



Jackson County Missouri

JOURNAL

County Legislature

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

Monday, January 12, 2004

2:30 PM

Second Regular Meeting

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

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

1 ROLL CALL

Present: Robert A. Stringfield, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dennis Waits, Rhonda L. Shoemaker and Bob Spence

2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited.

3 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Bob Spence moved to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on 1/5/2004.
Seconded by Dennis Waits.

The motion passed by a voice vote.

(APPROVED)

4 HEARINGS

None.

5 COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Katheryn Shields, County Executive, said everyone was truly saddened by the news of John Friedmann's death Friday night. John was the Executive Director of the Jackson County Sports Complex Authority. All had hoped he would pull through. She, along with members of the County Legislature, shared their condolences with his family, friends and colleagues.

She said police still have few leads in the search for his assailant, and reminded anyone with information to call the TIPS Hotline at 474-TIPS (474-8477). There is a \$12,000.00 reward for information resulting in the arrest and conviction of the person(s) involved.

Everyone who knew John would say he was good man, who did a fine job. She reiterated that our thoughts and prayers are with his family in Minnesota during this time of loss. The wake is scheduled for Thursday evening in St. Paul, Minnesota and the funeral service will be on Friday. Members of the Sports Authority are discussing with the family the possibility of having a memorial service in Jackson County, Missouri since some people will not be able to travel to Minnesota.

Katheryn Shields said The Missouri Property Tax Credit or "Circuit Breaker" information that was mailed out has resulted in several hundred requests for applications. She said this level of success would not have been possible without this joint effort with H & R Block. She said she has received many thank you's from people and one note with this quote from Margaret Mead: "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

Dan Tarwater, County Legislator, said he received calls from constituents who were very appreciative to receive the letter regarding the "circuit breaker" from Jackson County. He thought it was unfair that the newspaper and others called it a cheap advertising trick for H & R Block, which was totally untrue. He said if other tax services want to help in other areas Jackson County will be happy to work with them also.

Katheryn agreed. She said Jackson County entered into this partnership with H & R Block and they paid for mailing and provided free consultations to our citizens.

Henry Rizzo, County Legislator, said it was a great idea. But he agrees that we should make it available to everyone interested.

Katheryn said they are sending a response to all tax services that have written to complain to advise them that if they are willing to contribute, we will do a mailing with them. She said if any other services want to make that kind of financial and staffing commitment then Jackson County appreciates it and is willing to work with them.

Rhonda Shoemaker, County Legislator, asked if H & R Block is providing consultation for tax services.

Katheryn responded that H & R Block has agreed to provide free tax consultation to any Jackson County citizen on any of the tax relief measures outlined in the brochure that they mailed out, not just the circuit breaker. She looks forward to doing another mailing paid for by one or more tax services and with the same agreement that they would represent at no cost the citizens of Jackson County for advising them on those services and filling out the appropriate forms.

Ronald E. Finley, County Legislator, said the information is what is important. He also asked the Administration to ask H & R Block for the number of people they helped when this process is completed.

Katheryn Shields said she appreciated the support from the Legislature and was pleased with the positive response we have received from the taxpayers.

She wished Fred Arbanas a Happy Birthday.

Scott Burnett asked the Administration for an address for John Friedmann's family. Jay Haden, Acting County Counselor, said he would email the funeral home address to the legislators.

6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

None.

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

Resolution #14865 was adopted at this time. See page 6 for details.

[3447](#)

Transferring \$8,553.00 within the 2003 General Fund and appropriating \$42,763.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2003 Grant Fund to cover the Victim Services Advocates Grant received from the Missouri Department of Public Safety and the transfer of matching funds.

(WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR BURNETT, CONCURRED BY TARWATER AND WAITS)

Ordinance #3460 was perfected and sent to the consent agenda at this time. See page 5 for details.

[3460](#)

Consent Agenda.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

[14834](#)

A RESOLUTION appointing Marshall & Ilsley Trust Co., N. A., as Trustee of the Jackson County, Missouri Employees' Pension Plan and Commerce Bank and UMB Bank as investment managers of the Plan's assets.

(Finance and Audit Committee - 3rd. Meeting)

[14839](#)

Finance and Audit Committee moved do pass.

Ronald E. Finley objects to the Consent Agenda.

[14839](#)

Dennis Waits moved the passage of Resolution #14839, awarding twenty-four month term and supply contracts on Bid No. 45-03 for the furnishing of janitorial services for use county-wide to Modern Maintenance of Lenexa, KS (\$337,860.00), ABM Janitorial, of Kansas City, MO (\$103,287.52), and MMMM of Raytown, MO (\$8,618.76), to provide for county-wide needs, in the estimated annual aggregate amount of \$346,766.28. Seconded by Dan Tarwater.

Yes: 6 - Robert A. Stringfield, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Scott Burnett, Dennis Waits and Bob Spence

No: 2 - Ronald E. Finley and Rhonda L. Shoemaker

(ADOPTED)

[14854](#)

A RESOLUTION congratulating St. Luke's Hospital upon its receipt of the U.S. Department of Commerce's 2003 Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award for health care.

(Legislature As A Whole - 1st. Meeting)

Katheryn Shields, County Executive, advised the Legislature that in connection with John Friedmann, there was a need for him to have dialysis and it was special equipment that Truman Medical Center did not have. St. Luke's Hospital provided the equipment, the technician and seven nurses volunteered to do the specialized intensive care that he needed.

Bob Spence, County Legislator, commented that this was just one more reason why this hospital is the recipient of this award.

[14855](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the Trustees of the Land Trust of Jackson County, Missouri to convey one (1) parcel of real property located in Sugar Creek, Jackson County, Missouri and one (1) parcel of real property located in Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri for support of various projects for the upgrading and redevelopment of the urban core in accordance with § 141.750.0 RSMo, 2000.

(Finance and Audit Committee - 1st. Meeting)

[14856](#) Health and Justice Committee moved do pass. Consent Agenda.

[14857](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved do pass. Consent Agenda.

9 CONSENT AGENDA

[3460](#) AN ORDINANCE transferring \$8,553.00 within the 2004 General Fund and reappropriating \$42,763.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2004 Grant Fund to cover the Victim Services Advocates Grant received from the Missouri Department of Public Safety and the transfer of matching funds.

(ADOPTED)

[14856](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute an Agreement with Community Network for Behavioral Healthcare, Inc., to provide administrative and direct service in connection with the County's Jail Diversion by Law Enforcement Crisis Intervention Teams program, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$153,750.00.

(ADOPTED)

[14857](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute an Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement with the City of Kansas City, Missouri, to provide for the videotaping and cablecasting of the Legislature's meetings at a cost to the County not to exceed \$50,400.00 for the year 2004.

(ADOPTED)

To adopt Ordinance 3460. To adopt Resolutions 14856, 14857.

Dan Tarwater moved the passage of the consent agenda. Seconded by Robert A. Stringfield. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Robert A. Stringfield, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dennis Waits, Rhonda L. Shoemaker and Bob Spence

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[3458](#) Appropriating \$368,087.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2004 Grant Fund to cover the Family Court Division's Truancy Court Project.

(Health and Justice Committee)

[3459](#) Granting a conditional use permit in District A (Agricultural) for a period of seven (7) years to operate a kennel, subject to conditions, as to certain 10 ± acre tract of land.

(Land Use Committee)

No dissenting vote to consider Ordinance #3460 - not on printed agenda.

[3460](#) Robert A. Stringfield moved to perfect Ordinance #3460. Seconded by Dennis Waits.

The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[3460](#) Robert A. Stringfield moved to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #3460, transferring \$8,553.00 within the 2004 General Fund and reappropriating \$42,763.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2004 Grant Fund to cover the Victim Services Advocates Grant received from the Missouri Department of Public Safety and the transfer of matching funds. Seconded by Dennis Waits.

The motion passed by a voice vote.

(APPROVED)

Consent Agenda. See Final Passage of Proposed Ordinances.

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[14858](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute an Agreement with Truman Medical Center Behavioral Health Services, a division of Truman Medical Center, Inc., in the amount of \$281,205.00, to provide for a substance abuse treatment program for inmates of the Jackson County Detention Center.

(Anti-Drug Committee)

[14859](#) Bob Spence moved the passage of Resolution #14859, authorizing Change Order No. 2 (Final) to the contract with Vance Brothers, Inc., of Kansas City, MO, for the 2003 Pavement Maintenance Project (Phase I), No. 2474, reducing the contract amount by \$11,520.64. Seconded by Dennis Waits.

Yes: 8 - Robert A. Stringfield, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dennis Waits, Rhonda L. Shoemaker and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

[14860](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Mid-America Regional Council Solid Waste Management District, to provide access to the Regional Household Hazardous Waste Centers for the residents of the unincorporated county, at a cost not to exceed \$16,074.70 in 2004.

(Health and Justice Committee)

[14861](#) Robert A. Stringfield moved the passage of Resolution #14861, authorizing the County Executive to execute an Agreement with Research Mental Health Services to provide direct services in connection with the County's Jail Diversion by Law Enforcement Crisis Intervention Teams program, at an actual cost to the County of \$45,000.00. Seconded by Dan Tarwater.

Yes: 8 - Robert A. Stringfield, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dennis Waits, Rhonda L. Shoemaker and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

[14862](#) Authorizing the Director of the Department of Finance to make final payment on the contract with Vance Brothers, Inc., for the 2003 Pavement Maintenance Project (Phase III), No. 2490.

(Public Works Committee)

[14863](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute addenda to agreements with certain organizations which engage in anti-drug treatment and rehabilitation activities for the purpose of treating users of illegal drugs, at an aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$2,878,491.00.

(Anti-Drug Committee)

[14864](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute agreements with certain organizations which engage in community crime prevention activities for the purpose of preventing illegal drug use and drug-related offenses, at an aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$1,683,201.00 in 2004.

(Anti-Drug Committee)

No dissenting vote to consider Resolution #14865 - not on printed agenda.

[14865](#) Bob Spence moved the passage of Resolution #14865, congratulating Lee's Summit High School's 2003 cheerleaders on winning the Missouri Class 5A state championship. Seconded by Dennis Waits.

Yes: 8 - Robert A. Stringfield, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dennis Waits, Rhonda L. Shoemaker and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

[14866](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute Agreements with certain organizations which provide assistance to homeless persons, at an aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$718,555.00.

(Finance and Audit Committee)

No dissenting vote to consider Resolution #14867 - not on printed agenda.

[14867](#) Ronald E. Finley moved the passage of Resolution #14867, recognizing the Southern Christian Leadership Conference of Kansas City on its upcoming 35th annual celebration of the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Seconded by Dennis Waits.

Yes: 8 - Robert A. Stringfield, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dennis Waits, Rhonda L. Shoemaker and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

None.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Scott Burnett, Chairman, asked residents' opinions on whether to continue taping the County Legislative Meetings and broadcasting them on cable television. He asked residents to call in their opinions to the County Clerk's office at 816-881-3242.

14 NEW BUSINESS

None.

15 ADJOURNMENT

Dan Tarwater moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Dennis Waits.

The motion passed by a voice vote.

(APPROVED)

The next legislative meeting is scheduled to be held on TUESDAY, January 20, 2004 at 2:30 p.m. in the Kansas City Legislative Assembly Area.