BUCHANAN COUNTY COMMISSION



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Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, August 14, 2024

In attendance were Commissioner Scott Burnham, Presiding Commissioner Scott Nelson, Commissioner Ron Hook, County Counselor Josh Bachman, Planning & Zoning Specialist Kristy Theas, Chief Deputy Clerk Kerry Peppard and Administrative Coordinator Amy Helsel

Presiding Commissioner Nelson called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Meeting Agenda

Presiding Commissioner Nelson made a motion to approve today's agenda. Commissioner Hook seconded the motion.

Meeting Minutes

Presiding Commissioner Nelson made a motion to approve meeting minutes for Monday, August 12, 2024, and Tuesday, August 13, 2024. Commissioner Hook seconded the motion.

Business

Commissioners, Kristy Theas and Josh Bachman discussed the Planning & Zoning Solar Ordinance. After review, a court order was presented to amend the Buchanan County Zoning Order to include a Utility-Scale Solar Energy System ordinance and approved by Commissioner Burnham, Presiding Commissioner Nelson, and Commissioner Hook. Kristy Theas left the meeting at 9:11 am.

Kerry Peppard met with Commissioners to go over 2024 tax rate. A public hearing will be August 23, 2024, at 9:00 am in the Commissioners office. Kerry left the meeting at 9:25 am.

Court orders to transfer funds were presented and approved by Commissioner Burnham, Commissioner Hook, and Presiding Commissioner Nelson.

A court order authorizing funding to the YMCA for the build and operations of an aquatic center was presented and approved by Presiding Commissioner Nelson. Acting County Commissioner Kate Schaefer signed this court order at 8:20 am, she was not available to meet at 9:00 am.

A court order acknowledging receipt of the official results of the Primary Election was presented and approved by Commissioner Hook, Commission Burnham, and Presiding Commissioner Nelson.

Simon Gach joined the meeting at 9:20 am. Commissioners met with Mr. Gach to discuss Buchanan County Fairgrounds Board. Mr. Gach left the meeting at 9:50 am.

Commissioner Hook advised the Commissioners he was approached by the Downtown Association about placing window decals on some windows of Public Defenders offices. Commissioner Hook, Commissioner Burnham, and Presiding Commissioner Nelson are ok with it.

Purchasing Agent Kim Hartman joined the meeting at 10:05 to discuss the milling & asphalt bid. A court order awarding the bid was presented and approved by Presiding Commissioner Nelson, Commissioner Hook and Commissioner Burnham.

County Counselor Josh Bachman met with Commissioners to discuss ongoing projects.

Adjourn

With no further official business on the agenda Commissioner Burnham made a motion to adjourn to any unofficial business that may develop during the day. Commissioner Hook seconded the motion. All are in favor of adjourning. The meeting ended at 11:00 am.