

Jackson County Board of Commissioners Meetings Minutes
September 17, 2002 - Regular Meeting
Jackson County Commissioners Chambers: 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman James Rice called the September 17, 2002 meeting of the Jackson County Board of Commissioners to order at 7:01 p.m.

INVOCATION:

Cmr. Brittain

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

(15) Present: Cmr. Mahoney-Sherrod, Lacinski, McNitt, Baum, DeForest, Reynolds, Adams, Herl, Elwell, Pascal, Beardslee, Shotwell, Brittain, Day, & Rice.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved by McNitt supported by Reynolds to Approve the Agenda as written. Motion carried.

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS:

A. Employee of the Month of August Award to Eileen Fox, Print Room Operator, Administrative Services Department. Presented by Rice with remarks by Gerard Cyrocki.

B. Employee of the Month of September Award to Ward Staffeld, Assistant Deputy Friend of the Court. Presented by Rice with remarks by Andy Crisenbery.

C. *The Chair ordered the Roll call to adopt a Retirement Resolution Honoring Beverly Baldwin, Accounts Payable Clerk, for 35 Years and 10 Months of Service.* Roll call: (15) Yeas. Motion carried unanimously. Presented by Rice with remarks by Gerard Cyrocki.

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:

None.

SPECIAL ORDER/PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

SPECIAL MEETINGS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. Human Services

CONSENT AGENDA:

Moved by Herl supported by Mahoney-Sherrod to Approve the Consent Agenda Items A through Q as written. Brittain requested item I be removed. Motion carried.

County Affairs

A. Approve the Minutes of the August 13, 2002 Regular Board Meeting

B. Approve Changing the Composition of the Airport Board

C. Establish a Public Hearing at the October 15, 2002 Budget Submission to the State

County Agencies

D. Grant a Waiver to Purchasing Policy No. 2035 on the Existing Jail Remodeling Project

Human Services

- E. Receipt of LifeWays 2001-2002 Strategic Plan and 2002 Budget Submission to the State
- F. Approve the Department on Aging Purchasing Hardware and Software Utilizing Extra Grant Funds
- G. Receive the Health Department's 2001 Annual Report
- H. Approve the Health Department FY2001-2002 Budget Adjustments and Early On Budget Adjustments
- I. Give Second and Final Reading to the Proposed Environmental Health Fee Schedule
- J. Approve the Contract for Services between MDEQ and the Health Department

Personnel and Finance

- K. Approve the Remonumentation Budget Adjustments.
- L. Approve the Parks Budget Adjustments
- M. Approve the Prosecuting Attorney FY 2003 Title IV-D Cooperative Reimbursement Agreement
- N. Approve Receipt of the Byrne Memorial Anti-Domestic Violence Grant for District Court
- O. Approve the Friend of the Court Amendment to the FoC FY2002 Title IV-D Cooperative Reimbursement Agreement
- P. Approve Sending Out a Wage Study RFP
- Q. Approve the County's 2002 Tax Rate Request-Form L-4029

Motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. County Affairs

- 1) *Moved by Day supported by DeForest To Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the County Administrator/Controller to Provide Assistance to the Parks Director.* Roll call: (14) Yeas. Cmr. DeForest, Reynolds, Adams, Herl, Elwell, Pascal, Beardslee, Shotwell, Day, Rice, Mahoney-Sherrod, Lacinski, McNitt, Baum & Rice. (1) Nay. Cmr. Brittain. Motion carried.
- 2) *Moved by Day supported by Mahoney-Sherrod to Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the County Board of Commissioner Chair to Sign an Agreement Between North Plaza Development (Doug North, President) and the County of Jackson (Airport) which Grants an Option to Lease Approximately 76 Acres of Airport Property from the Airport when and if the Land is Released from Aeronautical Use by the FAA.* Roll call: (15) Yeas. Motion carried unanimously.
- 3) *Moved by Day supported by Shotwell to Adopt a Resolution Approving the Extension of Time to 2017 for the Goodyear Renaissance Subzone in the County of Jackson.* Roll call: (15) Yeas. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4) **County Agencies:** Adams gave a report on the new jail. The survey on the identified parcel was to be the following day.

B. Human Services:

- 1) Item I from the Consent Agenda. *Moved by DeForest supported by Mahoney-Sherrod to Give Second and Final Reading to the Proposed Environmental Health Fee Schedule.* Brittain indicated that after some research the proposed fee schedule was higher than he originally thought. Mahoney-Sherrod felt that the fees were in line with other Counties of similar size. The County should not have to absorb the fees. Reynolds also felt that the Health Department should raise the fees so that the County did not have to cover. DeForest felt that the Health Department is non-profit and the public should not have to subsidize the choices of others. Adams asked if

the fees collected are used to cover other program costs. Ted Westmeier, Director of the Health Department, indicated that program costs only cover that particular program. The Health Department cannot profit. Motion carried with the record reflecting a nay vote from Brittain.

2) *Moved by DeForest supported by Baum to Adopt a Resolution Honoring Walter and Lucille Wrozek, Recipients of the 2002 Senior Citizen of the Year Award for Volunteer Service.* Roll call: (15) Yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

3) *Moved by DeForest supported by Beardslee to Adopt a Resolution Honoring Ronald McClain, Recipient of the 2002 Senior Citizen of the Year Award for Volunteer Leadership.* Roll call: (15) Yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

4) *Moved by DeForest supported by Mahoney-Sherrod to Adopt a Resolution of Congratulations to St. John's United Church of Christ for Entering into a Faith Partnership with Community Action Agency to Renovate the Lower Floor of the Church to Provide Enhanced Facilities for Headstart.* Roll call: (15) Yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel & Finance

1) *Moved by Mahoney-Sherrod supported by Elwell to Pay the Senior Mechanic at the County Garage at a Grade 10/5-Year Step when that Person Takes Over Supervision of the Garage in the Fleet Manager's Absence, with the Fleet Manager Checking on the Appropriate Usage with the County Administrator and/or the Human Resources Director.* Motion carried with the record reflect a nay vote from Brittain.

2) *Moved by Day supported by Baum to Adjust the Fleet Manager's Position to Approved Grade/Step (from Grade 11/5-Year Step to Grade 13/5-Year Step) Effective January 1, 2002. Moved by Day to Amend the Motion to Grade 14/5-Year Step.* Elwell felt that making the upgrade effective January 1, 2002 was setting a bad precedent. Brittain added that if we make an exception for one, everyone would want it. *Moved by Day supported by Baum to amend the original motion by deleting Grade/Step 13/5 and inserting Grade/Step 14/5.* Motion carried with the record reflecting nay votes from Brittain and Elwell. *Moved by Day supported by Baum to vote on the main motion.* Motion carried with the record reflecting nay votes from Brittain and Elwell.

3) *Moved by Mahoney-Sherrod supported by Reynolds to Adopt the Following Millage Rate Resolutions:*

a. *Resolution Establishing the County 2002 Millage Rate at 5.2734 Mills*

b. *Moved by Mahoney supported by Herl to Adopt the Resolution Establishing the 2002 MCF Millage Rate at 0.1442 Mills*

c. *Moved by Mahoney-Sherrod supported by Reynolds to Adopt the Resolution Establishing the 2002 Jail Millage Rate at 0.5000 Mills*

Roll call: (15) Yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Moved by Brittain supported by Elwell to Refer to Committee the Request to Establish a Policy that Requires Commissioners Wishing to Attend Seminars or Conferences, at County Expense and Requiring Overnight Stay, to Submit a Written Request for Approval from the Chair. Such Written Request Shall contain the Reason the Commissioner Requests Approval. Denials by the Chair may be Appealed to Personnel and Finance. All Responses Shall be in Writing.

Adams indicated that this had been discussed at length years ago. Mahoney-Sherrod said there was never a policy. Herl concurred that it had been discussed with no policy put into place. Motion carried.

Moved by Brittain supported by Pascal to Refer to Committee the Request to Establish a Policy Requiring that all Commissioners who Attend Out-of-Town Conferences or Training Seminars Submit a Written Report, to the Chair of the County Board, Noting Classes Attended and How they Benefited. This Policy

Shall Apply to such Seminars and Conferences that are Paid for or Reimbursed by the County, and Require Overnight Stay. This Policy Shall also include Commissioners Serving on Outside Boards or Committees Directly Related to their Commissioner Status, and Attending Out-of-Town/Overnight Seminars/Conferences. Said Report to be Submitted Within 30 Days of Return from said Conference/Seminar. Motion carried.

McNitt reminded the Board of the Annual Government Day on October 12, 2002.

CONSIDERATION AND ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:

Moved by Lacinski supported by McNitt to Allow the Claims. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

Moved by Mahoney-Sherrod supported by Elwell to go into Closed Session Following Public Comment to Discuss the Purchase of Property. Roll call: (15) Yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners went into Closed Session at 7:53 p.m.

Moved by Mahoney-Sherrod supported by Elwell to Return to Open Session. Motion carried and the Board returned to Open Session at 8:20 p.m.

Moved by Mahoney-Sherrod supported by Shotwell to purchase a 33-Foot Strip of Land off Woodville Road from the Jackson County Treasurer in the amount of \$360.43, with money to come from Airport operations. Motion carried.

Moved by Mahoney-Sherrod supported by Reynolds to purchase delinquent tax parcel No. 4-0231.4 from the Jackson County Treasurer in the amount of \$7,623.61, with money to come from the Jail Construction Fund. Motion carried.

ADJOURN TO THE CALL OF THE CHAIR:

Moved by Mahoney-Sherrod supported by Pascal to Adjourn to the Call of the Chair. Motion carried.

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

James Rice, Chairman, Jackson County Board of Commissioners
Sandy Crowley, Jackson County Clerk
Respectfully submitted by Erin Foster, Chief Deputy County Clerk.