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*Theresa Galvin (6th) Chair, Dan Tarwater III (4th) Vice Chair,
Jalen Anderson (1st AL), Crystal Williams (2nd AL), Tony Miller (3rd AL),
Scott Burnett (1st), Ronald E. Finley (2nd), Charlie Franklin (3rd), Jeanie Lauer
(5th)*

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Tuesday, April 23, 2019

2:00 PM

Seventeenth Regular Meeting

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

Theresa Galvin, Chair, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

1 ROLL CALL

Present 7 - Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley,
Charlie Franklin, Dan Tarwater III and Theresa Galvin
Absent 2 - Jalen Anderson and Jeanie Lauer

2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited.

3 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Crystal Williams to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on April 15, 2019. The motion passed by a voice vote.

4 HEARINGS

Pamela Allison, CPA, CFE, of the Missouri State Auditor's Office, said they will begin working on the Jackson County procurement practices audit. The scope of the audit will cover the contracting and procurement processes. The cost of the audit, as mentioned in the engagement letter, will be between \$200,000.00 and \$500,000.00. Also in attendance were Todd Schuler, CPA and Audit Manager, Bob McArthur, Senior Auditor III of the Public Corruption and Fraud Division, Rex Murdock, staff auditor and Tessa Rusatsi, CPA, Senior Auditor III.

Bob McArthur said the COMBAT audit started in January. It is a separate engagement letter with a cost of between \$35,000.00 - \$50,000.00 as quoted previously. Ms. Allison said that she expects the COMBAT portion of the audit to be completed soon.

Ronald E. Finley, County Legislator, asked about the actions in 2018 that began the audit process. He asked Bryan Covinsky, County Counselor, to

send him all legislation and documentation pertaining to the request to the State Auditor for a performance audit of Jackson County, Missouri.

Ms. Allison said that the audit will cover the best practices, internal controls, and compliance with State and County laws. The auditors will make recommendations as they go along in the process. She said that whenever the auditors find an area of concern they will make an immediate report, so corrective action can start. She said more information about the types of audits they perform can be found at www.auditor.mo.gov.

Scott Burnett, County Legislator, expressed concern about the cost of the audit. Ms. Allison said those costs were determined based on estimates from similar sized counties with similar audit scopes. She said they would review this cost estimate with her supervisor and the Missouri State Auditor.

Ms. Allison said that it is their practice to review their final report in a closed session with the Legislature before making the final report public. She said the Legislature and the County Executive will have the opportunity to issue a response to the report.

Rob Whitten, Executive Director and Jovanna Rohs, Chair of the Jackson County Community Children's Services Fund were present and distributed a handout for their powerpoint presentation. (Copy of handout available in the office of Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of the County Legislature.)

Scott Burnett asked about where most children served by the Children's Services Fund live. Mr. Whitten said that their presentation lists the ZIP codes where most of the children served live. Mr. Burnett asked for information about those agencies that are based within these key ZIP codes.

Dan Tarwater III, County Legislator, asked about the types of programs funded by the Children's Services Fund. As an example, he asked what program was funded for Children's Mercy Hospital. Ms. Rohs said that the program at Children's Mercy is a home visit program for children who are identified as at risk for child abuse. Studies have shown that child abuse can be reduced through education and home visitation programs. Ms. Rohs said that the agencies must list three outcomes for their programs. In the agency reports, they must demonstrate how the program is performing based on these projected outcomes.

Ms. Rohs also discussed their commitment to working with schools within Jackson County through collaboration and in partnership with community-based agencies to provide the needed services.

Dennis Dumovich, Director of Human Resources, said the health insurance RFP should be ready by April 30, 2019 to send out. He said responses are due May 30th and the award date will be mid-July. Open enrollment will begin in November.

Dan Tarwater III, said most insurance carriers want 60-90 days to prepare quotes. He suggested Human Resources extend the time to get more responses.

Dennis Dumovich said they have time and they will do as suggested by Dan Tarwater III.

With regard to the compensation study, they are in discussions with Evergreen Solutions to get that agreement finalized.

Mr. Dumovich said they are not recommending any changes to the services provided by the dental and medical coverage. He will still continue to use the existing insurance broker. He said they have separate brokers for dental and medical insurance.

Scott Burnett, County Legislator, asked Whitney Miller, Director of Collections, to speak to the County Legislature about the new mobile and web-based payment system that will make it easier for taxpayers to make property tax payments. The new system is called "myJackson County." Ms. Miller said she sent out an email today to legislators and staff. She said there will be a press release tomorrow and the website will be redirected. She said taxpayers can use home and mobile devices and all types of credit cards. She said the fees have increased and the fee for ACH is \$1.25, but Jackson County does not receive any convenience fees. She said the system will be down from 6:30 p.m. tonight until 7 a.m. Wednesday morning. She explained they are doing it now because they wanted to test a higher volume with it being tax sale time.

Scott Burnett asked if this system was competitively bid.

Whitney Miller explained that this is the only vendor who will work with our current ASCEND software.

Theresa Galvin asked that all legislators receive the cards for this new system. Whitney Miller distributed them at the meeting.

5 COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

None.

6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

[5214](#)

AN ORDINANCE amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by rezoning a certain 10.00 ± acre tract from District AG (Agricultural) to District RE (Residential Estates), to create two single family residential lots.

(Land Use Committee - 3rd. Perfection)

The Land Use Committee will have a public hearing on Ordinance #5214 on Monday, April 29, 2019 at 12:45 p.m. in the Kansas City Legislative Assembly Area.

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

[5215](#)

Consent Agenda.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

[20141](#)

Land Use Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[20142](#)

Health and Environment Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[20143](#)

Justice and Law Enforcement Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[20144](#)

Anti-Drug Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

9 CONSENT AGENDA

[5215](#)

AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$3,154.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2019 Health Fund in acceptance of insurance proceeds for the repair of a vehicle for use by the Environmental Health Division of the Public Works Department.

(ADOPTED)

[20141](#)

A RESOLUTION awarding twelve-month term and supply contracts for the furnishing of golf course chemicals and fertilizers for use by the Parks + Rec Department to Helena Chemical of Shawnee, KS, Reinders, Inc., of Olathe, KS, SiteOne Landscape Supply of Cleveland, OH, and Supreme Turf Products of Olathe, KS, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 6-19.

(ADOPTED)

[20142](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute a month-to-month lease with Truman Medical Center, for the furnishing of office space for use by the Medical Examiner's Office, at an annual cost to the County of \$1.00.

(ADOPTED)

[20143](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract with two twelve-month options to extend for the furnishing of LEWeb law enforcement computer information services for use by various County departments to the Regional Justice Information Service (REJIS) Commission of St. Louis, MO, as an acquisition from another governmental entity.

(ADOPTED)

[20144](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$40,000.00 within the 2019 Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund to cover the reclassification of a full-time assistant prosecutor attorney position to part-time within the Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

(ADOPTED)

Ordinance #5215 and Resolutions #20141, #20142, #20143, #20144 were moved to the Consent Agenda for adoption.

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Tony Miller, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Charlie Franklin, Dan Tarwater III and Theresa Galvin

Absent: 2 - Jalen Anderson and Jeanie Lauer

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[5216](#) Repealing sections 5000. and 5002., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to County Parks and the Rock Island Rail Corridor, and enacting, in lieu thereof, two sections relating to the same subject.

(Assigned to the Land Use Committee.)

[5217](#) A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Tony Miller to perfect Ordinance #5217. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5217](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Crystal Williams, to adopt Ordinance #5217, appropriating \$3,526.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2019 General Fund in acceptance of insurance proceeds to be applied toward the cost of a replacement vehicle for use by the Sheriff's Office. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Charlie Franklin, Dan Tarwater III and Theresa Galvin

Absent: 2 - Jalen Anderson and Jeanie Lauer

(ADOPTED)

[5218](#)

Appropriating \$3,250.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2019 General Fund, representing reimbursement from the Missouri Office of Prosecution Services to cover court costs for the Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

(Assigned to the Justice and Law Enforcement Committee.)

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[20145](#)

Awarding a twenty-six month term and supply contract, with two twelve-month options to extend, for the printing and mailing of business and individual personal property declaration forms, assessment notices, and envelopes for use by the Assessment Department to Strahm Automation & Mailing of Kansas City, MO, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 2-19.

(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

[20146](#)

Awarding a contract for television air time for use by the Parks + Rec Department to Charter Communication Holdings, LLC, dba Spectrum Reach, at an actual cost to the County not to exceed \$15,600.00, as a sole source purchase.

(Assigned to the Land Use Committee.)

[20147](#)

Awarding a contract for the replacement of roofs on park structures for use by the Parks + Rec Department to Construction Management Services of Olathe, KS, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 7-19, at an actual cost to the County not to exceed \$73,916.00.

(Assigned to the Land Use Committee.)

[20148](#)

Awarding a sixteen-month term and supply contract for the furnishing of on-line legal publications and legal research services for use by the Prosecuting Attorney's Office, the County Counselor's Office, and the Medical Examiner's Office to Lexis Nexis of Miamisburg, OH, as a sole source purchase.

(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

None.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Scott Burnett said that earlier the question came up about the number of children in our community. He said there are 459,000 people in Kansas City, Missouri, one out of four of which are under the age of 18.

14 NEW BUSINESS

None.

15 ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Tony Miller, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned until Monday, April 29, 2019 at 1:00 P.M. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 2nd Floor, Legislative Assembly Area.