

# 06-16-2021 Minutes

## McDonald County Commission—Minutes

June 16th, 2021

**Present:**

Bill Lant - Presiding Commissioner  
Jamey Cope - Eastern Commissioner  
Rick Lett - Western Commissioner  
Kimberly Bell - County Clerk

### General Business

Commission discussed current COVID-19 data. In attendance were Prosecuting Attorney Maleia Cheney and Health Department Director Paige Behm. County Clerk Kimberly Bell stated with cases rising again in McDonald County and possible employee exposures, Commission might discuss whether to implement a sick leave policy to mimic the policy used last year during the pandemic. The previous policy gave 10 days of sick leave to all full time and part time employees to be used in the event an employee was exposed to or tested positive for COVID-19 and required to quarantine or isolate. After getting recommendations from Paige Behm and legal advice from Maleia Cheney, Western Commissioner Lett made a motion to give all full time and part time employees up to ten (10) days of sick leave for exposure or positive test quarantine, regardless of whether the employee is vaccinated or unvaccinated. Eastern Commissioner Cope seconded the motion. LETT - YEA; COPE - YEA; LANT - ABSTAINED FROM VOTE. Motion passed with two-thirds vote.

Casey Chastain, Connell Insurance, met with the Commission to discuss Property and Liability Insurance renewal information. Rates will remain the same as current policy and broker fees would remain unchanged. Western Commissioner Lett made a motion to accept renewal policy. Presiding Commissioner Lant seconded. Motion passed with unanimous vote.

County Treasurer Sheila Fuller informed the Commission four (4) Certificates of Deposit were about to come up for renewal. Discussion whether to rollover or close the CDs ensued. Commissioner Lant made a motion to issue a court order to Sheila Fuller to rollover all four CDs into six month CDs listed below:

County Revenue CD - \$101,190.10  
County Revenue CD - \$501,055.82  
Health Department CD - \$130,274.51  
Law Enforcement CD - \$350,739.17

Seconded by Commissioner Lett. Motion passed with unanimous vote.

Commission discussed the site showing held on June 14, 2020 of the remodel of Annex 2. The consensus from those in attendance was the original bid opening date, June 23, 2020, did not allow ample time for potential bidders to give an accurate bid for the project. After some discussion, Commissioner Lant made a motion to extend the acceptance of bids and bid opening for the remodel of Annex 2 to 1:00 pm, July 12, 2021, due to unreasonable time constraints on the potential bidders. Commissioner Lett seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Commission returned a call to Vicki Bronson regarding Post Oak Road. Commission told Ms. Bronson they would check Post Oak Road regarding her concerns.

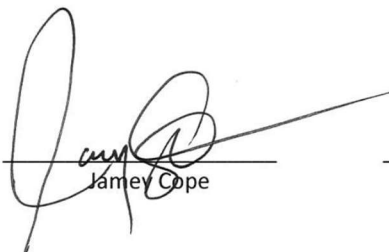
Sheriff Robert Evenson stopped by to give the Commission an update on happenings in McDonald County.

Commission conducted general business of the county.

### ADJOURN

Commission will reconvene on June 21st, 2021

### SIGNATURES

  
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Jamey Cope

  
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Bill Lant

  
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Rick Lett

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Monday June 21st, 2021

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