



# Jackson County Missouri

## JOURNAL

### County Legislature

Jackson County Courthouse  
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*Robert A. Stringfield, (1st AL), Bill Petrie (2nd AL), Fred Arbanas (3rd AL), Scott Burnett (1st), Ronald E. Finley (2nd), Dennis Waits (3rd), Dan Tarwater (4th), Rhonda L. Shoemaker (5th), Bob Spence (6th)*

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**Monday, January 6, 2003**

**3:30 PM**

**First Regular Meeting**

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

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Ronald E. Finley, Vice-Chairman, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

**1 ROLL CALL**

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

**2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Recited.

*Ronald E. Finley, Vice Chairman, opens nominations for Chairman of the Legislature.*

*Fred Arbanas nominates Dennis Waits.*

*Fred Arbanas moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Scott Burnett.  
The motion passed by a voice vote. (APPROVED)*

*Fred Arbanas moved that Dennis Waits be elected Chairman of the Jackson County Legislature for 2003 by acclamation. Seconded by Scott Burnett.  
The motion passed by a voice vote. (APPROVED)*

*Dennis Waits, Chairman, opens nominations for Vice-Chairman of the Legislature.*

*Robert A. Stringfield nominates Scott Burnett.*

*Ronald E. Finley moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Bob Spence.  
The motion passed by a voice vote. (APPROVED)*

*Ronald E. Finley moved that Scott Burnett be elected Vice-Chairman of the Jackson County Legislature for 2003 by acclamation. Seconded by Bob Spence.  
The motion passed by a voice vote. (APPROVED)*

**3 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Fred Arbanas moved to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on 12/16/2002.  
Seconded by Scott Burnett.

**The motion passed by a voice vote. (APPROVED)**

**4 HEARINGS**

*None.*

*Resolution #14424 was adopted at this time. See page 4 for details.*

**5 COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

*Katheryn Shields, County Executive, wished everyone a Happy New Year.*

*She thanked everyone who attended the Inauguration Ceremony on January 2, 2003 at the Kemper Museum and said she hoped they enjoyed themselves as much as she did. She said she looks forward to working with the Legislature this year and beyond.*

*Katheryn Shields, County Executive, introduced the new Public Works Director, J.D. Stokes. She said he comes to Jackson County from Burnes and McDonnell. Prior to that, she mentioned he worked in Chicago where he was on special assignment for the Secretary of Transportation. She said he is coming home as his grandmother grew up in Northeast and attended Northeast High School. He has family roots in Jackson County and Kansas City, Missouri.*

*She gave employee of the month awards to the following:*

*September 2002 - Roger Foglesong, a clerk in the Sheriff's Department.*

*October 2002 - Gil Gazille, an employee in the MIS Department*

*December 2002 - Jacquelyn Carson and Clarence Campbell, members of the Kansas City Courthouse Security Team*

*November 2002 and Jackson County's Employees of the Year - Francis Reuben and David Wright, officers in the Corrections Department*

*Katheryn Shields mentioned that everyone should have their copies of the 2003 budget. She said the Administration pledges to work with the Legislature to adopt this 2003 budget.*

**6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE**

[3317](#)

AN ORDINANCE repealing section 7030., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to the salary of the sheriff and enacting, in lieu thereof, one new section relating to the same subject.

*(Health and Justice Committee - 3rd. Perfection)*

[3325](#)

Land Use Committee moved to perfect.

*Fred Arbanas objects to the Consent Agenda.*

[3325](#)

Fred Arbanas moved to perfect Ordinance #3325. Seconded by Bob Spence.

**The motion passed by a voice vote.**

**(PERFECTED)**

[3325](#) Fred Arbanas moved to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #3325. Seconded by Bob Spence.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.** (APPROVED)

[3325](#) Fred Arbanas moved the passage of Ordinance #3325 as perfected, 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. Seconded by Bob Spence.  
Yes: 9 - Robert A. Stringfield, Bill Petrie, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dennis Waits, Rhonda L. Shoemaker and Bob Spence  
(ADOPTED)

## 7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

*None.*

## 8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

[14392](#) A RESOLUTION nominating candidates for appointment to the Jackson County Sports Complex Authority.  
*(Legislature As A Whole - 3rd. Meeting)*  
*Bob Spence moved to hold Resolution #14392 until January 21, 2003 at which time the Legislature will conduct interviews. Seconded by Scott Burnett.*  
*The motion passed by a voice vote.* (APPROVED)

[14410](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute Memoranda of Understanding with the Jackson County Sports Complex Authority, Kansas City Chiefs Football Club, Inc., and Kansas City Royals Baseball Corporation concerning the continued operation of and proposed improvements to the Harry S Truman Sports Complex.  
*(Finance and Audit Committee - 2nd. Meeting)*

[14415](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute 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 \$3,037,980.88.  
*(Anti-Drug Committee - 1st. Meeting)*

[14416](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute addenda to 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 \$1,539,710.57 in 2003.  
*(Anti-Drug Committee - 1st. Meeting)*

**9      CONSENT AGENDA**

*None.*

**10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE**

[3333](#) Repealing section 1136., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to the sale of county-owned personal property and enacting, in lieu thereof, one new section relating to the same subject.

*(Finance and Audit Committee)*

[3334](#) Amending the districts established by the Jackson County Zoning Order by changing from A (Agricultural) to RE (Residential Estates), a certain 16 ± acre tract.

*(Land Use Committee)*

*The Land Use Committee will have a public hearing regarding this Ordinance on Monday, January 27, 2003 at 2:30 p.m. at the Independence Annex, 308 W. Kansas, Ground Floor, Legislative Chambers.*

[3335](#) Setting the 2003 Jackson County, Missouri tentative tax levy.

*(Legislature As A Whole)*

*There will be a public hearing on Tuesday, January 21, 2003 regarding this ordinance in the Kansas City Legislative Assembly Area.*

[3336](#) 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, 2003.

*(Legislature As A Whole)*

*There will be a public hearing on Tuesday, January 21, 2003 regarding this ordinance in the Kansas City Legislative Assembly Area.*

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

[14423](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute contracts with certain municipalities within Jackson County for the purpose of funding their 2002-2003 Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) or similar anti-drug programs, at a total cost to the County not to exceed \$1,122,909.00.

*(Anti-Drug Committee)*

[14424](#) Fred Arbanas moved the passage of Resolution #14424, expressing the sympathy of the Legislature to family and friends of former Jackson County Legislator Bill R. Williams, upon the occasion of his untimely death. Seconded by Ronald E. Finley.

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

(ADOPTED)

[14425](#)

Fred Arbanas moved the passage of Resolution #14425, authorizing the Jackson County Legislature to hold a closed meeting on Monday, January 6, 2003, for the purpose of conducting privileged and confidential communications between itself and the Jackson County Counselor concerning the status of legal actions, causes of action, and/or litigation, and closing all records prepared for discussion at said meeting. Seconded by Scott Burnett.

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

(ADOPTED)

*Closed session to discuss litigation.*

*The Legislature reconvenes.*

*No dissenting vote to consider Resolution #14426 - not on printed agenda.*

[14426](#)

Fred Arbanas moved do pass the Floor Amendment of 1/6/2003, to delete the words "the same evaluators who evaluated the proposals received for the services in 1995, thereon" and insert the words "the Director of Mental Health Services for Baptist Lutheran Hospital or designee, a designee of the Metropolitan Community Colleges, a private therapist, a designee of the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation, and the Director of the local chapter of the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependency," after the words "reevaluated by" in the third paragraph on page 2. Seconded by Scott Burnett.

**The motion passed by a voice vote.**

(APPROVED)

*The amendment approved above is Floor Amendment I.*

[14426](#)

Bob Spence moved do pass the Floor Amendment of 1/6/2003, to delete the paragraph "WHEREAS, since the award of this contract, the Legislature has been presented with allegations of unfairness and/or illegality in the contracting process; and," on page two, to delete the words "in the face of such allegations," before the words "the Legislature believes" on page two. Seconded by Fred Arbanas.

**The motion passed by a voice vote.**

(APPROVED)

*The amendment approved above is Floor Amendment II.*

[14426](#)

Bob Spence moved to adopt Resolution #14426 as amended, rescinding Resolution 14348, dated October 21, 2002, as modified by Resolution 14418, dated December 17, 2002, and authorizing the County Executive to execute a Sixth Addendum to the contract with County Court Services, Inc., of Kansas City, MO, for the furnishing of drug treatment services for use by the Prosecuting Attorney's office in its Drug Court Program, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$124,120.00. Seconded by Fred Arbanas.

Yes: 7 - Robert A. Stringfield, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dennis Waits and Bob Spence

No: 2 - Bill Petrie and Rhonda L. Shoemaker

(ADOPTED)

*Bill Petrie, County Legislator, said he agreed with the spirit of Resolution #14426 but he objects to awarding the contract to County Court Services.*

*Dennis Waits, Chairman, said the evaluations will be given to the Finance and Audit Committee.*

*Katheryn Shields, County Executive said that Jim Nunnely, Administrator of COMBAT, and his staff will facilitate the process. The Administration will keep the Legislature informed on this matter.*

## 12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

[02-19](#) NOT ASSIGNED.

[02-20](#) I hereby appoint Jonathan Stokes, P.E., as Director of Public Works, effective January 6, 2003. A copy of Mr. Stokes' resume is attached.

[02-21](#) I hereby appoint Graham Morris, as Director of the Department of Corrections, effective January 6, 2003. A copy of Mr. Morris' resume is attached.

[03-01](#) Effective as of the date indicated below, and until the appointment of a county counselor to a term of years, Jay D. Haden shall serve as Acting County Counselor.

## 13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

## 14 NEW BUSINESS

Dennis Waits said the budget hearings are scheduled to be held on Tuesday, January 21, Wednesday, January 22, and Thursday, January 23 from noon to 5 p.m. in the Kansas City Legislative Assembly Area.

He said he would have the committee assignments ready tomorrow. He also said the legislative meetings will begin promptly at 3:30 p.m. and any committee meetings that are not finished in the time allotted should be continued after the legislative meeting.

## 15 ADJOURNMENT

Ronald E. Finley moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Bill Petrie.

**The motion passed by a voice vote.**

(APPROVED)

*Meeting adjourned until Monday, January 13, 2003 at 3:30 p.m. at the Independence Annex, 308 W. Kansas, Ground Floor, Legislative Chambers.*