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Victor E. Callahan (1st AL), Chairman
Ronald E. Finley (2nd), Vice-Chairman
Scott Burnett (1st), Dennis Waits (3rd), Dan Tarwater (4th),
Terry Young (5th), Bob Spence (6th), Bill Petrie (2nd AL),
Fred Arbanas (3rd AL)

Monday, November 27, 2000

3:30 PM

Forty-fifth Regular Meeting

Independence City Hall, 111 E. Maple, Council Chambers, Ground Floor, Independence, Missouri

Victor E. Callahan, Chairman, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

1 ROLL CALL

Present: Victor E. Callahan, Bill Petrie, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dennis Waits, Terry Young and Bob Spence

2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited.

3 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Dan Tarwater moved to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on 11/20/2000.
Seconded by Dennis Waits.

The motion passed by a voice vote.

(APPROVED)

4 HEARINGS

None.

Resolution #13395 was adopted at this time. See page four for details.

Resolution #13439 was adopted at this time. See page six for details.

5 COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Katheryn Shields, County Executive, gave the employee of the month award for November 2000 to Craig Mosher, an Environmental Field Supervisor for the Public Works Department. She said he recently came up with a way to serve citizens in two of our sewer districts which will save them thousands of dollars over the next five years.

Bob Boley, Director of Assessment, gave an update on the incorrect personal property tax bills. He said staff worked Thanksgiving weekend to correct the errors. The tables are being amended and the accounts will be rebuilt. The time table for this work to be completed has not been determined.

Dennis Waits, County Legislator, asked what was being done about the long lines in the Collection Department.

Troy Thomas, Manager of Finance, said that staff has been increased to deal with this situation at both the Kansas City and Independence locations.

Victor E. Callahan, Chairman, asked if additional full time employees have been hired in the Collections and Assessment Department as approved by the Legislature.

Troy Thomas replied yes. He said Collections has 12 additional staff members and Assessment has two additional staff members.

Katheryn Shields said the Collections Department ran a list of all vehicles that increased in value from 1999 to 2000. The Assessment Department worked over the weekend to review the list according to the detail of the schedules on the vehicles.

Bob Boley said all accounts will be corrected whether or not the taxpayer catches the error. His office is also in the process of reviewing accounts that may have been under billed.

Victor E. Callahan asked if there would be refunds for those taxpayers who have already paid an incorrect bill.

Bob Boley said that there will be refunds issued but a plan has not yet been formulated. He is hoping to have this project completed by January 1, 2001.

Troy Thomas said there are 18 employees answering inquiries at 881-3232.

Bob Boley stated that there are approximately 118,000 vehicles that have been incorrectly assessed.

Victor E. Callahan asked what computer system was not compatible with the State of Missouri's tables.

Bob Boley responded that the tables provided by the State of Missouri were very detailed this year which has created the problem. He said that in the past not every table had a generic listing.

Katheryn Shields added that all counties did not adopt the schedule from the State.

Bob Boley said other counties may not be computerized and may still do this process manually. The problem is a result of going from the Oasis system to the Ascend system and also the new schedule from the State of Missouri.

Terry Young, County Legislator, asked how they would handle late fees.

Katheryn Shields said they will have an answer next week. She would suggest that late fees be waived on all accounts that are incorrect and rebilled.

Bob Boley said it does not appear there will be many refunds as the taxpayers have been recognizing the error.

6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

- [3081](#) AN ORDINANCE enacting chapter 36, Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to stormwater management, consisting of fourteen new sections.
(Public Works Committee - 6th. Perfection)
Fred Arbanas moved to waive the reading of Ordinances #3089 through #3093.
Seconded by Dan Tarwater.
The motion passed by a voice vote. (APPROVED)

There will be a public hearing on Ordinances #3089 through #3093 on Friday, December 1, 2000 at 1:00 p.m. at Fleming Hall.
- [3089](#) AN ORDINANCE approving a conditional use permit to operate a child day-care center as to a certain 5 + acre tract.
(Land Use Committee - 3rd. Perfection)
- [3090](#) AN ORDINANCE approving a conditional use permit to operate a kennel as to a certain 6 + acre tract.
(Land Use Committee - 3rd. Perfection)
- [3091](#) AN ORDINANCE approving a conditional use permit to construct and operate an 88-ft. above-the-ground tower for the purpose of providing high-speed internet service as to a certain tract.
(Land Use Committee - 3rd. Perfection)
- [3092](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the districts established by the Jackson County Zoning Order by changing from A (Agricultural) to RE (Residential Estates), a certain 7.4 + acre tract.
(Land Use Committee - 3rd. Perfection)
- [3093](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the districts established by the Jackson County Zoning Order by changing from A (Agricultural) to RE (Residential Estates), a certain 3 + acre tract.
(Land Use Committee - 3rd. Perfection)

There will be a public hearing on December 4, 2000 at 3:30 p.m. in the Kansas City Legislative Assembly Area regarding Ordinances #3095 and #3096.
- [3095](#) AN ORDINANCE setting the 2001 Jackson County, Missouri tentative tax levy.
(Legislature As A Whole - 2nd. Perfection)
- [3096](#) AN ORDINANCE 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, 2001.
(Legislature As A Whole - 2nd. Perfection)

[3098](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$299,961.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2000 Grant Fund and transferring \$6,194.00 within the 2000 Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund to cover the Family Court Division's Family Drug Court Implementation grant received from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs.
(Anti-Drug Committee - 1st. Perfection)

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

[3094](#) Consent Agenda.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

[13395](#) Bob Spence moved the passage of Resolution #13395, congratulating Lee's Summit North High School upon its winning of the inaugural Kansas City area Sallie Mae Cup for achievement by its scholar-athletes. Seconded by Terry Young.

Yes: 8 - Victor E. Callahan, Bill Petrie, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dennis Waits, Terry Young and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

[13431](#) Public Works Committee moved do pass. Consent Agenda.

[13432](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved do pass. Consent Agenda.

[13433](#) Public Works Committee moved do pass. Consent Agenda.

[13434](#) Public Works Committee moved do pass. Consent Agenda.

9 CONSENT AGENDA

[3094](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$22,092.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2000 Grant Fund to cover the Family Court Division's Family Strengthening Program grant from the Missouri Department of Public Safety.

(ADOPTED)

[13431](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing payment of \$12,032.76 to the City of Greenwood from the Greenwood CURS account to cover maintenance costs for the City's 2000 street and road maintenance program.

(ADOPTED)

[13432](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a contract for maintenance of Ascend software for use by the Management Information Systems Department to ASIX Corp. of Bellevue, WA, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$112,500.00, as a sole source purchase.

(ADOPTED)

[13433](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing Change Order No. 1 (Final) to the contract with Musselman & Hall Contractors of Kansas City, MO, for the 2000 Culvert Replacement - Phase I Project, No. 2420, reducing the contract amount by \$14,231.71.

(ADOPTED)

[13434](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a contract on Bid No. 115-00 for the furnishing of a service truck with equipment for use by the Public Works Department to Olathe Ford Sales, Inc., of Olathe, KS, in the actual amount of \$61,811.00.

(ADOPTED)

To adopt Ordinance 3094. To adopt Resolutions 13431, 13432, 13433, 13434.

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

Yes: 8 - Victor E. Callahan, Bill Petrie, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dennis Waits, Terry Young and Bob Spence

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[3099](#) Transferring \$17,187.00 within the 2000 Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund and appropriating \$79,175.00 from the unappropriated surplus of the 2000 Grant Fund to cover the Kidsafe grant for the Prosecuting Attorney's Office, received from the United States Department of Justice and the transfer of matching funds, and authorizing the County Executive to execute an Agreement with the Heart of America United Way regarding this grant.

(Anti-Drug Committee)

[3100](#) Repealing Schedule I, Chapter 50, Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to park fees and charges, and enacting, in lieu thereof, a new schedule relating to the same subject.

(Land Use Committee)

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[13436](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute quit-claim deed in favor of City of Kansas City, MO, in connection with the Longview Road, Orchard to Blue Ridge Blvd. Project, No. 2075-3.

(Public Works Committee)

[13437](#) Approving the award of a contract for the furnishing of a desktop projector for use by the MIS Department to Business Media, Inc., of Mission, KS, in the actual amount of \$6,138.00, under an existing government contract of the United States General Services Administration.

(Finance and Audit Committee)

[13438](#) Authorizing the Purchasing Director to execute an Addendum to the Agreement with Southwestern Bell Telephone for Plexar service, to provide for service to the Family Court Division's Night Lights Program, at a one-time cost to the County of \$1,194.75, and an annual cost of \$1,823.40.

(Finance and Audit Committee)

No dissenting vote to consider Resolutions #13439 and #13440 - not on printed agenda.

[13439](#) Bob Spence moved the passage of Resolution #13439, congratulating the Lee's Summit girls cross country team on its victory in the 2000 Missouri State Championship. Seconded by Terry Young.

Yes: 8 - Victor E. Callahan, Bill Petrie, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dennis Waits, Terry Young and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

[13440](#) Dennis Waits moved the passage of Resolution #13440, authorizing the Jackson County Legislature to hold a closed meeting on Monday, November 27, 2000, for the purpose of conducting privileged and confidential communications between itself and the Jackson County Counselor concerning the status of litigation, and closing all records prepared for discussion at said meeting. Seconded by Terry Young.

Yes: 8 - Victor E. Callahan, Bill Petrie, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dennis Waits, Terry Young and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

[13441](#) Awarding a contract on Bid No. 124-00 for the printing and mailing of business personal and real estate change notices for use by the Assessment Department to Brian Pollmiller and Associates of Lenexa, KS, in the total amount of \$18,114.34.

(Finance and Audit Committee)

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

None.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Closed meeting to discuss litigation.

Legislature reconvenes.

14 **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

15 **ADJOURNMENT**

Dan Tarwater moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Bill Petrie.

The motion passed by a voice vote.

(APPROVED)

Meeting adjourned until Monday, December 4, 2000, at 3:30 p.m. in the Legislative Assembly Area, Kansas City, Missouri.