



Jackson County Missouri

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County Legislature

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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, April 21, 2003

3:30 PM

Fifteenth 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, Ronald E. Finley, Dennis Waits, Dennis Waits, Rhonda L. Shoemaker and Bob Spence

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 4/14/2003.
Seconded by Bob Spence.

The motion passed by a voice vote.

(APPROVED)

4 HEARINGS

None.

5 COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Katheryn Shields, County Executive, introduced Carol Grimaldi and Stephen Brown, newly appointed members to the Industrial Development Commission.

She reminded everyone that tomorrow is Earth Day, a day to celebrate and protect our natural world. She will have a news conference at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, April 22 to talk about Jackson County's environmental efforts and the 2003 "Clean Out Your Files Day". She said the environment remains a focus for her Administration.

She said for the last 3 years, Jackson County has hosted the largest "Clean Out Your Files Day" in the nation. Jackson County has won national awards for it's efforts from the EPA and U.S. Conference of Mayors. More importantly, Jackson County has recycled tons of paper and other materials - keeping them out of the landfill.

This year Jackson County is sponsoring a full week for "Clean Out Your Files Days". It is acting as a catalyst, encouraging other governments, businesses and schools to hold similar events. Organizations like the Girl Scouts Main Office and Miami County, Kansas are participating in this metro-wide event. Jackson County has partnered with Abitibi Recycling and Bridging the Gap on a "school challenge". Over 180 Jackson County schools were invited to compete to see who can "clean out the most files". The award ceremony for the schools challenge has been set for Wednesday, May 7th at 10:30 a.m. at a location to be announced. The awards to be presented are as follows: 1st Prize - a tree planting provided by Jackson County Parks and Recreation Department (this prize is appropriate as Jackson County has saved over 80,000 trees since the inception of our recycling program); 2nd Prize - a plastic recycled park/playground bench; 3rd Prize - 25 desk side recycling bins.

Jackson County is also sponsoring a walk at the Kansas City Zoo on Saturday, April 26th. The walk features the Marching Cobras and an Earth Day celebration entitled "Party for the Planet". The event includes over 30 booths from area businesses, not for profits and governments. The booths will provide environmental information and hand outs for children and adults. Jackson County will also plant a tree at the zoo. She asked legislators to join her at this event.

Robert A. Stringfield, County Legislator, commended Jackson County and the County Executive's leadership for their recycling efforts. He attended a Keeping Kansas City Beautiful Committee meeting and they indicated that Jackson County is out front with recycling.

Katheryn Shields thanked the Legislature for their support and also the employees for their interest and participation.

Aggie Stackhaus, Chairman of Land Trust, appointed by Land Trust and Walter O'Toole, consultant retained by Land Trust, were present to speak about the Land Trust budget.

Ronald E. Finley, County Legislator, said he has discussed with Aggie Stackhaus a letter he received in November 2002 regarding structural change for Land Trust. He asked what was the role of Land Trust and what is the schedule for maintenance of Land Trust property.

Aggie Stackhaus thanked the Legislature for funds they gave to Land Trust. She said with the new State law, Land Trust can now keep funds from sale of Land Trust property. She thanked former State Legislator Rizzo for his assistance in the passage of the legislation. She reported that Land Trust is in the process of building a web site. She indicated that two mowings are planned for this year; Land Trust will pay for one and the City of Kansas City will pay for one. She said they are negotiating with Kansas City to begin paying Edgar Jordan as he has been working 2 jobs for 3 years. She thanked Jackson County for providing office space for Land Trust. Aggie explained that any monies collected over the adopted budget must be distributed to the school districts.

Walter O'Toole said Kansas City and Jackson County provided operating expenses to Land Trust.

Fred Arbanas, County Legislator, asked the total number of properties in Land Trust.

Walter O'Toole said there are 3,000 - 4,000 properties.

Bob Spence, County Legislator, asked how the properties are sold.

Aggie said Jackson County has a list of properties available to the public and they also advertise properties in the paper. Interested parties discuss the details with Edgar Jordan.

Henry C. Rizzo, County Legislator, said there is a remarkable difference between what Land Trust does now and how it operated in the past. He commended Ms. Stackhaus on educating the public regarding Land Trust properties. He asked her to keep her commitment throughout Jackson County.

Scott Burnett, County Legislator, asked about the Land Trust budget and the time frame for rejection.

Walter O'Toole said Land Trust must submit a budget to the City and County no later than December 10th each year and objections need to be submitted by December 20th. Changes need to be made to satisfy any objections and if an agreement is not reached the budget from the previous year is adopted.

Aggie Stackhaus said if any legislators have any questions regarding Land Trust they can contact her at 931-5549. Any questions regarding the sale of Land Trust properties should be directed to Edgar Jordan at 513-2886.

Ronald E. Finley asked Aggie if she could give a report to the Legislature regarding Land Trust operations especially the mowings on July 1, 2003.

Katheryn Shields, County Executive, said Michael O'Flaherty is the County's appointment to Land Trust and he will continue to serve until April 30, 2003. David Finley with Blackwell, Sanders will replace Mr. O'Flaherty on the Land Trust Commission. (Refer to video tape for additional information regarding Land Trust.)

Ken Evans, Communications and E-Government Coordinator, gave a quick results overview of on-line tax payment and how it worked in 2002. He mentioned that Jackson County chose not to use credit cards but to use electronic checks instead so that the taxpayers would not be charged a fee when making their tax payments. Jackson County has not ruled out the use of credit cards for payment but will keep the Legislature aware of possibilities especially for smaller fees charged by the county. He reported there were 8,768 on-line transactions.

Fred Arbanas said he was amazed at the response to on-line tax payment and congratulated staff on a job well done. He asked how receipts were handled for on-line payment.

Ken Evans responded that receipts were generated and mailed to the taxpayer within 7-10 working days and all went well.

Ronald E. Finley asked what percent of total taxpayers paid on-line.

Ken Evans said it was less than 1% but he is confident that this number will increase. He said on-line payments are less staff intensive.

Ronald E. Finley suggested that the Administration have a plan to educate the public in order to grow this process of on-line tax payments.

Ken Evans said the e-government steering committee has heard the same message from the County Executive and they are working on it. (See video tape for additional information.)

6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Fred Arbanas moved to waive the reading of Ordinances #3358 through #3361.
Seconded by Dan Tarwater.

The motion passed by a voice vote. (APPROVED)

The Land use Committee will have a public hearing on the above mentioned Ordinances on Thursday, April 24, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. at Fleming Hall.

[3358](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the districts established by the Jackson County Zoning Order by changing from A (Agricultural) and LB (Local Business) to RR (Residential Ranchette), a certain 13 ± acre tract.

(Land Use Committee - 2nd. Perfection)

[3359](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the districts established by the Jackson County Zoning Order by changing from A (Agricultural) to RE (Residential Estates), a certain 15 ± acre tract.

(Land Use Committee - 2nd. Perfection)

[3360](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the districts established by the Jackson County Zoning Order by changing from A (Agricultural) to RE (Residential Estates), a certain 3.14 ± acre tract.

(Land Use Committee - 2nd. Perfection)

[3361](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the districts established by the Jackson County Zoning Order by changing from A (Agricultural) to RE (Residential Estates), a certain 9.8 ± acre tract.

(Land Use Committee - 2nd. Perfection)

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

[3355](#) Consent Agenda.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

[14523](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a contract for the furnishing of weapons training for use by the Department of Corrections to the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department, in the amount of \$7,500.00, as a sole source purchase.

(Health and Justice Committee - 3rd. Meeting)

[14531](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute an Agreement with the Mid-America Regional Council to provide a variety of aging programs and services at a cost to the County not to exceed \$101,500.00.

(Health and Justice Committee - 2nd. Meeting)

[14533](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute agreements with the Mid-America Regional Council to subcontract with certain outside agencies funded by the County's Health Fund, for various public purposes, at an aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$308,053.00.

(Health and Justice Committee - 2nd. Meeting)

[14535](#) Land Use Committee moved do pass. Consent Agenda.

[14536](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved do pass. Consent Agenda.

[14551](#) A RESOLUTION expressing the commitment of the Legislature to the preservation of civil rights and civil liberties.

(Health and Justice Committee - 1st. Meeting)

[14552](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved do pass. Consent Agenda.

[14553](#) Health and Justice Committee moved do pass. Consent Agenda.

[14554](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved do pass. Consent Agenda.

9 CONSENT AGENDA

[3355](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$44,680.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2003 Grant Fund to cover the Monitored Exchange Service Grant for the Family Court Division funded by the Missouri Office of State Courts Administrator.

(ADOPTED)

[14535](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute an agreement with the Blue Summit Neighborhood Association for its Blue Summit park program, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$10,000.00.

(ADOPTED)

[14536](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute a cooperative agreement with the Mid-America Regional Council for its Government Innovations Forum to provide increased efficiency and effectiveness of local government services, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$6,000.00.

(ADOPTED)

[14552](#) A RESOLUTION extending the time for assessment of real and personal property in Jackson County, Missouri, from May 15, 2003, to May 31, 2003.

(ADOPTED)

[14553](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Greater Kansas City Building and Construction Trades Council.
(ADOPTED)

[14554](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a term and supply contract on Bid No.7-03 for the furnishing of concrete services for use by various County departments to Harworth Construction of North Kansas City, MO, to provide for departmental needs for the upcoming one-year period, in the estimated amount of \$75,000.00.
(ADOPTED)

To adopt Ordinance 3355. To adopt Resolutions 14535, 14536, 14552, 14553, 14554.

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

Yes: 9 - Robert A. Stringfield, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dennis Waits, Dennis Waits, Rhonda L. Shoemaker and Bob Spence

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[3362](#) Appropriating \$605,033.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2003 Homeless Assistance Fund and authorizing the County Executive to execute Second Addenda to Agreements with certain organizations which provide assistance to homeless persons, at an additional aggregate cost to the County of \$605,033.00.
(Finance and Audit Committee)

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[14555](#) Awarding an eleven-month term and supply contract for the furnishing of International truck parts and service for use by the Public Works and Parks and Recreation Departments to KCR International Trucks, Inc., of Kansas City, MO, under a City of Kansas City government contract, at the estimated cost to the County of \$30,000.00.
(Public Works Committee)

[14556](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute a temporary construction easement in favor of White Horse Bluff, LLC., for the installation of a 15" sanitary sewer line within the Little Blue Trace Park near R.D. Mize Road in the City of Independence.
(Land Use Committee)

[14557](#) Awarding a contract for the installation of seven (7) new electric meters at the Fred Arbanas Golf Course at Longview Lake to Aquila of Kansas City, MO, at an actual cost to the County of \$21,526.00, as a sole source purchase.
(Land Use Committee)

- [14558](#) Transferring \$77,965.00 within the 2003 Park Fund to cover the costs of salaries for two heavy equipment operators needed to operate and maintain the equipment for the dredge operation at Prairie Lee Lake.
(Land Use Committee)
- [14559](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute a cooperative agreement with an easement in favor of the City of Independence, Missouri, in connection with the Little Blue River Trace Park.
(Land Use Committee)
- [14560](#) Congratulating John C. Graham Sr. of Lee's Summit, MO, upon his selection to receive the 2003 Animal Science Distinguished Alumni award from Penn State University's College of Agricultural Sciences.
(Land Use Committee)
- [14561](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute an agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission, in connection with the Old 40 Highway Bridge Replacement Project No. BRO-048 (47).
(Public Works Committee)
- [14562](#) Awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract on Electronic Solicitation No. BB200294 for the furnishing of window cleaning services for use by the Facilities Management Department to Excel Window Cleaning, Inc., of Raymore, MO, at an estimated cost to the County of \$18,825.00.
(Finance and Audit Committee)
- [14563](#) Awarding a contract for the furnishing of park benches for use by the Parks and Recreation Department, to Fry and Associates of North Kansas City, MO, under an existing government contract of the City of Kansas City, Missouri, at the actual cost to the County of \$10,554.50.
(Land Use Committee)
- [14564](#) Awarding a contract for the furnishing of one (1) walk-behind beach cleaner for use by the Parks and Recreation Department to Harley Enterprises, dba Cherrington Beach Cleaners of Fairfax, MN, in the actual amount of \$12,168.20, as a sole source purchase.
(Land Use Committee)
- [14565](#) Awarding a contract for the furnishing of one (1) full size cargo van, for use by the Parks and Recreation Department, to Shawnee Mission Ford of Shawnee, KS, under the Mid-America Council of Public Purchasing's Cooperative Fleet Bid No. 23-001, an existing government contract of the City of Lee's Summit, MO, at an actual cost to the County of \$18,705.00.
(Land Use Committee)

- [14566](#) Awarding a contract for maintenance on Sun hardware and software for use by the Management Information Systems Department to Sun Micro Systems of McLean, Virginia, at an actual cost to the County of \$13,152.00, as a sole source purchase.
(Finance and Audit Committee)
- [14567](#) Awarding a term and supply contract on Electronic Solicitation No. BB200326 for the furnishing of towing service for use by various County departments to Nate's Tow & Recovery, LLC, of Oak Grove, MO, to provide for county-wide needs for the upcoming one-year period, in the estimated amount of \$9,000.00.
(Finance and Audit Committee)
- [14568](#) Awarding a term and supply contract for the furnishing of Bomag, Galion, and International Hough recycling machine parts and service for use by the Public Works Department to Roadbuilders Machinery of Kansas City, KS, to provide for departmental needs for the upcoming one-year period, in the estimated amount of \$15,000.00, as a sole source purchase.
(Public Works Committee)
- No dissenting vote to consider Resolution #14569 - not on printed agenda.*
- [14569](#) Fred Arbanas moved the passage of Resolution #14569, awarding a contract under Electronic Solicitation No. BB200330 for the furnishing of 12" HDPE-SDR17 pipe for use by the Parks and Recreation Department to CES Industrial Piping Supply of Lee's Summit, MO, at an actual cost to the County not to exceed \$14,336.00. Seconded by Dan Tarwater.
Yes: 9 - Robert A. Stringfield, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dennis Waits, Dennis Waits, Rhonda L. Shoemaker and Bob Spence
(ADOPTED)
- [14570](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local 1707.
(Health and Justice Committee)
- [14571](#) Transferring \$10,000.00 within the 2003 General Fund and authorizing the County Executive to execute an agreement with the Charlotte Street Foundation, for partial funding of its Urban Culture Project, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$10,000.00.
(Health and Justice Committee)
- [14572](#) Authorizing the Director of the Department of Finance to issue a check in the amount of \$43,224.45 to the Downtown KC Community Improvement District.
(Health and Justice Committee)

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

None.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

14 NEW BUSINESS

Scott Burnett reminded the legislators that the Metropolitan Arts Council reception at UMB Bank is scheduled to be held on Thursday, April 23, 2003.

15 ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion passed by a voice vote.

(APPROVED)

Meeting adjourned until Monday, April 28, 2003 at 3:30 p.m. at the Independence Annex, 308 W. Kansas, Ground Floor, Legislative Chambers.