

**ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY COMMISSION
MINUTES
AUGUST 8, 2023
TUESDAY**

CALL TO ORDER:

The County Commission met in regular session. Those present were Presiding Commissioner, Harold Gallaher, Commissioner First District, Kary Buckley and Commissioner Second District, David Kater. Also, present was County Clerk, Kevin Engler, and Deputy Clerk, Linda Balentine from the County Clerk's office.

Others present, Louie Seiberlich, Bob Turner, John Gross, Kim Schrum, Nick Jones, Bridget Smith, Parks Peterson, Clay Copeland, Kevin Jenkins, Kyle Smith, Laura Smith, Carol Gamble, Corey Schrum, Jay Graf, Jeff Crites, Ben Bradley, Jason Crump, Rich Luebcke, Kristian Bone, Michael Ryan, Matthew Harris, Dave Kennedy, and Sheriff Dan Bullock.

Commissioner Buckley made a motion to amend the agenda to add the purchase of two new cars for Sheriff's Department from Sam Scism to general business. Commissioner Kater seconded the motion.

Commissioner Buckley made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Kater seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of Minutes, August 1, 2023
2. Monthly Report/Recorder of Deeds
3. Notice of Public Hearing August 22, 2023, 10 a.m./Tax Levy
4. Monthly Report/Treasurer
5. Sales Tax/Use Tax Report/Treasurer
6. Monthly Report/Collector

TABLED AGENDA ITEMS:

GENERAL BUSINESS:

**BID OPENING
AC-HEAT/WEBER RD.**

Bids were opened for AC-Heat at Weber Rd Facility. There was only one bid received from Briley Heating & Cooling. This will be taken under advisement until further notice.

PUBLIC LANDS DONATION

Western Region Boards of Directors have moved to form the National Center for Public Lands and are asking each County to donate 1% of the LATC receipts. This would be \$1,000 for St. Francois County and would be paid from the 2024 budget. This is a one-time approval, not an annual expense. Commissioner Kater made a motion to approve this donation. Commissioner Buckley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**APPROVAL OFF-SITE
SERVER/RECORDER
OF DEEDS/SOLE SOURCE**

Recorder of Deeds, Jay Graf, presented the Commission a request for an off-site server for digital records. This server would store the official public records at a location physically separate from the County's location. The annual price is \$12,200 (quarterly charge is \$3,050) and a onetime \$5,000 equipment purchase. Commissioner Kater made a motion to approve the off-site server through Fidlar Technologies. Commissioner Buckley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**REQUEST TO APPLY
GRANT FOR SFY 2024
LOCAL VIOLENT CRIME
PREVENTION**

LT Michael Ryan, came before the Commission to seek approval to apply for the SFY 2024 Local Violent Crime prevention Grant. This grant is a \$25,000 no match block grant and will be used to purchase mobile license plate readers and fingerprint scanners for patrol cars. Commissioner Kater made a motion to proceed with grant submission. Commissioner Buckley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**CREATE LINE-ITEM
ACCOUNT/DUES &
SUBSCRIPTIONS**

County Auditor, Louie Seiberlich, came before the Commission to request creating a line item for dues & subscriptions to pay for various Chamber of Commerce dues. This would be in the 2024 budget for \$2,500. Commissioner Buckley made a motion to approve creating a line-item account. Commissioner Kater seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

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**PURCHASE TWO NEW
HYBRID POLICE CARS
SHERIFF DEPT.**

Commissioner Buckley made a motion to purchase two new hybrid police cars from Sam Scism Ford for \$54,000 each and to pay for these patrol cars out of the Prop P money. These two cars are immediately ready for pick up but will need to be outfitted with some equipment. Sheriff Dan explained these vehicles will be used by the Sheriff's Dept. for cross country prisoner transport. Commissioner Kater seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

NEXT MEETING:

The next regular meeting of the county commission will be held on Tuesday, August 15, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mrs. Carol Gamble spoke to the Commission regarding Owl Creek security and making sure it is a family friendly park. The Commission assured Mrs. Gamble this is a priority and thanked her for her concern.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

SENATE BILL 190

The Missouri Association of Counties (MAC), the County Collectors organization, the Assessor's association and others have formed a task force to help the legislature correct the many errors in the bill that has been passed. Kevin Engler is on a committee to help "re-write" the bill to correct the errors. Our County is also working toward a solution.

PAYROLL CHANGES

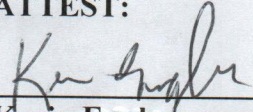
Treasurer, Parks Peterson, spoke to the Commission about payroll changes. Mr. Peterson is requesting any changes to payroll must be made in person by the employee. This is to prevent the chances of cyber security from being breached.

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ADJOURNMENT:

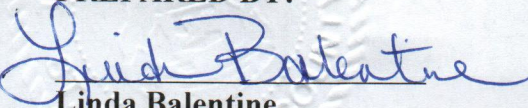
With there being no further business County Commissioner Kater made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Buckley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

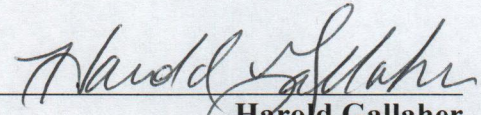


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