**COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD, VERNON COUNTY**

**Tuesday, February 25, 2025, 5th February Adj.**

THE VERNON COUNTY COMMISSION MET, PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2025, AT 9:00 A**.**M.

PRESENT: JOE WILSON, PRESIDING COMMISSIONER; CINDY THOMPSON, NORTHERN COMMISSIONER; JOHN SHORTEN, SOUTHERN COMMISSIONER

 **DISCUSSIONS**

The Commissioners discussed the upcoming training schedule at the County Commissioners Association of Missouri conference that will be held in Osage Beach later this week, and brought Commissioner Thompson up to date in regard to matters that were discussed last week via teleconference with Attorney Travis Elliott.

Patrick Caviness, called on the Commissioners to ask questions about SB-190. The Commission has received several telephone calls about this issue and will be attending classes at the CCAM Conference later this week on the subject.

 **ROAD AND BRIDGE**

Mike Reasoner, Road and Bridge Foreman, reported on Thursday, February 20th that 1525 Road in Sections 7 and 8 in Drywood Township is now open and the new bridge is complete. All interested parties were notified by email.

Mike called on the Commission today to discuss county roads, and the New Holland Tractor that was recently repaired. He also reported that trees were cleared yesterday and the old bridge on 725 Road in Harrison Township will be pulled out today to prepare for bridge replacement.

 **ARPA FUNDS**

The Commission received an email from Jeff Snyder, Osage Prairie YMCA, requesting that the designated ARPA funds for the YMCA Daycare project be issued.

 **ROADS**

The Commission received a call from Earl Martin regarding the condition of South 2975 Road near HH in Virgil Township. Commissioner Wilson discussed the matter with Mike Reasoner, Road and Bridge Foreman. They will determine if the road is public or private.

The Commission received a call from Tammy Bobbett concerning a possible sink hole on 1625 Road near Union Track Road in Drywood Township. Commissioner Shorten had already been notified about this issue and referred her to Daniel Laning, Drywood Township Trustee.

Commissioner Shorten contacted Austin Greer to discuss a road in Dover Township.

Tracy Harms called on the Commission to discuss issues in Bacon Township.

 **NEVADA YOUTH RECREATIONAL BASEBALL**

Cory Garwood, Vice President of Nevada Youth Recreational Baseball, met with the Commission to discuss renewing the contract with the county for the next two years. The contract was then signed by the Commissioners and Corey Garwood and will be in effect from May 1, 2025 to April 30, 2027.

 **SOLAR PROJECT**

Dylan Stickney and Allison Hale with TED Renewables, and Mark Brady with Polsinelli Law Firm, met with the Commission to discuss a proposed solar project in Vernon County.

 **INSURANCE**

Shawn Elliff, Travelers Insurance, met with the Commission to give an update on Human Resource policies, including the policies in place at the Courthouse and the Vernon County Jail. Also attending the meeting was Lauren Silvola, Human Resources Officer, and Adrienne Lee, Vernon County Clerk.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS/DEPARTMENT HEADS MEETING**

The Commission called a short meeting with the Elected Officials and Department Heads to discuss ongoing projects.

 **SHERIFF**

Sheriff Mike Buehler came by the Commission to discuss policies at the Sheriff’s Office and to give an update on the Vernon County Jail.

 **MUSIC ON THE SQUARE**

Doug Harper with Music on the Square visited the Commission to request use of the Courthouse lawn, electricity, and use of the restrooms. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve Music on the Square that will coincide with First Saturdays between March and October from 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Restrooms will be made available to the public during those times. Commissioner Shorten seconded the motion. All voted yes to approve.

 **INTENT TO HIRE**

The Commissioners executed an intent to hire letter in regard to a new Business Manager position.

 **PAYROLL**

The Commission reviewed and approved employee time sheets and signed paychecks.

 **INVOICES**

The Commission reviewed and approved invoices and signed checks.

 **ADJOURN**

Ordered that Commission adjourn at 4:25 p.m. until Tuesday, March 4, 2025.

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