

TERM OF COMMISSION: August Session of the July Adjourned Term

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

PRESENT WERE: Presiding Commission Dan Atwill
District II Commissioner Janet Thompson
Director Purchasing Melinda Bobbitt
Court Administrator Mary Epping
Circuit Clerk Christy Blakemore
Asst. Court Administrator Cindy Garrett
County Counselor C. J. Dykhouse
Manager Facilities Maintenance Doug Coley
Deputy County Clerk Mike Yaquinto

The meeting was called to order at 1:33 p.m.

Purchasing

1. First reading; Bid Award 10-23MAR16 – Consulting Services for Enterprise Resource Planning System Selection

Melinda Bobbitt read the following memo:

Request for Proposal *10-23MAR16 – Consulting Services for Enterprise Resource Planning System Selection* closed on March 23, 2016. Four proposal responses were received.

The evaluation committee consisted of the following:

June Pitchford, County Auditor

Tom Darrough, County Treasurer

Aron Gish, IT Director

Julia Lutz, Supervisor Programming & Analysis

The evaluation committee recommends award to Plante & Moran of Southfield, Michigan. Total cost of contract is \$139,355 and will be paid from 1190 – Non-Departmental, account 71101 – Professional Services.

Commissioner Thompson said that the Auditor has said that the consultant is very important in this process to help up get through this much more quickly.

There were no further 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.

2. First reading; RFP Award Recommendation: 17-29APR16 – Short Term Lease of Real Property, Central Missouri Events Center

Melinda Bobbitt read the following memo:

Request for Proposal 17-29APR16 – Short Term Lease of Real Property – Central Missouri Events Center closed on April 29, 2016. Three proposal responses were received.

The evaluation committee consisted of the following:

Dan Atwill, Presiding Commissioner

June Pitchford, County Auditor

Brian McCollum, County Collector

Dwayne Carey, Sheriff

The evaluation committee recommends award for a three-year period per their attached Evaluation Report as follows:

	<u>Facility</u>	<u>Annual Amount</u>
Veterans United Home Loans	Coliseum	\$25,000
	Sapp Building	\$2,500
	Parking lot north and east of Coliseum	\$2,500
United Parcel Service	Parking area to be used as a trailer staging area	\$10,500

Revenue will be deposited in department 1190 – Non-Departmental, account 3822 – Other Lease Revenue.

Commissioner Atwill said this involved Veteran’s United and UPS as indicated. Both are excellent corporate citizens of the county. This results in over \$100,000 in annual benefit to the county by way of rental payments, maintenance and payment of utilities for an initial term of three years.

Veteran’s United will have the ability to lease to others like our last operator had there. VU may use it for training, its own staff and special events. It is worthy to note that for one occasion they had there in the past, they were responsible for 3,000 guests being here for overnight accommodations.

There is a provision for consideration of the use of the property as a location for the annual Agriculture and Mechanical Fair, sometimes known as the Boone County Fair under mutual agreement with VU, the county and UPS. This reduces the county responsibility for maintenance and provides income and gives the county time to carefully consider long range planning with some funding available from the rental amount. It also allows the county to focus on the renewal of the road tax which will be presented to the voters before expiration in 2018.

This is a reasonable agreement that will work well and give us plenty of time to look at long range plans for the use of the property with appropriate input from all those interested.

Commissioner Thompson said it is her understanding as well, that VU, as part of the agreement, has the ability and the desire to put a certain amount of maintenance money into the property in addition to the \$25,000 annual amount for the coliseum. This will enhance the property as it currently exists so it will not deteriorate and we will get that extra money on top of it.

With the ability of VU to collaborate with the Fair Board if they wish to have the fair at this location and the financial arrangement, it seems to take the burden off the county for the maintenance of the property on a short term basis so we, as a county, can explore better ways to fully utilize that property.

There were no further 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.

3. Second reading; Disposal of Surplus Equipment on GovDeals (1st read 7-28-16)

Commissioner Thompson moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the request by the Purchasing Department to dispose of the attached list of surplus equipment by auction on GovDeals or by destruction for whatever is not suitable for auction. .

It is further ordered the Presiding Commissioner is hereby authorized to sign said Request for Disposal forms.

Commissioner Atwill seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #353-2016**

4. 1st & 2nd reading; Cooperative Contract 126/2016 – Tree Cutting Removal Services

Commissioner Atwill said this pertains to the problems on the MKT Trail.

Melinda Bobbitt read the following memo:

Purchasing and Facilities Maintenance request permission to utilize City of Columbia cooperative contract 126/2015-Tree Cutting and Removal Services with Arthur Ratliff Tree and Stump Removal, LLC of Columbia Missouri.

Invoices from this Term and Supply contract will be paid from the following:
Department 1610 – Facilities and Grounds Maintenance, account 60400 – Grounds Maintenance.

Ms. Bobbitt said they are requesting 1st & 2nd reading today due to the urgency of the problem at the trail.

There were no further comments.

Commissioner Atwill moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the utilization of the City of Columbia Cooperative Contract 126/2015 for Tree Cutting and Removal Services with Arthur Ratliff Tree and Stump Removal, LLC of Columbia, MO.

The terms of the 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 2 to 0. **Order #354-2016**

**5. Second reading; Bid Award 40-14JUL16C – Family Health Center Building Repair
(1st read 7-28-16)**

Commissioner Thompson moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby award bid 40-14JUL16C – Family Health Center Building Repair to Grove Construction.

Terms of the bid award are stipulated in the attached Contract Agreement. It is further ordered the Presiding Commissioner is hereby authorized to sign said Contract Agreement.

Commissioner Atwill seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #355-2016**

6. Second reading; Bid Award 37-30JUN16 – Mexico Gravel Road Bridge (1st read 6-30-16)

Commissioner Atwill moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby award bid 37-30JUN16 – Boone County Mexico Gravel Road Bridge to Boone Construction Company of Columbia, MO.

Terms of the bid award are stipulated in the attached Contract Agreement. It is further ordered the Presiding Commissioner is hereby authorized to sign said Contract Agreement.

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #356-2016**

Facilities Maintenance

7. First reading; Budget revision to add funds to the Security budget

Doug Coley said the budget had been established for this year, but some unforeseen things were pointed out to us by Aron Gish in Information Technologies. These are some necessary items needed by him to perform his duties and accessing with a laptop to get into the system.

There were no comments or question.

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.

Resource Management

8. Receive and accept the following subdivision plats:

- **Hailey Ridge Meadows. S2-T50N-R12W. A-2. Jason Karrick and Kellie Dickenson, owners. Steven R. Proctor, surveyor.**

- **Rokes Bend, Plat No. 1. S22-T47N-R13W. A-2. Tompkins Homes and Development, Inc., owner. David T. Butcher, surveyor.**

- **Eagle Heights, Plat No. 1. S2-T49N-R12W. A-2. Jeanie M. Morrison, owner. David T. Butcher, surveyor.**

- **Valley Spring Plat 3. S13-T48N-R14W. A-2 Hereth Properties LLC, owner. Kevin M. Schweikert, surveyor.**

Commissioner Thompson moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby receive and accept the following subdivision plats and authorize the Presiding Commissioner to sign them:

- Hailey Ridge Meadows. S2-T50N-R12W. A-2. Jason Karrick and Kellie Dickenson, owners. Steven R. Proctor, surveyor.
- Rokes Bend, Plat No. 1. S22-T47N-R13W. A-2. Tompkins Homes and Development, Inc., owner. David T. Butcher, surveyor.
- Eagle Heights, Plat No. 1. S2-T49N-R12W. A-2. Jeanie M. Morrison, owner. David T. Butcher, surveyor.
- Valley Spring Plat 3. S13-T48N-R14W. A-2 Hereth Properties LLC, owner. Kevin M. Schweikert, surveyor.

Commissioner Atwill seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #357-2016**

13th Judicial Circuit Court

9. First reading; Request to extend leave without pay pursuant to Rule 5.7

Mary Epping said we have an employee, a veteran, who was hurt while serving in the military and within the last month, there have been some complications requiring treatment. Because of these treatments, we are requesting extension of his time, without pay, to be extended to September 12th when he will be able to return.

Also, within our budget, we are asking that his health insurance be continued and that we would like to seek some temporary help while he is on leave from the part time pool. This will not cost any more money since we are not paying him and the funds can be used to pay a part time person.

Commissioner Thompson asked if this has been reviewed by HR and the Auditor.

Ms. Epping said it has.

There were no further 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.

10. 2017 Budget Presentation

Mary Epping, Cindy Garrett and Christy Blakemore presented the 2017 court budget highlighting the following:

Total Case Filings

Criminal Case Filings

Civil Case Filings

Juvenile Cases

Probate Case Filings

Jury Trial Days

Implementation, Initiatives, Issues & 2017 impact

Circuit Court Funding

Boone County General Revenue Funds

- Juvenile Justice Center
- Juvenile Office
- Jury Services & Court Costs
- Circuit Court
- Circuit Clerk

Prop L Funds

- Alternative Sentencing
- Law Enforcement

Boone Funds

- Family Services and Justice
- Drug Court
- Veterans Court
- Law Library

Grants

The Commission thanked the Court for the in-detail presentation.

Auditor

11. Public hearing and second reading; Budget Amendment to establish funding for Consulting Services – ERP System (1st read 7-21-16)

Commissioner Atwill opened the public hearing and asked if there is anyone present that would like to speak on the budget amendment. There were no speakers and Commissioner Atwill closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Thompson moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby acknowledge the following budget amendment from the Auditor’s Office to establish a budget for consulting services related to the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) System.

Department	Account	Department Name	Account Name	Decrease \$	Increase \$
1190	71101	Non-Departmental	Professional Services		153,300

Commissioner Atwill seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #358-2016**

12. Public hearing and second reading; Budget Amendment to establish funding for new Project Manager position (1st read 7-21-16)

Commissioner Atwill opened the public hearing and asked if there is anyone present that would like to speak on the budget amendment. There were no speakers and Commissioner Atwill closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Thompson moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby acknowledge the following budget amendment from the Auditor's Office to establish a budget for the Project Manager position in the Information Technology Department.

Department	Account	Department Name	Account Name	Decrease \$	Increase \$
1170	10100	Information Tech.	Salaries & Wages		22,141
1170	10200	Information Tech.	FICA		1,694
1170	10300	Information Tech.	Health Insurance		2,425
1170	10325	Information Tech.	Disability Insurance		85
1170	10350	Information Tech.	Life Insurance		20
1170	10375	Information Tech.	Dental Insurance		175
1170	10400	Information Tech.	Workers Comp Insurance		38
1170	10500	Information Tech.	401A Match		275
1170	23850	Information Tech.	Minor Equipment & Tools		160
1170	37210	Information Tech.	Training & Schools		4,400
1170	37220	Information Tech.	Travel (Airfare, Mileage)		289

1170	37230	Information Tech.	Meals & Lodging- Training		1,408
1170	48000	Information Tech.	Telephone		200
1170	48050	Information Tech.	Cellular/Mobile Device		225
1170	91301	Information Tech.	Computer Hardware		1,150
1170	91302	Information Tech.	Computer Software		6,087
2703	91302	Information Tech.-911/EM	Computer Software		915
					41,687

Commissioner Atwill seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #359-2016**

Human Resources

13. Second reading; Biennial Pay Range Adjustment Review (1st read 7-28-16)

Commissioner Atwill moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby accept the 1.5% adjustment to the County's Pay Range Schedule in accordance with County policies 1.4 Employment Classifications and 3.7 Salary Adjustments. Pay range adjustments are reflected in the attached.

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #360-2016**

Juvenile Division

14. Public hearing and second reading; Budget Amendment to increase revenue and expenditures for Juvenile Justice Programming Assistance (1st read 7-21-16)

Commissioner Atwill opened the public hearing and asked if there is anyone present that would like to speak on the budget amendment. There were no speakers and Commissioner Atwill closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Thompson moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby acknowledge the following budget amendment from the Juvenile Division to increase expenditures and revenue for implementation of juvenile justice programming assistance for delinquent youth through funding from OSCA.

Department	Account	Department Name	Account Name	Decrease \$	Increase \$
1243	3451	Judicial Grants	State Reimbursement		12,236
1243	23050	Judicial Grants	Other Supplies		437
1243	23400	Judicial Grants	Food		283
1243	71100	Judicial Grants	Outside Services		9,001
1243	71600	Judicial Grants	Equipment Lease		2,515

Commissioner Atwill seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #361-2016**

15. Public hearing and second reading; Budget Amendment for funds received from OSCA for Juvenile Detention Alternatives (1st read 7-21-16)

Commissioner Atwill opened the public hearing and asked if there is anyone present that would like to speak on the budget amendment. There were no speakers and Commissioner Atwill closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Atwill moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby acknowledge the following budget amendment from the Juvenile Division to increase expenditures and revenue for juvenile detention alternatives quarterly meetings with funding received from OSCA through the Annie E. Casey Foundation.

Department	Account	Department Name	Account Name	Decrease \$	Increase \$
1243	3451	Judicial Grants	State Reimbursement		1,000
1243	37230	Judicial Grants	Meals/Lodging		1,000

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #362-2016**

Sheriff's Department

16. Public hearing and second reading; Budget Amendment to establish an expenditure budget for the Cyber Crimes Task Force Grant award (1st read 7-21-16)

Commissioner Atwill opened the public hearing and asked if there is anyone present that would like to speak on the budget amendment. There were no speakers and Commissioner Atwill closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Thompson moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby acknowledge the following budget amendment from the Sheriff's Department to establish a budget for the June 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016 portion of the Cyber Crimes Task Force grant. The grant covers June 1, 2016 – May 31, 2017.

Department	Account	Department Name	Account Name	Decrease \$	Increase \$
1253	10100	Internet Crimes Task Force	Salaries & Wages		59,777
1253	10200	Internet Crimes Task Force	FICA		4,573
1253	10300	Internet Crimes Task Force	Health Insurance		6,790
1253	10400	Internet Crimes Task Force	Workers Comp.		1,435
1253	10500	Internet Crimes Task Force	401A Match		770
1253	48050	Internet Crimes Task Force	Cellular/Mobile Service		285
1253	70050	Internet Crimes Task Force	Software Service Contract		6,198
1253	71100	Internet Crimes Task Force	Outside Services		838
1253	3451	Internet Crimes Task Force	State Reimbursement-Grant	80,666	

Commissioner Atwill seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #363-2016**

Commission

17. 1st & 2nd reading; Board re-appointments for the following:

- **Ralph W. Pickett to Boone County Building Code Commission**
- **Martha Johnson to Health Trust Committee**

Commissioner Atwill moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby re-appoint the following:

Name	Board	Period
Ralph W. Pickett	Building Code Commission	August 1, 2016 through July 31, 2018
Martha Johnson	Health Trust Committee	August 1, 2016 through July 31, 2019

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.

The motion carried 2 to 0. **Order #364-2016**

18. First reading; Cooperative Agreement between City of Columbia and Boone County for radio consultant services and site licenses

C. J. Dykhouse said this is one of two agreements here today. This particular agreement is for radio consultant services and site licenses and represents a pass down as result of a lot of cooperation. Commissioner Miller has put a lot of hours into this along with Chad Martin and Dave Dunford. I have worked with Nancy Thompson to get the agreement to this point.

The county took over the financial responsibilities in 2014 and administration of the program in 2015. In moving forward, we knew there would be agreements required to continue some things that were out there in the community and in the current communication network. This

will facilitate the county's continued use of our contracted radio consultant for planning services and those types of professional services that we will provide the city to assure continued integration of our radio network.

In case of activation, it would be important that the first responders have access via radio as well as water and light, park and rec. and city railroad. It is important that we continue our planned integration radio communication network. Within the legacy radio network, a significant portion of that network is mounted on the City of Columbia physical plant such as water towers, fire houses and things like that. This agreement gives the county a license to continue to use those facilities.

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.

19. First reading; Cooperative Agreement between City of Columbia and Boone County for assignment of legacy assets, licenses and leases

C. J. Dykhouse said this agreement includes all those mentioned earlier and their assistance as well as this one adding Terry Cassil as this includes the emergency notification sirens which will be an Emergency Management function. This deals with all the legacy assets that were purchased through the funding from the 1977 cooperative agreement between the city, county, two fire districts and two ambulance services. For administrative purposes, the assets were titled to the city so they could insure them and provide inventory tracking.

This agreement speaks to those assets and transfers them to the county from the city. I have spoken with Risk Management concerning the insurance scheduling and the Auditor's Office

for the inventory control of the assets.

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.

20. Public Comment

Fred Parry said he would like to talk about the award of a short term lease of real property at the Central Missouri Events Center. I would like to request your consideration regarding the awarding of the short term lease. I appreciate the corporate citizenship and willingness of Veteran's United and United Parcel Service to help out with the Fairgrounds for three years, but feel this is kicking the can down the road with the problems at the Fairgrounds.

While this is a temporary solution, there seems to be a growing interest in this community to do something with the Fairgrounds in terms of a multi-faceted recreational complex.

We know the road tax issue will be a distraction for the Commission, however, delaying the decision about the permanent future, viability of the Fairgrounds is something that is detrimental to the permanent restoration of the Fairgrounds. Also, we would ask that there is a more specific understanding before this is approved regarding the Boone County Fair. Members of the Fair Board feel that the County Commission made a 50 year promise to them to use the Fairgrounds site for the fair, that is not guaranteed specifically in the agreement with VU and UPS.

My primary concern is the delay in the immediate steps that can be taken to make the Fairgrounds viable once again. I simply ask for your reconsideration.

Commissioner Atwill asked what proposal Mr. Parry might have concerning the CMEC.

Mr. Parry said he would be happy to share the plan with the Commission that lays out a recreation complex. I know the Commission has had conversations with the City of Columbia about working with the Parks and Recreation Department, but we have a plan that would restore a more appropriate equestrian facility to that complex and putting in some ball fields for parks and recreation which would require some type of collaboration between the county and city which I know is not off the table. In the long run, we all know it is very expensive, and I don't think we should misinterpret the failure of the EPIC tax as a lack of interest by the citizens of Boone County and Columbia.

With an appropriate plan and something that is a win-win for the City of Columbia and rural Boone Countians, there will be widespread support for this. That may be hard to believe after the EPIC tax failed, but as we have talked to people over the last six months, there is growing interest. We could bring a very viable plan to the Commission for consideration. My fear is if we can't do anything for three years, we will lose the momentum that has currently built up.

Commissioner Atwill said that you can do something in the next three years. In fact we intend to do that. I have mentioned that earlier. This will give us the opportunity to do those things, to study what is best out there and to have public hearings concerning that very thing.

I think you are misunderstanding our interest in this particular approach. The property that will be utilized by the new tenants is only a portion of the property. There is no reason anything that needs to be done in the other parts can't be done. It is completely independent of the property they will have access to.

You mentioned that it is expensive and I know we all know how expensive these things are. We have studied this in great detail. As Chairman of the Board of Hospital Trustees, would

you be willing to encourage the Board of Trustees to increase the payment to the county to cover the costs you are suggesting.

Mr. Parry asked if it is for the Fairgrounds.

Commissioner Atwill said yes.

Mr. Parry said absolutely not. Any proceeds from the hospital should be used for health care in our community. We are required by statute to spend those proceeds in that manner. So, that would not be an appropriate use of hospital proceeds.

Commissioner Atwill said it seems your solution is a tax.

Mr. Parry said we would try to layer it in several economic development tools. I think a tax should not be off the table. It is something that should be open for consideration.

Commissioner Atwill asked what specific economic developments you are talking about.

Mr. Parry said we could do a TIF or do perhaps a Transportation Development District out in that area. There are a few things you could do. You could layer those. We could increase user fees for the different things that are being held out there. There is not one magic bullet unfortunately. As you know, it's complicated, it's not easy. I think we will have to look at several mechanisms for generating the revenue we need to turn that thing around.

Commissioner Atwill said it is his understanding of a TIF and TDD, as I have studied this at great length, is that you have to have a retail operation from which to generate funding. What retail area would you incorporate in your TIF and TDD.

Mr. Parry said we would have to take a look at how large you would want the district to be and what you can take in. So, there are options, things that can be built out there on some of

the property and adjacent properties. If we had a viable draw at the Fairgrounds, some type of retail, a hotel might make more sense.

Commissioner Atwill said your plan would include attracting business out there that is not out there now.

Mr. Parry said absolutely. Nothing should be off the table.

Commissioner Thompson said she appreciates Mr. Parry's interest in this issue. We have talked about this for numerous years. Similar properties across the country always have three sources of income to support them. First there is public money in some form of tax. Then there is private money. When the Commission placed the EPIC proposition on the ballot, at that time we were pursuing the formation of a 501c3 because the private money has to have a mechanism by which people can give and support it that way. The Kentucky Horse Park, for example, has the Kentucky Horse Park Foundation which is a substantial source of revenue for that place and that place already had a huge reputation when they formed the foundation. It's the only place that has hosted the World Equestrian Games outside of Europe, ever. That foundation carried huge weight in creating the infrastructure for the World Equestrian Games to be held there. The third piece is the revenue the property itself can generate. You have to have all three in place to be viable. For us to say we got a barn, let's put on a show, that does not work.

It really takes all three and we as a community, as Commissioner Atwill said, this gives us the opportunity to look at the property and say how do we create this three-legged stool. VU, and you can take a look at this from Purchasing, is looking at the coliseum, the Sapp building and the parking lot north and east of the coliseum. That is the extent of their footprint.

This is over 100 plus acres. We need to look more globally at it. The other piece of that is, that when you talk to Mike Griggs over at Parks and Recreation, they have no expertise or interest in the events center or the equestrian piece. They don't know how to run a horse show. I have run horse shows for 30 years. It is entirely different than doing ball fields.

Mr. Parry asked if we can successfully have horse shows in Boone County.

Commissioner Thompson said she knows we can. We need to do business differently that we have in the past. We have to be proud of this place. It is going to take dollars to make us proud of this place. The last horse show I attended there, some friends of mine from Kansas City brought their very expensive horse and the dad of one of the exhibitors said you are not bringing my horses to this barn ever again. He is an electrician and he said the wiring is such that you are not putting my quarter of a million dollar horse in that facility. We can't say we got it, let's open it up. We have to do substantial work to make it someplace we are proud of.

Mr. Parry said horse shows generate a lot of money.

Commissioner Thompson said it also costs a lot of money to run the facility.

Mr. Parry said that VU is paying \$25,000 for the coliseum, \$2,500 for the Sapp building and \$2,500 for the parking. Where does the \$100,000 figure come from.

Commissioner Atwill said they have agreed to pay up to \$45,000 in maintenance costs and also the utilities. They will take over all the utilities.

Commissioner Thompson said there will no longer be that sucking noise coming out of General Revenue for the county. VU will give us that breathing space to be able to go to the voters.

Mr. Parry said he was concerned that this would preclude us from starting to make some viable, long term, plans for the Fairgrounds.

Commissioner Thompson said absolutely not. We can do that.

Mr. Parry said is he also concerned about the Boone County Fair. Is that something that is iron clad or is it where the Fair Board would have to negotiate with Veteran's United.

Commissioner Atwill said it would be the negotiation with VU.

Commissioner Thompson said she has one favor to ask. As a community, can we call it the Central Missouri Events Center and not the Fairgrounds. It is very difficult to get away from using Fairgrounds, but we need to think more globally than a fairground. As long as we call it the Fairgrounds, we are going to think about it as that thing that hosts an event that takes place for a 10 day period during the year. We need to give people a reason to support it financially and to care about it.

Mary Lamar said she has been a veterinarian in Columbia and the surrounding area since 1985. She would like to share and present some information to consider for the longer term for the property. In Kansas City, there is the Saddle and Sirloin Club, a country club sporting entity. It is fairly fancy. It has a restaurant, bar and barns on 300 acres with trails and an obstacle course. It is a private membership. The General Manager did share some private information to show it is quite well structured.

I would like to see a similar set-up here, not just for individual membership, but as an area for businesses, individuals, families and clubs. This could be a very attractive place to go for everybody. There could be horse shows, but as mentioned, it would need to be beyond reproach. I would like to work with businesses and am prepared to distribute a letter to businesses. I have talked to a lot of folks who would be interested if they feel that it is an

option. It does not have to be fancy like the organization in Kansas City.

Another option is to hire a large outfit to manage and let them handle any venue outings, etc. or go smaller using local organizations and involving the citizens of Columbia and Boone County. I would like to keep some of the old flavor and I would like to help in any way needed.

James Pounds said he missed the RFP announcement earlier. Do Veteran's United and UPS have contracts on this.

Commissioner Atwill said it has been proposed.

Mr. Pounds asked if any other facilities will be available for use, like if the Fair Board wants to use the coliseum for demo derby or the barn for horse events. Will they have the opportunity.

Commissioner Atwill said the Fair Board is specifically mentioned in what will be the agreement and they will have an opportunity to work with VU and UPS to organize for their event if they choose to do so.

Mr. Pounds said that refers to the portion under the agreement. That leaves a lot of property. Who do they talk to on that.

Commissioner Atwill said that would still be under the jurisdiction of the county.

Mr. Pounds asked about future improvements and if they will be subject to county code or put up like they have in the past.

Commissioner Atwill said there are no plans currently for that, but anything that is

constructed will be to county code.

Mr. Pounds said there is a lot of stuff out there that has not met county code.

Commissioner Atwill said he does not know about that.

Mr. Pounds said all you need to do is ask for the inspection report. Also, my understanding is that the process for the use by the Boone County Fair Board is per the agreement.

Commissioner Atwill said it will need to be coordinated with VU and UPS.

Mr. Pounds asked who is responsible for those areas not under the agreement.

Commissioner Atwill said it will be the Commission.

Mr. Pounds said that the Fair Board can still use the property if they want.

Commissioner Atwill said it is open for discussion. We can't just say here that they can have it.

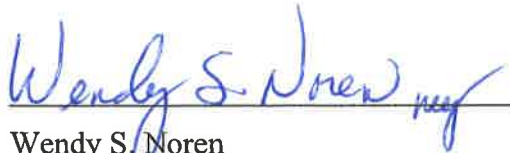
Commissioner Thompson said this was specifically part of the RFP and the intent of the Commission that if someone was to craft a response to the RFP, they have to consider any proposals from the county fair. That was part of the whole process. It is now between VU, UPS and the Fair Board and the Commission on the other parts of the property.

21. Commissioner Reports

None

The meeting adjourned at 2:56 p.m.

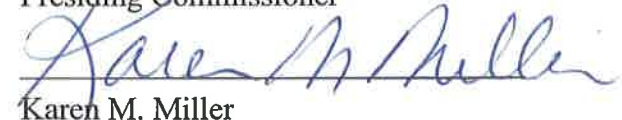
Attest:



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