

THE OCTOBER TERM HELD ON 7th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2011

The County Commission convened at 9:07 a.m., pursuant to adjournment on November 1, 2011. Present: Dan Colbert-Presiding Commissioner, Matt Bass-Associate Commissioner District 2, Crystal Hall-County Clerk. Absent: Jim Mayes – Associate Commissioner District 1, the following proceedings were held:

Invocation given by Commissioner Matt Bass.

Highway Department: Bruce Wallace and Don Lilley

- Discussed returning grader to Erb on November 9, 2011.
- The maintenance for Robin Road is completed.
- Gravens Road, MODOT is to raise the stop sign to a higher position. County will consider putting up a Dangerous Intersection sign.
- Commissioner Bass asked about the condition of Giles Road.

Special Services: Kelly Hardcastle

- GM plant officially announced the additional 1,800 jobs coming to the Wentzville plant. Kelly is working with Economic Development leaders from Wentzville to possibly relocate some of the suppliers to the Lincoln County area.
- Kelly is working on securing advertising funding for the LINC program.
- Joe Steenberg, Syndicated Solar, presented a proposal to the Commissioners regarding solar energy. This would offer the county cost savings on electricity. The commission was presented a letter of commitment, for legal counsel to review.

911 Communications: Margie Harrell

- Margie was unable to keep her appointment.

Maintenance Crew: Sam Clary, Randy Siebert, & Allan Watkins

- General maintenance issues were discussed.
- Reviewed and discussed the janitorial supplies and cleaning bids with the maintenance crew.

Judge Ben Burkemper

- Discussed budget requests for 2012. Judge Burkemper is requesting more funds be made available for parent attorney fees. Currently the county has a contract with two local attorneys, and they are putting in many more hours than they are being compensated for.
- Judge Burkemper proposed that the drug court administrator become a full time county employee with benefits. His proposal is that the remainder of the expenditures for benefits would come out of the drug court funds. The administrator would report to Grace Sinclair, Circuit Clerk. Judge Burkemper will check with Grace to make sure she is open to the arrangement.

Unfinished/New Business:

- Declared November 13-19th Geography Awareness Week.
- Commissioner Bass made a motion to reappoint the following as trustees for the next three years to the Lincoln County Resource Board. Margie Cappel Beckman, Melba Houston, Charles “Pheeze” Kemper, Jim Price, and Dale Reinker. Commissioner Colbert seconded the motion. The ayes carried the motion.

Prosecuting Attorney, Leah Askey

- Leah presented contracts from the City of Whiteside and the City of Old Monroe for collection of taxes. Contracts are still outstanding for Fountain N Lakes and the City of Silex.
- Discussed the contract with Erb Equipment regarding road grader. Leah will send a letter to Erb reviewing the terms of the original contract.

Ministerial Activities/Road and County Property Inspection:

Roads inspected: Snyder, Cave Farm, N. Moore School, Giles, Delaloye, and N. Rock Church Road.

There being no other business before the County Commission at this time, the meeting thereupon was adjourned until Tuesday, November 8, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.

Daniel H. Colbert
Presiding Commissioner

Jim Mayes
Associate Commissioner District I

Matt Bass
Associate Commissioner District II