# **BUCHANAN COUNTY COMMISSION**



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Lee Sawyer, Presiding Commissioner Scott Burnham, Easter District Commissioner Ron Hook, Western District Commissioner

## Tax Rate Public Hearing - Monday, August 29, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

In attendance were Presiding Commissioner Lee Sawyer, Commissioner Ron Hook, Commissioner Scott Burnham, Scott Nelson, Chief Deputy County Clerk Lexi Crump and Amy Kendall

Commissioner Hook called the tax rate public hearing to order, Presiding Commissioner Sawyer seconded.

The notice of the tax rate hearing was published in the St. Joseph News Press on August 22, 2022 for this public hearing to be held. There were no public comments. A court order to approve and set the 2022 tax rates was presented and approved by Commissioner Hook, Presiding Commissioner Sawyer, and Commissioner Burnham.

Presiding Commissioner Sawyer made a motion to close the tax rate public hearing, Commissioner Hook seconded the motion.

## Meeting Minutes Monday, August 29, 2022 at 9:12 a.m.

In attendance were Presiding Commissioner Lee Sawyer, Commissioner Burnham, Commissioner Ron Hook, Scott Nelson and Amy Kendall

Commissioner Hook called the meeting to order.

#### **Meeting Agenda**

Commissioner Burnham made a motion to approve today's agenda. Commissioner Hook seconded the motion. All are in favor.

#### **Meeting Minutes**

Commissioner Burnham made a motion to approve meeting minutes for Thursday, August 25, 2022. Commissioner Hook seconded the motion. All are in favor.

#### **Business**

A court order listing vehicles and equipment to be auctioned at JJ Kane Auction and titles to be signed was presented and approved by Commissioner Hook, Presiding Commissioner Sawyer and Commissioner Burnham.

A court order re-appointing Fred Corkins to the Planning & Zoning Commission for a 4-year term which will expire December 31, 2026 was presented and approved by Commissioner Hook, Presiding Commissioner Sawyer and Commissioner Burnham. Commissioners talked about sending applications out to a few people interested to be on the Planning & Zoning board for Washington Township.

Kim, Harman Purchasing Agent presented bids for Courthouse Café. Bids were received from Matilda White and Wise Guys. Commissioner Hook made a motion to accept the bid from Matilda Whit, Sista's Home Cookin'. Commissioner Burnham seconded the motion. All are in favor. A court order awarding the bid was presented and approved by Commissioner Hook, Presiding Commissioner Sawyer and Commissioner Burnham.

A court order sending certification to the Missouri Department of Revenue-Sales Tax Division informing of the passage of the local use tax was presented and approved by Commissioner Hook, Presiding Commissioner Sawyer and Commissioner Burnham.

A court order to sign the ARPA funding agreement with LifeLine Foods, LLC for providing workforce training to employees at its location in St. Joseph, Buchanan County and approve funds not to exceed \$50,000 was presented and approved by Commissioner Hook, Presiding Commissioner Sawyer and Commissioner Burnham.

Rick Gilmore and Joe Lane attended the meeting at 10:00 am. They presented their progress on Cup of Joe's Coffee shop and Ricky Dean's. The city of St. Joseph has approved to put in a turning lane into their business. Rick showed commissioners where signage will be and talked about lighting for the streets, to possibly put it on Gilmore's property; directly across from where it is now. They are asking for help to cover costs of \$60,000. Commissioner's will discuss.

### <u>Adjourn</u>

With no further official business on the agenda Commissioner Burnham made a motion to adjourn to any unofficial business that may develop during the day. Presiding Commissioner Sawyer seconded the motion. All are in favor to adjourn. Meeting ended at 10:35 a.m.

# Monday, August 29, 2022 at 11:30 am Mo Broadband Application Review with United Fiber Attendance

Presiding Commissioner Lee Sawyer, Commissioner Burnham and Commissioner Hook Video Daren Farnan

United Fiber will be applying to Mo Department of Economic Development for share of ARPA funds; asking for 50% match on the JJ project and possibly other projects. Darren asked Commissioner's for letters of supports from businesses relating to this project. Meeting adjourned at 11:50 am.

# Monday, August 29, 2022 at 3:00 pm Academy HVAC Progress Meeting Attendance

Attendees: Terry Clark, Chris Herner, Lee Sawyer, Scott Burnham, Ron Hook, Dan Sharp, David Stroud, Lisa Barber, Aidan Johnson, Randy Schultz, Rick Miller and Kim Hartman.

Work is progressing. There are a few equipment delays – the fresh air unit has been pushed back to Decemberthis won't affect heating; this unit provides fresh air. Chris asked for a letter from manufacturer to explain delay. The generator delivery has been moved to January; since there isn't currently a generator, this won't have an effect on operation. Chris also asked for a manufacturer letter on this equipment. In the next two weeks we should see units being set in place; thermostat placement should begin this week. A few inside units haven't been received; the contractor will set those on hand in critical spaces and will place those that arrive later in non-critical spaces as long as the sizes are the same. Next meeting will be Sept 12 at 3:00 pm at the Academy. Meeting adjourned at 3:35 pm.