**COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD, VERNON COUNTY**

**Wednesday, July 30, 2025, 10th July Adj.**

THE VERNON COUNTY COMMISSION MET, PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT, WEDNESDAY, JULY 30, 2025, AT 9:00 A**.**M.

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

  **SHERIFF**

Sheriff Mike Buehler visited the Commission to give updates on activities at the Vernon County Jail and Sheriff’s Office. Also discussed was the possibility of expansion at the jail, the new radio system, and the county employee health insurance. Deputy David Johnson also attended the meeting.

  **MISSOURI JOB CENTER**

Kelly Vert, Functional Leader with Missouri Job Center, called on the Commission to introduce herself and give a presentation on the various functions of the center and how they help those seeking employment including veterans, low-income citizens, those recently released from the Department of Corrections, and those with disabilities.

 **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

The Commissioners held their weekly meeting with Tina Cochran, Golden Heartland, LLC, Economic Developer. Topics discussed this week were establishing the Build Vernon County, Inc. corporation, and obtaining an EIN number; possible candidates for board members-would prefer 8-9 members; holding the first board meeting in September; and continued study of the Strategic Development Plan.

The Commissioners signed a County Directive for the establishment of Build Vernon County, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation, which includes an agreement to reimburse Golden Heartland, LLC for any direct filing fees incurred as part of the formation process.

 **FAIRGROUNDS**

The Commission held a meeting with JoLynne Crowe and Thabena Bower of the MU Extension Center Office, and Nathan Forkner, President of the Vernon County Fairboard, to discuss new fees and policies now that the new improvements at the Fairgrounds are complete. Another meeting will be held in the near future to set the fees and policies.

 **ADJOURN**

Ordered that Commission adjourn at 4:25 p.m. until Tuesday, August 5, 2025.

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