



GREENE COUNTY COMMISSION

HAROLD BENGSCHE
COMMISSIONER 1ST DISTRICT

BOB CIRTIN
PRESIDING COMMISSIONER

LINCOLN P. HOUGH
COMMISSIONER 2ND DISTRICT

Monday, July 02, 2018

9:30 a.m.

Historic Courthouse Room 212

940 N Boonville, Springfield, MO

Upon roll call the following Commissioners were present: Commissioners Bob Cirtin, Harold Bengsch, and Lincoln Hough. Absent: None.

Commissioner Cirtin called the session to order. Commissioner Hough led the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer.

Commissioner Hough made a motion to approve the May minutes and table the June minutes for further review. Commissioner Bengsch seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Aye: Bengsch, Cirtin, Hough. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Missouri Job Center Update-

No representative was present for an update.

Chamber of Commerce Update –

Chamber President Matt Morrow gave the Commission an update. He said that Russell Cellular has chosen to expand here, providing 135 jobs with above average wages. He said Governor Parsons has been active here, as well as Senator Roy Blunt. He also reminded the Commission of the Annual Membership Lunch on July 25. Morrow said that the Chamber has completed four projects so far this year and is actively working on ten projects. He noted that the unemployment rate is 2.8%.

Missouri Extension Center Report Update-

Horticulture Educator Kelly McGowan updated the Commission on behalf of David Burton, who was unable to attend. She provided the monthly newsletter (Exhibit A). She said July 12 would be Ash Grove Betterment Night, which would feature topics such as

health, nutrition, and strengthening the community. She said a Tomato Growing Workshop will take place in July, as well. She said the Extension Office has also been active at the Ozark Empire Fair.

The action items of Wright's Auto Warranty Deed and Acceptance and Diversity Commercial Investments Warranty Deed and Acceptance were tabled pending the arrival of Highway Representative Jeff Avers, who was slated to present those documents.

Top Branch Awards:

June: Greg Ward, Resource Management; Jonathan Barker, Prosecuting Attorney (absent); Lena Reed, Circuit Clerk; and Becky Anderson, Juvenile Detention (absent).

Department Head Updates:

County Administrator - Chris Coulter

Coulter just returned from a long vacation and did not have an update, but wished everyone a Happy 4th of July later in the week.

Highway Department Report- Rick Artman

Artman distributed his monthly report to the Commission and read from it (Exhibit B).

Office of Emergency Management-Samantha Foster

Assistant Director Samantha Foster updated the Commission. She said the recycling contractor is leaving soon to go to law school, so they are currently looking for a new contractor. She also introduced Branden, the new public information officer. She said they've seen quite a few "almost" storms that have kept them busy. In special event planning, they are working on the Fair and the Route 66 Festival. Also, they recently sent the Skylab to Ozark because lightning hit their 911 center.

Resource Management- Kevin Barnes

Barnes said they are in week three of demolition of the buildings on Boonville, and then they'll have work to do on the foundation to make a temporary parking lot. He said the Building Ops building design was nearly complete. And the jail design is under way. He said they are starting the judicial remodel. He said project manager interviews are on the horizon.

County Geologist /Cave Specialist- Matt Forir

Forir was on vacation.

Jeff Avers arrived to the meeting and presented the Wright's Auto Warranty Deed and Diversity Commercial Investments Warranty Deed. (Exhibit C).

Commissioner Bengsch made a motion to approve the Wright's Auto Warranty Deed. Commissioner Hough seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Aye: Bengsch, Cirtin, Hough. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Commissioner Hough made a motion to approve the Diversity Commercial Investments Warranty Deed. Commissioner Bengsch seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Aye: Bengsch, Cirtin, Hough. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Planning and Zoning Cases-Kent Morris

Morris updated the Commission on planning board cases YTD. He said that are waiting for a number of plats to shake through due to construction and an increase in development should be seen soon. He said the case level is staying up and they're having a busy year. (Exhibit D).

Commissioner Cirtin read legal statement to the crowd.

I. Old Business

(None)

II. New Business

1. Request Rezoning, Planning Board Case Number 2018, Patrick Keene, applicant.

Patrick Keene presented in favor of the request. No opposition came forward. Commissioner Bengsch made a motion to approve the request. Commissioner Hough seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Aye: Bengsch, Cirtin, Hough. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

2. Request Rezoning, Planning Board Case Number 2029, James & Martaun Trantham TR, applicants.

James Trantham stood in support of the request. No opposition came forward. Commissioner Cirtin made a motion to approve the request. Commissioner Hough seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Aye: Bengsch, Cirtin, Hough. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

I. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Amendment to Urban Service Area, Planning Board Case Number 2017, Greene County Planning Board, applicants.

Bill Knuckles with the City of Springfield Environmental Services Department spoke in favor of the request. No opposition came forward. Commissioner Bengsch made a motion to approve the request. Commissioner Hough seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Aye: Bengsch, Cirtin, Hough. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Public Comment

(None)

Other Business

(None)

Meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m.