

McDonald County Commission Minutes

AUGUST 17, 2009

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

GENERAL BUSINESS

Commission conducted General Business of the County.

Bob Corcoran, County Planner/Floodplain Administrator, met with the Commission to update them on the recent activities. Mr. Corcoran will attend a meeting in Webb City with Algeier-Martin Eng. & FEMA to begin to establish base flood elevations.

The census work is ongoing & will not be complete until April of 2010 & the final reports complete until possibly August of 2010.

The opening of the Goodman Dollar store is planned for Early September.

Gregg Sweeten, Emergency Management Director & Litter Grant Administrator, met with the Commission to update them on his activities. The CERT classes are ongoing & well attended, They will continue through August 31st.

Mr. Sweeten announced the award of a 2008 GMC pick-up for the litter program. The truck was used in a recycling program that has been discontinued & the truck became available by application. There were six applicants including McDonald County Litter Program & it was awarded to this county for use in the litter program. There is no cost to obtaining the truck & the fuel usage will be cheaper for the county than paying mileage for litter pick-up & recycling trailer hauling. Commission were pleased at the award & appreciated Mr. Sweetens efforts on behalf of the county.

Commission discussed the issue of the sewage problem at the county jail. Commission will look into possible remedies that are not as expensive as those recently suggested. Commission will continue to work closely with Pineville Mayor Pat Beshears.

Prosecuting Attorney's statement of a raise for two of the employees in that office was discussed. A letter was sent to the PA requesting consideration for the fact that no one else in courthouse employ has received a raise in the last year & one half, except for that office, when raises of almost \$16,000. were given to four employees at her request. In this latest request Ms. Durbin stated, "due to recent changes in that office & due to increased caseload" but the Commission, after checking, found there were less cases filed this year than last year at this time. Commission expressed understanding for the concerns of employees, but feel that all supervisors are in the same position of defending & supporting their employees. Commission has no control over the PAs assigned budget & fully understand that, but do feel their responsibility is to request every elected official look out for all county employees & at the same time the county funds.

ADJOURN

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until 8/19/09.

COMMISSIONER'S SIGNATURES

Larry Jones

Sam Gaskill

Ronald G. Walker