

TERM OF COMMISSION: June Session of the April Adjourned Term

PLACE OF MEETING: Roger B. Wilson Boone County Government Center  
Conference Room 301

PRESENT WERE: Presiding Commissioner Dan Atwill  
District I Commissioner Fred Parry  
District II Commissioner Janet Thompson  
County Counselor C. J. Dykhouse  
Deputy County Clerk Mike Yaquinto

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

### **Daniel Boone Regional Library**

#### **1. First reading; Plan of Merger filed by Boone County Library Board of Trustees and Columbia Library Board of Trustees**

C. J. Dykhouse said we received a formal petition request for the merger between the Boone County Library Board and Columbia Library Board as put together by Dan Simon with resolution for each of the boards. This is a scheduled first reading today with a second reading on June 29<sup>th</sup> to accommodate the presenter's schedule. We are not asking for formal action today. The Commission packets contain a draft order which I have drafted which has been reviewed by Dan Simon. Today, we have members of the various boards to give us an overview and a presentation. The one piece we don't have, at this point, is the resolution from the City of Columbia and they took positive action on this last night.

Melissa Carr said she is the Director of the Daniel Boone Regional Library and we will be having Bill Young, President of the Boone County Library District Board, give us a presentation, but before that, in attendance today are Phil Harrison, a member of the Columbia Board, Khaki Westerfield, a member of the Columbia Board, Dorothy Carner, a

member of the Boone County Board, Pat Powell, a member of the Boone County Board and Mitzi St. John, our Public Relations Manager.

Bill Young said the regional library has three districts, the Columbia District which includes all those within the 1965 city limits, the Boone County District which includes all those within Boone County and outside the 1965 city limits and the Callaway County District. This covers 1,500 square miles and serves 220,000 people.

This proposed change will eventually see the Columbia and Boone County districts merge into one. The easiest reason is that it simplifies governance by eliminating the 1965 boundaries. It also ensures the same tax rate for all living in Boone County and it reflects how we already operate, so it will be a seamless transition for patrons.

This all began in 2009 when the Library Board approved working toward the merger as part of the 2009-2017 Strategic Plan which called for the merger in 2017. To form a city/county library district, the state requires that the tax rate be the same in the city/county area. This has been approved by the two library district boards and has gotten approval from the Columbia City Council just last night. Once we hopefully receive approval from the Boone County Commission, Mayor Treece, by state law, will appoint five board members and the County Commissioners will appoint four.

After unification, this is how we see things:

- 1) The new Columbia and Boone County Library District, along with the Callaway County Library District, will continue operating as the Daniel Boone Regional Library.
- 2) All Boone Countians pay the same property tax rate to fund library services, excluding Centralia, who will have their own library.
- 3) Funds from both districts will be merged and invested with the County of Boone's investment pool.

- 4) The newly appointed 9-member Columbia and Boone County Library Board of Trustees assumes leadership on January 1, 2018.

C. J. Dykhouse said that concerning points 2 and 3, after the merger is approved, we will work on preparing a tax collection agreement of the sort we have with the other taxing entities. Also, there will be an Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement, approved by the County Treasurer, between the County of Boone and the Library Board regarding the investment pool services. I have been in discussions with the Library's council and this will all take place after the agreed upon merger.

Melissa Carr said they have had discussions with all the elected officials and have checked off all the boxes. This will not happen until January, 2018.

Commissioner Parry asked if this new rate will be closer to the 1965 rate or the county rate.

Ms. Carr said we believe it will be the county rate, as it is slightly less, but this all depends on the assessed valuations and what the State Auditor's Office certifies. At present, we are looking at \$31.19 vs. \$30.95 and the state ceiling is \$32.

Commissioner Parry asked about the process that Callaway County is taking.

Ms. Carr said it has gone through their committee review and they have made suggestions and presented it to the regional board and they have approved it in concept. We believe in January, they will break into two districts and agree to this.

Commissioner Parry if there has been any interest by Centralia to be part of this.

Ms. Carr said they like being their own district. They have shown no interest.

Bill Young said they have one last item and that is the current Boone County five-member board is requesting that the Commission, when appointing their four members, appoint at least two from outside the Columbia and Centralia city limits. About 30% of the population of Boone County is outside these city limits and having 2 of the total 9 board members would be close to 30% which would insure equity of representation. We would like to give you a letter we have signed to that effect with this request.

Commissioner Atwill said they have all worked hard on this endeavor to get to this point and the Commission thanks the members for all their work and if there is anything else we can do, let us know.

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**

### **2. Second reading; Bid Award 23-25MAY17 – River Oaks Road Culvert Replacement 2017 (1<sup>st</sup> read 5-25-17)**

Commissioner Atwill said he was at a meeting last night discussing the road and bridge tax and forgot to mention culverts. This one will cost \$108,000 to replace and eats up the budget really fast.

Commissioner Thompson moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby award bid 23-25MAY17 – River Oaks Road Culvert Replacement 2017 to C. L. Richardson Construction Co., Inc. of Ashland, 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 Parry seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #276-2017**

**3. Second reading; Cooperative Contract 27/2017 – Overhead Door Maintenance & Repair (1<sup>st</sup> read 6-15-17)**

Commissioner Parry moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the utilization of the City of Columbia Cooperative Contract 27/2017 to purchase overhead door maintenance and repair from D.H. Pace Company, Inc., d/b/a Overhead Door Company of Central Missouri.

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 3 to 0. **Order #277-2017**

**4. Second reading; Cooperative Contract EC07-16, 911 Emergency Notification Software and Services (1<sup>st</sup> read 6-15-17)**

Commissioner Parry moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the utilization of the Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) Cooperative Contract EC07-16 to purchase an Environline – Personal Environmental Control Unit for the Emergency Communication Center project from Evans Consoles Inc. of Vienna, VA.

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 3 to 0. **Order #278-2017**

**5. Second reading; Disposal of surplus equipment on GovDeals (1<sup>st</sup> read 6-15-17)**

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 Parry seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #279-2017**

**Commission**

**6. 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> reading; Approve appointment of Interim County Clerk, effective June 24, 2017, pursuant to RSMo Sec. 49.101**

Commissioner Atwill said this is a result of the unexpected resignation of long-time County Clerk, Wendy Noren. We are sad to see her go. The County Clerk has certain responsibilities

that encompass the day-to-day operations of the County. One such county operation is that the signature of the County Clerk is required on all payroll and without that signature, there would be no payroll next week. We needed to act quickly and find someone. Art Auer is a long-time employee of the County Clerk's office and knows as much about the operations of that office as anyone. He has been in a managerial roll and has worked with everyone in that office.

I spoke with him last Friday to see if he would help us out as an interim appointee. He was a little reluctant to do it and I understand why, but in the end, he did agree to do it and we owe him a great thank you as he partakes in this assignment. We will continue with the processing of paperwork through the county with his assistance.

Commissioner Parry said as the only Republican elected official in Boone County, the Governor will be appointing someone to this position eventually, but I could not agree more with this decision. Art is a very smart person who has been around a long time and has a great handle on the functions of the County Clerk's office. With the August elections right around the corner, it is important we have stability in that office and leadership where we left off. I commend Commissioner Atwill on his recommendation to appoint Art Auer and fully support it.

Commissioner Thompson said she spoke with Art Friday afternoon as well and told him we were supportive of him in every way in these unfortunate circumstances. He's the best person to shepherd that ship through these waters. As Commissioner Parry said, considering the August elections, it is important to have someone there who is well versed in the duties of that office. The most important thing is to insure a full and fair election process and make it as good as possible for the people of Boone County and Art is the best person for that.

There were no further comments.

Commissioner Parry moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone, pursuant to the provisions of RSMo Sec. 49.101, does hereby appoint Art Auer as Interim County Clerk effective June 24, 2017. The interim County Clerk shall discharge the duties of the office until the governor appoints a successor as provided by law.

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #280-2017**

**7. 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> reading; Organizational Use of the Government Center Chambers by Greenbelt Land Trust of Mid-Missouri for various dates in 2017**

Commissioner Thompson moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the Organizational Use of the Boone County Government Center Chambers by Greenbelt Land Trust of Mid-Missouri from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. for the following dates in 2017:

July 18	October 17
August 15	November 21
September 19	December 19

Commissioner Parry seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #281-2017**

**8. 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> reading; Organizational Use of the Centralia Clinic by Missouri Militia 1<sup>st</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> for various dates in 2017**

Commissioner Parry moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the Organizational Use of the Centralia Clinic by Missouri Militia 1<sup>st</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the following dates in 2017:



July 10	October 16
August 14	November 13
September 11	December 11

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #282-2017**

**9. 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> reading; Organizational Use of the Centralia Clinic by Centralia 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance AA Group for various dates in 2017**

Commissioner Thompson moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the Organizational Use of the Centralia Clinic by Centralia Second Chance AA Group for every Sunday, Wednesday and Saturday beginning July 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 from 5:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

Commissioner Parry seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #283-2017**

**10. 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> reading; Organizational Use of the Government Center Courthouse Plaza by Alternative Sentencing for June 20, 2017**

Commissioner Parry moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the Organizational Use of the Boone County Courthouse Plaza by Alternative Sentencing for June 20, 2017 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #284-2017**

**11. 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> reading; Approve Closed Session authorized per RSMo Sec 610.021 (1) at 2:00PM on June 27, 2017**

Commissioner Thompson moved on this day the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby authorize a closed meeting on Tuesday, June 27, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Conference Room 338 of the Roger B. Wilson Boone County Government Center at 801 E. Walnut, Columbia, Missouri, as authorized by RSMo 610.021(1), to discuss legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys.

Commissioner Parry seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #285-2017**

**12. Public Comment**

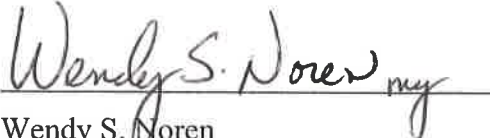
None

**13. Commissioner Reports**

None

The meeting adjourned at 9:56 a.m.

Attest:

  
Wendy S. Noren  
Clerk of the County Commission



Daniel K. Atwill  
Presiding Commissioner

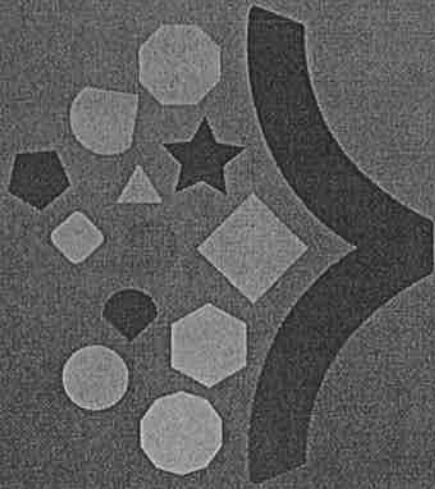


Fred J. Parry  
District I Commissioner



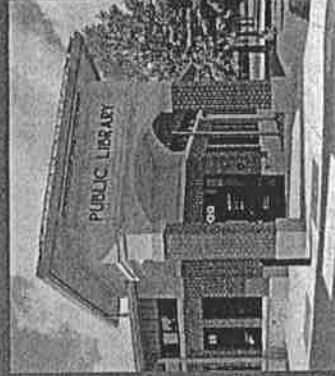
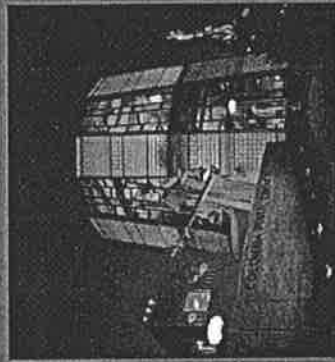
Janet M. Thompson  
District II Commissioner



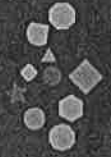
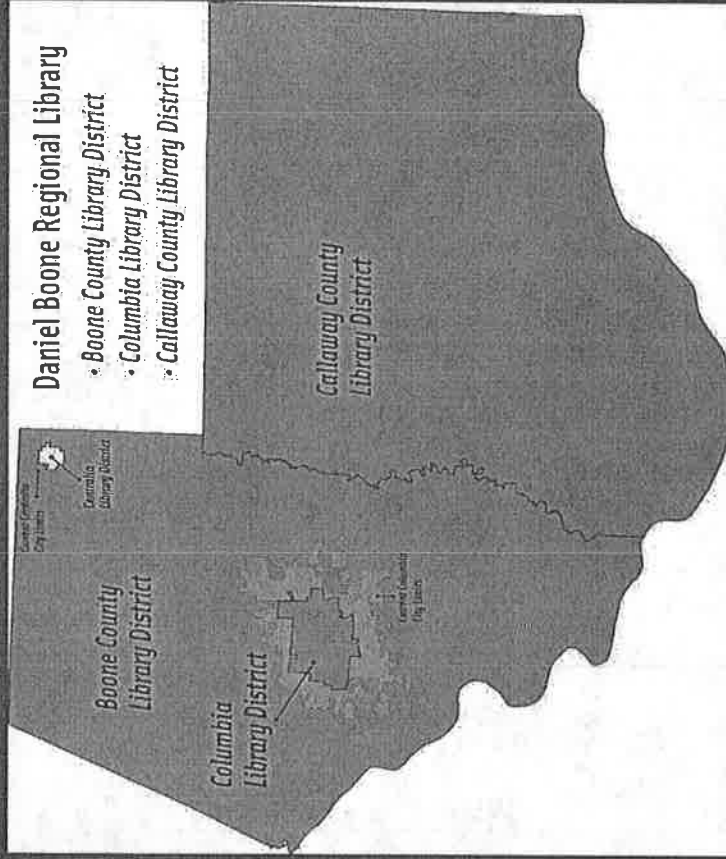


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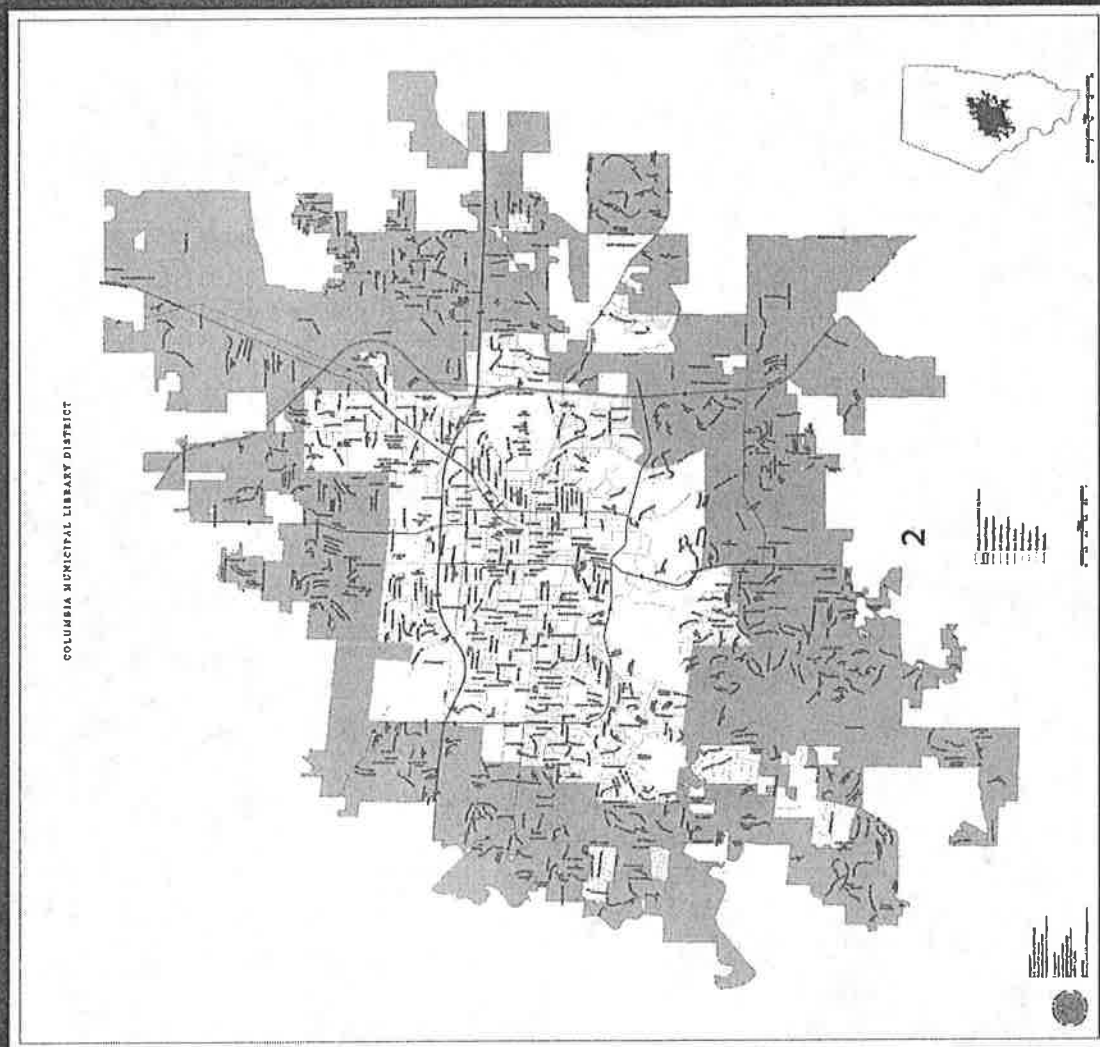


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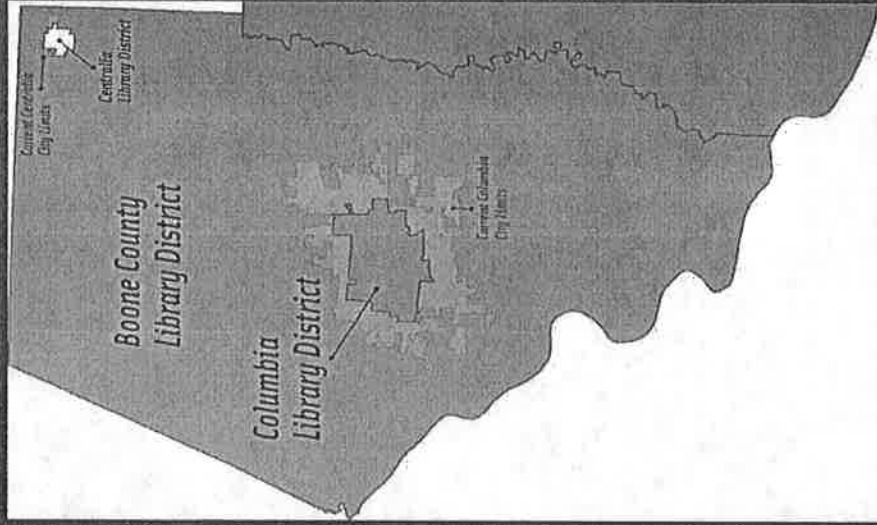




# Columbia Library District & Current City Limits



# Proposed Change & Why



We want to unify the Columbia Library District and Boone County Library Districts into one, because it

1. Simplifies governance by eliminating the 1965 boundaries,
2. Ensures the same tax rate for all living in Boone, and
3. Reflects how we already operate, so it will be a seamless transition for patrons.





# Process to Form City-County District



Unified District to go into effect December 31, 2017.

Library Board approved working toward the merger as part of the 2009-2017 Strategic Plan.

To form a city/county library district, Missouri requires that the tax rate be the same in the city/county area. (Coming 8/17.)

Approval by each of the two library district boards.

Approval from the Columbia City Council.

Approval from the Boone County Commissioners.

The Columbia Mayor appoints five board members and the County Commissioners appoints four.



# After the Unification

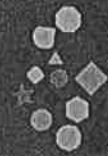


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# Questions





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June 15, 2017

Boone County Commissioners  
801 E Walnut St. #333  
Columbia, MO 65201

Dear Boone County Commissioners,

Thank you for considering our request to form a new unified Columbia and Boone County Library District. We look forward to providing the citizens of Boone County with a simplified governance structure that reflects how our library already operates.

In thinking through the details of how this new district will operate, we, the members of the current Boone County Library District (BCLD) Board of Trustees, respectfully encourage the Boone County Commissioners to consider the population distribution within the county when making appointments to the new Columbia and Boone County Library District. Currently, about 30% of Boone County's population lives outside the Columbia city limits and the Centralia Library District; therefore, we request that you consider appointing at least two of your four appointees from outside the Columbia City Limits.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the library.

Bill Young

Susan Daly

Dorothy Carner

August Nielsen

Patricia Powell

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Callaway County Public Library, 710 Court St., Fulton, MO 65251, (573) 642-7261

Columbia Public Library, 100 W. Broadway, Columbia, MO 65203, (573) 443-3161

Southern Boone County Public Library, 117 E. Broadway, Ashland, MO 65010, (573) 657-7378