Dennis Waits

2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited.

3 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Crystal Williams to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on June 27, 2017. The motion passed by a voice vote.

4 HEARINGS

None.

5 COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Frank White, Jr., County Executive, said two prominent Kansas Citizens passed over the weekend, James B. Nutter Sr., founder of home mortgage company (James B. Nutter and Company) and Neal Patterson, CEO of Cerner Corporation.

Crystal Williams, County Legislator, asked the County Executive about the incident that happened at the jail over the weekend when a guard was assaulted by an inmate. She said again she learned of this incident through the media and not from the Administration.

Frank White, Jr., County Executive, responded that usually Gary Panethiere, Chief Operating Officer, contacts the Chair of the County Legislature, but he was on vacation so that did not happen this time. He

said since Joe Piccinini became the Director of Corrections he has tried to make things more transparent which is why we are hearing about more incidents at the jail. They are working hard daily to ensure safety for the associates and the inmates at the jail.

Crystal Williams said the Administration needs to be talking publicly about the positive things happening at the jail.

Frank White, Jr., said his goal is to show the improvements since 2015 until the HOK study is complete and put them up on Jackson County's website so the public can see before and after pictures documenting the improvements at the jail.

Dan Tarwater III, County Legislator, asked if the County Executive would be opposed to having sheriff deputies present at the jail for awhile, to see if law enforcement presence will make a difference.

Frank White, Jr., said he does not believe that is necessary at this time because correction officers must follow specific procedures. He suggested that the County Legislators attend graduations of the correction officers and talk to them about their responsibilities and let them know they are important and appreciated.

Scott Burnett said he has been speaking to Jim Rowenhorst, CRA Audit Consultant who indicated some of the management team at the jail are top notch.

Frank White, Jr., said his goal is to get the jail accredited again.

Dan Tarwater III said the newspaper suggests home monitoring and he wants the public to know that we currently have home monitoring but some inmates do not qualify.

Frank White, Jr., said Jackson County does not determine the jail population they just manage it.

Dan Tarwater III and Frank White, Jr. both agreed that the Kansas City Star has printed many incorrect articles.

Crystal Williams said she would love to attend graduation of the correction officers but has never been advised or invited to this event.

Frank White, Jr., said his associates will let the County Legislature know the specifics of the next graduation.

Discussion.

Scott Burnett shared that seven years ago today (July 10, 2010) James B. Nutter Sr. dedicated Ivanhoe Park.

6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

None.

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

None.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

[19519](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

9 CONSENT AGENDA

[19519](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to issue a check in the amount of \$14,400.00 to the Mid-America Regional Council, for the County's portion of the costs related to the CORE4 initiative.

(ADOPTED)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Crystal Williams, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Garry Baker, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Alfred Jordan, Dan Tarwater III, Greg Grounds and Theresa Galvin

Absent: 1 - Dennis Waits

Resolution #19519 was moved to the Consent Agenda for adoption.

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[4989](#) Appropriating \$9,455.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2017 Park Fund and \$10,847.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the Special Road & Bridge Fund in acceptance of payment from Land Trust of Jackson County for mowing and maintenance services at the Highland Cemetery.

(Assigned to the Land Use Committee.)

[4990](#) Appropriating \$23,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2017 Sheriff's Revolving Fund and awarding a contract for the furnishing of two police canines with associated training to Von Henger Kennels of Kingsville, MO, for use by the Sheriff's Office, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$23,000.00, as a sole source purchase.

(Assigned to the Justice and Law Enforcement Committee.)

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[19521](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Tony Miller, to adopt Resolution #19521, authorizing the Jackson County Legislature to hold a closed meeting on Monday, July 10, 2017, for the purpose of conducting privileged and confidential communications between itself and its auditor under section 610.021(17) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, and between itself and the County Counselor under section 610.021(1) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, and closing all records prepared for discussion at said meeting. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Garry Baker, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Alfred Jordan, Dan Tarwater III, Greg Grounds and Theresa Galvin

Absent: 1 - Dennis Waits

(ADOPTED)

[19522](#)

A motion was made by Alfred Jordan, seconded by Greg Grounds, to adopt Resolution #19522, congratulating the Buffalo Soldiers 9th and 10th Cavalry Association on the occasion of its 151st Annual Reunion to be held July 24 - 29, 2017. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Garry Baker, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Alfred Jordan, Dan Tarwater III, Greg Grounds and Theresa Galvin

Absent: 2 - Crystal Williams and Dennis Waits

(ADOPTED)

[19523](#)

Transferring \$41,413.00 within the 2017 Special Road and Bridge Fund to cover the cost of guardrail repair services for use by the Public Works Department.

(Assigned to the Public Works Committee.)

[19524](#)

Transferring \$28,846.00 within the 2017 General Fund awarding contracts for the maintenance of computer software for use by various County departments to certain vendors, at an aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$33,191.00, as sole source purchases.

(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

[19525](#)

Awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract with two twelve-month options to extend for the furnishing of liquid asphalt for use by the Public Works Department to Vance Brothers, Inc., of Kansas City, MO, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 23-17.

(Assigned to the Public Works Committee.)

[19526](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Tony Miller, to adopt Resolution #19526, authorizing the Director of Finance and Purchasing to issue a check in the amount of \$2,000.00 to aSTEAM Village, for sponsorship of the Summer Engineering Experience for Kids (SEEK) Camp to be held at Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary School. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Garry Baker, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Alfred Jordan, Dan Tarwater III, Greg Grounds and Theresa Galvin

Absent: 2 - Crystal Williams and Dennis Waits

(ADOPTED)

[19527](#)

Transferring \$207,512.00 within the 2017 General Fund and awarding a contract for remediation and cleaning services for use by the Department of Corrections to ServPro of Olathe, KS, under the terms and conditions of the National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance Contract No. 02-12, an existing government contract, at an actual cost to the County not to exceed \$207,512.00.

(Assigned to the Justice and Law Enforcement Committee.)

No objection to the consideration of Resolution #19528 - not on printed agenda.

[19528](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Tony Miller, to adopt Resolution #19528, approving the settlement by the County Counselor of the claims of James Ramirez, in the case styled James Ramirez v. Jackson County, Missouri, et al., No. 1716-CV15268, now pending in Jackson County Circuit Court, for a total payment by the County of \$437,500.00. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Garry Baker, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Alfred Jordan, Dan Tarwater III and Theresa Galvin

Absent: 2 - Dennis Waits and Greg Grounds

(ADOPTED)

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

[17-14](#)

I hereby make the following reappointment to the Mid-Continent Library Board of Trustees.

John W. Laney is reappointed for a term to expire June 30, 2021.

The County Legislature went into closed session.

The County Legislature reconvened.

Resolution #19528 was adopted at this time. See above for details.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

14 NEW BUSINESS

Closed Meeting Per Resolution #19521.

15 ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Greg Grounds, seconded by Tony Miller, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned until Monday, July 17, 2017 at 2:30 P.M. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 2nd Floor, Legislative Assembly Area.