

McDonald County Commission Minutes

MAY 6, 2009

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

APPROVE BILLS AND SIGN CHECKS

Commission approved bills and signed checks in the amount of \$62,691.42; total for all funds.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Commission conducted General Business of the County.

Robert & Susie Nelson met with Commission to request assistance on Slate Gap Rd.

Darrell Spillers met with the Commission at their request to review some information on the county's depository agreement. Commission appreciated his information & expertise.

Dave Collingsworth, Dave's Supermarket in Southwest City, met with the Commission to express his support for placing the issue of a full time prosecuting attorney on the ballot in an August Election to assist in prosecution of illegal activities in the county. Mr. Collingsworth had met several times with the Prosecuting Attorney's staff to clarify the prosecution of bad checks & was told that the office had no obligation to prosecute offenders for his business and that it should be counted as a privilege to business owners of the county to collect fees or prosecute cases. Mr. Collingsworth further explained to the employee of that office that his businesses and others like his provided sales tax money to the county and therefore money to fund that office & its personnel. Commission listened & agreed that a full time prosecutor is needed for many reasons and hopes the county will agree & vote for the issue in the August election.

Kenny Underwood, County Recorder, came before the Commission to update the Commission on the process of sending a copy of his records off-site for safety reasons. Commission agreed that would be a very good plan & since Mr. Underwood has saved the money back in his budget he will not require any assistance & will begin the process soon.

Commission received a letter from Emergency Management Director, Gregg Sweeten, of appreciation for the Health Department Administrator, Paige Behm & her staff in the recent preparation for a possible outbreak of the H1N1 flu (swine flu). The Commission agreed that the Health Department & also the Emergency Management Director have gone above & beyond in preparation for the possibility of an outbreak, and helping to keep the county safe.

ADJOURN

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 5/7/9.

COMMISSIONER'S SIGNATURES

Larry Jones

Sam Gaskill

Ronald G. Walker