

GREENE COUNTY COMMISSION SESSION
Greene County Commission Office
933 N. Robberson
Springfield, Missouri

9:30 a.m.
February 1, 2016

REVISED AGENDA

1. Prayer—Commissioner Bob Cirtin
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approve Minutes from Previous Session
Commissioner Bengsch made the motion to approve the last session minutes. Commissioner Bentley gave the second. The vote resulted in 3 ayes in favor. Motion passed.
4. Chamber Economic Development Update—Ryan Mooney/Matt Morrow
 - *Matt reported on the Salute to Legislators that took place last week.*
 - *Highly focused on Workforce Development/Economic Development.*
 - *Dr. John Bentley spoke at the Annual Chamber meeting last Friday evening. Matt says he did an excellent job and expressed gratitude for his participation.*
 - *Focusing on Economic Development with regard to manufacturing. Matt reported that there are eleven new manufacturing opportunities with 1000 new jobs.*
 - *2016 should have some exciting new projects.*

Commissioner Cirtin states being part of the Springfield Metro Partnership is another reason why the Chamber runs so well. Salute went smoothly as well as the Annual Chamber meeting.

Commissioner Bengsch made the comment that Matt did an excellent job keeping the meeting on target causing the lack of disruption.

Commissioner Cirtin states Matt was the moderator with approximately 500 attending. Matt kindly enforced the rules.
5. Motion Regarding Employees as Election Judges – Shane Schoeller
 - *This item arose due to previous people declining to continue to serve as election judges. The issue is whether to allow Greene County employees serve as election judges and be paid the stipend for that service. The Commissioners expressed support of this action.*

Commissioner Bentley made the motion to approve County employees to serve as election judges. The motion is attached as presented by the County Clerk's office. Commissioner Bengsch gave the second. The vote resulted in 3 ayes in favor. Motion passed.
6. Missouri Job Center Update—Mary Ann Rojas, absent.
7. Commendation for Captain Jeff Coonrod of the Greene County Jail
Commissioner Cirtin read and presented a Commendation to Captain Jeff Coonrod for his accomplishment of becoming certified as a Jail Manager. Captain Coonrod is one of three Jail Managers in the State of Missouri. The Sheriff and some Greene County officers were present for the ceremony.
8. Proclamation for Rev. Jim Harriger, Retired Executive Director of Victory Mission
Commissioner Bengsch read and presented a Proclamation to Rev. Jim Harriger for his service to Greene County citizens as Director of the Victory Mission. Mrs. Harriger was present for the ceremony.
9. ~~Appointment of Mr. Ryan Zweerink to the Greene County Historic Sites Board~~
Mr. Zweerink declines his appointment at this time due to career obligations.

10. County Administrator Report—Chris Coulter

- *Chris Coulter reported that Kevin Barnes was able to attend this court session due to meetings with courts and Cox staff.*
- *Trees will be planted on campus to replace those that have been lost. The City of Springfield is replacing the trees. Commissioner Bentley suggests we send a letter of appreciation to the City.*
- *Chris makes note of the article in the local paper regarding the Financial Advisory Task Force final report. Dr. Spence had reported to Commissioner Cirtin that he felt reporting of results was positive.*
- *SBDC Annual Meeting this week. Went through scheduling for the week.*

11. Budget Office Report—Jeff Scott, attended the 9-1-1 meeting. Tina Phillips reports.

- *Tina reports that the budget is finished and signed. The budget office will be working on transfers.*
- *Training for EDEN will be next week.*
- *Collector's office meeting will take place regarding sewer district payments/non-payments and letters that will go out for those not paid.*
- *The Department will interview Office Holders and Department Heads regarding projections. The next projection is due in March.*
- *First sales report due this week, Wednesday, February 3.*

Commissioner Bengsch mentioned that he had attended the Great Game of Business 25th Anniversary celebration and how pleased they were with a government group putting their program in place. The Commissioners congratulated the Budget office on their accomplishments.

12. Highway Department Report—Rick Artman

- *Rick Artman presented the Commission with a written report and highlighted the flooding and snow events. The Department works on sealing when there are no weather events.*
- *Touched on fire extinguisher training.*
- *Repair to driveways after the flood, used 128T of salt for the last ice event.*
- *Noted open house for the Kansas Expressway extension that will be held this week.*
- *Expressed sadness of the loss of a Highway Department employee in January.*

13. Emergency Management Report—Chet Hunter

- *Chet presented the Commission with a written report.*
- *The Greene County Highway Department has provided OEM with reports and pictures of the recent weather damage events.*
- *FEMA report regarding that agency developing/establishing a Recovery Center.*
- *Media: Erin Hedlun is in Cape Girardeau to shadow a public safety officer.*
- *Salvation Army—opens during weather events with free bus service to the facility.*
- *Reported on Hazmat Flow Study Completed—grant paid for expenses. 500% increase of hazmat material being transported by rail.*
- *Training—active shooter exercise.*
- *IS update to Version 8 upgrades.*
- *Nursing student to develop AED placement plan. Hope to have each office with a designated safety officer.*
- *Hiring of Assistant Municipal Planner—Asher Allman*
- *Expressed that staff appreciates the extended annual leave policy.*

14. Resource Management Report—Kevin Barnes, absent. Chris Coulter reported.

15. Building Regulations Division Report—Dave O'Dell, absent. Kent Morris reported.

- *Mr. Morris provided a written report from Mr. O'Dell.*
- *Fewer single dwelling permits issued than this time last year. P&Z has a few more which evens out the numbers.*

16. Missouri Extension Center Report—David Burton

- *Mr. Burton provided the Commissioners a copy of their Newsletter, which can be found on their website, and highlighted their programs.*
- *February 29 is the Extension's Annual meeting.*
- *New Great Game of Business mini-game will be "Whack-an-Extension Person" to get members involved.*
- *Hay School-3 nights to learn how to increase yield production and profits.*

Commissioner Bengsch noted that Greene County is one of the largest hay producers in the State of Missouri as well as beef production.

17. Planning and Zoning Division Report—Kent Morris

- Old Business—none
- New Business

Commissioner Cirtin read the statement of case procedure.

- a. Request Rezoning, Planning Board Case Number PB 1901, South Creek Development Corp., c/o Thomas Kissee, applicants.

Mr. Morris states this is a request to rezone from an R-1, Single Family Residence to a Plot Assignment District. This would allow for single, multi-family dwellings as well as office structures. The Board approved this request unanimously with conditions as indicated.

Commissioner Cirtin gave the floor to anyone who would like to speak in favor of the request. Mr. Thomas Kissee, 3647 W. Broadmoor, Springfield is the developer and reported there were a few concerns by neighbors that have been addressed and explained the intent of usage to the property. Mr. Kissee commended Greene County staff for assisting in addressing issues. The property would be an extension of Seminole Street to West Bypass. There will be a mixed use of single residence, patio homes and light commercial. Mr. Kissee gave a definition of patio homes which is basically duplex homes, but with each side being able to be bought and sold as a separate residence. Explained the reason people would find these units attractive as new homeowners or aging citizens finding themselves in requiring different needs as they get older. Children raised but allowing to have someone close by, a smaller yard to maintain etc.

Mr. Kissee confirmed that he is aware of the conditions if this case were to be approved and agrees to comply with those conditions.

Commissioner Cirtin called for anyone to speak in opposition to the proposal—none. Commissioner Bengsch made the motion to approve the request to rezone with conditions. Commissioner Bentley gave the second. The vote resulted in 3 ayes in favor. Motion passed.

- Other Business—none.

18. Public Comment—none.

19. Other Business for Commission

Chet Hunter/OEM

- *Mr. Hunter asked about storm sirens in new developments such as the one the Commission heard today with regard to keeping citizens informed/safe. Planning & Zoning will make certain these issues are considered and Mr. Hunter will work with them to define any current/future needs.*

Notation: FR 129 Wilson Farm east to West Bypass. This is not in a construction area but needs to prepare.