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# Jackson County Missouri

## JOURNAL

### County Legislature

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Greg Grounds (5th) Chairman, Theresa Garza Ruiz, (1st AL) Vice Chairman,  
Crystal Williams (2nd AL), Fred Arbanas (3rd AL), Scott Burnett (1st), James D.  
Tindall (2nd), Dennis Waits (3rd), Dan Tarwater (4th), Bob Spence (6th)

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**Monday, September 30, 2013**

**2:30 PM**

**Thirty-eighth Regular Meeting**

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

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Greg Grounds, Chairman, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

**1 ROLL CALL**

Present: Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence

**2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Recited.

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

Dan Tarwater moved to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on 9/23/2013. Seconded by Dennis Waits.

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

**(APPROVED)**

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**4 HEARINGS**

*Public hearing regarding the property tax rates of Jackson County, Missouri, the Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled (Sheltered Workshop), the Community Mental Health Fund and the Merchants and Manufacturers' Inventory Replacement. (Ordinances #4567 - #4570.)*

*Greg Grounds opened the public hearing regarding the Jackson County, Missouri tax levy. No one was present to speak for or against Ordinance #4567 so the hearing was closed.*

*Greg Grounds opened the public hearing regarding the merchants and manufacturers' inventory replacement tax levy. No one was present to speak for or against Ordinance #4568 so the hearing was closed.*

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Greg Grounds opened the public hearing regarding the Jackson County Community Mental Health Fund Levy. Bruce Eddy, Executive Director of the Jackson County Mental Health Fund, Julie Donelon MSW, President and CEO, Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA) and Michael Coughlin, Reserve Officer, Kansas City Missouri Police Department were present to speak in favor of the levy. Also, there was a video presentation.

Greg Grounds opened the public hearing regarding the Jackson County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled (Sheltered Workshop) Levy. Jake Jacobs, Executive Director of the Jackson County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled was present to speak in favor of the levy.

## 5 COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Mike Sanders, County Executive, recognized the July Employees of the Month, Officer Matthew Lewis, Officer Ezekiel Abimbola and Lieutenant Ron Bearce from the Corrections Department.

Mike Sanders introduced the COMBAT officials presenting to County Legislators on the expansion of the agency's new anti-violence component.

Cathy Jolly presented Strategy One and Two of the COMBAT Violence Prevention/Reduction Strategies. Jim Nunnely and Stacey Daniels-Young were also present to answer questions.

Jean Peters Baker, Prosecuting Attorney, presented Strategy Three and Four of the COMBAT Violence Prevention Reduction Strategies.

*Discussion.*

*A copy of the Strategy Plan handout is attached.*

*Public Hearings on the tax levy rates for Jackson County, Missouri was held at this time. See above for details.*

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## 6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

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[4555](#) AN ORDINANCE repealing section 5000., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to the County Park System and County buildings, and enacting, in lieu thereof two new sections relating to the same subject, with a penalty provision.

*(Justice and Law Enforcement Committee - 4th. Perfection)*

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[4567](#) Dan Tarwater moved to perfect Ordinance #4567. Seconded by Theresa Garza Ruiz.

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

**(PERFECTED)**

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[4567](#) Dan Tarwater moved to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #4567. Seconded by Theresa Garza Ruiz.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.** (APPROVED)

[4567](#) Dan Tarwater moved the passage of Ordinance #4567 as perfected, setting the 2013 Jackson County, Missouri, tax levy. Seconded by Crystal Williams.  
Yes: 8 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dan Tarwater, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence  
Absent: 1 - Dennis Waits  
(ADOPTED)

[4568](#) Dan Tarwater moved to perfect Ordinance #4568. Seconded by Scott Burnett.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.** (PERFECTED)  
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[4568](#) Dan Tarwater moved to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #4568. Seconded by Crystal Williams.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.** (APPROVED)  
*Consent Agenda. See Final Passage of Proposed Ordinances.*

[4569](#) Dan Tarwater moved to perfect Ordinance #4569. Seconded by Theresa Garza Ruiz.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.** (PERFECTED)  
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[4569](#) Dan Tarwater moved to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #4569. Seconded by Theresa Garza Ruiz.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.** (APPROVED)  
*Consent Agenda. See Final Passage of Proposed Ordinances.*

[4570](#) Dan Tarwater moved to perfect Ordinance #4570. Seconded by Theresa Garza Ruiz.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.** (PERFECTED)  
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[4570](#) Dan Tarwater moved to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #4570. Seconded by Theresa Garza Ruiz.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.** (APPROVED)  
*Consent Agenda. See Final Passage of Proposed Ordinances.*

## 7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

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[4568](#) Consent Agenda.

[4569](#) Consent Agenda.

[4570](#) Consent Agenda.

**8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE**

None.

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**9 CONSENT AGENDA**

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[4568](#) AN ORDINANCE setting the 2013 merchants and manufacturers' inventory replacement tax levy. (ADOPTED)

[4569](#) AN ORDINANCE setting the 2013 Jackson County Community Mental Health Fund Levy. (ADOPTED)

[4570](#) AN ORDINANCE setting the 2013 Jackson County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled (Sheltered Workshop) Levy. (ADOPTED)

To adopt Ordinances 4568, 4569, 4570.

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

Yes: 8 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dan Tarwater, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence  
Absent: 1 - Dennis Waits

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

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[4571](#) Theresa Garza Ruiz moved to perfect Ordinance #4571. Seconded by Crystal Williams. (PERFECTED)  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.**

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[4571](#) Theresa Garza Ruiz moved to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #4571. Seconded by Crystal Williams. (APPROVED)  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.**

[4571](#) Theresa Garza Ruiz moved the passage of Ordinance #4571 as perfected, appropriating \$123,317.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2013 Grant Fund, in acceptance of the Emergency Management Performance Grant awarded by the Missouri State Emergency Management Agency. Seconded by Crystal Williams. (ADOPTED)  
Yes: 9 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence

[4572](#) Dan Tarwater moved to perfect Ordinance #4572. Seconded by Crystal Williams.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.** (PERFECTED)

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[4572](#) Dan Tarwater moved to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #4572. Seconded by Crystal Williams.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.** (APPROVED)

[4572](#) Dan Tarwater moved the passage of Ordinance #4572 as perfected, appropriating \$7,500.00 from the fund balance of the 2013 Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund and authorizing the County Executive to execute an agreement in acceptance of funding provided by the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force for use by the Jackson County Drug Task Force for Operation Prime Time. Seconded by Crystal Williams.  
Yes: 8 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dan Tarwater, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence  
Absent: 1 - Dennis Waits  
(ADOPTED)

[4573](#) Dan Tarwater moved to perfect Ordinance #4573. Seconded by Bob Spence.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.** (PERFECTED)

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[4573](#) Dan Tarwater moved to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #4573. Seconded by Crystal Williams.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.** (APPROVED)

[4573](#) Dan Tarwater moved the passage of Ordinance #4573 as perfected, appropriating \$4,500.00 from the fund balance of the 2013 Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund and authorizing the County Executive to execute an agreement in acceptance of funding provided by the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force for use by the Jackson County Drug Task Force for Operation Driving Rain. Seconded by Crystal Williams.  
Yes: 9 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence  
(ADOPTED)

*Ordinance #4571 was reconsidered and adopted at this time. See page 4 for details.*

[4574](#) James D. Tindall moved to perfect Ordinance #4574. Seconded by Dan Tarwater.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.** (PERFECTED)

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[4574](#) James D. Tindall moved to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #4574. Seconded by Dennis Waits.  
**The motion passed by a voice vote.** (APPROVED)

[4574](#) James D. Tindall moved the passage of Ordinance #4574 as perfected, appropriating \$20,675.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2013 Special Road and Bridge Fund in acceptance of insurance proceeds for damage to a license plate reader, and awarding a contract for the furnishing of a replacement license plate reader for use by the Sheriff's Office to Elsag North America of Greensboro, NC, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$20,831.23, under the terms and conditions of GSA Contract No. GS07F0004Y, an existing government contract. Seconded by Dennis Waits.

Yes: 9 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

[4575](#) Bob Spence moved to perfect Ordinance #4575. Seconded by Fred Arbanas.

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

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[4575](#) Bob Spence moved to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #4575. Seconded by Dennis Waits.

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

(APPROVED)

[4575](#) Bob Spence moved the passage of Ordinance #4575 as perfected, appropriating \$25,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2013 General Fund and authorizing the County Executive to execute a commercial real estate sales contract with the Central Jackson County Fire Protection District, for the sale of property located at 1000 S.W. Eastbound U.S. 40 Highway, Blue Springs, MO, for funds payable to the County in the amount of \$25,000.00. Seconded by Dennis Waits.

Yes: 9 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

## 11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

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[18261](#) Dan Tarwater moved the passage of Resolution #18261, authorizing the extension of the 2010 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) received from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, at no additional cost to the County. Seconded by Dennis Waits.

Yes: 9 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

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[18262](#)

Bob Spence moved the passage of Resolution #18262, awarding a twenty-four month term and supply contract, with two twelve-month options to extend, for the furnishing of ready mix concrete for use by the Parks + Rec and Public Works Departments to Penny's Concrete, Inc., of Shawnee Mission, KS, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 50-13. Seconded by James D. Tindall.

Yes: 9 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence

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[18263](#)

Scott Burnett moved the passage of Resolution #18263, authorizing an addendum to the term and supply contract with Universal Money Centers, Inc., of Mission, KS, for the furnishing of an ATM machine at the Historic Truman Courthouse, under the terms and conditions of Requests for Proposal No. 35-13, at no cost to the County. Seconded by Dennis Waits.

Yes: 9 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence

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[18264](#)

Dan Tarwater moved the passage of Resolution #18264, authorizing the extension of the Family Court Division's Family Drug Court Program grant, received from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, at no additional cost to the County. Seconded by Crystal Williams.

Yes: 9 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

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[18265](#)

Dan Tarwater moved the passage of Resolution #18265, transferring \$61,860.00 within the 2013 Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund for the creation of a new Gang Intelligence Officer position within the Sheriff's Office. Seconded by Dennis Waits.

Yes: 9 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence

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[18266](#) Dennis Waits moved the passage of Resolution #18266, authorizing the County Executive and the Prosecuting Attorney to execute an Agreement to Extend the Memorandum of Understanding with Local Union No. 42 of the International Association of Fire Fighters through November 1, 2013. Seconded by Scott Burnett.

Yes: 8 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater and Greg Grounds

No: 1 - Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

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[18267](#) James D. Tindall moved the passage of Resolution #18267, transferring \$130,000.00 within the 2013 General Fund for use by the Prosecuting Attorney's Office to cover the costs of outside attorneys' fees related to personnel matters. Seconded by Dennis Waits.

Yes: 9 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence

(ADOPTED)

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[18268](#) Transferring \$650,000.00 within the 2013 General Fund and \$200,000.00 within the Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund to partially cover the cost of renovation of the Independence Courthouse Annex.

*(Anti-Drug Committee)*

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[18269](#) Awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract with two twelve-month options to extend for the furnishing of wireless voice and broadband services and equipment, for use by the Sheriff's Office to Verizon Wireless of Basking Ridge, NJ, under the terms and conditions of GSA Contract No. GS-35F0119P, an existing government contract.

*(Justice and Law Enforcement Committee)*

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[18270](#) Theresa Garza Ruiz moved the passage of Resolution #18270, recognizing the Kansas City LGBT community on its inaugural street festival event "Out in the Crossroads" to be held October 4 - 5, 2013. Seconded by Crystal Williams.

Yes: 8 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater and Bob Spence

No: 1 - Greg Grounds

(ADOPTED)

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## 12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

*None.*

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**13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Fred Arbanas, County Legislator, asked about Ordinance #4575 and how Jackson County set the price at \$25,000.00. He knows of another piece of property located on Milton Thompson Road that Prairie Township Fire is interested in purchasing.

Shelley Kneuvean, Chief Operating Officer, explained that it was a negotiated amount. She said she used the code of ordinances adopted by the County Legislature which sets a fee schedule for permanent easements with a governmental rate and a non-governmental rate as a basis for price.

She indicated that she had not heard from Prairie Fire District for quite some time regarding their interest in the property located on Milton Thompson and was not sure they had funding in place. Jackson County has recently been approached by a non-profit organization who is interested in the property.

Discussion.

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**14 NEW BUSINESS**

None.

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**15 ADJOURNMENT**

James D. Tindall moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Crystal Williams.

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

(APPROVED)

*Meeting adjourned until Monday, October 7, 2013 at 2:30 P.M. in the Kansas City Legislative Assembly Area.*

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