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

Monday, January 25, 2021

10:00 AM

Third Regular Meeting

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

Dan Tarwater III, Chairman, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

1 ROLL CALL

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

2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited.

3 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by Theresa Cass Galvin, seconded by Ronald E. Finley to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on January 11, 2021. The motion passed by a voice vote.

4 HEARINGS

Brian Gaddie, Director of Public Works, introduced Dr. Troy Nash and the JCDC, LLC partnership team for a progress report of the owner's representative project. The project is running smoothly and on schedule. Dr. Nash said the team continues to work remotely and practice social distancing effectively. With respect to the MBE and WBE goals, they continue to meet those goals and work with the County's Compliance Department. They are on track with quarterly goals. They are at the midpoint stage in the project. They are in the owner's design criteria phase. User workshops began this week. They have compiled all necessary information for the procurement phase. An agreement has been entered into with Newmark Zimmer to serve as the real estate broker for the site selection phase. JCDC is providing the engineering and technical evaluations of the site.

Jalen Anderson, County Legislator, asked about the WBE and MBE businesses participating in this project. Crissy Wooderson, Legislative Auditor, said the Compliance Office will be sending out an update today which will include the businesses contracted with JCDC. Dan Tarwater III, County Legislator, said that Theresa Cass Galvin, County Legislator, continues to participate with the meetings of stakeholders for this project.

5 COMMUNICATIONS WITH AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

None.

6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

[5481](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved to perfect. Consent Agenda.

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

None.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

[20599](#) Anti-Crime Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[20603](#) Anti-Crime Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[20604](#) Anti-Crime Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

Jay Haden, Chief Deputy County Counselor, explained that the firm that was not in compliance was removed from Resolution #20605, so the Legislature could act on the firms that were in compliance.

[20605](#) A motion was made by Charlie Franklin, seconded by Ronald E. Finley, to approve the Floor Amendment for Resolution #20605, to delete the firm "HF Law Firm, Leawood, KS (HR Investigation)", after the firm "Evans & Dixon, LLC" on page two. The motion passed by a voice vote. Consent Agenda.

9 CONSENT AGENDA

[5481](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$101,591.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2021 CARES Act Fund to provide for the purchase of upgraded computer equipment for use by the Assessment Department to improve remote work capabilities and communications in connection with the fight against the ongoing Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.

(PERFECTED)

[20599](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the Prosecuting Attorney to execute agreements with certain outside agencies which are engaged in anti-drug and anti-violent crime treatment activities and purposes, at an aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$3,995,780.00.
(ADOPTED)

[20603](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$150,000.00 within the 2021 Anti-Crime Sales Tax Fund to cover funding for the Sheriff's Office's 2021 Law Enforcement School-Based Initiative.
(ADOPTED)

[20604](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$40,000.00 within the 2021 Anti-Crime Sales Tax Fund for the purpose of funding the Family Court's Night Light program.
(ADOPTED)

[20605](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Counselor to execute extensions to the Legal Services Agreements with certain lawyers and/or law firms, at no additional cost to the County.
(ADOPTED)

*Ordinance #5481 was moved to the Consent Agenda for perfection.
Resolutions #20599, #20603, #20604 and #20605 were moved to the
Consent Agenda for adoption.*

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

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

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

Captain Epperson with the Sheriff's Department explained Ordinance #5482 and said they have been receiving this grant since 2014.

[5482](#) A motion was made by Charlie Franklin, seconded by Theresa Cass Galvin to perfect Ordinance #5482. The motion passed by a voice vote.
(PERFECTED)

[5482](#)

A motion was made by Charlie Franklin, seconded by Theresa Cass Galvin, to adopt Ordinance #5482, appropriating \$61,867.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2021 Grant Fund in acceptance of the Missouri Western Interdiction and Narcotics Task Force grant awarded by the Missouri Department of Public Safety. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

(ADOPTED)

[5483](#)

Dan Tarwater III, County Legislator, said this Ordinance is to allocate funds to allow food banks to complete an application to provide for food insecurity within the County. Allocations will be capped at \$30,000.00 for an agency. Contracts for the food service providers will come before the Legislature for approval. Frank White, County Executive, said when this was previously offered, some agencies had difficulty providing the required documentation. The Administration will assist agencies with meeting the County's requirements. Troy Schulte, County Administrator, said they hope to have the website for applications up within the week.

A motion was made by Charlie Franklin, seconded by Ronald E. Finley, to perfect Ordinance #5483. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5483](#)

A motion was made by Charlie Franklin, seconded by Theresa Cass Galvin, to adopt Ordinance #5483, appropriating \$500,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2021 CARES Act Fund to allow for allocation to food banks and other food providers in Jackson County to ensure that food insecurity is minimized in the wake of the full economic impact of the ongoing Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic and authorizing the County Administration to solicit proposals from outside agencies to assist in mitigating that need. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

(ADOPTED)

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE[20608](#)

Authorizing the County Counselor to execute a Legal Services Agreement with William G. Snyder of Independence, MO, to provide specialized legal services, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$36,000.00, for services to be performed in 2021.

(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

[20609](#)

Awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract with one twelve-month option to extend for the furnishing of marketing services for use by the Prosecuting Attorney's Office and COMBAT staff to Tico Productions of Kansas City, MO, under the terms and conditions of Request for Proposals No. 49-20.

(Assigned to the Anti-Crime Committee.)

[20610](#)

A motion was made by Theresa Cass Galvin, seconded by Ronald E. Finley, to adopt Resolution #20610, authorizing the Jackson County Legislature to hold a closed meeting on Monday, January 25, 2021, for the purpose of conducting privileged and confidential communications between itself and the Jackson County Counselor under section 610.021(2) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, and closing all records prepared for discussion at said meeting. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

(ADOPTED)

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS[21-02](#)

I hereby make the following appointments and reappointments to the Board of Trustees of the Jackson County Community Mental Health Fund:

Appointment

Sandra E. Jiles, is appointed to fill the vacancy occasioned by the passing of Cynthia Clark Campbell, for a term to expire September 30, 2024. A copy of Ms. Jile's resume is attached.

Reappointments

Gary Thompson, M.D. is reappointed for a term to expire September 30, 2022.

Jacquelyn C. Moore is reappointed for a term to expire September 30, 2022.

Rochelle Harris is reappointed for a term to expire September 30, 2023.

Marsha Campbell is reappointed for a term to expire September 30, 2023.

Alice Kitchen, is reappointed for a term to expire September 30, 2024.

Dacia Moore is reappointed for a term to expire September 30, 2024.

Mercedes Mora is reappointed for a term to expire September 30, 2024.

Joy J. Payne is reappointed for a term to expire September 30, 2024.

[21-03](#)

I hereby make the following reappointments to the Jackson County Merit System Commission:

Rosie Johnson is reappointed for a term to expire December 31, 2023.

Venessa Maxwell-Lopez is reappointed for a term to expire December 31, 2024.

[21-04](#)

I hereby make the following appointments and reappointments to the Jackson County COMBAT Commission:

Alfred Jordan is appointed as an At-Large Legal Professional member occasioned by the resignation of John B. Boyd, for a term to expire December 31, 2023. A copy of Mr. Jordan's resume is attached.

Stephanie Burton is appointed as a District 1 member occasioned by the passing of Charles (Gene) E. Morgan for a term to expire December 31, 2024. A copy of Ms. Burton's resume is attached.

Elizabeth Williams is appointed as a District 3 member occasioned by the resignation of Keith Querry for a term to expire December 31, 2024. A copy of Ms. Williams' resume is attached.

Arimeta Renae DuPree, Esq. is reappointed as a District 2 member for a new term to expire December 31, 2023.

Mark Bryant is reappointed as a District 4 member for a new term to expire December 31, 2024.

Dr. Joseph Spalitto is reappointed as an At-Large Substance Abuse Professional member for a new term to expire December 31, 2024.

21-05

Pursuant to section 1540.1.a. of the Jackson County Code, Chief Administrative Officer Sylvya Stevenson shall serve on the Pension Plan Board of Trustees for an indefinite term.

Pursuant to section 1540.1.c.i of the Jackson County Code I hereby reappoint Scott M. Brinkman as an active plan member of the Pension Plan Board of Trustees employed by the Circuit Court of Jackson County for a new term to expire February 17, 2024.

Pursuant to section 1540.1.c.iii of the Jackson County Code I hereby appoint Director of Collections Whitney Miller as an active plan member of the Pension Plan Board of Trustees for a term to expire July 22, 2023.

Pursuant to section 1540.1.c.iv of the Jackson County Code I hereby reappoint Michael L. Martin as an Independent Business Executive member of the Pension Plan Board of Trustees for a new term to expire February 17, 2025.

Pursuant to section 1540.1.c.iv of the Jackson County Code I hereby appoint Carolyn Watley as an Independent Business Executive member of the Pension Plan Board of Trustees occasioned by the resignation of Beto Lopez for a new term to expire February 17, 2025. A copy of Ms. Watley's resume is attached.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

14 NEW BUSINESS

Jeanie Lauer, County Legislator, asked about the vaccine schedule for the County. Troy Schulte, County Administrator, said they are still working through tier 1A. The issue is the availability of vaccines. He said Truman Medical Centers (TMC) has obtained more vaccines than the Jackson County Health Department. The Administration is working through all available avenues to get people vaccinated through whatever source is available. He said there is a struggle with coordinating between the entities that are administering vaccines. People are encouraged to sign up for the vaccine survey, but there are likely duplicates between Jackson County, TMC, and Kansas City vaccine lists. Mr. Schulte said they have the capacity to administer 1,000 shots per day, but they do not have enough vaccines available. They are looking at regional sites, such as the sports complex to scale up the vaccinations, but they will not receive any vaccines this week.

Jeanie Lauer also asked about hearings before the Missouri House last

week related to public health matters. Dan Tarwater III said he thinks the County's lobbyist agreement should be before the Legislature next week. They hope to have our lobbyists involved with these issues before the Missouri House.

Jalen Anderson asked about the availability of vaccines in the County. Mr. Schulte said he believes the bottleneck is with the federal government and its supply to the state. TMC had an established connection with its health care provider network that enabled it to obtain some vaccines. Mr. Anderson said he believes there are five bills before the House related to public health matters. He said there were only two people to speak to the bills before the Missouri Senate.

Theresa Cass Galvin, County Legislator, said the Missouri Association of Counties had a meeting last week, but there were no discussions about this specific legislation. Caleb Clifford, Chief of Staff, said the Administration is also concerned about the proposal to strip away local control for public health issues. He also said the County has administrated over 4,500 vaccine. No new vaccines came this week, but the second vaccine will be available to those who have already received the first dose.

Ronald E. Finley, County Legislator, asked about plans for educating the public about the importance of getting vaccinated. Mr. White said there are discussions about a marketing and education plan.

Discussion.

Closed meeting per Resolution #20610.

The Legislature recessed.

The Legislature reconvened.

15 ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Tony Miller, seconded by Jalen Anderson, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned until Monday, February 1, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 2nd Floor, Legislative Assembly Area.