**COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD, VERNON COUNTY**

**Tuesday, August 12, 2025, 3rd August Adj.**



THE VERNON COUNTY COMMISSION MET, PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT, TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025, AT 9:00 A**.**M.

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

**TOWNSHIP MEETING**

The Commissioners held a meeting with the townships on Wednesday, August 6th at Centennial Hall to prioritize and develop a timeline for completing and submitting FEMA documents and forms. Adrienne Lee, County Clerk, also attended the meeting.

**FEMA MEETING**

Commissioner Wilson and Adrienne Lee, County Clerk, met with Sheneka Kirlew, FEMA Program Delivery Manager, on Friday, August 8th at the Healthy Nevada Innovation Center to learn more about the requirements concerning DR-4872, the declaration for damage assistance from the April 2nd tornadoes.

**FAMILY TOUR**

On Thursday, August 7th, family members of Bill and Janet Erwin were given a tour of the Vernon County Courthouse, including the clock tower, by Megan Healey, Deputy Recorder, and Rick Warren, Courthouse Custodian. The Erwins were winners of a gift certificate in a drawing held by the Children’s Center of Southwest Missouri.

**ROAD AND BRIDGE**

Mike Reasoner, Road and Bridge Foreman, reported to the Commission that a Dodge pickup needs repairs and a John Deere tractor with side arm may need to be replaced soon. He also advised that 2900 Road in Montevallo Township is now open, and the new bridge is finished.

Notification emails were sent to the proper parties.

**CITY OF NEVADA**

Michael Fields, City Manager, met with the Commission to discuss additional radios needed for Nevada Fire Department. It was agreed that these will be added to the initial agreement with Public Safety Solutions, MO LLC.

**INVOICES AND CHECKS**

The Commissioners reviewed and approved invoices and signed checks.

**TIME SHEETS AND PAYROLL**

The Commissioners reviewed and approved time sheets and signed checks.

**ROADS**

Russell Roark, Harrison Township Trustee, called to inquire about 825 Road in the township, from Waldo to Victory Roads. No evidence was found that the road has ever been closed**.**

**NEW GROWTH BUSINESS CENTER**

Commissioner Thompson and Tina Cochran, Economic Developer, attended a meeting at the New Growth Business Center in El Dorado Springs, sponsored by the Association of Women’s Business Center. The New Growth Business Center was chosen because of leadership in expanding access to childcare and supporting farm and rural business entrepreneurs.

**BROADBAND**

The Commissioners attended a virtual meeting held by the Department of Economic Development in regard to the Office of Broadband Development (OBD), which is proceeding with the implementation of the $1.7 billion Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment (BEAD) program.

**CIRCUIT COURT**

Judge David Munton, Shane Hirschman, Circuit Clerk Administrator; and Nicole Barrett, Chief Juvenile Officer, met with the Commission to discuss the procedures in handling Juvenile cases in the Circuit Court.

**SOLAR**

Jessica Sager, Director of Communications; and Jake Jungmann, Solar Specialist, with CDL Electric called on the Commission to discuss solar projects available for the Courthouse and the Vernon County Sheriff’s Office and Jail.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Derik White, Emergency Management Director, updated the Commission on the progress of his drone license and the Emergency Management Performance Grant reimbursement.

**ADJOURN**

Ordered that Commission adjourn at 4:34 p.m. until Wednesday, August 13, 2025.

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