

**RECORD OF THE JANUARY TERM OF THE JOHNSON COUNTY COURT**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Day's Proceedings, 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of January 2025**

The Honorable Johnson County Commission met this day pursuant to adjournment. Present: Troy Matthews, Presiding Commissioner; Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner; Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner; and Diane Thompson, County Clerk. Additional public access made available via Zoom Meeting with the following details: Telephone Number: 312-626-6799 | Meeting ID: 836 3606 4631 | Passcode: 640931 | The following proceedings were had to-wit:

The Commissioners reviewed and approved accounts payable in the amount of \$881,002.19.

The Commissioners met with Heather Reynolds, Treasurer, who reviewed Sections 32.057 and 144.121, RSMo, allow the Missouri Department of Revenue to release local sales and local use tax information to cities, counties, and districts that have imposed a sales tax or local option use tax. The Department has made this information available in three free reports; the Open Business Locations Report, The Financial Sales Distribution Report, and the Financial Use Tax Distribution Report. The Department has made these reports available on a secure portal, MyTax Missouri. The reports, attachments, e-mails, or written correspondence received contain confidential information. All persons listed on the form and any attachments are subject to the provisions of Section 32.057, RSMo. Those listed can only access the information in performing their official duties related to the administration of the tax and cannot disclose this information to the public, any media source, or any other official who is not authorized to receive it. The Commissioners and Reynolds signed the Department of Revenue Form 4379 Request for Information or Audit of Local Sales and Use Tax Records with the Chief Executive Authorization completed by Presiding Commissioner Matthews.

Fees received in December 2024 from Stormy Taylor, Recorder of Deeds were approved. Fees deposited with the Treasurer were \$33,697.90.  
Fees received in January - December 2024 from Stormy Taylor, Recorder of Deeds were approved. Fees deposited with the Treasurer were \$424,341.86.

The monthly report of monies received in December 2024 by Diane Thompson, County Clerk was approved. Deposited with the Treasurer was \$12,960.14.

The University of Missouri Extension did not meet with the Commission for the monthly update.

Road Closing: First Petition Reading Streets and Alleys in Lingo City  
(Section 26, Township 46 North, Range 26 West)  
The first reading to close by vacation the following platted streets in Lingo City, also known as Post Oak, to include: First Street, being 60 foot wide, beginning at Main Street (currently MO State Hwy 13) and proceeding west to where it ends, the alleys in Block 5 and Block 6, being 20 foot wide, that run north and south between Second Street (currently SW 1250) and proceeding north where it ends at the railroad tracks, Walnut Street, being 60 foot wide, beginning at Second Street/SW 1250 Road and proceeding north to where it ends at the railroad track, and the alleys in Block 7 and Block 8, being 20 foot wide, that run north and south between Second Street/SW 1250 Rd and the railroad track all in Section 26, Township 46N, Range 26W Johnson County, Missouri, was held today in the Commissioner's office.  
It was moved by Commissioner Kavanaugh and seconded by Commissioner Sproat to accept the petition as read. The second reading will be held at 10:00 a.m. on the first day of the April term of court, April 1, 2025.

The Commissioners met with Jimmy Tye, Road and Bridge Supervisor, discussion included the expected winter weather on Saturday, January 4, 2024. Tye noted that staff are making sure that the equipment is ready for the weather. The Sheriff's Office requested a tractor with a blade so their staff can maintain the jail lot and their surrounding road access; Road and Bridge will deliver tomorrow. Tye noted that the Sheriff's Maintenance Staff has driven one before.

Adjournment was at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held on January 6, 2025.

ATTEST: _____ Diane Thompson, County Clerk	_____ Troy A. Matthews, Presiding Commissioner
	_____ Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner
	_____ Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner

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2nd Day's Proceedings, 6th Day of January 2025

The Honorable Johnson County Commission met this day pursuant to adjournment. Present: Troy Matthews, Presiding Commissioner; Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner; Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner; and Diane Thompson, County Clerk. The following proceedings were had to-wit:

Having considered the ice and snow accumulation from the Winter Storm Blair, the Commissioners determined on January 5, 2025 by mobile telecommunications, to close all county administrative buildings on Monday, January 6, 2025. Notice was posted on social media to notify the public. The Commissioners issued up to eight (8) hours of administrative pay for January 6, 2025. Staff who are required to or chose to work on January 6, 2025, may use up to eight (8) hours of administrative pay in a future week but prior to January 31, 2025. The January 6, 2025 Administrative Pay may not be divided between multiple days or pay weeks. The January 6, 2025 Administrative Pay should be noted on the timecard with the date of January 6, 2025 when it is used. Administrative pay may not be used to earn overtime.

Additionally, the Commissioners postponed items on the January 6, 2025 agenda until January 7, 2025.

Adjournment was at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held on January 7, 2025.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Diane Thompson, County Clerk

Troy A. Matthews, Presiding Commissioner

Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner

Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner

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3rd Day's Proceedings, 7th Day of January 2025

The Honorable Johnson County Commission met this day pursuant to adjournment. Present: Troy Matthews, Presiding Commissioner; Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner; Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner; and Diane Thompson, County Clerk. Additional public access made available via Zoom Meeting with the following details: Telephone Number: 312-626-6799 | Meeting ID: 836 3606 4631 | Passcode: 640931 | The following proceedings were had to-wit

The Commissioners reviewed various comments received, thanking the County for the work done by the Road and Bridge Department in response to Winter Storm Blair.

The Commissioners reviewed and approved the \$2,000 invoice for Missouri Association of Counties, 2025 Prepaid Legal Services Program Fees with Attorney Travis Elliott.

It was noted that this is the first payroll impacted by the Obligation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds personnel costs for job positions that were established and filled prior to December 31, 2024, including for salaries and wages for such positions. The transfer of funds for payroll of County Officials and employees for the period December 21, 2024 through January 3, 2025 was approved from County funds in the following amounts: ARPA Road and Bridge Department: \$42,746.65; Bridge Construction: \$22,984.74; Assessment: \$19,423.67; Auditor: \$6,398.75; County Clerk: \$17,961.86; Prosecuting Attorney: \$27,556.65; Sheriff: \$75,502.30; Jail: \$88,298.46; **ARPA Total: \$300,873.08**; County Revenue: \$49,281.08; Juvenile Officers: \$5,620.75; MoSMART Sal Supplement: \$1,384.56; Recovery Court – SAMHSA Grant: \$0.00; P.A. Child Support IV D: \$2,355.40; P.A. VOCA Grant: \$2,000.00; Grand Total: \$361,514.87.

Commissioner Kavanaugh motioned and Commissioner Sproat seconded to approve the National Law Enforcement Day Proclamation by the Johnson County Commission of the State of Missouri recognizing January 9, 2025, as National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. Motion approved unanimously. WHEREAS, the dedicated men and women of law enforcement serve and protect our communities with courage, integrity, and unwavering commitment; and WHEREAS, law enforcement officers play a vital role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of all citizens, enforcing the law, and ensuring public safety; and WHEREAS, National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day was founded by multiple organizations in 2015 to recognize officers across the country for the daily sacrifices they make for their communities; and WHEREAS, the leading organization, Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S) provides a national support network for families and co-workers who have lost a loved one in the line of duty and supports positive recognition of officers doing good work every day; and WHEREAS, Law Enforcement Officers of every rank and file have chosen a profession that puts their life on the line every day for their communities. They’ve answered a call to public service that is demanding and often unappreciated; and WHEREAS, there are over 900,000 officers in the United States, and in 2024, over 128 officers died in the line of duty, over 79,000 were assaulted in the line of duty, and on average 184 officers commit suicide each year; and WHEREAS, these brave individuals willingly face danger and adversity to preserve peace and order, often risking their own lives in the line of duty; and WHEREAS, it is fitting to recognize and honor the sacrifices and contributions of law enforcement officers and to express our gratitude for their service to our communities; and WHEREAS, National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day provides an opportunity for citizens to show support and appreciation for the dedication, bravery, and professionalism of law enforcement personnel; NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Johnson County Commission, do hereby proclaim January 9, 2025, as NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION DAY in Johnson County, Missouri. We call upon all citizens to recognize the service and sacrifice of law enforcement officers and to show their support through acts of kindness, appreciation, and respect.

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**3<sup>rd</sup> Day's Proceedings, 7<sup>th</sup> Day of January 2025**

The Commissioners met with Mitch Marquess, Building and Grounds Supervisor, for the biweekly update.

Staffing

Dave Tague was introduced as a new maintenance employee. Marquess reviewed that two (2) road and Bridge employees assisted with the removal of snow and ice from Winter Storm Blair on January 6, 2025; Tague was not able to come into work that day. Marquess noted that clearing the ice and snow was a long day of hard work and he was very grateful for the assistance of Road and Bridge Department staff members.

Administrative Pay

The Commissioners noted the approval of up to eight (8) hours of administrative pay has been issued for January 6, 2025 and staff who worked on January 6<sup>th</sup> may use that administrative pay at a different time this year.

Equipment and Supplies

- Lawn Mower: tire, wheel, and battery need to be replaced.
- Utility Terrain Vehicle: in good working condition but spreader but it eats the salt, and now the spreader is not working.
- Ice Melt: 40 bags of ice melt were used for this storm so far. Since half of the inventory has been used, Marquess will look at finding a vendor for more ice melt product.

Facilities

- Exterior: Justice Center North and Courthouse West Sidewalks are blocked because of the City's plowing the street snow onto the sidewalk. The Commission suggested asking Road and Bridge for equipment help breaking up some of the ice piles on the sidewalks.
- Justice Center Heating Ventilation Air Conditioning (HVAC) Wall Units: Compressor units are no longer made for the unit so they have to reconfigure an new compressor to work with the unit. Marquess reviewed the cost of \$2,500 to replace and install a compressor (by Lincoln Hester of Lincoln Heating, Cooling, and Refrigeration) versus \$6,000 plus labor for a new unit (by APEX Heating and Air Conditioning). The Commissioners recommended Marquess purchase a new compressor to have on-hand and start replacing the critical units and use the old units for parts.
  - Prosecuting Attorney, Nesiah Strickland's Office: The office has five HVAC units, with only one currently out of service. It was noted that the wall units are noisy, and staff typically operate the three farthest units to minimize disruption caused by the sound. The malfunctioning unit was found to be low on freon, preventing it from functioning properly. Lincoln Hester of Lincoln Heating, Cooling, and Refrigeration is addressing the issue and has ordered a replacement valve.

The Commissioners met with Jimmy Tye, Road and Bridge Supervisor. Marquess thanked Tye and the Road and Bridge Staff for their assistance. Marquess noted the sidewalk areas that could use equipment assistance and Tye agreed that a small bucket could resolve the problem.

Winter Storm Blair: The Commissioners reviewed various complimentary reports from community members about the County Road and Bridge Department's efforts to remove snow on county roads. The Commissioners asked that Tye express that appreciation to the Road and Bridge Department Staff. Tye noted staff's efforts to remove snow from all county-maintained roads. The last area to be completed is the northeast portion of the county but he hopes to be finished with the snow routes on January 8, 2025. Tye noted there are more driver seats than staff to run the equipment.

Equipment Bids: Tye noted he is researching options to purchase equipment through various, already completed, cooperative purchase agreements (Sourcewell, Missouri State Bid, etc.) which eliminates the need for the county to put out a request for bids.

Right of Way (ROW): Tye noted that he has talked with Charter Communications and Sunrise Telecom about the December 31, 2024, complaint from Randall and Susan Drake at 60 SE 900<sup>th</sup> Road, Leeton. Tye noted that Charter Communications is the one holding the ROW permit so ultimately, they are the ones responsible for ensuring proper installation. Tye stated that in talking with Rodney Staehle, Charter Communications, anything that has been installed incorrectly and outside of the ROW will be moved to within the ROW. With the freezing ground temperatures, repairs may be delayed until spring.

The Commissioners received summary settlement from Treasurer Heather Reynolds. Reynolds noted that the Missouri Department of Revenue had not sent information on the County's December Sales Tax at this time.

The Commissioners individually reviewed and approved previous minutes.

The Commissioners met with Stephanie Truex, Administrator of Johnson County Community Health Services (JCCHS), and Kit Lindsay, JCCHS Board Chairman, for their monthly update. Replacement vehicles were purchased using insurance claims following last year's vehicular accident; no action was taken by JCCHS against the driver. Positive COVID-19 and flu test results have increased. The Parkinson's Support Group has approximately eight (8) members who regularly attend meetings and encourages participation from caregivers.

Commissioner Matthews virtually attended the Missouri Department of Transportation Bridge Funding Scenario Selection Meeting.

The Commission received corrections from the Recorder Fees Reports received January 2, 2025:

Fees received in December 2024 from Stormy Taylor, Recorder of Deeds were approved. Fees deposited with the Treasurer were \$33,715.90.

Fees received in January - December 2024 from Stormy Taylor, Recorder of Deeds were approved. Fees deposited with the Treasurer were \$424,359.86.

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The Commissioners held a Senior Real Estate Tax Credit discussion with Diane Thompson, County Clerk; Laura Smith, Collector; Stormy Taylor, Recorder; and George Taylor, Assessor Elect. Also present: Jennifer Powers, County Clerk Chief Deputy; Jennifer Palmer, Recorder Chief Deputy.

**Background:** Senior Real Estate Tax Credit was authorized by Senate Bill 190 (2023) and Senate Bill 756 (2024) (RSMo. 137.1050), The County issued answers to frequently asked questions regarding the status of the Senior Real Estate Tax Credit, its implementation requirements, and the potential effects on taxpayers and local districts on December 26, 2024.

**Election versus Ordinance:** Commissioner Matthews stated that the only reason to put this question on the ballot is if there was a question if the voters wanted to pass the credit. Commissioner Matthews noted that the tax credit has been promoted so strongly by state candidates and media, the public has expressed through a variety of methods, their desire to see the implementation of the senior real estate tax credit. Commissioner Kavanaugh agreed having heard multiple requests for Johnson County’s implementation of the senior tax freeze. Commissioner Matthews noted that seniors will likely see a small credit in comparison to the cost the County will have to incur to create and maintain the credit program.

**Public Hearing:** Thompson reviewed that taxing districts have expressed a desire to be invited to the meeting before the Commission makes a decision to share any concerns. Thompson noted that an ordinance adoption may require a public hearing with a legal notice posted at least ten (but possibly more like 15-20) days in advance.

**Defining Homestead:** The group discussed if the homestead should include any land or additional buildings (detached garage, shed, greenhouse, etc.). If the land is included, how much land? Lot sizes in town could vary significantly from properties outside of town. Taylor reviewed the different property types:

	Assessment Ratio	Examples	Property Purpose
Residential Property	19% of the market value	Single-family homes, condominiums, duplexes.	Housing or residential use only.
Commercial Property	32% of the market value	Office buildings, retail stores, warehouses.	Business purposes or income generation
Agricultural Property	12% of the market value (based on "productive use" value rather than market value)	Farmland, orchards, grazing land.	Agricultural production

Taylor noted that if the property owner’s residence has connecting agricultural land, often a portion of the land (up to 10 acres) is identified as residential with the other portion for agricultural to reduce assessed value. Taylor stated the easiest way for staff would be for the credit to be attached to the entire property that is identified as residential but the best way to do it would to be consistent to every property owner would be just the house, not the land or additional buildings.

**Application Process:** Assessor’s office will receive applications (April-June), verify the parcel, pull the property card, and pass the information to the Collector’s office.

**Documents Needed:** The group discussed various counties that have implemented a senior tax credit and identified the necessary documents, including:

- **Ordinance/Resolution Language:** The specific legal text establishing the tax credit.
- **Application Materials:** Details such as the application form, application period, review/approval timeline, and online availability.
- **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs):** Information covering topics like how, when, and where to apply, as well as the documentation applicants will need to provide.

**Presentations:** After the ordinance is passed and all necessary documents are finalized, efforts should focus on educating the public about the tax credit and its details in person and online. The group discussed scheduling presentations at town senior center meetings or other gatherings of senior groups. Staff should be available at these meetings to assist attendees with the sign-up process.

Adjournment was at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held on January 9, 2025.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Diane Thompson, County Clerk

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Troy A. Matthews, Presiding Commissioner

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Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner

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Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner

**RECORD OF THE JANUARY TERM OF THE JOHNSON COUNTY COURT**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Day's Proceedings, 9<sup>th</sup> Day of January 2025**

The Honorable Johnson County Commission met this day pursuant to adjournment. Present: Troy Matthews, Presiding Commissioner; Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner; Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner; and Diane Thompson, County Clerk. Additional public access made available via Zoom Meeting with the following details: Telephone Number: 312-626-6799 | Meeting ID: 836 3606 4631 | Passcode: 640931 | The following proceedings were had to-wit

The Commissioners reviewed and approved accounts payable in the amount of \$338,667.10.

Commissioner Kavanaugh motioned and Commissioner Sproat seconded to approve the transfer of \$25,000.00 from General Revenue to the Emergency Fund. Motion approved unanimously.

WHEREAS, 50.540(4) RSMo states that the Commission shall provide in its appropriation order that an amount equal to not less than three percent of the total estimated general fund revenues shall be appropriated each year as an emergency fund; and, WHEREAS, the Adopted 2025 Budget shows a total estimated general fund revenues of \$12,095,150, which includes the carry-over from 2024 and anticipated revenue for 2025; and, WHEREAS, the current balance in the Emergency Fund (22) \$341,192 and, and, NOW, THEREFORE, The Johnson County Commission hereby authorizes Auditor Chad Davis to transfer \$25,000 from General Revenue (001-081-58300 - Transfers) to the Emergency Fund (022-000-45801 – Transfer From County Revenue) in order to be in compliance with 50.540(4) RSMo.

The Commissioners were informed this morning that emergency funds are eligible to be invested in a certificate of deposit (CD). The Commissioners requested Treasurer Reynolds research the CD rates with a \$365,000 investment from General Revenue - Emergency Funds. Discussion tabled until January 16, 2025.

The Commissioners met Tracy Brantner, Johnson County Economic Development Corporation Executive Director regarding the Missouri Department of Economic Development Office of Broadband Development: Local Coordination Form for BrightSpeed's Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Application. Brantner reviewed the November 14, 2024 Commission meeting with Claudia Sands, Brightspeed Government Affairs Director, regarding the same request. Brantner noted Sands was appointed by Missouri Secretary of State-elect Denny Hoskins as Hoskins' deputy secretary of state.

BEAD Program and Application: Brantner note that BEAD has a rolling application with the only deadline being when funds are no longer available. The BEAD program is for fiber installations not cable or satellite services.

Johnson County Right of Way (ROW) Applications: In 2023, 14 BrightSpeed ROW applications were issued. However, the Road and Bridge Department has not yet released these projects. The Commissioners noted that it is not unusual for a significant number of ROW applications to remain uncleared by the department. Commissioner Kavanaugh motioned to approve and authorize Presiding Commissioner to sign the Missouri Department of Economic Development Office of Broadband Development: Local Coordination Form for BrightSpeed's Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Application, Commissioner Sproat seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Lifeline: The group discussed the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) program that helps make communications services more affordable for low-income consumers. Lifeline provides a monthly discount of up to \$9.25 for eligible subscribers and up to \$34.25 for those on Tribal lands. Discounts apply to either voice service, internet service, or broadband-voice bundles, but only one Lifeline discount is allowed per household under FCC rules. Subscribers may choose either wireline or wireless service for the discount, but they cannot receive discounts on multiple services simultaneously. Brantner recommended the Commissioners identify a few eligible participants to verify the program's effectiveness before promoting it countywide.

At 9:38 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers, located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of the Johnson County Courthouse, a motion was made by Commissioner Sproat and seconded by Commissioner Kavanaugh to close the meeting pursuant to Section 610.021 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri relating to (1) 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. However, any minutes, vote or settlement agreement relating to legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body or any agent or entity representing its interests or acting on its behalf or with its authority, including any insurance company acting on behalf of a public government body as its insured, shall be made public upon final disposition of the matter voted upon or upon the signing by the parties of the settlement agreement, unless, prior to final disposition, the settlement agreement is ordered closed by a court after a written finding that the adverse impact to a plaintiff or plaintiffs to the action clearly outweighs the public policy considerations of section 610.011, however, the amount of any moneys paid by, or on behalf of, the public governmental body shall be disclosed; provided, however, in matters involving the exercise of the power of eminent domain, the vote shall be announced or become public immediately following the action on the motion to authorize institution of such a legal action. Legal work product shall be considered a closed record. Roll was called on the motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Matthews, Sproat, Kavanaugh. "ABSTAIN" None. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

Also in attendance: Diane Thompson, County Clerk; Travis Elliott, Ellis, Ellis, Hammons & Johnson, P.C. (County Legal Counsel) and Jennifer Powers, County Clerk Chief Deputy; Jimmy Tye, Road and Bridge Supervisor; Tracy Brantner, Johnson County Economic Development Corporation Executive Director.

At 10:00 a.m. Tracy Brantner, left the meeting.

At 10:57 a.m. Jimmy Tye, Road and Bridge Supervisor, left the meeting.

At 11:00 a.m. Laura Smith, Collector and George Taylor, Assessor Elect joined the meeting.

At 12:30 p.m. having no further business to discuss with regard to the matter before the Commission, a motion was made by Commissioner Sproat and seconded by Commissioner Kavanaugh to adjourn the closed portion of the meeting and proceed with the open meeting. Roll was called on the motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Matthews, Sproat, Kavanaugh. "ABSTAIN" None. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

The Commissioners met with Road and Bridge Supervisor, Jimmy Tye, discussion included starting wages, employee evaluations, and ongoing snow removal efforts.

The Commissioners met with Misty Miller, Executive Director and Cindy Price, Employment Services Director with RISE Community Services who presented a letter regarding the potential impact of the December 3, 2024 U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) proposed a rule to phase out Section 14(c) of the Fair Labor Standards Act. Section 14(c) allows employers to pay subminimum wages to workers with disabilities that impair their productivity, provided they obtain a certificate from DOL. The DOL’s proposal includes ceasing the issuance of new 14(c) certificates upon the rule's effective date and implementing a three-year period for existing certificate holders to transition away from paying subminimum wages. Miller noted the impact it would have on the 51 individuals who are directly involved with the RISE Vocational Center. Those individuals are paid a piece rate based on the number of pieces they produce instead of an hourly rate. Key concerns and broader impacts noted: financial strain, unemployment ripple effect, crime prevention and social stability, mental health impacts. RISE is actively working through programs like RISE Mobile Crew and RISE Racks to offer unique opportunities for individuals with disabilities but the programs require adequate funding, collaboration with local case managers, and state and federal support. Miller noted she is not asking for action from the Commissioners on this matter but wanted to make them aware of possible changes to programming an funding needs.

Commissioner Kavanaugh motioned and Commissioner Sproat seconded to approve and authorize Presiding Commissioner Matthews to sign the Missouri Department of Economic Development – Missouri Office of Broadband Development: Local Coordination Template Letter for Applicant: Connect Holding II d/b/a Brightspeed. Motion approved unanimously.

Adjournment was at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held on January 13, 2025.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Diane Thompson, County Clerk

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Troy A. Matthews, Presiding Commissioner

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Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner

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Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner

**RECORD OF THE JANUARY TERM OF THE JOHNSON COUNTY COURT**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Day's Proceedings, 13<sup>th</sup> Day of January 2025**

The Honorable Johnson County Commission met this day pursuant to adjournment. Present: Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner; Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner; and Diane Thompson, County Clerk. Not present: Troy Matthews, Presiding Commissioner. Additional public access made available via Zoom Meeting with the following details: Telephone Number: 312-626-6799 | Meeting ID: 836 3606 4631 | Passcode: 640931 | The following proceedings were had to-wit:

In the absence of Presiding Commissioner Troy A. Matthews, County Clerk Diane Thompson hereby appoints Western Commissioner Charles Kavanaugh as acting Presiding Commissioner for the duration of Matthews absence pursuant to Missouri Revised Statutes 49.070 “...when the presiding commissioner is absent and the other two commissioners are present the commission clerk shall designate one of the commissioners present as presiding commissioner during the absence of the regular presiding commissioner, and he shall, during the absence of the regular presiding commissioner, have all of the powers of the regular presiding commissioner.”

Commissioner Kavanaugh and Commissioner Sproat requested that Mitch Marquess, Maintenance Supervisor, set up an appointment with Warrensburg Ford to service the Commission pickup before the County Commissioner Association of Missouri (CCAM) training at the end of February. Marquess reported that he had purchased a pallet of salt from Lowe’s for use at the Justice Center. Lowe’s does not carry the more expensive product that the historical architect recommended for the courthouse, but Woodshed does. Marquess will purchase the twenty-pound bags of that product from them versus the fifty-pound bags for easier handling.

Heather Reynolds, Treasurer, submitted that December 2024 sales tax funds, which have been received, are now being distributed as follows: General Revenue (300 & 490): \$ 281,473.63 (includes Adult Use Marijuana Tax); Jail (310): \$133,777.53; County Law Enforcement-Prop P (311): \$260,976.79; Animal Services (312): \$65,219.83; Road and Bridge (315): \$267,556.01; Law Enforcement-Cities and County (360): \$267,555.87; Road Use Tax (501): \$429,164.11.

The Law Enforcement Tax City Distribution for December 2024 distribution was made by Auditor Chad Davis on January 13, 2025, as follows: Centerview: \$1,317.18; Chilhowee: \$1,739.78; Holden: \$13,274.12; Kingsville: \$1,359.32; Knob Noster: \$13,020.07; Leeton: \$3,273.67; Warrensburg: \$86,416.00. The total distribution was \$120,400.14. The county portion was \$144,155.87.

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**5<sup>th</sup> Day's Proceedings, 13<sup>th</sup> Day of January 2025**

Commissioner Kavanaugh and Commissioner Sproat met with Darrin Tobias, Director and Luke Ekstrand, Deputy for the Emergency Management Agency (EMA) update; also present: Jennifer Powers, County Clerk Chief Deputy. Tobias presented the prepared report and reviewed the trainings and exercises completed. **Emergency Alert System:** Commissioner Kavanaugh asked about using the emergency communication system to notify the community of programs available for seniors or low-income families. Tobias reviewed that Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) is exclusively used to notify the public of emergencies, natural and human-made disasters, and public safety information. However, the Commission could send messages through the Regroup Mass Notification, where individuals have chosen to sign up for notifications.

**Winter Weather:** Tobias reviewed that the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services requested EMAs assistance updating the warming center locations. Tobias reviewed that EMA staff does not oversee warming centers or their operations but does provide support with equipment (as they have available) and public notifications of availability (social media and other resources).

**Infectious Disease Briefing:** There is concern the triple-demic of Influenza, COVID-19 and respiratory syncytial virus forming in Region 7 (Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri and Iowa). Meeting is being held every two (2) weeks with the next meeting January 21, 2025.

**Equipment:** New radios arrive March 12, 2025, old radios will be reprogrammed and saved for volunteer use.

**Local Emergency Operations Plan (LEOP):** The LEOP is still waiting on the County Coroner’s response for completion, and has given this week as a deadline for response.

**Household Hazardous Collection Dates for 2025:**

April 12	Saturday	8am – 4pm	Solid Waste District F Sponsored Community Wide Cleanup
May 10	Saturday	9am – 1pm	
June 13	Friday	5-9pm	
July 12	Saturday	9am-1pm	
August 8	Friday	5-9pm	
September 13	Saturday	9am -1pm	
October 18	Saturday	9am-1pm	

Commissioner Kavanaugh motioned and Commissioner Sproat seconded to approve the Distribution of Funds from Online Auction Sale of County Equipment with PurpleWave. Motion carried.

WHEREAS, the Johnson County Commission received a request from the Johnson County Sheriff's Office on October 30, 2024 listing vehicles to be sold; and, WHEREAS, the Johnson County Commission received a request from the Johnson County Road and Bridge Department on October 31, 2024 listing vehicles to be sold; and, WHEREAS, the Johnson County Commission received notice from the respective office holders, where the property was purchased from and where the funds received from the sale of the property should be deposited; NOWTHEREFORE, the County Commission authorized the Treasurer to process the following distributions from Purple Wave Inc., check number 108570 in the amount of \$79,210.00:

- 2020 FORD EXPLORER BLUE - Sheriff 1FM5K8AB9LGA64396 \$8,100.00
  - Paid from 082-190-56820 Sheriff / Jail Fund – Vehicle Purchase
  - Deposited to 082-000-44305 Sheriff / Jail Fund – Sale of Equipment
- 2014 WHITE FORD EXPLORER - Sheriff 1FM5K8AR4EGB63868 \$4,400.00
  - Paid from 082-190-56820 Sheriff / Jail Fund – Vehicle Purchase
  - Deposited to 082-000-44305 Sheriff / Jail Fund – Sale of Equipment
- 2016 DODGE CHARGER - Sheriff 2C3CDXKT8GH348222 \$7,500.00
  - Paid from 082-190-56820 Sheriff / Jail Fund – Vehicle Purchase
  - Deposited to 082-000-44305 Sheriff / Jail Fund - Sale of Equipment
- 2012 CHEVROLET TAHOE BROWN - Sheriff 1GNLC2E06CR255638 \$4,600.00
  - Paid from 082-190-56820 Sheriff / Jail Fund – Vehicle Purchase
  - Deposited to 082-000-44305 Sheriff / Jail Fund – Sale of Equipment
- 2008 Freightliner Tractor - Road and Bridge 1FVHCYBS18HZ46147 \$28,000.00
  - Paid from 002-120-56810 Road and Bridge – Equipment
  - Deposited to 002-000-44305 Road and Bridge – Sale of Equipment
- 2015 Ford F150 XL SuperCrew Pickup - Road and Bridge 1FTEW1EG3FKE51677 \$6,800.00
  - Paid from 002-120-56810 Road and Bridge – Equipment
  - Deposited to 002-000-44305 Road and Bridge – Sale of Equipment
- 2004 or 2005 Ingersoll-Rand Pneumatic Tired Roller - Road and Bridge \$10,500.00
  - Model PT125R Serial #180822
  - Paid from 018-000-56810 Road Construction and Maintenance Sale Tax – Equipment
  - Deposited to 018-000-44305 Road Construction and Maintenance Sale Tax – Sale of Equipment
- 2011 or 2013 Hamm Double Drum Vibratory Roller - Road and Bridge \$9,100.00
  - Model HD+140VV Serial #1840648
  - Paid from 018-000-56810 Road Construction and Maintenance Sale Tax – Equipment
  - Deposited to 018-000-44305 Road Construction and Maintenance Sale Tax – Sale of Equipment
- Chain Binder Boomers (pallet of approximately 20 used) - Road and Bridge \$210.00
  - Paid from 002-120-56810 Road and Bridge – Equipment
  - Deposited to 002-000-44305 Road and Bridge – Sale of Equipment

The review and approval of previous minutes was tabled until January 15, 2025.

Commissioner Kavanaugh and Commissioner Sproat met with Jamie DeBacker, Executive Director and Maggie Burgin, Marketing and Event Coordinator for the Warrensburg Main Street (WMS) Monthly Update; also present: Diane Thompson, County Clerk and Jennifer Powers, County Clerk Chief Deputy. DeBacker reviewed that WMS’s purpose is to promote, improve, and preserve the unique character and economic vitality of downtown Warrensburg while embracing our growing community by offering free services to the businesses in the WMS District (the district is defined by the WMS board). DeBacker noted WMS encourages participation and financial support from businesses in the district, but it is not required. DeBacker noted that staff and board members intentionally visit businesses to see if there are any questions about upcoming events or WMS. DeBacker noted the Missouri Main Street Accreditation paperwork was submitted January 3, 2025.

WMS Grant Program: Grant applications will be available to help WMS District businesses for façade improvements (tuck pointing, windows, signage, awnings, etc.). DeBacker clarified that WMS will not fund the removal of a historic awning.

Staffing: In the process of hiring a programing coordinator member who will focus on the Farmers Market and assisting Burgin with events. An additional part-time office staff will also be added to assist with administrative duties.

Star Theater: DeBacker noted that effective January 31, 2025, the Star Theater ownership will change.

Events:

- Foodie February: Each week for the month of February, participating restaurants, coffee shops, bakeries, and all those in between will have a different special. Drink specials, sweet treats, appetizers, entrées.
- Love Letters to Downtown, February: Community members are encourage to write a love letter to their downtown, to a favorite local business, to the owner who makes them feel welcome, or to the bartender who knows their name.
- Piccadilly Fundraiser – March 21
- Prom Parade – April 5
- Third Wednesday Art Walk – April 16
- Burg Fest – October 10-11

Commissioner Kavanaugh and Commissioner Sproat met with Jimmy Tye, Road and Bridge Supervisor.

Wage Continuation Phase Out Plan Implementation (approved February 22, 2024): Tye reported that three employees used sick leave during the same pay period in which the final disbursement of additional sick leave hours occurred. Due to the way Human Resources processed sick leave; this has resulted in a reduction in the currently available sick leave hours for these employees. Discussion tabled until January 16, 2025.

Equipment Sales: The Commission informed Tye that the distribution of funds received for the sale of equipment was approved today. Tye noted that he has two motor graders and a boom truck that he plans to list for sale soon.

Snowplow Purchase: Tye reviewed that he was able to procure a snowplow from a private seller for \$750.00; the Commissioners approved an out of cycle check for the purchase.

Adjournment was at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held on January 14, 2025.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Diane Thompson, County Clerk

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Not Present  
Troy A. Matthews, Presiding Commissioner

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Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner

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Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner

RECORD OF THE JANUARY TERM OF THE JOHNSON COUNTY COURT  
6<sup>th</sup> Day's Proceedings, 14<sup>th</sup> Day of January 2025

The Honorable Johnson County Commission met this day pursuant to adjournment. Present: Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner; Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner; and Diane Thompson, County Clerk. Not present: Troy Matthews, Presiding Commissioner. Additional public access made available via Zoom Meeting with the following details: Telephone Number: 312-626-6799 | Meeting ID: 836 3606 4631 | Passcode: 640931 | The following proceedings were had to-wit:

In the absence of Presiding Commissioner Troy A. Matthews, County Clerk Diane Thompson hereby appoints Western Commissioner Charles Kavanaugh as acting Presiding Commissioner for the duration of Matthews absence pursuant to Missouri Revised Statutes 49.070 “...when the presiding commissioner is absent and the other two commissioners are present the commission clerk shall designate one of the commissioners present as presiding commissioner during the absence of the regular presiding commissioner, and he shall, during the absence of the regular presiding commissioner, have all of the powers of the regular presiding commissioner.”

Commissioner Kavanaugh and Commissioner Sproat attended the KOKO Radio Broadcast: Johnson County Today. Discussion included Commissioner Sproat’s transition into his newly elected position, the statutory process of the County Clerk appointing one of the commissioners as the acting presiding Commissioner in the absence of the regular presiding commissioner, the Road and Bridge Department process of maintaining county roads during winter weather and upcoming household hazardous waste collections.

The Commissioners individually reviewed and approved previous minutes.

Adjournment was at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held on January 16, 2025.

ATTEST: _____	_____ Not Present
Diane Thompson, County Clerk	Troy A. Matthews, Presiding Commissioner
	_____ Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner
	_____ Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner

RECORD OF THE JANUARY TERM OF THE JOHNSON COUNTY COURT  
7<sup>th</sup> Day's Proceedings, 16<sup>th</sup> Day of January 2025

The Honorable Johnson County Commission met this day pursuant to adjournment. Present: Troy Matthews, Presiding Commissioner; Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner; Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner; and Diane Thompson, County Clerk. Additional public access made available via Zoom Meeting with the following details: Telephone Number: 312-626-6799 | Meeting ID: 836 3606 4631 | Passcode: 640931 | The following proceedings were had to-wit:

The Commissioners reviewed and approved accounts payable in the amount of \$173,547.58.

The Commissioners signed a zoning letter for Johnson County, Missouri and requested it be made available on the County website and upon request.

At this time, Johnson County, Missouri, does not have planning and zoning regulations, building codes, inspections, or occupancy certificates for unincorporated areas, except for properties located within the Whiteman Air Force Base Zoning Area. For more information about this zoning area, call 660-463-7934 or visit the Military Airport Zoning Commission website.

Subdivision: Properties in unincorporated Johnson County located within subdivisions may be subject to restrictions and covenants governing property use. To obtain a copy of these restrictions and covenants, contact the Johnson County Recorder at 660-747-6811.

Zoning Inside Incorporated City Limits: City zoning ordinances may apply; contact the respective city hall: Centerview 660-656-3688, Chilhowee 660-678-3738, Holden 816-732-4811, Kingsville 816-597-0182, Knob Noster 660-563-2595, Leeton 660-653-4622, Warrensburg 660-747-9131

Addressing and Road Number/Name Assignments: Contact the respective city hall for address and road name assignment the property is within a city limit. If the property is in the unincorporated area of Johnson County, the address and road number is assigned by the Johnson County Assessor’s Office (1310 S. Maguire St. Warrensburg | 660-747-9822).

Flood Plain: State and federal regulations apply to building in flood plains. Flood plain maps and construction permits for flood hazard areas are available at the Assessor's Office (660-747-9822).

Onsite Wastewater Treatment System: Federal, state, and local regulations exist for onsite wastewater systems, which affect various areas of construction including swimming pools, lot size consideration, various setback distances, etc. For details, contact the Johnson County Community Health Services – Environmental Health at 660-747-6121 ext. 258.

Driveway: For driveways connecting to a county road, review the specifications and complete an application by visiting the Road and Bridge Department website or calling 660-747-6821. For connections to a state highway, contact Missouri Department of Transportation (660-543-7936).

County Right of Way: If construction includes working within 30 feet of the center of a county road or trail, visit [www.JoCoCourthouse.com](http://www.JoCoCourthouse.com) or contact the Commissioners (660-747-2112) for right of way procedures and application.

The Commissioners met with Heather Reynolds, Treasurer, who presented certificate of deposit months and interest rates for an investment of \$365,000.00 in a as the Commission requested January 9, 2025 from the following local banks: Community National Bank and Trust, Central Bank, F & C Bank.

Commissioner Kavanaugh motioned and Commissioner Sproat seconded to withdraw \$365,000.00 from Emergency Fund – Miscellaneous Expense (022-000-57410) and, invest those Emergency Funds into a Certificate of Deposit (CD) through Central Bank for a period of 6 (six) months at a fixed rate of four and one-quarter percent (4.25%). Motion carried unanimously.

Order: 20250116-01: Investment of General Revenue – Emergency Funds into a Certificate of Deposit (CD)

WHEREAS, pursuant to 110.270 Revised Statutes of Missouri Counties may place money not needed for current operations outright or by repurchase agreement, requirement. — Any county may place money of the county which it has determined is not needed for current operations in obligations described in Section 15, Article IV, Constitution of Missouri, outright or by repurchase agreement. Such obligations and agreements shall be purchased through institutions in the county whose deposits may be insured by an agency of the United States government, hereafter referred to as federally insured institutions, provided the county determines such purchases to be in the best interest of the county as determined by the county treasurer. When such federally insured institutions are unwilling or unable to provide such obligations and agreements, the county may purchase them from federally insured institutions in any adjacent county in Missouri. The investment authority granted by this section shall be in addition to the investment authority otherwise granted a county by law; and, WHEREAS, the Johnson County Commissioners requested Treasurer Heather Reynolds contact local banks to identify certificate of deposits (CDs) interest rates to invest \$365,000.00; and, WHEREAS, Reynolds contacted banks in Johnson County, Missouri for CD interest rates; and, WHEREAS, the following rates were received:

BANK	MONTHS	RATE	INITIAL DEPOSIT	ESTIMATED TOTAL INTEREST	ESTIMATED ENDING BALANCE
F & C BANK	3	4.45%	\$ 365,000.00	\$ 4,075.70	\$ 369,075.70
	6	4.20%		\$ 7,732.38	\$ 372,732.38
	12	4.00%		\$ 14,870.66	\$ 379,870.66
CENTRAL BANK	3	4.30%	\$ 365,000.00	\$ 3,937.83	\$ 368,937.83
	6	4.25%		\$ 7,825.25	\$ 372,825.25
	12	4.10%		\$ 15,249.43	\$ 380,249.43
COMMUNITY NATIONAL BANK	3	3.75%	\$ 365,000.00	\$ 3,432.59	\$ 368,432.58
	6	3.90%		\$ 7,175.58	\$ 372,175.58
	12	4.35%		\$ 16,197.93	\$ 381,197.91

NOW, THEREFORE, the Johnson County Commission hereby directs Heather Reynolds, Treasurer, to complete the following:

- Withdraw \$365,000.00 from Emergency Fund – Miscellaneous Expense (022-000-57410) and,
- Invest those Emergency Funds into a Certificate of Deposit (CD) through Central Bank for a period of 6 (six) months at a fixed rate of four and one-quarter percent (4.25%).

Commissioner Kavanaugh motioned and Commissioner Matthews seconded to appoint Rusty Sproat to Military Airport Zoning Commission. Motion passed.

Order: 20250116-02 Appointment of Rusty Sproat to the Military Airport Zoning Commission

WHEREAS the Missouri Revised Statutes 41.655.(2) states The governing body of any county of the second classification with more than forty-eight thousand two hundred but fewer than forty-eight thousand three hundred inhabitants may adopt, administer, and enforce airport hazard area zoning regulations that are substantially similar to the airport hazard area zoning regulations in sections 67.1200 to 67.1222, subject to any exceptions listed in this section; and,

WHEREAS, the county shall employ any existing airport planning commission or airport zoning commission as created in section 67.1210, or shall form such commission,

WHEREAS, the commission shall consist of five members as follows:

- a. Three residents of the county, with at least two of such county residents residing in the township containing the military base;
- b. The presiding county commissioner or such commissioner's designee; and
- c. The county road commissioner; and

WHEREAS, the commission may appoint an ex officio military liaison from the Armed Forces of the United States who is stationed at the military base;

WHEREAS, the terms of office of each member under this section shall be identical to the terms of office in section 67.1210, with the member chosen to serve as chair serving for an initial term of two years. The commission shall elect its chairman;

WHEREAS, Mr. John Marr, as the Eastern Commissioner, was appointed to serve on the Military Airport Zoning Commission as the township member effective January 1, 2017, and,

WHEREAS, Mr. John Marr retired as the Eastern Commissioner effective December 31, 2024; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to 67.1210 RSMo, vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term of any member whose office becomes vacant in the same manner in which such member was selected; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Rusty Sproat, elected Eastern Commissioner, has agreed to serve on the Military Airport Zoning Commission; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, the Johnson County Commission hereby appoints Mr. Rusty Sproat, 306 SE 500th Road, Warrensburg, Missouri 64093, to the Military Airport Zoning Commission as the Commissioner's Designee, retroactively effective January 1, 2025, and expiring upon resignation.

The Commissioners met with Lisa Treece, Human Resources (HR) Director and Jimmy Tye, Road and Bridge Supervisor; also present: Jennifer Powers, County Clerk Chief Deputy. Treece noted that it was important to have everyone on the same page before the scheduled Wage Continuation Phase Out Plan (cease wage continuation effective January 1, 2025) adopted February 22, 2024 later today. The Commissioners reviewed the following documentation:

- Commission approval of Wage Continuation Phase Out Plan (excerpt from February 22, 2024 minutes)
- April 18, 2024 Letter to All Full-Time Employees from Commission

Treece stated that based on her understanding of the wage continuation phase out plan, HR added sick leave hours to the first check in June 2024, September 2024, and January 2025 for eligible employees as follows (see table):

Treece reviewed that the sick leave hours added to the December 21, 2024 through January 3, 2025 paycheck (given to employees January 9, 2025) made it so any employee using sick leave in that pay period, would have a new sick leave balance reduced by the same number of sick leave hours used.

Hours/Week Employees	Sick Leave Hours Added
40	61.5 hours
35	53.75 hours
30	46 hours

Tye stated that the impacted employees are responsive and hardworking employees that have taken efforts to not “abuse the system” in the past. Tye believes that if those employees had used their sick leave in the previous paycheck period, they would have 240 hours of sick leave now and that is hard to explain. This may not necessarily be the case, depending on what their previous sick leave balance was going into the pay period ending January 3<sup>rd</sup>. Commissioner Kavanaugh stated that some employees may have been playing the system to use their sick leave. Powers noted that the Commission’s effective date of January 1, 2025 may have implied to employees that sick leave used prior to the end of the year would not reduce the hours of sick leave added on the January 9, 2025 check. Commissioner Matthews explained that although the letter and plan was clear to Treece, it may not have been clear to an employee who does not work in HR. Treece noted that it may have seemed questionable for an employee to ask about using sick leave hours weeks or months ahead of the request, unless it was for a planned procedure.

Next Step Options

- A. All county employees are given up to an additional 32 hours of sick leave as long as it does not take their sick leave balance over 240 hours.
- B. Employees who used sick leave December 21, 2024 through December 31, 2024 be reimbursed the sick leave hours that were deducted from their sick leave balance.
  - a. Tye stated his preference is to proceed with Option B for the three (3) Road and Bridge Employees. Treece stated she would not recommend doing something special for one or three employees, if action is to be done, it should be done for all employees. Commissioner Matthews and Commissioner Sproat noted that providing something different for one employee is not going to happen.
  - b. Treece stated that if the Commission wanted, HR could look at all timecards to identify who and how much sick leave was used during that pay period, prior to January 1, 2025.
- C. The Commission takes no action to modify the action taken by Human Resources.
  - a. Treece stated her preference is to proceed with Option C.

No action was taken and discussion was tabled until the 2:00 p.m. meeting. Treece later reported that county employees used 336.75 sick leave hours December 21, 2024 through December 31, 2024 (equating to \$7,498.69) but she did not believe those sick leave hours could be given to just those individuals because it would be unfair to the other employees.

Road and Bridge Work Schedule

Tye expressed that when the Commission closes the buildings and Road and Bridge employees are required to work because they are providing emergency services, there is some unfairness between employees. Treece noted that the Sheriff’s Office is in a similar situation as deputies and civilian detention center officers are required to continue services regardless of the weather or road condition. Tye noted that employees know what the job is when they apply for it and he reviews expectations periodically. Commissioner Sproat expressed that while there are some emergency situations that require Road and Bridge staff to work when other employees are not working, there are also benefits like being able to have a four (4) day work week during the summer. Tye noted that their construction season is approximately six (6) months but the staff are still working 40 hours during those four days. Tye stated that is also an issue of frustration since the Road and Bridge Employees only receive eight (8) hours on holiday during the construction season, when they are normally scheduled for ten (10) hours. Commissioner Sproat stated that is standard practice, for most hourly employers. Treece reviewed that the Sheriff’s staff could have a 12-hour shift, and those employees also are given eight (8) hours of holiday.

Commissioners met with Travis Hart requesting the Road and Bridge Department come and break up the ice on the roads in Riverwood (NE 21<sup>st</sup> Road, NE 51<sup>st</sup> Road, NE 360<sup>th</sup> Road and NE 350<sup>th</sup> Road off of 375<sup>th</sup> Road) concerns about travelers safety for school bus drivers and residents. Jimmy Tye, Road and Bridge Supervisor, reviewed the snow removal procedures. Commissioner Kavanaugh stated that the Road and Bridge Department will look at the roadway to see if there is something they can do to assist.

Commissioner Kavanaugh stated that the Pettis County Commission does not want to hard surface SE 1301<sup>st</sup> Road at this time but may discuss options following the appointments of open elected positions due to the recent resignation of the County Clerk Nick LaStrada.

The Commissioners reviewed the Animal Shelter Services December 2024 Report from Old Drum Animal Shelter and requested payment of the same invoice in the amount of \$58,442.92. It was noted that 2025 monthly service payments will be \$43,750.00.

The Commissioners met with Alex Schlader, Aaron McVicker, and Paul Osborne; McClure Engineering regarding the Design and Bid Specifications for Business 13 Highway Rehabilitation; also present: Jimmy Tye, Road and Bridge Supervisor; and Jennifer Powers, County Clerk Chief Deputy.

Final Design Plans

- Property Owner Communication: Commissioner Kavanaugh requested that property owners of Twisters and Northside Feed be contacted regarding potential construction impacts.
- Project Name: Commissioner Matthews emphasized the importance of distinguishing the project from a Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) initiative. The group considered renaming the roadway to **CRD Bus-13 Hwy** on project documents.
- Construction Supply Staging:
  - Jimmy Tye offered the Road and Bridge Department location (335 E. North Street, Warrensburg) as a central staging area.
  - Milled asphalt debris will be placed at Shamrock Business Park (NW 401<sup>st</sup> Road and 50 Highway).
  - Schlader noted contractors will coordinate arrangements with Tye. Tye stated his team will prepare the Shamrock site this winter.

Project Manual

- Construction Timeline: The current timeline is set at 90 calendar days from the start of work. Commissioner Matthews proposed completing construction by August 1, 2025, to avoid conflicts with the Missouri State Fair (August 7–17, 2025) and the University of Central Missouri student move-in (classes start August 18, 2025). Alternatives discussed included alternate pricing for an August 1 completion, specific non-construction dates, splitting the project into phases, or delaying the start to September. The Commissioners agreed to retain the 90-day timeline and collaborate with the contractor upon bid award.
- Field Testing: Schlader reviewed that the Commission removed construction oversight and material/field testing from McClure’s scope of work but field testing is recommended to ensure that the asphalt meets the specifications. Schlader stated that since no state or federal dollars are being spent on the project, the county is not required have field testing. Schlader noted that Terracon’s estimate for field testing was \$54,000. Commissioner Kavanaugh noted that the pricing would require a request for bids since it is over \$12,000. Schlader noted that the field testing could be included in the contractor’s scope but since the contractor would be hiring the field tester, the tester is working for the contractor, not the county and that could present a challenge if the product was not quite up to specifications. Schlader stated that the bid specifications could require that a County Road and Bridge Representative be present for all extractions. Commissioner Matthews stated that the contractor hiring the field testing with the expectation that a County Road and Bridge Representative be present for all extractions/samplings was a good solution; Commissioner Kavanaugh and Commissioner Sproat agreed.
- Emergency Contacts: Jimmy Tye and Emergency Management Agency

Engineer’s Estimated Construction Costs: \$1,732,543.20 (excludes field testing costs).

Next Steps: Powers will send recommended bid deadlines (question submittal, bid submittal and bid open), contact information, as well as a sample legal notice. Schlader will make the changes from today’s meeting and have the final documents ready for Commission approval next week.

The Commissioners reviewed the McClure Engineering December 2024 for the engineering services for the wastewater treatment facility at the Sheriff’s Offices and Detention Center for \$3,253.75 and requested payment of the same invoice.

The Commissioners were notified that the employees who expressed concern and requested the meeting regarding Wage Continuation Phase Out Plan (cease wage continuation effective January 1, 2025) adopted February 22, 2024, no longer desired to meet with the Commission regarding the matter.

Commissioner Sproat attended the Transportation Advisory Committee at the Concordia Community Center.

Adjournment was at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held on January 21, 2025.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Diane Thompson, County Clerk

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Troy A. Matthews, Presiding Commissioner

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Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner

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Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner

RECORD OF THE JANUARY TERM OF THE JOHNSON COUNTY COURT  
8<sup>th</sup> Day's Proceedings, 21<sup>st</sup> Day of January 2025

The Honorable Johnson County Commission met this day pursuant to adjournment. Present: Troy Matthews, Presiding Commissioner; Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner; Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner; and Diane Thompson, County Clerk. Additional public access made available via Zoom Meeting with the following details: Telephone Number: 312-626-6799 | Meeting ID: 836 3606 4631 | Passcode: 640931 | The following proceedings were had to-wit

The Commissioners reviewed correspondence from RESCOM Environmental Corp regarding a Section 106 Invitation under the National Historic Preservation Act and the National Environmental Policy Act. The invitation, addressed to the Certified Local Government, pertains to CitySwitch’s proposed telecommunications project at MOC026 Kingsville, located approximately 0.21 miles west-southwest of NW 1801<sup>st</sup> Road and NW 50 Highway in Kingsville. The correspondence invites comments on the potential effects of the project on sites or structures of historic significance. The Commissioners were also told that TERRA Consulting Group requested approval for a driveway on NW 1801<sup>st</sup> Road however, this portion of the road is privately maintained and not under county maintenance. Additionally, the Commissioners observed that, in the absence of planning and zoning regulations or written guidelines concerning towers, overhead lines, or construction outside the county right of way, the County Commission does not have the authority to approve or deny such projects.

The Commissioners met with Kristen Dorman, Interim City Manager for the City of Warrensburg and Johnson County Monthly Meeting; also present: Jennifer Powers, County Clerk Chief Deputy ReThink Maguire (Maguire Street from Young Street to Broad Street)

- 1. Utility Upgrades (October – Spring 2025): sewer, water, electric, natural gas, etc.
- 2. Above Ground Construction (Spring – December 2025)
- 3. Phase 2 (Fall 2026): two (2) underground stormwater detention basins with equipment for the treatment of microplastics and roadway restoration from North Street through Emerson Street.
  - a. City was awarded a no cost share grant for \$4.5 million through the Missouri Department of Natural Resources’ (MDNR) Emerging Contaminants Grant. This grant money, through the state’s Clean Water State Revolving Fund program (CWSRF), will be used for stormwater work as part of Phase 2 of Rethink Maguire. The Emerging Contaminants Grant provides funds for projects that aim to address the challenges of newly discovered contaminants such as PFAS (Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances) in the water supply and that promote public health and resilient infrastructure.

Dorman reviewed that interested parties can sign up for weekly project update emails, visit the website or follow the City’s social media. The Commissioners expressed their appreciation for the updates and noted they have received complaints about the additional traffic on College Street. City Manager: Dorman stated the new City Manager, Mike Schrage, starts February 11, 2025 and has been reading up on ongoing projects including solid waste collection and Rethink Maguire. Trash Bills: Dorman reviewed the plan to ensure trash bills are delivered to the appropriate individuals. To prevent incorrect billing, the next sewer bill will include an insert notifying users of the change. Test bills will be sent in February and March, allowing recipients to correct any errors before the first official invoice is issued in April. Information on pickup days, cart delivery, and recycling guidelines will be available on Constable Sanitation Inc.’s website. County Projects: No major progress on any projects currently, projects are still progressing but slowly.

The Commissioners met with Jim Krischke, Interim City Administrator for the City of Knob Noster during the Johnson County Monthly Meeting. Also present: Jennifer Powers, County Clerk Chief Deputy. Residential: A new subdivision is planned for the north side of town, located east of E 12<sup>th</sup> Street and Charles Street. Additionally, a tiny home community is under construction at the southwest corner of W 25<sup>th</sup> Street and J Highway. Commercial: Sonic (300 N State St.) is considering relocating closer to the highway, and Taco Bell has expressed interest in opening a location in town. Knob Noster R-VIII School District has begun construction on the new high school at 23 Highway and Smith Parkway. Whiteman Area Leadership Council: With the anticipated growth of Whiteman Air Force Base, Knob Noster is expected to continue expanding while maintaining its small-town character. While the Board of Aldermen does not intend for the town to grow to the scale of Warrensburg or Sedalia, they remain committed to providing essential services for both residents and visitors. Infrastructure: A funding and maintenance plan is needed for the city's street system. Krischke thanked the Commission for allocating additional ARPA WRM funds to support the city's water tower rehabilitation. Road Construction Business Impact: The businesses in the area, including a Mexican restaurant and a hotel, were not impacted enough by recent road construction to require permanent closures. However, the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) plans to repair an additional bridge on Highway 50, which could once again affect traffic around Knob Noster. City Manager: The Board is currently in the hiring process for a new city manager. However, there have been few applicants, likely due to the position’s high expectations paired with limited resources, making it a challenging role with fewer incentives compared to similar positions in larger municipalities. Annexations: The Commissioners asked if Krischke was interested in reviewing and clarifying existing annexations, as well as exploring potential road ownership and maintenance transfers during his interim tenure as City Administrator. Krischke expressed strong interest in the project and stated he would be happy to research the matter further to provide clarity on questionable annexed areas.

The transfer of funds for payroll of County Officials and employees for the period January 4, 2025 through January 17, 2025 was approved from County funds in the following amounts: **ARPA** Road and Bridge Department: \$53,699.65; Bridge Construction: \$28,479.53; Assessment: \$19,383.06; Auditor: \$6,540.41; County Clerk: \$17,921.42; Prosecuting Attorney: \$27,953.91; Sheriff: \$76,633.51; Jail: \$98,780.52; **ARPA** **Total: \$329,392.01.** County Revenue: \$50,231.31; Juvenile Officers: \$5,620.76; MoSMART Sal Supplement: \$1,384.56; Recovery Court – SAMHSA Grant: \$0.00; P.A. Child Support IV D: \$2,355.80; P.A. VOCA Grant: \$2,000.00; Grand Total: \$390,984.44.

The Commissioners met with Mitch Marquess, Maintenance Supervisor for the Building and Grounds Update. Also present: Jennifer Powers, County Clerk Chief Deputy.

Justice Center

- Smoke Detector and Sprinkler System Testing: 3 separate tests are required and Marquess has requested the work to be done on a Saturday instead of January 30, 2025. Powers suggested alternate dates: February 12, 2025 the courts are closed or February 17, 2025 all administrative offices are closed.
- Heating Ventilation Air Conditioning (HVAC) wall unit (Prosecuting Attorney Office): Marquess noted that units are 25 years old and not being made anymore. One right-hand unit is onsite as a backup unit but the vendor suggested the County purchase a left-hand unit (\$5,500) and a compressor (\$1,800).

Courthouse

- Boiler does not like to run three (3) days without an attendant, so Marquess came in on Monday, January 20, 2025. Unit seems to be not holding the water/temperature like it should so Marquess will keep an eye on the system.

Commissioner Kavanaugh motioned to appoint Rusty Sproat to West Central Missouri Solid Waste Management District Region F Executive Board as the Johnson County Appointed Member. Commissioner Matthews seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

Order: 20250121-01 Appointment of Rusty Sproat as West Central Missouri Solid Waste Management District Region F Executive Board – Johnson County Appointed Member

WHEREAS Membership in the West Central Solid Waste District F is limited to and may be extended only to political subdivisions of the State of Missouri as defined by Section 260.305.1 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri and any amendment thereto. Any political subdivision not an original party to this Agreement but which is desirous of joining the District may petition to do so by action of its Governing Body in the form of a verified or certified petition presented to the Executive Board of the West Central Missouri Solid Waste District F. The Executive Board of West Central Missouri Solid Waste District F shall have the sole and exclusive power and authority, by a majority vote of the Executive Board, to sustain or reject such a petition for membership; and, WHEREAS, there is hereby established a Solid Waste Management Executive Board to govern the Solid Waste Management District, pursuant to alternative management structure defined in RSMo section 260.300. Two representatives from each member county. Of these two members, one member shall represent the County and one member shall represent the cities of the County. The city representative shall be chosen from those cities within the county with a population over five hundred verified by the last census. Executive Board positions shall be offered to the largest City in the County and if declined then offered to each subsequent City based on its population as of the last Census. In addition, the Executive Board shall appoint one member at large. Overall, the Executive Board shall consist of eleven members. The Executive Board Members are as follows:

- a. The County of Johnson, Missouri: Eligible cities are: The City of Holden, The City of Leeton, The City of Knob Noster, & The City of Warrensburg
- b. The County of Lafayette, Missouri: Eligible cities are: The City of Concordia, The City of Higginsville, City of Odessa, The City of Lexington, The City of Waverly, The City of Wellington
- c. The County of Morgan, Missouri: Eligible cities are: The City of Versailles, the City of Stover & The City of Laurie
- d. The County of Pettis, Missouri: Eligible cities are: The City of Sedalia, The City of LaMonte & The City of Smithton
- e. The County of Saline, Missouri: The City of Marshall, The City of Slater, & The City of Sweet Springs; and

WHEREAS, each member of the Executive Board shall have one alternate. Each County shall appoint one alternate. Alternates for the cities shall be determined by selecting a city representative from within each County according to the largest population not currently serving on the Executive Board. There shall not be an alternate for the member at large; and WHEREAS, Executive Board members shall serve a term of two years and may be reappointed thereafter for an unlimited number of consecutive terms; however, members whose elected term of office in a city or county has expired shall be expeditiously replaced as defined in the previous sections; and WHEREAS, Mr. John Marr, as the Eastern Commissioner, was appointed to serve on the West Central Missouri Solid Waste Management District Region F Executive Board as the county representative effective January 1, 2017, and, WHEREAS, Mr. John Marr retired as the Eastern Commissioner effective December 31, 2024; and, WHEREAS, Mr. Rusty Sproat, elected Eastern Commissioner, has agreed to serve on the West Central Missouri Solid Waste Management District Region F Executive Board; and, NOW, THEREFORE, the Johnson County Commission hereby appoints Mr. Rusty Sproat, 306 SE 500th Road, Warrensburg, Missouri 64093, to the West Central Missouri Solid Waste Management District Region F Executive Board as the County Representative, retroactively effective January 1, 2025, and expiring upon resignation.

The Commissioners discussed the appointment of Sproat’s alternate, in the event Sproat is unable to attend a meeting. The group agreed to appoint Emergency Management Agency Director, Darrin Tobias to serve as Sproat’s alternate on the west Central Missouri Solid Waste Management District Region F Executive Board of Directors. A letter was sent to the Board’s Chairman with the recent appointment and alternate.

Johnson County received check #20075140 from Republic Services, Inc c/o Awin Management c/o Allied Waste Services in the amount of \$12,069.44 which represents the host fee for December 2024 (8,323.75 tons at a rate of \$1.45 per ton) was received on January 21, 2025 from the Show Me Regional Landfill.

Commissioner Matthews Johnson County Trails Coalition Meeting, (third floor conference room)

The Commissioners individually reviewed and approved previous minutes.

Laura Smith, Collector of Revenue, presented the tax distribution summary with total distribution of \$40,936,219.83 for December 2024.

Commissioner Kavanaugh motioned to appoint Ted Anderson to Military Airport Zoning Commission. Commissioner Matthews seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Order: 20250121-02 Appointment of Ted Anderson Jr. to Military Airport Zoning Commission,

WHEREAS the Missouri Revised Statutes 41.655.(2) states The governing body of any county of the second classification with more than forty-eight thousand two hundred but fewer than forty-eight thousand three hundred inhabitants may adopt, administer, and enforce airport hazard area zoning regulations that are substantially similar to the airport hazard area zoning regulations in sections 67.1200 to 67.1222, subject to any exceptions listed in this section; and, WHEREAS, the county shall employ any existing airport planning commission or airport zoning commission as created in section 67.1210, or shall form such commission, WHEREAS, the commission shall consist of five members as follows:

- a. Three residents residing in the township containing Whiteman Air Force Base, appointed by the County Commission;
- b. The presiding county commissioner or such commissioner's designee; and
- c. The county road commissioner; and

WHEREAS, the Airport Zoning Commission may appoint an ex officio military liaison from the Armed Forces of the United States who is stationed at the military base; and WHEREAS, appointed members of the Commission shall be six (6) years; and WHEREAS, Mr. Ted Anderson, as a resident of the township containing the military base, was reappointed to serve a term on the Military Airport Zoning Commission as the township member effective January 1, 2018 with the term expiring December 31, 2023, and, WHEREAS, pursuant to 67.1210 RSMo, vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term of any member whose office becomes vacant in the same manner in which such member was selected; and, WHEREAS, Mr. Anderson attended meetings in 2024 and has agreed to serve an additional term on the Military Airport Zoning Commission; and, NOW, THEREFORE, the Johnson County Commission hereby reappoints Mr. Ted Anderson Jr., 895 SE 200th Road, Knob Noster, Missouri 65336, to the Military Airport Zoning Commission as a township member, retroactively effective January 1, 2024, and expiring December 31, 2029.

Adjournment was at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held on January 23, 2025.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Diane Thompson, County Clerk

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Troy A. Matthews, Presiding Commissioner

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Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner

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Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner

**RECORD OF THE JANUARY TERM OF THE JOHNSON COUNTY COURT**  
**9<sup>th</sup> Day's Proceedings, 23<sup>rd</sup> Day of January 2025**

The Honorable Johnson County Commission met this day pursuant to adjournment. Present: Troy Matthews, Presiding Commissioner; Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner; Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner; and Diane Thompson, County Clerk. Additional public access made available via Zoom Meeting with the following details: Telephone Number: 312-626-6799 | Meeting ID: 836 3606 4631 | Passcode: 640931 | The following proceedings were had to-wit

The Commissioners reviewed and approved accounts payable in the amount of \$214,859.90.

The Commissioners met with Assessor-Elect George Taylor to discuss Johnson County’s Senior Real Estate Tax Credit “homestead” definition. In Christian County, where Ulrich is used, all residential properties qualify for the credit, which may seem unequal to some. Taylor noted that some homeowners have up to 10 acres classified as residential, while others have only 0.5 acres residential and 9.5 acres agricultural. The credit will apply only to the residential-assessed portion.

The Commissioners later met with Laura Smith, Collector, who stated that after speaking with Ulrich Software, they confirmed that to have the software calculating a credit within this tax year, the credit will be applied to the eligible taxpayer’s property classified as residential, regardless of the number of acres.

The Commissioners met with Jimmy Tye, Road and Bridge Supervisor, also present: Jennifer Powers.

Spirit Trail Asphalt Resealing: Tye is meeting with a sales representative from Vance Brothers to get an estimate for asphalt resealing.

Hauling Sand: Staff will be transporting a load of wet sand tomorrow from Lexington. Tye noted that even if they could find dry sand to purchase, it would absorb moisture and be wet by the time it was to be used.

Hauling Gravel: Staff will be next week, as long as weather permits.

East Division (between Warrensburg city limit and Highway 13): The asphalt near the bridge may need milling and resurfacing due to significant elevation changes on the approaches. While not a safety hazard, Tye believes the road’s condition is subpar. Given the heavy traffic, improvements would be beneficial.

NW 200<sup>th</sup> Road (between NW 361<sup>st</sup> Road and NW 501<sup>st</sup> Road): The chip seal surface has settled and now there is a dip at the bridge, staff will work on smoothing the transitions.

Commissioner Kavanaugh noted that Mitch Marquess, contacted the Commission yesterday that the Courthouse boiler was not operating

Emergency Procurement Consideration: Courthouse Boiler Repairs

Commissioner Matthews requested Marquess May need to check with Spire to ensure natural gas is

Right of Way Processes

Thompson reviewed the drafted procedures and applications County Clerk and Road and Bridge Staff prepared to lineup with Ordinance 24-03 – Amended December 9, 2024 Regulating Construction and Use Of County-Maintained Public Road Right Of Way.

Thompson reviewed the application document and the procedure for the various departments to review the application, the work site and for the documentation to be presented to the Commission for approval. Discussion on how to determine if a utility is public and how the utility proves net assets are \$25,000,000 or greater to Clerk. Thompson stated there should be a balance sheet that they can provide if there is any doubt.

Tye reviewed the Road and Bridge Department's inspection process.

Property Restoration: The Commissioners noted that if the County has to restore property, the rate to repair costs would be at the rate of a contractor, not discounted as a county employee is doing the work with discounted materials.

Outstanding Applications: Commissioners will address that incomplete projects will be considered void and should be resubmitted under the new application process with applicable fees.

Alternate Route Project: Tye noted that sometimes the proposed projects are planned or engineered in a way that would be less than ideal. It was his understanding that the County could recommend alternate plans as long as the change does not increase the cost of the job more than ten percent (10%).

Financial Split: The proposed split of the application fee is \$50 to General Revenue and all remaining funds to Road and Bridge. The Commission requested Tye to have staff keep track of expenses to confirm the split was reflective of the expense.

Next Steps: Powers was tasked to make an extension application and draft a cover letter reviewing the application and review process.

The Commissioners met with James Jackson about the maintenance of SW 300<sup>th</sup> Road (from the intersection of SW 701<sup>st</sup> Road and proceeding east approximately 616 feet to where the road is then county-maintained) as discussed December 23, 2024. Also present: Jimmy Tye, Road and Bridge Supervisor and Jennifer Powers, County Clerk Chief Deputy.

Property Dispute: James Jackson raised concerns regarding a property dispute with Caleb Thomas. Jackson stated that Thomas's home, built without a prior survey, encroaches on his property. Thomas owns a half-acre with a house that overlaps Jackson's driveway and property line. Additionally, Thomas's primary access to his property is via Jackson's driveway. He also pointed out that his address, 299 SW 1701st Road, suggests that SW 300<sup>th</sup> Road was not extended west past Justin and Christal Thomas's driveway. Commissioner Matthews clarified that this matter falls outside the County Commission's jurisdiction, as it is a civil dispute that must be resolved through the court system.

County Road Maintenance: The Commissioners stated that no records (petitions, public hearings, or road vacation documents) indicate that the roadway was officially closed. Consequently, the County Road and Bridge Department has assessed the roadway and will continue maintaining it moving forward. Jackson mentioned that when he purchased the property, he was informed that the road was closed and that he was responsible for maintaining it as his driveway. He also noted that the Road and Bridge Manager had previously indicated that if the culvert or bridge were removed, that portion of the road would be considered closed. Jackson further claimed that the Thomases have dug holes in his driveway without repairing it to the previous standard.

Since Jackson has been maintaining the road for the past 30 years—placing gravel every other year and mowing—he requested the County reimburse him for the work he has done or hired out.

County's Position on Road Maintenance: Commissioner Matthews reiterated that the County will maintain the roadway up to the point where it dead-ends at the low-water crossing/ditch. However, the County will not install a culvert or bridge to extend the road further. The Commissioners stated that there would be no reimbursement.

Regarding Jackson's concern about road damage, Matthews noted that Thomas had informed the Commission that he supervised excavation to locate a water leak. While there was a delay due to mechanical issues, Thomas believed the area was restored.

Clarification from Former Officials: After Jackson left the meeting, Tye reported that he had spoken with former Road and Bridge Supervisor Gary Bell. Bell recalled discussions between the former property owner and former Commissioner Bob Baner regarding the removal of the water crossing and the lack of county maintenance moving forward for the west section of SW 300<sup>th</sup> Road. However, the Commissioners noted that there is no official documentation to confirm the road's closure. To formally vacate the road now, the County would need to follow all steps outlined in Missouri Statutes.

Commissioner Matthews attended the Johnson County Economic Development Corporation – Executive Board Meeting in the third-floor conference room.

2025 Procurement Projects

Thompson reviewed statutory procurement requirements and as outlined in 50.660, 50.780.2, 50.783 and 70.220 RSMo as well as a detailed list of products and services that will likely be over the threshold of \$12,000 made from any one person, firm or corporation during any period of ninety days. The Commission discussed which products and services they plan to bid out for 2025 as well as those that would be considered a cooperative purchase as allowed under 70.220 RSMo.

There was some discussion on the bid of gasoline and diesel bulk fuel, the current process the Road and Bridge Department follows, and how other counties meet the requirements to advertise the bid and receive sealed bids. Thompson will reach out to Taney County and ask how they award their fuel bid.

Bid				
Description	Documents	Award	Type	Notes & Funding
Aggregate Rock and Sand and Chips	Feb-25	Mar-25	RFB - Product Only	basically, acquiring an annual price list from each vendor. Will be a multiple vendor award
Gasoline and Diesel Bulk Fuel	Feb-25	Mar-25	RFB - Product and Service	basically, acquiring an annual price list from each vendor. Will be a multiple vendor award. 2-3 loads of fuel each month. Need to add different fuel types.
Road Oil	Feb-25	Mar-25	RFB - Product and Service	
Chip and Sealing / Micro Surfacing / Asphaltting Roads	Mar-25	Apr-25	RFB - Product and Service	need bid specs
Culvert Pipes	Mar-25	Apr-25	RFB - Product and Service	Will be a single award. Will have a full transport load. Must have number of culverts for at least one order to award bid.
Landfill Dust Control / dry flakes	Apr-25	May-25	RFB - Product and Service	if using dry flakes, it may not need to be bid since road and bridge department would apply.
Spirit Trail Asphalt Resealing			RFB - Product and Service	need bid specs, would like to use the \$ in the fund for resealing the trail.
Road and Bridge Equipment Purchase			RFB - Product Only	office generator, trailers, chip spreader, SOME OTHER THINGS, belly dump trailer, boom mower, 2 Freightliners dump trucks, pickup trucks
Bank Depository	Feb-25	Apr-25	RFB - Product and Service	need bid specs
Insurance Broker (health, vision, dental, life, workers compensation, ancillary, etc.)	Feb-25	Mar-25	Qualifications Based Selection	need bid specs
Moving Courthouse Offices				
County Website	Apr-25	Jun-25	RFB - Product and Service	need bid specs
Propane	Jun-25	Jul-25	RFB - Product and Service	
Indigent Burials			RFB - Product and Service	need bid specs
Maintenance Vehicle (Courthouse/Justice Center)			RFB - Product Only	no bid in 2025 two trucks were rebuilt by road and bridge dept.
On-Call Service - Electrician			RFB - Product and Service	Commissioner Kavanaugh recommended rotating vendors so that no vendor reach \$12,000 in 90 days
On-Call Service - HVAC			RFB - Product and Service	Commissioner Kavanaugh recommended rotating vendors so that no vendor reach \$12,000 in 90 days
On-Call Service - Plumbing			RFB - Product and Service	Commissioner Kavanaugh recommended rotating vendors so that no vendor reach \$12,000 in 90 days
On-Call Service - Wastewater Treatment System			RFB - Product and Service	If Tracy has an updated contract, the Commissioners would like to see it
Spirit Trail Art – resealing			RFB - Product and Service	need bid specs, would like to use the \$ in the fund for resealing the trail.
Hout Street Property Remediation				on hold
Hout Street Property Demolition				on hold
Hout Street Property Sale				on hold
Tackifier, Mulch and Fertilizer			RFB - Product and Service	no bid in 2025
Detention Center Farming (North Field) (last bid in 2013 - notify in August to bid in 2026)	Jan-26	Feb-26	RFB - Service Only	
Audit (bid awarded 7/1/2024 and good for 3 years)	May-27	Jun-27	RFB - Product and Service	
Shamrock Mowing (Bid awarded 2/22/24 and good for 5 years)	Nov-28	Jan-29	RFB - Service Only	
Outside Vendor - Justice Center Roof Construction	Jun-24	Aug-24	McClure Engineering	Delayed til 2025 Spring
Outside Vendor - Detention Center Insulation Construction	Oct-24		McClure Engineering	no action taken on bids
Outside Vendor - Detention Center Wastewater Treatment Plant	Sep-24	Oct-24	McClure Engineering	bids rejected (project needs to be completed by 2026 for DNR inspection)
Outside Vendor - Business 13 Highway Construction	Jan-25	Feb-25	McClure Engineering	
Outside Vendor - Bridge 1740004 NE 500 Rd Walnut Creek *Eng. Complete			Great River Engineering	
Outside Vendor - Bridge 2870004 NW 1771 Rd S Fork Blackwater *Eng. Complete 8/30/2025			McClure Engineering	
Outside Vendor - Bridge 5970003 SW 1621 Rd Scaly Bark *Eng. Complete 3/1/2025			OWN, Inc.	
Outside Vendor - Courthouse HVAC Construction			IMEG and STRATA	

Adjournment was at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held on January 27, 2025.

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**RECORD OF THE JANUARY TERM OF THE JOHNSON COUNTY COURT**

**10<sup>th</sup> Day's Proceedings, 27<sup>th</sup> Day of January 2025**

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The Honorable Johnson County Commission met this day pursuant to adjournment. Present: Troy Matthews, Presiding Commissioner; Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner; Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner; and Diane Thompson, County Clerk. Additional public access made available via Zoom Meeting with the following details: Telephone Number: 312-626-6799 | Meeting ID: 836 3606 4631 | Passcode: 640931 | The following proceedings were had to-wit

The Commissioners received monthly fees collected report from Prosecuting Attorney, Robert Russell for November 2024 totaling \$7,007.00 which was deposited with the Treasurer.

The Commissioners received monthly fees collected report from Prosecuting Attorney, Robert Russell for December 2024 totaling \$2,790.00 which was deposited with the Treasurer.

The Commissioners received monthly fees collected report from Prosecuting Attorney, Robert Russell for 2024 totaling \$41,999.00 which was deposited with the Treasurer.

The Commissioners received notice from State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) regarding the Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Discovery for Crooked Plus Watershed Flood Study. SEMA is hosting meetings to:

- Define the flood risk update needs of the county and incorporated communities
- Clearly communicate the potential changes in the effective floodplains using new methodologies and topography, and
- Document any identified flood risk mitigation needs.

The Commissioners requested the information be shared with the Assessor, as Johnson County's Floodplain Administrator, and Johnson County's EMA Director. Meetings are scheduled February 4-6, 2025.

The Commissioners reviewed and approved the processing of the 2025 Missouri Association of Counties invoice for \$7.194.00.

The Commissioners met with Darrin Tobias, Director; and Luke Ekstrand, Deputy Director for the Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Update. Also present: Jennifer Powers, County Clerk Chief Deputy. Tobias reviewed the prepared report including attended trainings and upcoming events.

Local Operations Emergency Plan (LEOP): The LEOP has been sent to the Commission for review. Only one section is pending, which is from Coroner Clark Holdren. Once the Commission completes its review, the LEOP will need to be formally approved.

The Commissioners met with Jimmy Tye, Road and Bridge Supervisor, also present: Jennifer Powers, County Clerk Chief Deputy. Tye stated that he was able to purchase a v-plow for \$750.00 from Robert Lynd Brothers but will need to be reimbursed by the County.

Driveway Application: Tyler Jordan requested to establish a driveway on Business 13 Highway, providing access to Parcel 12101200000001800. Mr. Jordan noted that, while they do not currently own the property, they would only consider purchasing it if permission to create the requested entrance were granted. The group discussed alternative access options, including NW 11<sup>th</sup> Road, access through the existing Jaguar Estates Subdivision, or obtaining an easement to use the entrance serving 240-246 NW Business 13. Commissioner Kavanaugh moved, and Commissioner Sproat seconded, to deny the request for an additional entrance on the west side of Business 13 Highway for access to Parcel 12101200000001800. Motion approved.

The Commissioners met with Bryan Jacobs, Old Drum Animal Shelter (ODAS) Board President; Lisa Richter, ODAS Board Secretary and Treasurer; and Cassie Montgomery, Animal Shelter Director Animal Shelter Monthly Update; also present: Jennifer Powers, County Clerk Chief Deputy.

Board Member Update: Jimmy Houx recently and Olivia Bloom resigned joined the board.

Staff: Montgomery stated her resignation is effective February 2, 2025. The board is hiring for director and kennel technician.

Shelter Operations: Full capacity, adoptions are slow right now, hopeful to do a Wayside Ways transfer

Facility Update: Security cameras and door alarms are installed. Electrician is working on necessary repair. New washer and dryer installed, purchased from Lowes with significant discounts.

Commissioner Kavanaugh motioned and Commissioner Sproat seconded to approve and authorize Presiding Commissioner Matthews to sign the Lease Agreement: with Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation of Nashville Tennessee for a Caterpillar Skid Steer (Compact Tractor) as was approved for purchase on December 31, 2024. Motion approved unanimously.

The Commissioners met with Spectrum Communications representatives Ky Nichols, Mike Daniel, and Rodney Staehle, along with subcontractors Tommy Cox and Jason Labert (Sunrise Telecommunications), to discuss Right of Way applications. Also present: Diane Thompson, County Clerk; Jennifer Powers, County Clerk Chief Deputy; Jimmy Tye, Road and Bridge Supervisor; Lance Randolph, Road and Bridge Staff.

Ordinance 24-03 (amended Dec. 9, 2024): introduced a new application and fee process.

Outstanding Applications: 341 applications remain incomplete, with Spectrum providing updates as they are finalized.

Work Issues: Exposed wires/boxes and insufficient depth in some areas require reboring.

Signage: Commissioner Kavanaugh requested safety notifications for work on 2 Highway to prevent accidents.

Financial: Spectrum will coordinate with the Treasurer for ACH transfers and provide bonds for new applications.

Project Status: Spectrum is nearly finished in Johnson County, aiming to complete RDOF in 2025. Future BEAD funding may bring them back.

The Commissioners attended the Missouri Leadership Meeting hosted by Missouri Association of Counties.

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**10<sup>th</sup> Day's Proceedings, 27<sup>th</sup> Day of January 2025**

Commissioner Kavanaugh motioned and Commissioner Sproat seconded to appoint James Bell, Paul Engelmann, Richard Strobel to the Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission (PTRPC) - Transportation Advisory Council (TAC).

ORDER: 20250127-01 Appoint James Bell to Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission (PTRPC) Transportation Advisory Council (TAC)

WHEREAS, The Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission (PTRPC) Transportation Advisory Council (TAC) is composed of 32 regular members, eight (8) from each county represented (Lafayette, Johnson, Pettis and Saline). The Council will also have ex officio non-voting members, to include (but not limited to) public transit providers and Missouri Department of Transportation district officials; and, WHEREAS, Each County Commission in the Pioneer Trails Region shall be responsible for maintaining eight active members on the TAC; and, WHEREAS, Each County Commission shall submit to the chairperson of the Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission, or his/her designee, candidates for subsequent appointment in compliance with the customary operating procedures of the organization; and, WHEREAS, Members shall serve four-year terms; and, WHEREAS, Terms shall be staggered so that two positions per county come due during any given year; and, WHEREAS, There is no limit to the number of terms a member may serve; and, WHEREAS, Members of the Council shall be citizens of the United States of America, reside in the PTRPC service region, and in the county they represent, and possess an interest in transportation issues; and, WHEREAS, Bill Bernier was unable to complete his appointed term (expiring December 31, 2026) and therefore leaving a vacancy; and, WHEREAS, James Bell, 1024 NE 121<sup>st</sup> Road, Warrensburg has expressed interest; and, WHEREAS, Mr. Bell stated he has met the qualifications for membership as identified in the Bylaws for Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission Transportation Advisory Council; and, NOW THEREFORE, The Johnson County Commission appoints James Bell, 1024 NE 121<sup>st</sup> Road, Warrensburg to fill the vacancy of Bill Bernier. The term will be effective January 27, 2025, and expire December 31, 2026.

ORDER: 20250127-02 Appoint Paul Engelmann to Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission (PTRPC) Transportation Advisory Council (TAC)

WHEREAS, The Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission (PTRPC) Transportation Advisory Council (TAC) is composed of 32 regular members, eight (8) from each county represented (Lafayette, Johnson, Pettis and Saline). The Council will also have ex officio non-voting members, to include (but not limited to) public transit providers and Missouri Department of Transportation district officials; and, WHEREAS, Each County Commission in the Pioneer Trails Region shall be responsible for maintaining eight active members on the TAC; and, WHEREAS, Each County Commission shall submit to the chairperson of the Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission, or his/her designee, candidates for subsequent appointment in compliance with the customary operating procedures of the organization; and, WHEREAS, Members shall serve four-year terms; and, WHEREAS, Terms shall be staggered so that two positions per county come due during any given year; and, WHEREAS, There is no limit to the number of terms a member may serve; and, WHEREAS, Members of the Council shall be citizens of the United States of America, reside in the PTRPC service region, and in the county they represent, and possess an interest in transportation issues; and, WHEREAS, Paul Engelmann was appointed to the Transportation Advisory Council with a term expiration of December 31, 2024; and, WHEREAS, Mr. Engelmann stated he has met the qualifications for membership as identified in the Bylaws for Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission Transportation Advisory Council and desires to continue serving on the board; and, NOW THEREFORE, The Johnson County Commission reappoints Paul Engelmann, 33 NW 225<sup>th</sup> Road, Warrensburg to Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission Transportation Advisory Council. The term will be effective retroactively January 1, 2025, and expire December 31, 2028.

ORDER: 20250127-03 Appoint Richard Strobel to Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission (PTRPC) Transportation Advisory Council (TAC)

WHEREAS, The Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission (PTRPC) Transportation Advisory Council (TAC) is composed of 32 regular members, eight (8) from each county represented (Lafayette, Johnson, Pettis and Saline). The Council will also have ex officio non-voting members, to include (but not limited to) public transit providers and Missouri Department of Transportation district officials; and, WHEREAS, Each County Commission in the Pioneer Trails Region shall be responsible for maintaining eight active members on the TAC; and, WHEREAS, Each County Commission shall submit to the chairperson of the Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission, or his/her designee, candidates for subsequent appointment in compliance with the customary operating procedures of the organization; and, WHEREAS, Members shall serve four-year terms; and, WHEREAS, Terms shall be staggered so that two positions per county come due during any given year; and, WHEREAS, There is no limit to the number of terms a member may serve; and, WHEREAS, Members of the Council shall be citizens of the United States of America, reside in the PTRPC service region, and in the county they represent, and possess an interest in transportation issues; and, WHEREAS, Richard Strobel was appointed to the Transportation Advisory Council with a term expiration of December 31, 2024; and, WHEREAS, Mr. Strobel stated he has met the qualifications for membership as identified in the Bylaws for Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission Transportation Advisory Council and desires to continue serving on the board; and, NOW THEREFORE, The Johnson County Commission reappoints Richard Strobel, 1131 NE 1075<sup>th</sup> Road, Concordia to Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission Transportation Advisory Council. The term will be effective retroactively January 1, 2025, and expire December 31, 2028.

The Commissioners received correspondence from Ethan Starr, State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Architectural Historian regarding the status of the Johnson County Courthouse heating ventilation, air conditioning upgrades and window replacement. Starr stated that SHPO is waiting on a legal review of the letter of determination, which will be sent as soon as it has been cleared for release.

Adjournment was at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held on January 28, 2025.

The Honorable Johnson County Commission met this day pursuant to adjournment. Present: Troy Matthews, Presiding Commissioner; Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner; Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner; and Diane Thompson, County Clerk. Additional public access made available via Zoom Meeting with the following details: Telephone Number: 312-626-6799 | Meeting ID: 836 3606 4631 | Passcode: 640931 | The following proceedings were had to-wit:

Commissioner Matthews and Commissioner Kavanaugh met with three members of the community who were attending a portion of today’s meeting as a part of their scouting merit badge.

Commissioner Matthews and Commissioner Kavanaugh met with Tracy Brantner, Johnson County Economic Development Corporation (JCEDC) Executive Director for the monthly update. Brantner reviewed that JCEDC is the only county-wide economic development organization, positively affecting business development, placemaking, entrepreneurship, talent development, and regionalism and in doing so promoting the economic health of Johnson County, Central Missouri region, and the state of Missouri. Brantner reviewed that various administrative tasks are required to complete the end of year and beginning of year tasks.

Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program: Following the Commission’s receipt of Jennifer Dameron, External Relations Director for the Midwest region on behalf of Comcast, request for a letter of support for the BEAD program, Brantner was sent the request for coordination. Brantner contacted Dameron to schedule a meeting during the Commission’s public sessions to provide more detailed information regarding Comcast's potential project in Johnson County and a written summary of the fiber deployment project should BEAD funds be awarded to Comcast for work in Johnson County.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA): Brantner noted that the Commissioners asked JCEDC to be a part of the Johnson County Recovery Team so they have been providing administrative assistance for ARPA funds. Brantner assisted Treasurer Heather Reynolds with the required quarterly report for Johnson County.

ARPA-Water Resource Match (WRM) Grant Program

Application	Applicant	50% Local Cost Share	50% County ARPA Funds	Total Project Costs
ARPA-WRM-001	Public Water Supply District #3	\$387,500.00	\$387,500.00	\$775,000.00
Drinking Water: OSHA Water Tower Rehabilitation – Construction work is complete 251 Well #3 – Flynn Drilling Company contracted to start project April 2025				
ARPA-WRM-003	City of Centerview	\$35,650.00	\$35,650.00	\$71,300.00
Drinking Water: Internal and external painting of water tower – Viking Industrial Painting contracted to complete the work				
ARPA-WRM-004	City of Leeton	\$137,500.00	\$137,500.00	\$275,000.00
Drinking Water: Replacement of water meters and fire hydrants – Empire Electric Services and Technologies has begun work				
ARPA-WRM-005	City of Knob Noster	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$500,000.00
Wastewater: Infiltration and Inflow – SMICO is in the investigation process Drinking Water: Water Tower(s) Rehabilitation (construction) – No update				
ARPA-WRM-006	City of Holden	\$233,900.00	\$233,900.00	\$467,800.00
ARPA-WRM-007a ARPA-WRM-007b Wastewater: Water Treatment Facility Improvement – Project waiting on final engineering Stormwater: South Pine Street Storm Sewer and Curb – Engineering Surveys & Services hired for stormwater services Government Services: Stormwater/Open Ditch Equipment – In procurement phase				
ARPA-WRM-008	City of Chilhowee	\$11,000.00	\$11,000.00	\$22,000.00
Clean Water - Wastewater collection and conveyance: Ebara Dry Pit Pump removal, inspection, repair/replacement – No update				

122 Hout Street Environmental Assessment: Brantner reported that the contractor’s findings will be completed once the results of the three sample tests are received.

Enhanced Enterprise Zone (EEZ): Brantner reviewed that two (2) Johnson County businesses currently receive benefits from the EEZ (Lifetime Animal Hospital and Midwest Cast Products). The purpose of the EEZ is to provide real property tax abatement for qualifying businesses located within the designated zone. Branter offered to provide an overview or training of the EEZ program.

Commissioner Kavanaugh motioned and Commissioner Matthews seconded to approve the 2025 Contract for Economic Development Services with Johnson County Economic Development Corporation with Johnson County Economic Development Corporation for

- Value of in-kind office and common space, utilities, custodial, printing and other services in the estimated amount of \$20,000; and
- Contributions toward the salary of office support staff in the amount not to exceed \$35,000
- General funding for services in the amount of \$25,000.

Whiteman Area Leadership Council (WALC): Bratner noted significant uncertainty surrounding the transition from the A-10 aircraft being phased out to the introduction of the B-21 Raider. These changes could have substantial impacts on Whiteman Air Force Base (WAFB) and Johnson County. She highlighted that when the B-2 Bomber was introduced, three bases were initially slated to house the aircraft. However, only 25 units were produced, all of which were assigned to WAFB. Given that WAFB is the second base scheduled to receive the B-21 Raider, there is some concern about whether the base will ultimately receive any of the aircraft.

Additionally, it was noted that the Air Force is undergoing a restructuring process at both the federal and smaller entity levels, which could further affect WAFB. JCEDC has recommended focusing on balanced development in the area—prioritizing growth while avoiding overdevelopment. Brantner reviewed that in 2022 the Commission increased the payment amount from \$3,000 to \$5,000 but the amount could be altered as the Commission desired. Commissioner Kavanaugh noted that the \$5,000 investment seemed inline, Commissioner Matthews agreed. Commission Kavanaugh motioned and Commissioner Matthews seconded to approve and authorize Presiding Commissioner Matthews to sign the 2025 Agreement between Whiteman Area Leadership Council (WALC) and Johnson County, Missouri for \$5,000.00. Motion approved unanimously.

The Commissioners met with Diane Thompson, County Clerk, and Lisa Treece, Human Resources Director, to discuss the 2025 Employee Handbook. The group reviewed federal, state, and county policies, noting that Treece and Thompson had compared the county handbook with the Missouri Association of Counties (MAC) template and incorporated previously omitted items from the MAC template into the county handbook. Following discussion and two minor changes, the Commission approved the handbook for distribution to county employees.

The Commissioners approved an out-of-cycle payment of \$2,100.00 for an employee’s unpaid health savings account transfers.

The Commissioners reviewed correspondence from the State Tax Commission of Missouri, that pursuant to Section 137.073.4(1), RSMo, the certified increase in the Certified Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the United States, as determined by the U. S. Department of Labor, on the latest twelve-month basis available February 1, 2025, is 2.9% for the December 2023 to December 2024 period.

The Commissioners individually reviewed and approved previous minutes.

Adjournment was at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held on January 30, 2025.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Diane Thompson, County Clerk

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Troy A. Matthews, Presiding Commissioner

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Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner

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Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner

**RECORD OF THE JANUARY TERM OF THE JOHNSON COUNTY COURT**  
**12<sup>th</sup> Day's Proceedings, 30<sup>th</sup> Day of January 2025**

The Honorable Johnson County Commission met this day pursuant to adjournment. Present: Troy Matthews, Presiding Commissioner; Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner; Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner; and Diane Thompson, County Clerk. Additional public access made available via Zoom Meeting with the following details: Telephone Number: 312-626-6799 | Meeting ID: 836 3606 4631 | Passcode: 640931 | The following proceedings were had to-wit

Commissioner Matthews reported not attending the Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission - Board Meeting at the Concordia Community Center.

The Commissioners reviewed and approved accounts payable in the amount of \$676,999.80.

Commissioner Kavanaugh motioned and Commissioner Sproat seconded to approve Bridge 2870004 BRO-R051(42) (NW 1771<sup>st</sup> Road over South Fork of Blackwater) Project Invoice 10 with \$6,406.64 paid to McClure Engineering to be paid from Bridge Construction, Consulting Engineer (006-000-57813) and MoDOT to reimburse the County \$6,406.64 into Bridge Construction, Inter-governmental Revenue (006-000-45210). Motion approved unanimously.

**Beer by the Drink Liquor License**  
**Birdies and Brews LLC** d/b/a Birdies and Brews, 1125 N Simpson Drive, Suite 1, Warrensburg MO requested and was granted a license to sell beer by the drink. Effective January 14, 2025, the license shall expire June 30, 2025.

*Record of the January Term of the Johnson County COURT 12<sup>th</sup> Day's Proceedings, 30<sup>th</sup> Day of January 2025 continues on page 550.*

Order: 20250130-1: Payroll transfers associated with ARPA obligations

Pursuant to the Commission order signed December 23, 2024, the Commission hereby authorizes the Auditor to make transfers from the salary line of each of the funds listed below and deposit into the HVAC Project Fund – 098-000-45800 – Fund Transfers revenue line.

Auditor	001-020-57530
County Clerk	001-040-57530
Road and Bridge	002-120-57530
Assessor	003-010-57530
Bridge Construction	006-000-57530
Prosecuting Attorney	009-160-57530
Sheriff	082-190-57530
Jail	082-210-57530

Transfers for the first two pay periods of January 2025 should be made immediately. Going forward, transfers should be made biweekly to coincide with each pay period. The Auditor will receive a copy of Report ID PRCK72 from Human Resources and use the Gross Pay column for the above-listed departments under 028 ARPA to determine the amount to be transferred each pay period. This order will be in full force and effect through the last pay period in December 2025.

The Commissioners met with Jimmy Tye, Road and Bridge Supervisor, discussion included equipment purchases (boom mower, trucks, etc.), staffing, and the impact of rain and above freezing temperatures on county roads.

Diane Thompson, County Clerk, joined the meeting to discuss the Spectrum Communications Right of Way (ROW) Bond. Thompson reviewed that Spectrum has bond # 107479198 in the amount of \$150,000 which was increase from \$20,000 to \$150,000 on August 3, 2022 and has been used for ROW projects since that time. Thompson stated that the two (2) Spectrum applications (received after January 1<sup>st</sup>) have a total of three (3) cuts with a surety bond requirement of \$60,000. Commissioner Matthews and Commissioner Kavanaugh stated that Spectrum needs to get a new bond for any new right of way projects. Commissioner Sproat agreed. Tye stated that Lance Randolph is looking at each ROW project to confirm if the project was started, and so far they all were started but not inspected for correct installation.

The Commissioners approved a Johnson County Commission Bridge Project Update to be posted on County social media and the County Road and Bridge Department’s webpage; a similar news release was sent to local newspapers and radio stations.

What’s happening with the NW 1771<sup>st</sup> Road bridge project as of January 30, 2025? The Johnson County Commission is moving forward with replacing Bridge 2870004 (NW 1771<sup>st</sup> Road over South Fork of Blackwater). The project, engineered by McClure Engineering, has reached several key milestones.

Where does the project stand now?

- Preliminary plans have been approved by MoDOT.
- Work is underway on easement documentation.
- The Cultural Resource Survey is waiting for warmer weather to be completed per MoDOT’s request.
- The Threatened and Endangered Species (T&E) report has been submitted to MoDOT for review.

What’s next? Once Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) and State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) approve the necessary permits, the County will begin conversations with landowners regarding easements around the bridge.

How can the community stay informed? The Johnson County Commission will continue to provide updates as the project progresses.

The Commissioners reviewed county roads.

The Commissioners met with Diane Thompson about an Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with Christian County, Missouri. Thompson noted that Christian County specifically asked about using the recently awarded Aerial Photography and Change Detection Services Bid to EagleView of Rochester, New York. Thompson noted that this agreement will also allow Johnson County to use Christian County bids to minimize procurement efforts.

Commissioner Kavanaugh motioned and Commissioner Sproat seconded to enter into an Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with Christian County, Missouri. Motion approved unanimously.

Adjournment was at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held on February 3, 2025.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Diane Thompson, County Clerk

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Troy A. Matthews, Presiding Commissioner

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Rusty Sproat, Eastern Commissioner

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Charles Kavanaugh, Western Commissioner