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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, September 20, 2021

10:00 AM

Thirty-fourth 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 Scott Burnett, seconded by Charlie Franklin to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on September 13, 2021. The motion passed by a voice vote.

4 HEARINGS

Dan Tarwater III, County Legislator, opened the public hearing regarding Ordinances #5540, #5541, #5542, and #5543, setting the 2021 merchants' and manufacturers' inventory replacement tax levy, the Jackson County, Missouri tax levy, the Jackson County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled Levy, and the Jackson County Community Mental Health Fund Levy.

Representing the Jackson County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled were Jake Jacobs, Executive Director, Tedi Rowland, Vice Chairman, John Fierro, CEO of Mattie Rhodes Center, Lauren Hall, Executive Director of Southeast Enterprises, Amy Castillo, CEO of Ability KC, and Brian Hogan, Director of Blue Valley Industries, all speaking in support of Ordinance #5542, setting the 2021 Jackson County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled (Sheltered Workshop) Levy.

Representing the Jackson County Community Mental Health Fund were Dr. Bruce Eddy, Executive Director, Kristina Jones, Vice President of CAPA, Jennifer Craig, President and CEO of ReDiscover, and Rochelle Parker, President and CEO of CAPA, all speaking in support of Ordinance #5543, setting the 2021 Jackson County Community Mental Health Fund Levy.

John Gordon, Treasurer, Jackson County Department of Finance, said the 2021 tax levies as calculated are sufficient to meet the budgetary needs of the County. The 2021 rates include a recoupment rate in the General Fund. The assessed value in 2019 dropped after the 2019 levies were set, resulting in a \$1.6 million loss in revenue to the County. In addition, the recoupment rate was calculated for the Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled and the Mental Health Fund tax levies for the 2019 tax year. Overall, for 2021 the assessed values have gone up which resulted in a reduced tax levy for 2021.

Scott Burnett, County Legislator, asked if there is the ability to increase the tax levies for the Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled and the Mental Health Fund. Mr. Gordon said a recoupment rate could also be calculated for the 2020 tax year. This will require a floor amendment for the two ordinances.

Dan Tarwater III said this is the Legislature's intent. The ordinances will be held for amendments next week.

Jeanie Lauer, County Legislator, asked Troy Schulte, County Administrator, if the funds the County received from the American Rescue Plan could be used to give a one-time allocation to recover some revenue lost due to the pandemic. Troy Schulte said yes.

Ronald E. Finley, County Legislator, said it was his understanding the tax levies for the Developmentally Disabled and Mental Health Funds included a recoupment. Mr. Gordon said the introduced tax levy ordinances include a recoupment for 2019. This is due to the Board of Equalization appeals from the 2019 reassessment.

Dan Tarwater III closed the public hearing.

Ronald E. Finley asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of Officer Blaize Madrid-Evans of the Independence Police Department, who was killed in the line of duty on September 15, 2021.

5 COMMUNICATIONS WITH AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Frank White, Jr., County Executive, introduced Dr. Jannette Berkley-Patton, project leader of Our Healthy KC Eastside, Reverend Eric Williams, pastor of Calvary Temple Baptist Church, and Niki Lee Donawa, Chief Community Relations Officer for Truman Medical Centers, to give an update on the Our Healthy KC Eastside project.

Our Healthy KC Eastside (OHKCE) is a community-wide initiative that promotes and delivers widespread COVID-19 vaccinations and other health services to residents on the east side of Kansas City. More than 60 community organizations and health agencies are partnering with OHKCE to support healthy lifestyles through vaccine events and health screenings like blood pressure checks, diabetes screenings and dental education.

A copy of Dr. Berkley-Patton's presentation is available under the Meeting Details for the September 20, 2021, Legislative Meeting, located at <https://jacksonco.legistar.com/MeetingDetail.aspx?ID=894756&GUID=DBC9037-4786-4031-84B9-AD16CC63D488&>

Rev. Williams said this project pools resources from many entities, including faith-based organizations, business entities, neighborhood groups, the University of Missouri – Kansas City, and Jackson County, working collaboratively toward health measures in the community. This program plants seeds, not just for COVID related concerns, but also other health issues such as diabetes, mental health, and other chronic illnesses.

Ms. Donawa said this is an opportunity for Truman Medical Center to have outreach in the community to meet people on the front line.

Ronald E. Finley said he hopes this program can be continued after the pandemic to continue these positive responses, interactions and accomplishments.

6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Scott Burnett, seconded by Tony Miller to waive the reading of Ordinances #5540, #5541, #5542, and #5543. The motion passed by a voice vote.

[5540](#)

AN ORDINANCE setting the 2021 merchants' and manufacturers' inventory replacement tax levy.

(Legislature As A Whole - 1st. Perfection)

- [5541](#) AN ORDINANCE setting the 2021 Jackson County, Missouri, tax levy.
(Legislature As A Whole - 1st. Perfection)
- [5542](#) AN ORDINANCE setting the 2021 Jackson County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled (Sheltered Workshop) Levy.
(Legislature As A Whole - 1st. Perfection)
- [5543](#) AN ORDINANCE setting the 2021 Jackson County Community Mental Health Fund Levy.
(Legislature As A Whole - 1st. Perfection)
- The County Legislature will have a public hearing on Monday, September 27, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. in the Kansas City Legislative Assembly Area, regarding amended Ordinance #5542, setting the 2021 Jackson County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled (Sheltered Workshop) Levy and amended Ordinance #5543, setting the 2021 Jackson County Community Mental Health Fund Levy.*

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

None.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

- [20750](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.
- [20754](#) Public Works Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.
- [20755](#) Budget Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.
- [20756](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.
- [20757](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

9 CONSENT AGENDA

- [20750](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract for the furnishing of mailing services for use by the Finance and Purchasing Department to Lineage Mailing Services (formerly Strahm Automation and Mailing Services) of Kansas City, MO, under the terms and conditions of City of Kansas City, MO, Contract No. EV2181.

(ADOPTED)

[20754](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$50,000.00 within the 2021 Special Road and Bridge Fund to cover the cost of fuel for use by the Public Works Department.

(ADOPTED)

[20755](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$15,032.00 within the 2021 Grant Fund to cover the purchase of vehicle emergency equipment for use by the Sheriff's Office from an existing County term and supply vendor.

(ADOPTED)

[20756](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract with one twelve-month option to extend for the furnishing of mobile radio repair, maintenance, parts, and accessories for use by various County Departments to Commenco, Inc., of Kansas City, MO, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 30-21.

(ADOPTED)

[20757](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute a one-year Lease-Purchase Agreement with Motorola Solutions, Inc., of Chicago, IL, for digital radio equipment related to the Metropolitan Area Regional Radio System, at no cost to the County for 2021, and an actual cost to the County for 2022 in the amount of \$3,647,261.00.

(ADOPTED)

Resolutions #20750, #20754, #20755, #20756, and #20757 were moved to the Consent Agenda for adoption.

A motion was made by Ronald E. Finley, 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

[5545](#) Appropriating \$5,000,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2021 CARES Act Fund to support the Jackson County Health Department, allow the continued employment of contact tracers, increase vaccination efforts and availability, and pay other costs necessary in connection with the fight against the ongoing Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic through the end of 2021.

(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

[5546](#) Accepting a grant in the amount of \$6,239,932.00 received from the U.S. Treasury relating to emergency rental assistance authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, appropriating \$6,239,932.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2021 Grant Fund, and authorizing the County Executive to execute an addendum to the Cooperative Agreement with the Community Services League of Independence, MO, to administer the rental assistance funding on behalf of Jackson County, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$6,239,932.00.

(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

[5547](#) Appropriating \$397,366.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2021 General Fund to fund the Family Court Division's emerging adult programs and services.

(Assigned to the Justice and Law Enforcement Committee.)

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[20760](#) Transferring \$28,000.00 within the 2021 Sheriff's Revolving Fund to provide for necessary security enhancements and upgraded windows at the Sheriff's Office's General Headquarters building from an existing County term and supply vendor.

(Assigned to the Public Works Committee.)

[20761](#) Awarding a thirty-six month term and supply contract with two twelve-month options to extend, for the furnishing of inmate food service for use by the Department of Corrections to Trinity Services Group of Oldsmar, FL, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 27-21.

(Assigned to the Justice and Law Enforcement Committee.)

[20762](#) Transferring \$13,500.00 within the 2021 General Fund to place funds needed for payment of rent in the proper spending account.

(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

[20763](#) Awarding twelve-month term and supply contracts with one twelve-month option to extend for the furnishing of on call architectural services for use by the Public Works Department to Piper-Wind Architects, Inc., of Kansas City, MO, and SFS Architecture, Inc., of Kansas City, MO, under the terms and conditions of Request for Qualifications No. 41-21.

(Assigned to the Public Works Committee.)

[20764](#) Declaring certain County real property surplus and authorizing the Administration to solicit bids for the selling of the surplus parcels.

(Assigned to the Public Works Committee.)

[20765](#)

Endorsing the Climate Action Plan developed by Climate Action KC and the Mid-America Regional Council to contain regional emissions and manage climate risk within the Kansas City region.

(Assigned to the Legislature As A Whole.)

Scott Burnett said there will be a brief presentation next week regarding the Climate Action Plan.

[20766](#)

Awarding a contract for the furnishing of two dump trucks for use by the Public Works Department to Viking-Cives Midwest of Moberly, MO, under the terms and conditions set forth in the Sourcewell (formerly National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA)) Contract No. 080818-VCM, an existing competitively bid government contract, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$302,214.00

(Assigned to the Public Works Committee.)

[20767](#)

A motion was made by Scott Burnett, seconded by Charlie Franklin, to adopt Resolution #20767, authorizing the Jackson County Legislature to hold a closed meeting on Monday, September 20, 2021, for the purpose of conducting privileged and confidential communications 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

None.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Dan Tarwater III said there will be a presentation by Community Services League (CSL) on Monday, September 27, 2021 during the legislative meeting.

14 NEW BUSINESS

The County Legislature went into closed session.

Closed meeting per Resolution #20767.

The County Legislature reconvened.

15 ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Charlie Franklin, seconded by Jeanie Lauer, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned until Monday, September 27, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 2nd Floor, Legislative Assembly Area.