**COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD, VERNON COUNTY**

**Tuesday, June 3, 2025, 1st June Adj.**



THE VERNON COUNTY COMMISSION MET, PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT, TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2025, AT 9:00 A**.**M.

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

**MAIN STREET ALLIANCE**

Commissioner Wilson attended the Main Street Alliance board meeting on Monday morning, June 2nd at the Community Center.

**THANK YOU**

The Vernon County Republican Central Committee held a “Thank you” for local law enforcement on the South Courthouse lawn on Monday evening, June 2nd. Hot dogs, chips, cookies and water were served to thank local law enforcement and public safety officials for their quick response and care for our community during the recent tornadoes. Commissioners Wilson, Thompson and Shorten attended.

**LICENSES**

Commissioner Shorten approved and signed a liquor license for MS D’s Smokeshop Corp. doing business as MR D’s Smokeshop and Liquors, for Original Package-Tasting at 14180 E 54 Hwy in the City of Nevada, the County of Vernon, in the State of Missouri, ending June 30, 2026.

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Commissioner Shorten approved and signed a liquor license for 10 Pin Alley LLC, doing business as 10 Pin Alley, for 5% Buy Drink, at 171 North Osage Blvd. in the City of Nevada, the County of Vernon, in the State of Missouri, ending June 30, 2026.

Commissioner Shorten approved and signed a liquor license for Angel Stop LLC, doing business as HopIn, for Sunday-Original Package Liquor, at 1811 N Ash St in the City of Nevada, the County of Vernon, in the State of Missouri, ending June 30, 2026.

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Commissioner Shorten approved and signed a liquor license for American Legion 2, doing business as Leon Ogier Post 2, for Retail Liquor by drink-exempt, at 402 E Cherry St in the City of Nevada, the County of Vernon, in the State of Missouri, ending June 30, 2026.

Commissioner Shorten approved and signed a liquor license for American Legion 2, doing business as Leon Ogier Post 2, for Sunday-by drink, at 402 E Cherry St in the City of Nevada, the County of Vernon, in the State of Missouri, ending June 30, 2026.

**ROAD AND BRIDGE**

Mike Reasoner, Road and Bridge Foreman, met with the Commission to discuss the need for more culverts in the county, bridges, roads, employee issues and activities at the Vernon County Fairgrounds concerning the construction of the new pavilion. He also reported that over 50 new culverts have been installed by the crew this year.

**ROADS**

The Commissioners received a call from Les Rawson concerning 3125 Road in Montevallo Township. He was told that the Commission would visit with Jeff Parrish, Township Trustee, about the situation. Mike Reasoner, Road and Bridge Foreman, was also on the conference call with the Commission. Commissioner Wilson later called Jeff Parrish who informed him that Montevallo Township is responsible for the road South of Virgil City and that the road North of Virgil City is the responsibility of Virgil Township. Commissioner Shorten placed a call to Travis Berning, Virgil Township Board Member, to discuss the road in Virgil Township. Both townships will work on the road once the rain stops.

John Leonard also called on the Commission to discuss issues on 3125 Road.

Don Garber called on the Commission to report issues of 2200 Road washing out near Panama Road in Badger Township.

Commissioners Wilson and Shorten received a call from Matt Thron, Coal Township Board Member, expressing concerns about roads in Coal Township.

**RECYCLING**

Jim Shelby visited the Commission to inquire about numerous cardboard boxes at his residence that he would like to have recycled.

**RELAY FOR LIFE**

Julie Kemper with Relay for Life called on the Commission to seek permission to move the annual event back to the area around the Courthouse.

Commissioner Shorten made a motion to approve the use of the square, the courthouse lawn, the North parking lot, and the Courthouse restrooms on Saturday, October 4th for Relay For Life, in conjunction with the First Saturday on the Square, during the hours of 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. All voted unanimously to approve.

**COUNTY BUSINESS**

Erik Sommer, County Business Manager, visited with Commissioners Thompson and Wilson about county business including the 2025 budget, CART money, opioid settlement funds, and an Economic Development contract.

**VISITORS**

Trent Nelson, Bates County Southern Commissioner, visited the Commission Office.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Commissioner Wilson shared Ordinance #8698, Bill 2025-14 with the other Commissioners. The ordinance is a Special Ordinance of the City of Nevada, Missouri, authorizing the execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with Vernon County to support Economic Development Consulting Services.

**DISCUSSIONS**

The Commissioners discussed the issue of new radios for emergency response purposes in the county.

**INVOICES AND CHECKS**

The Commissioners reviewed and approved invoices and signed checks.

**PAYROLL**

The Commissioners reviewed time sheets and signed checks.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Commissioner Wilson returned a call to Cindy Dye with the City of Nevada, to discuss the possibility of having citizens assigned community service to do work at the Vernon County Fairgrounds.

**ADJOURN**

Ordered that Commission adjourn at 3:46 p.m. until Wednesday, June 4, 2025.

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

CLERK OF COMMISSION PRESIDING COMMISSIONER