

Maysville, Mo.
April 23, 2018

Meeting of the DeKalb County Commission

Presiding Commissioner, Harold Allison, East District Commissioner, Garry McFee, West District Commissioner Kyle White and County Clerk Melissa Meek.

Presiding Commissioner, Harold Allison led all in attendance in prayer with all reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

West District Commissioner, Kyle White made the motion to accept the agenda as presented with East District Commissioner, Garry McFee making the second. West District Commissioner, Kyle White made the motion to approve the minutes from the April 16, 2018 meeting with East District Commissioner, Garry McFee making the second. Motion carried.

County Clerk, Melissa Meek reported that she and Presiding Commissioner, Harold Allison had attended a meeting held by Leadership NW MO.

Collector/Treasurer Jessica Lee met with the Commission to discuss information she had learned at her conference. Jessica also gave thanks to the Commission and employees of the Courthouse for everyone's willingness to get along and being able to work together. She is gathering information to possibly meet with Cities concerning the PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) program. The County already has an ordinance in place that they will do no business concerning PACE but the Cities do not. This allows patrons to do projects concerning utilities and the bill be attached to the patrons tax bill with the County collecting the monies. County's that have done this have had very negative results for the patrons with the patron unable to get out of said contract.

The Youth Building was discussed as was the need for a contract. Melissa will contact attorney and get an opinion or lease agreement drawn up. The County is requesting \$1 for a 99 year lease. Melissa will report back after speaking to attorney.

Road & Bridge Supervisor Bill Gray gave an update on his department, utility poles still in the right-of-way in Washington Township, Flag Pole to be set this week, tube for patron in Adams Township and patron concern of ditch that is dammed up by landowner. The Commission will travel to area and speak to the prosecutor on what action to take to get issued resolved.

Assessor reimbursement was approved and was signed by County Clerk and Presiding Commissioner.

Melissa presented paperwork from Veenstra & Kimm for Harold to sign concerning construction on a culvert located on Water St.

Prosecutor Erik Tate and Sheriff Andy Clark met with the Commission to discuss the Law Enforcement Sales Tax Issue and the position of Prosecutor going from a part time position to a full time position. Andy and Erik requests the Commission to put a ½ cent sales tax on the ballot with the monies going toward the Sheriff's office, Prosecutor, Victim's Advocate and the Coroner. These funds would also help in establishing a resource officer in schools where they are requested. Andy has spoken with some of the schools and they would be willing to share in this cost. County Clerk, Melissa Meek advised when the time came contracts would need to be drawn up between the County and the Schools on the dollar amount they are willing to pay. Andy advised the call volume was up 40% for his department and the need was just going to get greater for more funding in the area of law enforcement. All were in agreement that there is no doubt a need for both the sales tax and a full time prosecutor but the ultimate decision will be up to the Voter's. The Commission has already agreed to place the position of prosecutor on the August ballot and is waiting on ballot language. West District Commissioner, Kyle White made the motion to place a ½ cent Law Enforcement Sales Tax issue on the August Ballot with East District Commissioner, Garry McFee making the second. Motion carried. County Clerk, Melissa Meek will get all documents needed for both issues to be placed on the ballot before the May 29th final certification date. Prosecutor Erik Tate has been gathering signatures on a petition for the position of prosecutor to go from part-time to full-time that would have been placed on the ballot but as of this date he will discontinue the petition process.

East District Commissioner, Garry McFee made the motion to adjourn with Presiding Commissioner, Harold Allison made the second. Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Commission will be April 30, 2018 at 9 a.m.