

Minutes of the Daviess County Commission
June 29, 2022

The Honorable Daviess County Commission met this 29th day of June 2022 at 8:00 am. Jim Ruse, Presiding Commissioner, called the meeting to order. David Cox, 1st District Commissioner and Wayne Uthe, 2nd District Commissioner were present. The Commission approved Minutes from last week.

James Lewis, Road & Bridge Supervisor, met with the Commission to update them on ongoing projects. James said the crew put rails on a bridge 280th. Wayne got a call about the brush along the Grand River bridge west of Lock Springs. The Road and Bridge mowing crew were aware of the brush and are working in that direction, with plans to do Jackson and Harrison townships next.

The Commission discussed the rise in Covid cases. Daviess County cases have increased to a high (orange) level, but not yet critical, on the State of Missouri COVID map. Caldwell and Grundy County are now at the critical (red) level. Anyone testing positive with a home test should let the health department know.

The Commission spoke by phone with Aaron McVickers, McClure Engineering. The Commission requested Aaron send a new easement agreement for Kenneth Lee with a few changes the landowner requested. The Commission will visit with Kenneth Lee today to get signatures on the new easement.

Discussion was held on the issue from last week on the MPR Insurance valuation. David Cox made a motion to accept the new values the insurance company assigned to the Courthouse and Maintenance Barn and go with the existing values for the Cannon Monument, Squirrel Cage Jail Museum, and Office Building, Wayne Uthe seconded. 3 Aye, 0 No. Motion passed.

Wayne Uthe made a motion to deed the Holtzclaw family property back to the Holtzclaw family in the name of Prairie Family Cemetery. David Cox seconded. 3 Aye, 0 No. Motion passed. David Cox will work with the title company to complete the transaction.

Wes Bridgeman, Custodian, met with the Commission to discuss mowing of the property on South Main Street, Wes will use his equipment but mow during regular working hours as part of his regular duties.

The Commission discussed applications for the Senior Services Tax Fund board appointments. Wayne Uthe made a motion to appoint Linda Evans and Deb Snider to the two 4-year terms for the incumbent positions. David Cox Seconded. 3 Aye, 0 No. David Cox made a motion to appoint Mary Lee Froman-Ellis to the 1-year unexpired term, Wayne Uthe seconded. 3 Aye, 0 No. Wayne Uthe made a motion to appoint Sharon Adams and Cheryl Alexander to the two 2-year unexpired terms, David Cox seconded. 3 Aye, 0 No. All motions passed.

Ronetta Burton, County Clerk, presented the Commission some new information from BCBS Insurance that is about new rules for doctors and hospitals to be more transparent about their pricing for procedures. No further action needed at this time.

Ronetta Burton, County Clerk gave the Commission a health insurance survey from a company called Mercer. The Commission are unaware of who the Mercer Company is. Ronetta will contact the company for more information. The issue is continued.

In the afternoon the Commissioners inspected roads, culverts, bridges, and brush in Colfax township.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm.

Approved:

Presiding Commissioner

1st District Commissioner

2nd District Commissioner

Attest:

County Clerk

Date _____