

# 06-30-2025 Minutes

## McDonald County Commission—Minutes

June 30th, 2025

**Present:**

Bryan Hall - Presiding Commissioner  
Jamey Cope - Eastern Commissioner  
Rick Lett - Western Commissioner  
Jessica Cole - County Clerk

### General Business

Commission reviewed calls from the weekend. With Wednesdays bid opening coming up they reached out to some contractors again as no bids have been received for the Dead End Lane.

1:00pm Commission met with a group that is concerned on more oversight on organized cycling events that occur in our Rural parts of McDonald County. Those present are listed below:

Doug Fletcher, Cecil Henson, John Newby, Luap McKeever, Amy Ross, Sean Thurman, McDonald County Sheriff Robert Evenson, Missouri State Highway Patrol Trooper; Ben Dodson, and Maleia Cheney; McDonald County Prosecutor.

**Key Topics Discussed:**

Overtime pay for staff  
Event safety and enforcement  
Cycling event planning and permitting

**1. Pay & Staffing**

Staff working cycling events may earn \$50–\$75/hour, with a 4-hour minimum.  
Extra fees may be added for fuel and maintenance.  
Travel time compensation and staff availability were noted as concerns.

**2. Safety & Oversight**

Safety enforcement discussed, including rules on cyclist spacing and traffic laws.  
Law enforcement presence to be determined by the Commission and Sheriff, with a minimum of two officers per route review (pending ordinance changes).

**3. Event Details**

Estimated attendance: 1,200 participants.  
Proper signage will be required to ensure public awareness and safety.

**4. Permitting & Rules**

Permit fees will help cover wages and road upkeep.  
Cyclists must follow event rules; violations may result in fines.  
Insurance coverage will be required for event organizers and staff.

**5. Legal & Naming Updates**

A name change from the current label to “Special Events” is proposed.  
Violation enforcement was referenced under Missouri law (Section 307.190).

[Link: Section 307.190 - Missouri Revisor of Statutes](#)

**6. Community Impact**

Permits aim to support McDonald County through road maintenance and improvements.  
The initiative is part of a broader rural recreation and community engagement effort.

**7. Event Date**

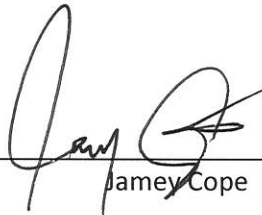
The cycling event is scheduled for October 18.

Note: The ordinance and permit process are still under review and not finalized at this time.

### ADJOURN

Commission will reconvene on July 2nd, 2025

### SIGNATURES

  
Jamey Cope

Approved

  
Bryan Hall

Wednesday July 2nd, 2025

  
Rick Lett

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