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

Monday, August 18, 2003

3:30 PM

Thirty-first Regular Meeting

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

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

1 ROLL CALL

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

2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited.

3 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Fred Arbanas moved to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on 8/11/2003.
Seconded by Dan Tarwater.

The motion passed by a voice vote.

(APPROVED)

4 HEARINGS

None.

5 COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Katheryn Shields, County Executive, presented a 10 year service pin to Steve Roland, Help Desk Specialist in the MIS Department.

Katheryn Shields gave a bison update. The TIPS hotline had received calls but none could be labeled as leads in the case. We are continuing to ask anyone with information about the shooting of our bison to call the TIPS hotline at (816) 474-TIPS. There is a \$2,000.00 reward for information leading to the arrest of the person or persons responsible. The Parks and Recreation Department has intensified security around the animal enclosure and have chosen an outside security company to further assist them with security. Communication has also increased with the Sheriff's Department in cooperation with their investigation.

Katheryn said that Ken Evans, Public Information Officer and J.D. Stokes, Public Works Director, will give an e-Government presentation under Unfinished Business at today's meeting.

6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Fred Arbanas moved to waive the reading of Ordinances #3386 through #3389.

Seconded by Bob Spence.

The motion passed by a voice vote.

(APPROVED)

The Land Use Committee will have a public hearing on the above mentioned Ordinances on Thursday, August 28, 2003 at 1 p.m. at Fleming Hall.

[3386](#)

AN ORDINANCE amending the districts established by the Jackson County Zoning Order by changing from A (Agricultural) to RE (Residential Estates), a certain 52 ± acre tract, and approving the preliminary plat "Windsor at Selvey Farms," creating a fourteen-lot residential subdivision.

(Land Use Committee - 2nd. Perfection)

[3387](#)

AN ORDINANCE amending the districts established by the Jackson County Zoning Order by changing from A (Agricultural) to RS (Residential Suburban), a certain 1 ± acre tract.

(Land Use Committee - 2nd. Perfection)

[3388](#)

AN ORDINANCE amending the districts established by the Jackson County Zoning Order by changing from A (Agricultural) to RR (Residential Ranchette), a certain 91 ± acre tract, and approving the preliminary plat "Triplett Acres," creating a ten-lot residential subdivision.

(Land Use Committee - 2nd. Perfection)

[3389](#)

AN ORDINANCE extending for fifteen years a conditional use permit to continue operating a horse boarding and training facility as to a certain 15 ± acre tract.

(Land Use Committee - 2nd. Perfection)

[3392](#)

AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$20,000.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2003 Grant Fund to cover the Family Court Division's Kidsafe Child Protection Center Supplement grant received from the Heart of America United Way.

(Health and Justice Committee - 1st. Perfection)

[3393](#)

AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$34,000.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2003 Grant Fund to cover the Family Court Division's Drug Court Supplement grant received from the Missouri Office of the State Courts Administrator.

(Health and Justice Committee - 1st. Perfection)

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

[3391](#)

Consent Agenda.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

[14693](#) Land Use Committee moved do pass. Consent Agenda.

9 CONSENT AGENDA

[3391](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$294,750.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2003 Grant Fund, to cover the Jail Diversion by Law Enforcement Crisis Intervention Grant received from the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

(ADOPTED)

[14693](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute a permanent easement in favor of Missouri Gas Energy of Kansas City, MO, for the continued operation and maintenance of a regulator and meter station on park property near Alex George Lake located within the Blue River Parkway.

(ADOPTED)

To adopt Ordinance 3391. To adopt Resolution 14693.

Dan Tarwater moved the passage of the consent agenda. Seconded by Bob Spence.
The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Scott Burnett, Dennis Waits, Dennis Waits, Rhonda L. Shoemaker and Bob Spence

Abstain: 1 - Robert A. Stringfield

Absent: 1 - Ronald E. Finley

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[3394](#) Appropriating \$30,000.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2003 Grant Fund to cover the Jackson County DWI Task Force grant received from the Missouri Division of Highway Safety.

(Health and Justice Committee)

[3395](#) Appropriating \$20,000.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2003 Grant Fund to cover the Jackson County DWI Enforcement grant received from the Missouri Division of Highway Safety for alcohol enforcement overtime.

(Health and Justice Committee)

[3396](#) Appropriating \$32,000.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2003 Grant Fund to cover the Community Outreach-Restitution Program grant for the Family Court Division funded by the Missouri Department of Social Services, Division of Youth Services.

(Health and Justice Committee)

- [3397](#) Appropriating \$70,707.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2003 Grant Fund to cover the After School Supervision Education and Treatment grant for the Family Court Division funded by the Missouri Department of Social Services, Division of Youth Services.
(Health and Justice Committee)
- [3398](#) Appropriating \$62,068.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2003 Grant Fund to cover the Truancy Court Diversion Grant for the Family Court funded by the Missouri Department of Social Services, Division of Youth Services.
(Health and Justice Committee)
- [3399](#) Appropriating \$139,474.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2003 Grant Fund to cover the Facilitating Treatment Delivery grant for the Family Court Division funded by the Missouri Department of Social Services, Division of Youth Services.
(Health and Justice Committee)
- [3400](#) Appropriating \$29,000.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2003 Grant Fund, to cover the grant received from Mid-America Regional Council Solid Waste Management District for the Truman Sports Complex Recycling Project.
(Health and Justice Committee)

11 **INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE**

- [14695](#) Awarding a term-and-supply contract on Electronic Solicitation No. BB200366 for the furnishing of uniform rental service for use by various County departments to Walker Towel and Uniform of Kansas City, MO, to provide for countywide needs for the upcoming one-year period, in the estimated amount of \$33,600.00.
(Finance and Audit Committee)
- [14696](#) Awarding a term-and-supply contract on Bid No. 34-03 for the furnishing of landscaping supplies for use by the Parks and Recreation and Public Works Departments to BWI Companies of Lenexa, KS, to provide for departmental needs for the upcoming one-year period, in the estimated amount of \$10,500.00.
(Public Works Committee)
- [14697](#) Awarding contracts for the furnishing and installation of a swipe card security access control system and upgrade for use by the Sheriff's Office at its Headquarters Building (\$27,683.97), and an 8-channel CCTV Digital Recorder for use by the Medical Examiner's Office (\$6,639.84) to Wornall Secure Business Solutions of Kansas City, MO, under an existing government contract of the City of Kansas City, MO, in the actual amount of \$34,323.81.
(Health and Justice Committee)

[14698](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute an Agreement with the Junior College District of Metropolitan Kansas City, Missouri, in the amount of \$1,500.00, for the furnishing of a General Equivalency Diploma (GED) testing monitor for inmates of the Jackson County Detention Center.

(Health and Justice Committee)

[14699](#) Declaring certain property as surplus personal property and authorizing its disposal.

(Finance and Audit Committee)

[14700](#) transferring \$586,950.00 within the 2003 General Fund to cover costs for overtime required to operate the Jackson County Detention Center.

(Health and Justice Committee)

[14701](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute a Stormwater Grant Agreement with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources to provide for stormwater planning assistance.

(Public Works Committee)

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

None.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There is a presentation on e-Government. Ken Evans, e-Government Coordinator, said that he is responsible for the web site and anything that has to do with communications with the citizens of Jackson County. He serves as the users representative. J. D. Stokes is the Chair of the e-Government Steering Committee. He has brought a wealth of experience to the table regarding e-Government.

e-Government is a revolutionary tool for improving performance and better connecting people to government. It's about improving the process in the way we do business. We want the government to be efficient and accessible. The citizens want it to be as simple as possible and we need it to be transparent so they know what is going on. The most recent addition to our web site is Plats on-line back to 1835 and more things are being added all the time. Jackson County e-Government is a feedback type of system and starts with user needs. We are getting ready to survey citizens so they can tell us what they want and evaluate the success of our e-Government services.

Robert A. Stringfield, County Legislator, asked if there would be a back up system in place.

J.D. Stokes, Public Works Director, said there is always a paper back up since reports are generated. Ken Evans said a concurrent system is available that could be immediately accessed.

14 NEW BUSINESS

Robert A. Stringfield said he understands that the prosecuting attorneys have a DNA requirement on plea bargaining. He is concerned about jail population because he has heard that 99% of the cases are not plea bargaining because of this new requirement.

Katheryn Shields, County Executive, said she shares his concern and has talked to Michael Sanders, Prosecuting Attorney. She said he is supportive of moving cases and handling cases in order to minimize the impact on the Jackson County jail. She will let Mr. Sanders know that members of the Legislature have the same concern and would appreciate him monitoring it.

Fred Arbanas, County Legislator, asked if there is still a committee that meets regarding population control at the jail.

Katheryn Shields responded yes.

Robert A. Stringfield asked about funding from the State of Missouri for the circuit court.

Katheryn Shields said there have been few positions cut. However, there may be more problems in June 2004. The governor indicated that this year there was a 400 million dollar shortfall but next year there will be a 900 million dollar shortfall. She said the Legislature and Administration needs to keep in mind what is set constitutionally by the State of Missouri as Jackson County's responsibility. It is not the County's responsibility to run the state court system.

Dennis Waits, Chairman, said Jay Daugherty, Presiding Judge and J.D. Williamson, Budget Chairman are communicating with all involved parties regarding this matter. He and Katheryn will meet with Jay and J.D. next week for an update.

Henry C. Rizzo, County Legislator, asked what percentage of the budget is County and what is State.

Katheryn Shields responded that approximately 35% of the County's general fund goes to the courts.

Scott Burnett, County Legislator, said on Friday, August 22, 2003 at noon on 89.3 KCUR, the Emanuel Cleaver Show, Under the Clock, there will be discussion on the Patriot Act.

Katheryn Shields said the recent report released on 911 does not speak to the Patriot Act.

15 ADJOURNMENT

Dan Tarwater moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Bob Spence.

The motion passed by a voice vote.

(APPROVED)

The next legislative meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday, August 25, 2003 at 3:30 p.m. at the Independence Annex, 308 W. Kansas, Ground Floor, Legislative Chambers.