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Jalen Anderson (1st AL), Crystal Williams (2nd AL), Tony Miller (3rd AL),
Scott Burnett (1st), Ronald E. Finley (2nd), Charlie Franklin (3rd),
Jeanie Lauer (5th)*

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Monday, November 23, 2020

9:00 AM

Forty-fifth Regular Meeting

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

Theresa Cass Galvin, Chairman, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

1 ROLL CALL

Present 7 - Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Jeanie Lauer and Theresa Cass Galvin
Absent 2 - Charlie Franklin and Dan Tarwater III

2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited.

3 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by Tony Miller, seconded by Jalen Anderson to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on November 16, 2020. The motion passed by a voice vote.

4 HEARINGS

None.

5 COMMUNICATIONS WITH AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Troy Schulte, County Administrator, said that this is the first week of staff keeping all operations going while working with a skeleton crew. The Administration has asked departments to rotate staff between working from home and being in the office to reduce the exposure to COVID-19. He said there has been another outbreak of infection at the Historic Truman Courthouse in Independence. This is a smaller office but has the highest activity. The Collection Department is encouraging taxpayers to pay online rather than going to the Courthouse. There is a proposal for Q-Less software to manage lines and an ordinance to waive fees for paying online. The County is operating business as usual, but the public may have longer wait times because of the reduced staff.

6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

[5440](#) AN ORDINANCE repealing section 9303., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to the Anti-Crime Sales Tax, and enacting, in lieu thereof, one new section relating to the same subject.

(Anti-Crime Committee - 3rd. Perfection)

[5449](#) AN ORDINANCE setting the 2021 Jackson County, Missouri tentative tax levy.

(Legislature As A Whole - 1st. Perfection)

[5451](#) AN ORDINANCE transferring \$800,000.00 within the 2020 General Fund and appropriating \$800,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2020 E-911 System Fund to cover unbudgeted costs associated with operating and maintaining the 911 phone system in Jackson County.

(Budget Committee - 1st. Perfection)

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

None.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

[20558](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a contract on Bid No. PW 04-2020 for the Morris Road Culvert Replacement Project, No. 3229, to Linaweaver Construction, Inc., of Lansing, KS, at an actual cost to the County not to exceed \$225,253.00, and authorizing the Director of Public Works to approve line item adjustments under this contract at no additional cost to the County.

(Public Works Committee - 1st. Meeting)

[20559](#) Land Use Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[20560](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$84,728.00 within the 2020 Special Road and Bridge Fund to allow for the purchase of inclement weather-related equipment from an existing term and supply vendor for use by the Public Works Department.

(Budget Committee - 1st. Meeting)

9 CONSENT AGENDA[20559](#)

A RESOLUTION transferring \$27,000.00 within the 2020 Park Fund to cover anticipated overtime expenses for the Parks + Rec Department through the end of 2020.

(ADOPTED)

Resolution #20559 was moved to the Consent Agenda for adoption.

A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by Tony Miller, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Jeanie Lauer and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent: 2 - Charlie Franklin and Dan Tarwater III

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE[5452](#)

Repealing Schedule I, Chapter 50, Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to park fees and charges and enacting, in lieu thereof, one new schedule relating to the same subject.

(Assigned to the Land Use Committee.)

[5453](#)

Appropriating \$27,339.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2020 CARES Act Fund to provide for the purchase of upgraded computer equipment for use by the Prosecuting Attorney's Office to improve remote work capabilities and communications in connection with the fight against the ongoing Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.

(Assigned to the Legislature As A Whole.)

[5454](#)

Appropriating \$350,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2020 CARES Act Fund to enable the County to assume responsibility for e-check and transaction fees to encourage Jackson County taxpayers to pay real estate and personal property taxes online in connection with the fight against the ongoing Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.

(Assigned to the Legislature As A Whole.)

[5455](#)

Appropriating \$247,236.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2020 Grant Fund in acceptance of the Prosecuting Attorney's Office's Special Assistant United States Attorney program grant awarded by the U.S. Department of Justice.

(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

- [5456](#) Appropriating \$9,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2020 CARES Act Fund to provide funds to enable the Clerk of the Legislature to acquire Q-Less flex appointment management software in connection with the fight against the ongoing Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic, at an aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$9,000.00.
(Assigned to the Legislature As A Whole.)
- [5457](#) Appropriating \$52,411.47 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2020 Grant Fund in acceptance of an increase to the Gender Specialized Tracker Program Grant received from the Missouri Department of Public Safety.
(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)
- [5458](#) Appropriating \$1,000,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2020 CARES Act Fund for use by the Department of Corrections for COVID-19 testing of inmates and staff at the Jackson County Detention Center, in connection with the fight against the ongoing Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.
(Assigned to the Legislature As A Whole.)
- [5459](#) Repealing section 255. Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to fees charged by the Clerk of the Legislature, and enacting, in lieu thereof, one new section relating to the same subject, with an effective date.
(Assigned to the Legislature As A Whole.)
- [5460](#) Repealing section 570., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to the County's personal services policy and enacting, in lieu thereof, one new section relating to the same subject.
(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)
- [5461](#) To adopt the annual budget and set forth appropriations for the various spending agencies and the principal subdivisions thereof, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021.
(Assigned to the Legislature As A Whole.)

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[20562](#)

A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by Tony Miller, to adopt Resolution #20562, authorizing the Jackson County Legislature to hold a closed meeting on Monday, November 23, 2020, for the purpose of conducting confidential communications under section 610.021(17) 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: 7 - Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Jeanie Lauer and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent: 2 - Charlie Franklin and Dan Tarwater III

(ADOPTED)

[20563](#)

Authorizing the County Counselor to execute addenda to the Legal Services Agreements with certain law firms, at an increased aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$16,275.00.

(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

[20564](#)

Transferring \$110,960.00 within the 2020 Anti-Crime Sales Tax Fund and awarding a contract for the furnishing of additional software and service packages for the COMBAT Connections database to First Call of Kansas City, MO, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$125,834.00, as a sole source purchase.

(Assigned to the Anti-Crime Committee.)

[20565](#)

Awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract with one twelve-month option to extend for the furnishing of trail design and engineering services for use by the Parks + Rec Department to McClure Engineering of North Kansas City, MO, under the terms and conditions of Request for Qualifications No. 40-20.

(Assigned to the Land Use Committee.)

[20566](#)

Transferring \$51,131.00 within the 2020 Assessment Fund to cover remaining financial obligations of the Assessment Department through the end of 2020.

(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

[20567](#)

Awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract with one twelve-month option to extend for the furnishing of pipe and plumbing supplies for use by various County departments to Reeves Wiedeman Company of Kansas City, MO, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 37-20.

(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

[20568](#) Awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract with one twelve-month option to extend for the furnishing of softball field light maintenance for use by the Parks + Rec Department to Mark One Electric Company, Inc., of Kansas City, MO, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 29-20.

(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

[20569](#) A motion was made by Ronald E. Finley, seconded by Jalen Anderson, to adopt Resolution #20569, awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract, with one twelve-month option to extend, for the furnishing of certified laboratory urinalysis testing for use by the Office of Population Control to Avertest, LLC., dba Averhealth of Richmond, Virginia, under the terms and conditions of Request for Proposals No. 48-20. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Jeanie Lauer and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent: 2 - Charlie Franklin and Dan Tarwater III

(ADOPTED)

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

None.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Theresa Cass Galvin, Chairman, said there have been several errors on the Legislative work. Each Thursday the Legislature receives the packet and she reviews the agenda items and back up documentation each weekend in preparation for the meeting on Monday. Some items that have been adopted continue to have incorrect back up documents and others currently on the agenda need corrections. She listed Ordinances #5448, #5450, #5453, #5454, #5455, #5456, #5457, #5461 and Resolutions #20564, #20566, and #20568 that need corrections from the County Counselor's Office.

Ronald E. Finley, County Legislator, said in light of the County Executive's press release regarding the Amended Health Order, the community needs clarification regarding the enforcement of wearing masks. He said there is a great deal of confusion regarding the specifics of the new order. Angie Jeffries, Director of Communications, said the frequently asked questions and other specifics regarding the order are on the County's website and have been distributed on social media. She will follow up with the Administration regarding the suggestion of another press release.

Jeanie Lauer, County Legislator, asked about guidance regarding

quarantining and isolating after a positive COVID test or an exposure. Troy Schulte said it is always best to err on the side of caution, but as a general rule, people should quarantine for 14 days after an exposure or 10 days after a positive test, if there are no symptoms.

Theresa Cass Galvin said she has heard from constituents that upon calling the Health Department with questions about the regulations, the constituent was referred to contact their County Legislator. She said the Legislature is not responsible for implementing the health restrictions imposed by the order.

14 NEW BUSINESS

Theresa Cass Galvin said the Kansas City Fire Department lost two members this week as a result of COVID-19; Communications Specialist Scott Davison, and Captain Bobby Rocha. She requested a moment of silence in remembrance of these members of the KCFD.

Closed meeting per Resolution #20562.

The County Legislature recessed.
The County Legislature reconvened.

A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by Tony Miller, that the County Legislature's response to the state audit regarding Payroll and Personnel issues be submitted to the State Auditor's office as discussed in the closed session. The motion passed by a voice vote.

15 ADJOURNMENT

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

Meeting adjourned until Monday, November 30, 2020 at 10:00 A.M. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 2nd Floor, Legislative Assembly Area.