



Christian County Commission

Notice is hereby given that the Christian County Commission met in regular session at:
The Historic Christian County Courthouse
100 W. Church Street, Room 100
Ozark, Missouri, 65721
on **June 27, 2019 at 8:55 a.m.**

MEETING MINUTES

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived	Adjourned
Ralph Phillips	Presiding Commissioner	Present	8:55 a.m.	10:39 a.m.
Mike Robertson	Eastern Commissioner	Present	8:55 a.m.	10:39 a.m.
Hosea Bilyeu	Western Commissioner	Present	8:55 a.m.	10:39 a.m.
Krista Raleigh	Executive Assistant	Present	8:55 a.m.	10:39 a.m.
Ida Hutcheson	Assistant to the Commission	Present	8:55 a.m.	10:39 a.m.

Attendees: Auditor Amy Dent, Clerk Kay Brown, HR Director Amber Bryant, Norma Ryan, Treasurer Karen Matthews, Circuit Clerk Barb Stillings, Resource Management Director Todd Wiesehan, Recorder Kelly Hall, Collector Ted Nichols, Rance Burger with the Christian County Headliner

A quorum was established. Presiding Commissioner Phillips entertained a motion to approve all items listed on the consent agenda, which included approval of Christian County Commission's regular session agenda for today, June 27, 2019 as published, as well as approval of Christian County Commission's regular session minutes from June 24, 2019. There are no financials to address. Eastern Commissioner Robertson so moved. Western Commissioner Bilyeu seconded the motion.

Aye: Phillips, Robertson, Bilyeu. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

The Commission met to discuss the subject of whether or not to designate a Purchasing Agent. Auditor Dent noted that by law if two Commissioners are not going to approve every single requisition, there will need to be an individual designated as a Purchasing Agent. Western Commissioner Bilyeu noted that he personally has time for approval of requisitions, and inquired of Auditor Dent as to if the Commission is mandated to move relatively quickly to create this position and fund it or for the Commissioners to begin the process of requisition approval as before. Auditor Dent answered that compliance is important, and that the Commission should either have a statutory Purchasing Agent or change the entire accounting system to allow two Commissioners to approve requisitions. Auditor Dent said there needs to be visible action, and by January 1, 2020 it will be a fully-staffed position or not at all. Discussion was held, and Eastern Commissioner Robertson moved to create a Purchasing Agent position. Presiding Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion. Western Commissioner Bilyeu asked that it be noted that he probably will vote "nay" on this motion, not because he doesn't want the position, but because of the timing, however, if it passes he will be completely in support of the position.

Aye: Phillips, Robertson. Nay: Bilyeu. None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

The Commissioners met to discuss the utilization of the Historic Courthouse grounds at the request of Presiding Commissioner Phillips, who noted that he would like to draw the community back to the Ozark square. Commissioner Phillips is part of the Historic Preservation Committee, and said he has commitments from musicians who are willing to perform on the square. He noted that he'd like to have a "Hold Harmless" agreement drawn up. Western Commissioner Bilyeu said he liked the idea, and suggested that they hold a one-time pilot event to see how it is received. No further action was taken.

The Commissioners entered into closed session per RSMo 610.021.3 (regarding personnel) by means of roll call vote.

10:39 a.m.

Closed session was terminated by means of roll call vote, and the Christian County Commission adjourned after resuming regular session.



Date: 06-26-2019

Eastern Commissioner
Mike Robertson



Date: 7/2/2019

Presiding Commissioner
Ralph Phillips



Date: 6-28-19

Western Commissioner
Hosea Bilyeu