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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)*

Friday, November 12, 2021

10:45 AM

Forty-second 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 Scott Burnett to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on November 08, 2021. The motion passed by a voice vote.

4 HEARINGS

None.

5 COMMUNICATIONS WITH AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Frank White, Jr., County Executive, said the Administration has always supported the Health Department and CDC guidelines. He asks that the mask order be allowed to continue until November 22, 2021, to allow school districts to come up with a plan. He said he is concerned there will be confusion and chaos if the vote is to end the mask order today. He said he believes it is important to let health officials know that the elected officials are going to support them in a health emergency. He said this is not a political issue but a public safety issue. Elected officials are asked to make hard decisions in the middle of pressure from all sides.

Jeanie Lauer, County Legislator, said school districts have set into place requirements for masking in their schools. Mr. White said not all of the

school districts have plans in place. Theresa Cass Galvin, County Legislator, said Lee's Summit School District has a mask order in place until November 18, 2021, and Blue Springs has an order in place until the end of the semester. The school districts are autonomous and can set their own rules. Caleb Clifford, Chief of Staff, said not all school districts have a plan in place and there is concern that if the County removes this order today there could be chaos. He said a school district cannot ignore a County-wide order, but they can be stricter than what the County requires.

Crystal Williams, County Legislator, said she has heard from parents that are concerned about the order being lifted which may cause school districts to lift their orders. Parents of children with health issues have told her they are trying to get their children vaccinated before the County lifts its order. Theresa Cass Galvin said over 95 percent of her emails express the desire to end the mask order. She said the majority of people are not wearing masks.

Bridgette Shaffer, Director of the Jackson County Health Department, presented an update on the current Jackson County COVID-19 data. A copy of Ms. Shaffer's presentation is available under the Meeting Details for the November 12, 2021 Legislative Meeting located at <https://jacksonco.legistar.com/MeetingDetail.aspx?ID=904814&GUID=8F24E0D9-E52E-4814-A2F4-B0A4F734DD36&Options>.

Jeanie Lauer said, throughout the pandemic the County has followed the City of Kansas City's mask mandate. But since the City dropped its order, the County remains as the only entity in the region with a mask order.

Jalen Anderson, County Legislator, said the County is close to having vaccinations for all children. Since we are close to November 22 it seems reasonable to let the order run out. He said it was reckless for the City of Kansas City to drop its order without consulting the County. He said since September, more than 60 people have died of COVID in the region.

Dan Tarwater III, County Legislator, said there are many people/children who should wear a mask including those people not vaccinated and those that are immunocompromised which is referenced in the Resolution.

Resolution #20814 for was adopted at this time. See page 5 for details.

6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

[5559](#) AN ORDINANCE authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$13,300,000 principal amount of special obligation refunding bonds (Truman Medical Center d/b/a University Health Project), series 2021B, of Jackson County, Missouri, and authorizing certain other documents and actions by the County.
(Legislature As A Whole - 2nd. Perfection)

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

None.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

[20807](#) A motion was made by Scott Burnett, seconded by Theresa Cass Galvin, to approve the Budget Committee Substitute dated November 12, 2021 for Resolution #20807. The motion passed by a voice vote. Consent Agenda.
(APPROVED)

[20809](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract with one twelve-month option to extend for the furnishing of body bags for use by the Medical Examiner's Office to Frontier Mortuary Supply, LLC, of Kansas City, KS under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 56-21.
(Health and Environment Committee - 1st. Meeting)

[20810](#) Budget Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[20812](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing a twelve-month term and supply agreement with the City of Independence, Missouri, for the purchase of vehicle fuel for use by the Public Works Department, as an acquisition from another governmental entity.
(Public Works Committee - 1st. Meeting)

[20813](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute an Agreement for Environmental Services with the City of Lake Lotawana.
(Health and Environment Committee - 1st. Meeting)

9 CONSENT AGENDA

[20807](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$46,580.00 within the 2021 County Improvement Fund to pay the costs of necessary engineering services within the County park system from an existing County term and supply vendor.
(ADOPTED)

[20810](#)

A RESOLUTION transferring \$25,129.00 within the 2021 Park Fund to cover the cost of fuel for use by the Parks + Rec Department and Sheriff's Office.

(ADOPTED)

Resolutions #20807 and #20810 were moved to the Consent Agenda for adoption.

A motion was made by Scott Burnett, seconded by Theresa Cass Galvin, 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

[5562](#)

Amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by rezoning a certain 3.00± acre tract from District AG (Agricultural) to District RE (Residential Estates).

(Assigned to the Land Use Committee.)

[5563](#)

Amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by rezoning a certain 10.05± acre tract from District AG (Agricultural) to District RR (Residential Ranchette).

(Assigned to the Land Use Committee.)

[5564](#)

Amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by rezoning a certain 319.28± acre tract from District AG (Agricultural) to District RE (Residential Estates) and approving the preliminary plat "Heritage Farm," creating an eighty-four-lot residential subdivision.

(Assigned to the Land Use Committee.)

The Land Use Committee will have a public hearing regarding Ordinances #5562, #5563 and #5564 on Monday, November 22, 2021 at 9:45 a.m. in the Kansas City Legislative Assembly Area.

[5565](#)

A motion was made by Charlie Franklin, seconded by Theresa Cass Galvin to perfect Ordinance #5565. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5565](#)

A motion was made by Charlie Franklin, seconded by Theresa Cass Galvin, to adopt Ordinance #5565, transferring \$210,064.00 within the 2021 General Fund and appropriating \$266,065.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2021 Grant Fund, in acceptance of the Sheriff's Office's DWI/Traffic Safety Unit Salary Grant awarded by the Missouri Department of Transportation, Traffic and Highway Safety Division, and authorizing the County Executive to execute a contract with the Missouri Highway Safety Division for the acceptance and expenditure of grant funds. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Dan Tarwater III, Ronald E. Finley, Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Charlie Franklin, Jeanie Lauer and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent: 1 - Scott Burnett

(ADOPTED)

[5566](#)

A motion was made by Charlie Franklin, seconded by Theresa Cass Galvin to perfect Ordinance #5566. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5566](#)

A motion was made by Charlie Franklin, seconded by Theresa Cass Galvin, to adopt Ordinance #5566, appropriating \$19,500.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2021 Grant Fund, in acceptance of the Sheriff's Office's Hazardous Moving Violation Enforcement grant awarded by the Missouri Department of Transportation, Traffic and Highway Safety Division, and authorizing the County Executive to execute a contract with the Missouri Traffic and Highway Safety Division for the expenditure of grant funds. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Dan Tarwater III, Ronald E. Finley, Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Charlie Franklin, Jeanie Lauer and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent: 1 - Scott Burnett

(ADOPTED)

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[20814](#)

A motion was made by Theresa Cass Galvin, seconded by Jeanie Lauer, to adopt Resolution #20814, ending the County's current mask mandate order effective upon adoption of this Resolution. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 5 - Dan Tarwater III, Ronald E. Finley, Tony Miller, Jeanie Lauer and Theresa Cass Galvin

No: 4 - Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Scott Burnett and Charlie Franklin

(ADOPTED)

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS[21-28](#)

Pursuant to section 9057, Jackson County Code I hereby make the following reappointment to the Housing Resources Commission:

Rhonda Holman is reappointed for a new term to expire October 31, 2024.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

14 NEW BUSINESS

Theresa Cass Galvin reminded everyone that budget hearings will be held on Monday, November 22 and Tuesday, November 23, 2021 in the Kansas City Legislative Assembly Area. With that in mind, the County Legislature will add a legislative meeting on November 23rd.

A motion was made by Theresa Cass Galvin, seconded by Charlie Franklin, to add a legislative meeting on Tuesday, November 23, 2021 at 1 p.m. and cancel the legislative meeting scheduled to be held on December 20, 2021. The motion passed by a voice vote.

15 ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Theresa Cass Galvin, seconded by Ronald E. Finley, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned until Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 2nd Floor, Legislative Assembly Area.