

McDonald County Commission Minutes

APRIL 22, 2009

The McDonald County Commission met with Presiding Commissioner, Larry Jones, Eastern Commissioner, Sam Gaskill & Western Commissioner, Ronald G. Walker present.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Commission conducted General Business of the County.

County Treasurer, Joye Helm, came before the Commission to discuss the county's depository agreement. The agreement is usually done every four years & the existing agreement ends on May 1st. After much discussion & research the Commission & Ms. Helm. made the decision to extend the existing agreement for 6 months rather than enter into a new contract at this time. The concerns with the economy were considered & the Commission agreed to hold off & see if in the next 6 months the financial situation will improve & allow for a better agreement for the county. Commissioner Gaskill made the motion & Commissioner Walker seconded. The vote was unanimous.

County Assessor, Laura Pope brought the bill for the county's website & after discussion she volunteered to pay the entire bill from her budget. She will continue to build a clientele that will pay for some services offered on the website & that will defray some of the costs. The Commission expressed appreciation for Ms. Pope's financial assistance in this instance.

Commission issued a Court Order to Treasurer Helm to pay to Minnie Flahardy \$236.54 for certificate #404 from the Over plus Tax Fund.

Commission researched & received legal advice on the payment of county bills.

Commission issued another memo to all county Elected Officials concerning the required procedure of payment of county bills.

After much discussion & research Commissioner Gaskill made the motion to place the issue of changing the Part-time Prosecuting Attorney position with a Full-time position on the ballot in a Special Election on August 4th. Commissioner Walker seconded the motion. Vote was as follows. Jones, yes; Gaskill, yes; Walker, yes. Vote was unanimous. The vote of the Commissioners was representative of those individuals who were contacted by the Commission in their research, and the placement of the issue before the public was their goal.

ADJOURN

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 4/27/9.

COMMISSIONER'S SIGNATURES

Larry Jones

Sam Gaskill

Ronald G. Walker