

TERM OF COMMISSION: August Session of the August Adjourned Term

PLACE OF MEETING: Boone County Government Center Commission Chambers

PRESENT WERE: District I Commissioner Karen M. Miller  
District II Commissioner Linda Vogt  
Deputy County Clerk Michelle Malaby  
County Counselor John Patton

The regular meeting of the County Commission was called to order at 9:31 a.m. Commissioner Vogt acted as Presiding Commissioner.

**SUBJECT: Request by Rocky Fork LLC for Extension in Considering Rezoning Request**

Planning and Building Inspection Department Director Stan Shawver stated on August 15th the Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing on a request by Rocky Fork, LLC to rezone 426.74 acres from R-S and A-R to A-2. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends the request be denied. Rocky Fork, LLC submitted an appeal for consideration by the County Commission. They request the commission postpone hearing the appeal until December 3, 1996. Their request was made by their attorney, Craig Van Matre, in a letter dated August 22, 1996. The item is on the September 3, 1996 County Commission agenda. The County Commission has acted on similar requests for postponement in the past.

In response to a question from Commissioner Miller, Mr. Shawver replied it is appropriate for the County Commission to act on the request for postponement today. The Planning and Building Inspection Department can then send letters to the 146 property owners who were originally notified. Sending letters today will hopefully give people adequate time to plan. September 2, 1996 is Labor Day.

Commissioner Vogt stated she would like to allow people to become aware of this discussion and attend the County Commission meeting on Thursday to comment before the County Commission takes action. Residents in the area are very concerned.

Mr. Shawver noted there are a number of people present this morning.

Commissioner Miller stated she understands Mr. Shawver's concern with delaying action. It would be difficult to provide adequate notice out if the commission waits until Thursday. It would be unfair to people planning to be here on September 3rd if the commission does not intend to hear the request. She believes the applicant will work with neighbors to see if there is a solution. It is in the best interest of Boone County to give them an opportunity to find one. Commissioner Miller moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone accept a request by Rocky Fork, LLC to delay the hearing of their appeal of the Planning and Zoning Commission's denial of their request for rezoning by the County Commission until the evening County Commission meeting on December 3, 1996.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion and called for public comment.

Greg Wolff, 6550 N. Creasy Springs Road, stated he is on the leadership committee for the community, consisting of neighborhoods surrounding the subject tract. There are about 650 homes in the community. The leadership committee reviewed the request for postponement and is not opposed. They ask that a decision be made today because if the commission decides not to approve the request, there is a lot of work to do between now Tuesday.

Commissioner Vogt agreed this is an opportunity for everyone to work together to arrive at the best solution for the entire county.

Motion passed unanimously. **Order 455-96.**

Mr. Shawver stated he will notify property owners of the delay and will notify them again before the December 3, 1996 meeting.

**SUBJECT: Adopt Flood Plain Administration Procedures**

Mr. Shawver stated it is unusual to ask the commission to adopt administrative procedures. The ordinance adopted by the county gives the director authority to establish administrative procedures for handling routine matters. However, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) feels certain administrative procedures should be adopted. Procedures used by the Department of Planning and Building Inspection follow models FEMA provided. FEMA periodically changes its outlook on what should be included. When FEMA makes a community visit they give the county demerits because procedures do not reflect current standards.

In response to a question from Commissioner Miller, whether FEMA notifies the county of changes, Mr. Shawver replied information is distributed through the federal register. Even when counties are notified, they do not say the changes need to be adopted. Many such notices are sent to the Presiding Commissioner. Distribution is sometimes unclear. It was frustrating during the last visit to learn the county is supposed to do things it was not aware it was responsible for.

Commissioner Miller commented the same thing can be said for the flood buyout project. The county worked hand-in-hand with FEMA, but was not aware of steps which were necessary to successfully complete the project.

Commissioner Vogt stated the information indicates the county uses the Natural Resources Conservation Service of University Extension to verify information. Is the county charged for such services?

Mr. Shawver replied the instances referred to are rare. The Natural Resources Conservation Service has a flood modeling program they can use for a specific site to determine floodplain elevations. The existing contract with University Extension covers such services.

In response to a question from Commissioner Vogt, Mr. Shawver replied if the county does not comply with National Flood Insurance Program requirements, it could result in the county being removed from the program which would mean people in unincorporated areas of the county would not be eligible for flood insurance. There are only about 12 policies. A greater repercussion would be that the county would not be eligible for flood disaster assistance for repair of roads and other damage.

Commissioner Miller moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone adopt the attached Procedures for Floodplain Development Permits and authorize use of the attached Floodplain Development Permit/Application.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 456-96.**

**SUBJECT: Discuss Hiring Employee Above Base of Salary Range**

Information Services Director Scott Monnig summarized his memo to the County Commission dated August 27, 1996.

In response to questions from Commissioner Vogt, Mr. Monnig replied Mr. Ingle's rate of pay when he left was \$19.19 per hour--or about \$40,000 per year. An hourly rate of \$15.00 per hour amounts to \$31,200 per year. Salary was an issue when Mr. Ingle left. He spoke to Mr. Ingle about the lower rate of pay both during the interview and when he called to offer him the position. The position Mr. Ingle left for did not work out. He realizes money isn't everything. He wants to enjoy where he works and what he is doing. He wants to keep computer users happy. He indicated the position he left for did not allow him to do that. Mr. Monnig stated if Mr. Ingle returns, he does not think he will leave for that reason again. Mr. Monnig stated he would probably promote Mr. Ingle if another position opens, but that is not likely to happen soon. When Mr. Ingle left the position of Programming Supervisor, Mr. Monnig stated he wanted to replace him with someone who would do more supervising than programming. Mr. Ingle is a very good programmer. Supervision was not his strong suit. Mr. Ingle agreed with that assessment during his interview. He indicated that is not his goal. Mr. Monnig stated he may restructure support of the Sheriff's Department. The Information Services Department does not seem well suited to 24-hour per day support. They are the only department of the fifteen they support which is like that.

It is conceivable Mr. Ingle might shift positions then, but he does not anticipate he will move him to a position in the portion of the department located in the Government Center.

Commissioner Miller stated she is aware the county struggled with his departure. Many departments said the county needed to make an effort to retain him. Money is not everything. Unfortunately, you do not always learn that before you leave a position. She supports this request and believes the Sheriff's Department will be excited to have Mr. Ingle available for support.

Mr. Monnig noted members of the Sheriff's Department participated in the interviews. Mr. Ingle was their preferred candidate as well.

Commissioner Vogt stated she is comfortable with the request. Commissioner Vogt noted during the reclassification process, the committee repeatedly discussed giving the administrative authority leeway to hire within the salary range for a position. If the commission approved that policy, this request would not have to be considered by the commission. Commissioner Vogt moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone authorize the Information Services Director to hire an employee (Doug Ingle) at a rate which is up to 21 percent above the base of the salary range.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 457-96.**

**SUBJECT: Amendment to Financial Assistance Agreement with Mid-Missouri Solid Waste Management District**

Commissioner Vogt stated the Solid Waste Coordinator worked very hard in applying for a grant from the State of Missouri and Mid-Missouri Solid Waste Management District for recycling. This amendment changes the time period of the grant. Commissioner Vogt moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone approve, and authorize the acting Presiding Commissioner to sign, the attached Amendment to the Financial Assistance Agreement with Mid-Missouri Solid Waste Management District which changes the project period from September 1, 1995 through May 31, 1996 to June 1, 1995 through May 31, 1997.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 458-96.**

**SUBJECT: Application for Permit for Organization Use of Courthouse Grounds: University of Missouri, Columbia MSA/GPC College Music Committee**

Commissioner Miller moved that the County Commission of the County of Boone approve, and authorize the acting Presiding Commissioner to sign, an Application for Permit for Organization Use of Courthouse Grounds by the University of Missouri, Columbia MSA/GPC College Music Committee on October 6, 1996 from 5:00 p.m. through 12:00 midnight.

Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. **Order 459-96.**

**SUBJECT: Reports from Commissioners**

Commissioner Miller introduced Daniel O'Keefe, the County Commission intern this semester.

Commissioner Miller reported on her attendance at the International Fire Chiefs Association conference on Sunday. The association includes 41 countries. She was invited by the Boone County Fire District Board of Trustees. They received an award for their Survival Kids program, which teaches children how to protect themselves in the event of fire. Steve Paulsell will receive the Fire Chief of the Year award today.

Commissioner Vogt reported on her attendance at the Boone County Group Homes board meeting last night. The board received a letter from Prosecuting Attorney Kevin Crane requesting support a grant application to establish a center to benefit abused and neglected children. Several agencies deal with abused children. One problem is not knowing who to turn to. The State believes in the need for several centers across the state where children could go for help. The board voted to support the request.

The commission agreed to invite Mr. Crane to report on the matter.

Commissioner Vogt reported she served on the committee which reviewed allegations made against the public housing director Scott Melton. The committee made two reports which she plans to submit for inclusion in Boone County's record.

The meeting adjourned at 10:11 a.m.

ABSENT

Attest:

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Don Stamper  
Presiding Commissioner

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Wendy S. Noren  
Clerk of the County Commission

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Karen M. Miller  
District I Commissioner

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Linda Vogt  
District II Commissioner