

TERM OF COMMISSION: November Session of the October Adjourned Term

PLACE OF MEETING: Roger B. Wilson Boone County Government Center  
Commission Chambers

PRESENT WERE: Presiding Commission Daniel Atwill  
District I Commissioner Karen Miller  
District II Commissioner Janet Thompson  
Manager, Road Maintenance Chet Dunn  
Asst. Mgr. Road Maintenance Greg Eddington  
Senior Buyer Amy Robbins  
Deputy County Clerk Mike Yaquinto

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

### **Central Missouri Events Center**

#### **1. Task Force report presentation**

Chairman Roger Wilson addressed the Commission thanking the Commission for the opportunity to examine the future of the CMEC and present some recommendations. The members of the committee were recognized for their forward focus, wanting only the best for Boone County. Mr. Wilson also thanked past and present contributors to the Boone County Fair before it became the Central Missouri Events Center and those that have contributed since then. There are corporations, individuals and families that have supported the fair and the CMEC over the years and it was refreshing to hear so much testimony during the public hearings that were conducted.

Mr. Wilson said that the background and rationale for the task force is quite evident with the appointment of the committee to look into the existing framework and make recommendations moving forward. The 1<sup>st</sup> step has been taken with the Commission hiring

TAG Events to manage the Fairgrounds.

The process was meeting every week for eight weeks. The committee hosted four public hearings, one each in Hallsville, Midway, Ashland and here in the Government Chambers. The attendance was good and input from the attendees brought to the attention some things that the committee did not consider. One important thing is that vendors were emphatic that they could schedule out several years and sign contracts, knowing they would be in the building. That is one recommendation the committee strongly urges the Commission to address.

Mr. Wilson said the committee proposes the following recommendations:

- 1) Make a long term commitment – once a decision is made, steps should be taken to secure the CMEC and surrounding grounds for future generations.
- 2) Procure funding from public dollars, private/corporate donations and facility generated income – this is based on research of other similar facilities.
- 3) Create a not-for-profit foundation – serve in concert with CMEC management, primarily serving to lead private/corporate fundraising efforts.
- 4) Appoint an advisory/resource committee – no power, serve in an advisory capacity, providing institutional knowledge, community history, and links to any existing available resources.
- 5) Hire a full-time manager and full-time marketer – emphasize the Marketer since this is a multi-million dollar facility and tax payer asset. It can be enhanced with an aggressive full-time marketing effort.
- 6) Develop a timeline for short and long term maintenance needs, including capital improvements and deferred maintenance – need this so the facility can be financially viable.
- 7) Seek partnerships that enhance the value of the CMEC – these can be financial, recreational or service related.

- 8) Determine and track the economic impact of the CMEC – because the property is owned by and accountable to all the citizens of Boone County, there is a need to develop an accurate way to assess economic impact.

Mr. Wilson reviewed the events and uses for the facility stating there is a wide variety as it should be for such a facility and the task force envisions the CMEC as a multi-purpose facility, able to host multiple events concurrently. Several thoughts were the Special Olympics locating at the facility and perhaps the university extension group as well.

There will be some things that will not generate revenue. It is desirable to have the facility be self-sustaining, but it is a public facility, owned by the public and must be for the public benefit. The overwhelming majority want to see the site developed and feel a sense of urgency in the matter.

Commissioner Atwill asked if there have been any suggestions from the business community and how they might react to the idea of community support financially.

Mr. Wilson said he has had several conversations regarding this. No one has said no, yet no one has written a check. There needs to be more of these conversations. If the report is that the Commission is going to act positively, that will send a message that this debate is over and there is a plan going forward. It is an asset of Boone County and there will be development in the best way possible as stewards of the property. The support is there. During the planning process there will be the opportunity to see what is advantageous and other things will be flushed out in the process. There is a strong volunteer commitment in the community and the people have an emotional and special attachment to the fairgrounds. There needs to be an effort to formally tap into that. There is a lot of mental and physical muscle available to make this a success.

There were no other comments. Commissioner Atwill thanked the task force for their effort

in delivering the document with their findings. The Commission will study it and hopefully find a way to implement some of the recommendations.

Commissioner Thompson recognized those from the task force that were present for the meeting; Roger Wilson, Nonie Dudley, Anna Marie Knipp, Marie Pasley, David Thomas, Jay Turner, Mick Wilson and Bondi Wood.

## **Public Works**

### **2. First reading; Budget Revision to purchase a Rubber Tire Loader**

Chet Dunn said that the current loader is a 2007. The department wanted to get several more years of use but it is not going to make it. It is deteriorating before our eyes.

Greg Eddington said that the cost of ownership on the existing loader is \$15,000/year. By switching to the three year buy back guarantee contract, the cost is lowered to \$13,500/year. This is a definite financial advantage.

Mr. Dunn also added that as of December 1, the state bid goes up another \$20,000 for the same loader so it is time to make the deal which is a very good deal.

There were no comments or questions.

Commissioner Atwill stated this is a first reading and requested the Deputy County Clerk to schedule this item for a second reading at the next available commission meeting with appropriate order for approval.

**Purchasing**

**3. First reading; Bid Award 44-01NOV13 – Motorized Carts**

Amy Robbins read the following memo:

44-01NOV13 – Golf Carts opened on November 1, 2013. One bid was received and the Sheriff Department recommends award by low bid to M&M Golf Cars, LLC of Mexico, MO.

Invoices will be paid from department 2540 Sheriff Civil Charges, account 92300 – Replacement Machines and Equipment.

There were no comments or questions.

Commissioner Atwill stated this is a first reading and requested the Deputy County Clerk to schedule this item for a second reading at the next available commission meeting with appropriate order for approval.

**4. First reading; Utilize MDOT Cooperative Contract to purchase one John Deere Wheel Loader and trade-in one Case Rubber Tire Loader**

Amy Robbins read the following memo:

Purchasing and Public Works request permission to utilize the Missouri Department of Transportation's cooperative contract number 3-120320RJ to purchase one (1) John Deere 544K High Lift Wheel Loader from Tri-State Construction Equipment Company of Ashland, MO and to trade-in one (1) 2007 Case 521D Rubber Tire Loader to the same vendor.

Total cost for the JD 544K Loader is \$143,000.00, less trade-in allowance for the 2007 Case Loader of \$28,500.00 for a grand total of \$114,500.00 and will be paid from department 2040 – Public Works Maintenance Operations, account 92300 - Replacement Machinery & Equipment. This agreement also includes a 3YR/1500 HR guaranteed buy-back option of \$102,000.00 that is available to the County.

Additionally, Public Works requests to dispose of the following:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Fixed Asset Tag</u>
2007 Case 521D Rubber Tire Loader SN: JEE0200050	15851

There were no comments or questions.

Commissioner Atwill stated this is a first reading and requested the Deputy County Clerk to schedule this item for a second reading at the next available commission meeting with appropriate order for approval.

**5. Second reading; Contract for Canon MS 300II Microfilm Scanner for Circuit Clerk  
(1<sup>st</sup> reading 11-19-13)**

Commissioner Thompson moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the purchase, by the Circuit Clerk's Office, of a Microfilm Scanner/Reader/Printer with maintenance from RK Black Missouri, LLC dba EBE Office Solutions of Lenexa, Kansas and dispose of an existing Microfilm Reader, asset tag 11238 on GovDeals. The terms of this Contract are stipulated in the attached Purchase Agreement. It is further ordered the Presiding Commissioner is hereby authorized to sign said Purchase Agreement and Request for Disposal Form.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

The motion passed 3 to 0. **Order #526-2013**

**6. Second reading; State of New Mexico Cooperative Contract #20-000-00-00040D, Managed Print Services (1<sup>st</sup> reading 11-19-13)**

Commissioner Miller moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the utilization of the WSCA/State of New Mexico Cooperative Contract #20-000-00-00040D for Managed Print Services with Xerox Corporation. This is a Term and Supply contract available through August 31, 2014 with two additional 24-month renewal options.

The terms of this Cooperative Contract are stipulated in the attached Purchase Agreement. It is further ordered the Presiding Commissioner is hereby authorized to sign said Purchase Agreement.

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #527-2013**

**7. Second reading; Contract Amendment Number One, 101012-KII, KI Office Furniture (1<sup>st</sup> reading 11-19-13)**

Commissioner Thompson moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve Contract Amendment Number One, 101012-KII – KI Office Furniture. This is a county-wide Term and Supply. The terms of this amendment are stipulated in the attached Contract Amendment Number One. It is further ordered the Presiding Commissioner is hereby authorized to sign said Contract Amendment Number One.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #528-2013**

## **Commission**

### **8. Public Comment**

None

### **9. Commissioner Reports**

Commissioner Thompson thanked all the people that worked on the CMEC Task Force. All the members were amazing and showed support to the County by giving their time, energy and thoughts on how to make Boone County better.

Commissioner Miller asked if all those on the committee showed up to the meetings.

Commissioner Thompson said all who were initially appointed were in attendance with the exception of one individual who had to withdraw after two meetings due to "life" circumstances.

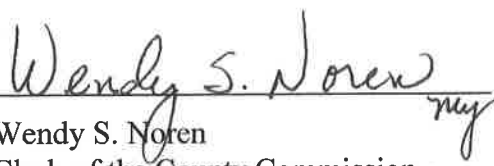
Commissioner Thompson said that as quickly as the meetings occurred, the dedication of the members was incredible. There were instances where members would come directly to the meeting from working all day without even having time to eat supper. When asked, the citizens of Boone County are always there to help.

There were no further comments or questions and no additional Commissioner Reports.




The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Attest:

  
Wendy S. Noren  
Clerk of the County Commission

  
Daniel K. Atwill  
Presiding Commissioner

  
Karen M. Miller  
District I Commissioner

  
Janet M. Thompson  
District II Commissioner

