

TERM OF COMMISSION: May Session of the April Adjourned Term

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

PRESENT WERE: Presiding Commissioner Dan Atwill
District I Commissioner Fred Parry
District II Commissioner Janet Thompson
Director Community Services Joanne Nelson
Director Purchasing Melinda Bobbitt
Senior Buyer Liz Palazzolo
Deputy Clerk Michelle Thompson

The meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m.

**Conference Call Information:
Number: 701-801-1211 Access Code: 758-401-651**

Purchasing

- 1. First Reading; Cooperative Contract: 022217-CAW for Fleet Management and Related Technology Solutions (Sourcewell/NJPA)**

Liz Palazzolo read the following memo:

Purchasing requests permission to use contract 022217-CAW for Fleet Management and Related Technology Solutions with CalAmp Wireless Networks Corporation. The contract has been established as a cooperative contract through Sourcewell/NJPA. The contract has been requested by the Road and Bridge Department and by the Resource Management Department.

The contract period runs July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2025.

This is a Countywide Term and Supply.

There were no comments or questions from the Commission.

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; Emergency Purchase Agreement: 16-30SEP20E – Purchase and Delivery of Food from Boone County Farmers

Melinda Bobbitt read the following memo:

Attached for signature is a contract for a non-bid, emergency services contract for the COVID-19 pandemic: *16-30SEP20E - Purchase and Delivery of Food from Boone County Farmers*. This contract will be used to purchase produce from local farmers.

Contract is with the Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture of Columbia, Missouri. Total cost of agreement is \$12,500 and will be paid from department 2130 - Community Health / Med (Hospital Lease), account 71100 - Outside Services. We currently have a remaining budget of \$36,132.80.

Commissioner Parry asked if the remaining budget mentioned in the memo was in the one account.

Joanne Nelson said, yes, in that one account. She will be requesting to do a budget amendment very soon to bring some more money over for that.

Commissioner Parry asked if doing a budget amendment would be okay in terms of possibly getting the expenses reimbursed at a later date.

Commissioner Thompson said yes.

Commissioner Atwill asked what was being purchased with this.

Nelson explained that they are going out to the farmers since no one is coming into the market to buy and buying the produce and taking it to the Food Bank and the Food Bank will distribute through their mobile pantry throughout Boone County.

Commissioner Thompson asked if this also included eggs.

Nelson said yes.

Commissioner Parry said so these are items that might be thrown away if not bought through this program.

Nelson said yes.

There were no more comments or questions from the Commission.

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.

Collector

3. **Public Hearing & Second Reading; Budget Amendment: Covering the transfer of the excess Tax Maintenance Fund balance to the General Fund (1st read 4-21-20)**

Commissioner Atwill opened the public hearing.

There was no one present from the public to speak on this item.

Commissioner Atwill closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Parry moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby acknowledge the following budget amendment from the Collector's Office to cover the transfer of the excess Tax Maintenance Fund balance to the General Fund, per RSMo 52.317.

Department	Account	Department Name	Account Name	Decrease \$	Increase \$
2110	83917	Collector Tax Maint	OTO: To General Fund		110,778
1190	3917	Non-Departmental	OTI: From Special Revenue		110,778
					221,556

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #206-2020**

Resource Management

4. Second Reading; General Consultant Services Agreement: CBB (1st read 4-30-20)

Commissioner Thompson moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the attached 2020 General Consultant Services Agreement for Professional Services with Crawford Bunte Brammeier (CBB).

Terms of the agreement are stipulated in the attached Agreement. It is further ordered the Presiding Commissioner is hereby authorized to sign said General Consultant Services Agreement.

Commissioner Parry seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #207-2020**

Sheriff's Department

5. Second Reading; K-9 Maintenance Training Contract: Boonville PD (1st read 4-30-20)

Commissioner Parry moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby approve the attached K-9 Training Agreement between Boone County and the following:

Boonville PD – Maintenance Training

Terms of the agreement are stipulated in the attached Agreement. It is further ordered the Presiding Commissioner is hereby authorized to sign said K-9 Training Agreement.

Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #208-2020**

Proclamation

6. Proclamation Recognizing Stan Shawver on his Retirement

Commissioner Thompson said Stan's last day with the County was last week after 39 years of serving the people of Boone County and the County has a proclamation for the record to recognize his service.

Proclamation:

Whereas, the County of Boone has been privileged to receive the good work and services of Stan Shawver since he was hired on April 27, 1981 as a Public Works Youth Conservation Corps Supervisor; and

Whereas, Stan also served as Boone County Sewer Department Maintenance Foreman prior to the creation of the Boone County Regional Sewer District; and

Whereas, in 1982, Stan was named Director of Planning, a department which was renamed Resource Management in 2011 and which Stan led until his retirement on May 1, 2020; and

Whereas, prior to his service to Boone County, Stan served his country in the United States Army, during which time he attended language school and became fluent in Polish; and

Whereas, following his military service, Stan attended the University of Missouri where he earned his bachelor's degree in Political Science; and

Whereas, Stan has been an asset to Boone County during his 39 years of service, providing professional service to the citizens as well as the Boone County Commissioners, who relied upon his ability to provide critical information in a concise and unbiased manner.

Therefore, with our best wishes for the future, let it be known that Stan Shawver is hereby recognized for his outstanding dedication and integrity during his years of service to the citizens of Boone County.

Commissioner Thompson moved now on this day, the County Commission of the County of Boone does hereby recognize Stan Shawver for his outstanding dedication and integrity during his years of service in Boone County.

Commissioner Parry seconded the motion.

The motion carried 3 to 0. **Order #209-2020**

Commission

7. Public Comment

None

8. Commission Reports

Commissioner Atwill said a lot of time has been spent the last few days doing work regarding the CARES Act. Contact has been made with the State Treasurer's Office and Commissioner Atwill was informed yesterday that money will be transferred to the County tomorrow. He has been informed that it will be delivered the same way that money is normally delivered by the State, so he would assume that Tom Darrough, the County Treasurer, is aware of that and will be ready. He is working on a plan, but he is not ready to discuss it in great detail yet. He will email the other Commissioners his thoughts by Thursday. There is still some stuff being put together at the state level that may be in the nature of guidelines as to how these funds can be spent.

What is known is that the County must have a very careful accounting of any funds that get disbursed and the money must be used for the COVID-19 crisis expenses. It would be a good idea to link funding to applications accompanied by receipts after thorough evaluation and with approval by commission orders. There is no rush for these funds to be disbursed by the County. It is expected the County will use tight control of the funds with the view that an audit will come in the future. As Presiding Commissioner, he will be the first one asked about the use of these funds as he is the one that signed for the funding and agreed to all the restrictions.

On top of that, the document stated that he had to agree the County would follow future restrictions as well. So, he would like to be satisfied that all the future restrictions are on the table before the County starts making distributions, if possible. The County needs to be careful about this and not make payments for anticipated future expenses. He isn't sure exactly how that can be dealt with but that is how other communities are talking about it. Another important factor is that there is no double dipping, meaning if there is FEMA money awarded, no money can be given from the CARES Act funds.

Commissioner Atwill would like Commissioner Thompson and Commissioner Parry to have a committee of citizens involved in the review process. In the effort to be transparent, the County needs to involve the public in this process. It is important to remember that no promises can be made regarding these funds and no payment can be made without a commission order.

Commissioner Thompson said the call that she was on that was put together by NACo about a week ago had a person from Treasury speaking about the CARES Act and he said although they are still trying to figure out a lot of the language, he was very clear that next January, audits would happen. So, it is very important that there is a process in place that is very transparent and that the County tries to stick to the guidelines for this funding.

Commissioner Parry wanted clarification that this would not be distributed on a per capita

basis, that it was direct reimbursement for COVID-19 related expenses.

Commissioner Atwill said he wasn't sure, but it should be that way. Kansas City and Jackson County are fighting over that right now. He talked directly with the State Treasurer's Office about this and, while some people have implied that it is required to do a per capita arrangement, that is not what the Treasurer's Office is requiring.

Commissioner Parry said he has read the documents twice and there is no mention of that at all to do per capita distribution. It might have been part of the Governor's original plan to figure out how to disburse money to counties, but it doesn't look like it is in any of the documentation the County has received thus far.

Commissioner Atwill said it would be easier if the per capita basis was the requirement but it's not. It is going to require a lot of work to go over applications and make sure the funds are distributed appropriately and that all the proper documentation is kept. He believes the County will receive applications that far exceed 21 million dollars as he has already heard from major institutions. One of the main things important to him is that there is not a time crunch for distributing the funds.

There were no other comments or questions regarding this.

Commissioner Atwill asked Commissioner Parry how the meeting Sunday was.

Commissioner Parry said it was good. One of the things he was going to ask John Glascock and Stephanie Browning to do is ramp up communication as much as possible. It was disappointing that the Commission wasn't able to see the health order before it was announced to the public. There are a lot of small businesses that are wondering why stores such as Walmart and the like are having some of their best days in sales history while the small businesses are still restricted as well as concerns over the indefinite nature of the health order and the implications it has for local business. So, he would like to reach out to

Glascock and Browning and ask them to come up with a better communication plan to get the word out as quickly as possible as well as explaining some of the rationale being used to make decisions.

Commissioner Atwill said that is a Commission-level communication.

Commissioner Parry said, yes, he understands that.

Commissioner Atwill asked if Commissioner Parry was supporting a lawsuit against the Health Department.

Commissioner Parry said he personally has no involvement at all. He knows that there are several businesses that are thinking about bringing up a lawsuit against the City, but he is not involved. The owner of the Executive Inn hosted a meeting Sunday and he was one of five speakers. He was basically answering questions for constituents.

Commissioner Atwill asked if Commissioner Parry was collecting money in support of filing this lawsuit.

Commissioner Parry said no. He has nothing to do with the lawsuit.

Commissioner Atwill asked what the basis of the lawsuit was.

Commissioner Parry said he has no idea. He has removed himself from that because of his position on the Commission.

Commissioner Atwill asked if he realized that a lawsuit against the Health Department is a lawsuit against the County.

Commissioner Parry said he does realize that and that is why he has removed himself from

it.

Commissioner Atwill asked if they plan to sue the Governor too.

Commissioner Parry said he has no idea what their plans are.

Commissioner Atwill said he believes that all three Commissioners voted in support of the Health Department.

Commissioner Parry said they weren't really given the option. Commission was not allowed to review the health order that went out beforehand. He found out Saturday that it was not sent to Commission or members of the City Council, except for the Mayor and the City Manager until 30 minutes before the press conference was held. Commission hasn't played a role in determining the health order. Commission knows the Health Director has the statutory authority to make those decisions and Browning has not sought feedback from the Commission.

Commissioner Atwill said he sent Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Parry and Deputy Clerk Michelle Thompson some emails to be included in the record of the meeting.

There were no more comments or questions.

The meeting adjourned at 9:56 a.m.

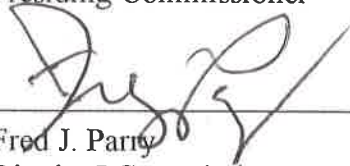
Attest:



Brianna L. Lennon
Clerk of the County Commission



Daniel K. Atwill
Presiding Commissioner



Fred J. Parry
District I Commissioner



Janet M. Thompson
District II Commissioner

Michelle Thompson

From: Dan Atwill <danatwill@me.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 9:55 AM
To: Janet Thompson; Fred Parry
Cc: Michelle Thompson
Subject: Invitation for Sunday May 3

Friends,

Fred Parry and Ed are going to host a meeting this coming Sunday, May 3 at 3:00 in the Windsor Ballroom at the Holiday Inn Executive Center to discuss a community response to the health order that goes into effect on Monday.

It is essential that we have a strong showing of local business owners and business leaders. It is important that we do NOT invite individuals that will represent themselves in a way that would invite criticism or further flame heightened emotions, There are a lot of people on our side that are discrediting our efforts by venting extreme views and lashing out at those who hold different opinions.

Please invite people, but it is imperative that you be very select. Please do not post this meeting on Social Media.

Make use of private messaging, direct phone calls or email messages to invite people.

Sorry to take away a part of your Sunday afternoon, but

we've got to do something quick and something that is effective in changing the course in which we are headed.

They will probably ask a few of you to speak. Come prepared with action items that can mobilize people to make a difference. We need to make a reasoned appeal to the city government to reconsider the overly strict approach that they have chosen to take in re-opening business in Columbia.

Michelle Thompson

From: Dan Atwill <danatwill@me.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 9:56 AM
To: Janet Thompson; Fred Parry
Cc: Michelle Thompson
Subject: Lawsuit

All- If you do NOT consent to you being mentioned in any correspondence anticipated from yesterday's meeting please advise immediately. We anticipate our letter will go out tomorrow afternoon. I need a business name for each of you. I will use your business name as the entity that I represent. Please advise. Also, if you have prepared a typed statement of your unique circumstance, which we MAY include as an attachment to the letter(and may not) please get that to me today or tonight. Also, if you are one of the individuals or businesses who has advised Fred of an ability to pay for legal services, please advise as to the amount you are ready to pay immediately, and let me know so I can get an idea how far we can go forward. Thank you. Xxxxxxx

Subject: email addresses for yesterday's attendees

Xxxxxxx. here are the email addresses for those who attended yesterday's meeting. I will drop by hard copies of the forms I received later this morning.

Thanks,

Fred