



GREENE COUNTY COMMISSION

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Daily Briefing September 1, 2016
Greene County Commission Office
9:30 a.m.

Presiding Commissioner Bob Cirtin called the meeting of September 1, 2016 to order.

Roll Call – Upon roll call the following Commissioners were present:

Present: Bob Cirtin, Harold Bengsch, and Roseann Bentley

Absent: None

Others Present: Chris Coulter, Kevin Barnes, Kate Morris, and Executive Director of the Tri-State Water Resource Coalition Gail Melgren.

Informational Items

Executive Director Gail Melgren gave an informational presentation about the Tri-State Water Resource Coalition. Ms. Melgren said the Coalitions' mission is to secure adequate, quality water supplies in the future for southwest Missouri, the northeast corner of Oklahoma, and the southeast corner of Kansas, including the Tablerock Lake and Stockton Lake areas. Ms. Melgren said several factors affect the need for more regional water supply. Those factors include drought, population growth, increased city population density, business growth, and sustainability of the aquifer. The Tri-State Resource Coalition works with entities such as the Missouri Department of Natural Resources water supply needs. The collaboration is currently looking at possible corridors for piping around Stockton and Tablerock and hopes to develop a regional pip system in 20 years' time. The first phase of the infrastructure, she said, could cost approximately \$750 million. The regional element of the project would help scale the costs. The Coalition is looking into the possibility of the USDA paying 80% of the last mile costs to connect impoverished communities. Additionally, bonds and state dollars will likely be utilized. Commissioner Bengsch commended Ms. Melgren for her work in this effort, and also noted that Roddy Rogers of Springfield City Utilities has also been a key participant.

Ms. Melgren reminded the Commission of the upcoming Tri-State Water Conference on October 20-21, 2016, which will include guests from Flint, Michigan, to discuss the water crisis there.

Resource Management—Kevin Barnes

Resource Management Director Kevin Barnes gave the Commission updates from the Resource Management Department. Mr. Barnes stated the Historic Courthouse rooftop repair has begun and the east entrance to the ground floor of the Historic Courthouse might be blocked at times. The roof repair is funded by the Historic Courthouse Grant, which the Greene County Budget Officer assisted to secure.

Mr. Barnes reported on the recent news feature of a citizen building a micro camper which she intends to use as a residence. The citizen completed the project without procuring the required permits and approval from the Planning and Zoning Division. Mr. Barnes stated the Resource Management Department is attempting to contact the citizen to ensure her safety by verifying the camper was built according to county code. One of the concerns of this issue is safety against carbon monoxide poisoning from a stove or space heater in such a small area.

Chris Coulter

Mr. Coulter did not have any items to bring before the Commission.

Other Items

No other items were brought before the Commission.

Commissioner Cirtin adjourned.