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

Jackson County Courthouse
415 E.12th Street, 2nd floor
Kansas City, Missouri 64106
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Monday, February 14, 2022

10:00 AM

Seventh Regular Meeting

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

Charlile Franklin, Chairman, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

1 ROLL CALL

Present 9 - Charlie Franklin, Theresa Cass Galvin, Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dan Tarwater III 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 Theresa Cass Galvin to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on February 07, 2022. The motion passed by a voice vote.

4 HEARINGS

None.

5 COMMUNICATIONS WITH AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

County Executive Frank White, Jr., expressed his condolences to the family of Sandy Querry who passed away on February 4, 2022. He said Sandy was a kind, caring, and gentle spirit.

6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

[5596](#) Land Use Committee moved to perfect.

Tony Miller objected to the Consent Agenda.

[5596](#) A motion was made by Tony Miller, seconded by Dan Tarwater III to perfect Ordinance #5596. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5596](#)

A motion was made by Tony Miller, seconded by Dan Tarwater III, to adopt Ordinance #5596, vacating an abandoned portion of Blue Valley Road due to non-use. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 9 - Charlie Franklin, Theresa Cass Galvin, Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dan Tarwater III and Jeanie Lauer

(ADOPTED)

[5597](#)

Land Use Committee moved to perfect.

Tony Miller objected to the Consent Agenda.

[5597](#)

A motion was made by Tony Miller, seconded by Dan Tarwater III to perfect Ordinance #5597. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5597](#)

A motion was made by Tony Miller, seconded by Dan Tarwater III, to adopt Ordinance #5597, amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by rezoning a certain 92.00± acre tract from District RR (Residential Ranchette) to District AG (Agricultural) and rezoning a certain 1.92± acre tract from District AG (Agricultural) to District RR (Residential Ranchette). The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 9 - Charlie Franklin, Theresa Cass Galvin, Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dan Tarwater III and Jeanie Lauer

(ADOPTED)

[5598](#)

Land Use Committee moved to perfect.

Tony Miller objected to the Consent Agenda.

[5598](#)

A motion was made by Tony Miller, seconded by Dan Tarwater III to perfect Ordinance #5598. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5598](#)

A motion was made by Tony Miller, seconded by Dan Tarwater III, to adopt Ordinance #5598, vacating parts of Lots 1 and 2, Burnett Acres, a subdivision in Jackson County, to allow for a development of nine 10.0± acre tracts. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 9 - Charlie Franklin, Theresa Cass Galvin, Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dan Tarwater III and Jeanie Lauer

(ADOPTED)

[5599](#)

Land Use Committee moved to perfect.

Tony Miller objected to the Consent Agenda.

[5599](#)

A motion was made by Tony Miller, seconded by Dan Tarwater III to perfect Ordinance #5599. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5599](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Tony Miller, to adopt Ordinance #5599, amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by rezoning a certain 3.50± acre tract from District AG (Agricultural) to District RE (Residential Estates). The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 9 - Charlie Franklin, Theresa Cass Galvin, Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dan Tarwater III and Jeanie Lauer

(ADOPTED)

[5600](#)

Land Use Committee moved to perfect.

Tony Miller objected to the Consent Agenda.

[5600](#)

A motion was made by Tony Miller, seconded by Dan Tarwater III to perfect Ordinance #5600. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5600](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Tony Miller, to adopt Ordinance #5600, amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by rezoning a certain 8.930± acre tract from District AG (Agricultural) to District RR (Residential Ranchette). The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Charlie Franklin, Theresa Cass Galvin, Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Dan Tarwater III and Jeanie Lauer

Absent: 1 - Ronald E. Finley

(ADOPTED)

[5601](#)

Issuing a mask mandate for schools where children grades K-12 attend class and on school buses, for the health and safety of the County's citizens, with an effective date and penalty provision.

(WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR SCOTT BURNETT. CONCURRED BY DAN TARWATER III AND THERESA CASS GALVIN.)

Theresa Cass Galvin, County Legislator, said Ordinance #5591, which was withdrawn previously, was essentially the same as ordinance #5601. At the time #5601 was introduced, three school districts already had mask orders in place. Ms. Galvin read emails received from school board

members that this action is taking authority away from local school district control. She said these repeated efforts to enact mask mandates are putting our residents on an emotional roller coaster. She asked if these actions were going to continue.

Jalen Anderson, County Legislator, said back in the fall, these same school boards wanted Jackson County to keep its mask order in place to provide cover for these officials who did not want to be in front of this issue. The day the Legislature ended its mask mandate, the Blue Springs School Board rescinded its mask order. Jackson County had over 3,000 COVID cases in one week. There has not been any suggestion of how we can support our public health system. This continues to be brought up because we know that masks work. Individuals with pre-existing conditions and individuals who have lost family members are also on an emotional roller coaster. We cannot act as if wearing a mask is such a terrible thing when we have seen the cases go down when we had a mask mandate. As we move forward, we need to find strategies to tackle the pandemic.

Crystal Williams, County Legislature, said the issue of local control is brought up when it is convenient to argue local control. The attorney general sued the Lee's Summit School District and other school districts. The idea that this is about hurt feelings instead of policy is just not true. Everyone is tired of this, but people of good faith are trying to find solutions. Claiming that something we introduce will jail children is not helpful. It is better to withdraw this because the issue is so heated. We cannot make any commitments to not address a public health crisis when it happens.

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

[5593](#) Consent Agenda.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

[20864](#) Land Use Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[20865](#) Legislature As A Whole moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

Jay Haden, Chief Deputy County Counselor, said he took the lead on the negotiations with the union. This proposed agreement is similar to the current union agreement. The union has voted for and signed the agreement.

9 CONSENT AGENDA[5593](#)

AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$271,785.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2022 General Fund and authorizing the issuance of payment in the amount of \$271,784.38 to the Missouri State Auditor for services rendered for the audit of Jackson County.

(ADOPTED)

[20864](#)

A RESOLUTION awarding twelve-month term and supply contracts with one twelve-month option to extend for the furnishing of beer for resale by the Parks + Rec Department to County Beverage Company of Lee's Summit, MO, and Central States Beverage Company of Kansas City, MO, as proprietary purchases.

(ADOPTED)

[20865](#)

A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute a successor Memorandum of Understanding with American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, State Council 61, Local 1707, to be effective until December 31, 2023.

(ADOPTED)

Ordinance #5593 and Resolutions #20864 and #20865 were moved to the Consent Agenda for adoption.

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

Yes: 9 - Charlie Franklin, Theresa Cass Galvin, Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dan Tarwater III and Jeanie Lauer

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE[5602](#)

Appropriating \$100,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2022 Grant Fund and awarding a contract for the design and construction of a new bridge in connection with Federal Project No. BRO-B048(60), Helmig Road Bridge, County Project No. 3215, to TREKK Design Group, of Kansas City, MO, at an actual cost to the County not to exceed \$100,000.00.

(Assigned to the Land Use Committee.)

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE[20866](#)

Transferring \$120,000.00 within the 2022 American Rescue Plan Fund for use by the Jackson County Department of Corrections to acquire critical supplies and equipment necessary in connection with the fight against the ongoing Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.

(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

[20867](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute Cooperative Agreements with certain outside agencies that provide public health-related and other public services to citizens of Jackson County, at an aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$3,000,000.00.

(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

[20868](#) Awarding a fourteen-month term and supply contract with two twelve-month options to extend for the leasing of ice-making machines for use by various County Departments to Ice Masters of Shawnee, KS, under the terms and conditions of Jackson County Circuit Court Contract No. 240040-18, an existing, competitively bid government contract.

(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

[20869](#) Awarding a contract for annual maintenance of the Ascend computer software for use by the Assessment Department to Aumentum Technologies of Chicago, IL, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$366,451.00, as a sole source purchase.

(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

[20870](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute a Transportation Alternatives Fund Program Agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission to allow for construction relating to the Little Blue Trace/Rock Island Trail Connector Grant Project, at no cost to the County.

(Assigned to the Land Use Committee.)

[20871](#) Authorizing the County Counselor to execute a Legal Services Agreement and Addendums to existing Legal Services Agreements with certain lawyers and law firms at an aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$56,700.00, for services to be performed in 2022.

(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

[20872](#) Awarding a contract for the furnishing of a Stepp Manufacturing Hot Box Trailer for use by the Public Works Department to American Equipment Company of Kansas City, KS, under the terms and conditions set forth in the National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (NCPA) Contract No. 05-26, an existing competitively bid government contract, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$73,134.00.

(Assigned to the Public Works Committee.)

[20873](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute a Contract with the Jackson County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled to provide for partial funding of various programs of the Parks + Rec Department's Special Population Services Division.

(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

[20874](#)

Transferring \$234,135.00 within the 2022 General Fund to pay the costs of necessary information technology operations and consulting services to be provided by an existing County term and supply vendor.

(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

Resolution #20876 was taken out of order and adopted at this time. See below for details.

[20875](#)

A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by Dan Tarwater III, to adopt Resolution #20875, honoring the life and achievements of Sandra Ann "Sandy" Query. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 9 - Charlie Franklin, Theresa Cass Galvin, Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dan Tarwater III and Jeanie Lauer

(ADOPTED)

Jalen Anderson said Keith Query is not able to make it to the courthouse at this time. Mr. Anderson said he would deliver the resolution to Mr. Query and send everyone's thoughts and prayers to him and their family. He said Sandy touched everyone with great love. Mr. Anderson would not be a County Legislator without Sandy's guidance, love, direction, and support. Sandy Query was a powerhouse and it meant something to have her support.

Crystal Williams said Sandy was the "diminutive diva." She was tiny but mighty. Sandy was one of her first supporters. She was wonderful, loving, and loyal. Her husband Keith is a delightful man, and they had an extraordinary relationship. Rest in peace Sandy.

Tony Miller, County Legislator, said his friendship with Sandy was similar to his friendship with Dutch Newman. They were both tiny in stature but powerful and strong. Sandy and Dutch would clasp your hands to make sure we were paying attention. We miss Sandy and all she did for us.

[20876](#)

Authorizing the Prosecuting Attorney to execute an extension to the existing contract with TICO Productions of Kansas City, MO, for rebranding services for use by the COMBAT staff, at no additional cost to the County.

(Assigned to the Anti-Crime Committee.)

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

None.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ronald E. Finley, County Legislator, said the Health Department report has been consistent on the spread of the disease. There were 17 deaths last week. He asked for an update on the Detention Center. The report states there are 83 COVID cases at the Detention Center. He said it would be important to the citizens to know what is going on at the Detention Center.

Diana Knapp, Director of Corrections, said she is pleased to report they currently have zero staff cases, zero quarantines, and four inmates testing positive. Through their continued efforts they have knocked their numbers down every week. Ms. Knapp said she sends out an updated report each morning that goes to the Corrections Distribution list. The Sheriff has also been posting those weekly numbers as well.

Mr. Finley said he notes there is active testing going on in Lee's Summit. There is also a vaccination clinic in Independence and at the Maddie Rhodes Center. Troy Schulte, County Administrator, said he believes that is current information. They have an open door policy so if any organization wants to schedule a vaccine event, staff will be available.

Mr. Finley said there has been some disagreement on the masking issue and they have not proceeded in a consistent way because of that disagreement. The Legislature started off in consensus with the funds that have been allocated for testing and treatment to cities, fire departments, nursing homes, hospitals, and schools. The County has made positive steps in its efforts to work on the disease. The disease has morphed into different ways, and he hopes the County will continue to do what needs to be accomplished to fight the disease. Mr. Finley requested a meeting with the County Executive and County Administrator to discuss the County's next steps in fighting the disease.

Jeanie Lauer, County Legislator, said she wanted to recognize Diana Knapp on becoming the second person and only woman in Missouri to be named Certified Jail Manager. Ms. Lauer joined the Legislature in congratulating Ms. Knapp for this honor.

Dan Tarwater III, County Legislator, said the County's relocation efforts at the mobile home park are ongoing. County representatives have met with everyone except one person. Only about 20 people are left to finalize relocation plans. He thanked the Administration on its efforts. He said he believes these residents have had their housing situation improved through the County's efforts. This project has been a success.

14 NEW BUSINESS

None.

15 ADJOURNMENT

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

Meeting adjourned until TUESDAY, February 22, 2022 at 1:00 P.M. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 2nd Floor, Legislative Assembly Area.

President's Day Holiday will be observed on Monday, February 21, 2022.