

GREENE COUNTY COMMISSION SESSION
Greene County Commission Office
933 N. Robberson
Springfield, Missouri

9:30 a.m.
April 4, 2016

REVISED AGENDA

1. Prayer—Presiding Commissioner Bob Cirtin
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approve Minutes from Previous Session
Commissioner Bengsch made the motion to accept minutes from the last court session. Commissioner Bentley gave the second. The vote resulted in 3 ayes in favor. Motion passed.
4. Proclamation—Go Blue Day—Child Abuse and Prevention Day
Commissioner Bengsch read the proclamation to designate April 8 as Child Abuse and Prevention Day. Beth Atchison, Director of Casa and Holly from Isabelle's House were present to receive the proclamation. Each Commissioner commended the leaders for their work on this important issue.
5. Chamber Economic Development Update—Ryan Mooney/Matt Morrow
Matt Morrow reminded everyone that:
 - *Tomorrow is Election Day and asked for support of maintaining the tax listed on the ballot.*
 - *Prayer breakfast will be May 5.*
 - *Greeneville, SC will be the location for the next community meeting.*
 - *Downtown area update.*
 - *April 20 is the Legislative Breakfast.*
 - *June will host the Legislative thank you lunch. The date has not been determined.*
 - *Kraft expansion update.*
 - *Thanked the Commission for their support of the economic development.*
Commissioner Bentley asked if there was room at Kraft for the expansion of new employees. Yes.
6. Missouri Job Center Update—Mary Ann Rojas
Sally Payne and Karen Dowdy from the Missouri Career Center were present in the absence of Mary Ann Rojas who had a previous commitment.
 - *Hiring event today for the new Braums location on East Sunshine.*
 - *Youth Roundtable event which will include Freshmen through Senior students on a panel to discuss future plans. Event is from 8:00-10:00 a.m.*
 - *April 13 hiring event for construction from 1:00-4:00 p.m.*
 - *In March 3100 people were seen at the center.*
 - *3.9% unemployment in Greene County, 4.2% unemployment statewide.*
Commissioner Cirtin made note of the conference he attended in Washington, DC that the Chamber sponsored and covered the expenses.
7. Missouri Extension Center Report—David Burton
Mr. Burton presented the Commission with the Extension Newsletter.
 - *April 21 & 22 will be classes on procurement.*
 - *Botanical Center lease update. Sister Cities giving an office to the Extension at the Botanical Center and they will drop the front desk staff that was previously required.*
 - *Extension meets at noon on the last Monday of the month.*
8. County Administrator Report—Chris Coulter
 - *Last week—pre-bid for Jamestown. Two local companies attended.*
 - *Update on budget office projections.*
 - *Tomorrow is City-County Management meeting.*
 - *Good Morning Springfield on Thursday at the Old Glass Place.*
 - *Mayors meeting update. Commissioner Cirtin said they may do some evening meetings to accommodate officials.*

9. Budget Office Report—Jeff Scott
- *Update on open book management projections which are based on first quarter numbers. Presented hand-out. Went through each line and explained numbers also regarding items not yet posted.*
 - *Explained Civil Process Program.*

10. Highway Department Report—Rick Artman
- Rick presented the Commission with a written report and highlighted items.*
- *Crack Seal/Micro Seal*
 - *Safety Meeting*
 - *HRA—Healthcare Risk Assessments for employees*
 - *Defensive Driving*
 - *Seasonal Employment Interview update.*
 - *Additional items including shoulder widening, drainage pipe, concrete repair and striping to start soon.*
 - *Bridge Inspections—237 bridges total*
 - *Asphalt goal is 130 miles*
 - *Lynn St. Project lacks a box culvert and will be completed soon.*

11. Emergency Management Report—Chet Hunter
- Commissioner Cirtin acknowledged Erin Hedlun for allowing Greene County to access her skills. Jennifer McClure will begin her new position with Greene County on Wednesday of this week.*

Chet presented the Commission with a written report.

- *Principals of high schools go through the Public Safety Center (PSC) as part of non-traditional class study.*
- *Update on disaster response in Florida.*
- *Emergency Operations plan being finalized.*
- *Explained grant and process of attempting to qualify in all areas.*
- *Average 1170 users per month at the PSC.*

12. Resource Management Report—Kevin Barnes, absent due to other County duties.

13. Building Regulations Division Report—Dave O'Dell
- Mr. O'Dell presented the Commission with a written report. Valerie Sidebottom and Matt, building inspector started employment this week.*

14. Planning and Zoning Division Report—Kent Morris
- Mr. Morris presented the Commission with a written report. No new permits or plats. There are subdivisions in process and expected by the end of the year. Rains may be the cause of delay in infrastructure.*

- *Old Business—None*

Commissioner Cirtin read the guidelines of the Planning and Zoning Board.

- *New Business*
 - a. *Request Amendment to PAD #1659, Planning Board Case Number 1907, Vitaliy Popesku, applicant.
Location is 981 S. FR 99, Springfield
Petition to amend approved PAD 1659 to allow a trucking and motor freight station or terminal as a permitted use.*

Board recommended denial with a list of conditions on the case should the Commission consider approval.

Commissioner Bengsch states this is east of the stockyards. There is an S curve accessing from I-44 and is difficult to navigate causing a safety issue. There would impact to the neighbor to the west.

Commissioner Cirtin called for anyone to speak in favor of the application.

James O'Donnell did the preliminary plat for the project. Chad Zigafoose was the design liaison for MoDOT and said Greene County could issue a permit for development to fix safety issues. Mr. Artman states Greene County was not part of that conversation and has not committed to any project. Mr. O'Donnell states they are meeting requirements. There is truck access both west or east off I-4.

Commissioner Cirtin called for anyone to speak in opposition to the application.

Mr. Keith Wallace, Jr. presented the Commission with a layout of the intersection showing a blind corner. He gave the number trucks proposed would access this section and explained the traffic and turning area. There are no sewers for this area and regulations state "shall" be hooked up to sewer. Mr. Wallace is concerned regarding the quality of water. The shoulders in this area are in disrepair due to the current traffic. Mr. Wallace states the property use with regard to safety is not appropriate for this proposal.

Commissioner Cirtin asked Mr. Popesku/Mr. O'Donnell, if they are aware of the eighteen conditions listed. The response was yes and they are in agreement to the conditions. Mr. O'Donnell states the issues have been addressed.

Mr. Rick Loomis lives to the west of the location. He states that the loading dock would be approximately 60 feet from his bedroom window. Mr. Loomis states this property is listed as a flood plain. Mr. Loomis is on a well. Property was zoned 7-3-06 as not being close to erosion control. The road was repaved (FR 140) twice in the last ten years due to heavy traffic. He states it is not designed for massive trucks. The septic system is at the bottom of the flood plain.

Mr. Vitality Popesku explained how the truck traffic would affect the area.

Commissioner Cirtin allowed others to speak in opposition.

Ms. April Burke indicated she has a special needs child and the effect loud traffic noise has on her child when startled. Her concerns also include the air quality and there is already a bus route in place in the area.

A petition in opposition to the request was submitted to the Commission. Mr. Loomis states all the neighbors in the area have signed with the exception of two neighbors who were not at home at the time the petition was circulated.

Commissioner Cirtin called for anyone to speak that had not already voiced their opinion. None

Rick Artman, Director of the Highway Department states there is a concern of the turn off on Highway B. This is a MoDOT area and doesn't see the S curve being fixed by them due to financial constraints.

Commissioner Bengsch asked if there wasn't a single lane bridge on 140 west, about ¼ mile.

There was a discussion taking into consideration any changes that could be made to make usage more appropriate. Commissioners took the Planning Board recommendation and discussions into consideration as well as the citizens' petition and input from the Highway Department.

Commissioner Bengsch stated the Board voted 8-0 to deny the request. Commissioner Bengsch states he has not heard anything during this session to change his vote during the board hearing.

Commissioner Bentley made the motion to approve the request with conditions. Commissioner Bengsch gave the second. The vote resulted in 1 aye and 2 nays. Application failed.

- Other Business—None

15. Public Comment—None

16. Other Business for Commission—None

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