

JEFFERSON COUNTY CHARTER COMMISSION

Draft Meeting Minutes of Thursday February 6th, 2008 at 5:00 pm.

BE IT RECORDED THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY CHARTER COMMISSION, met in session at Jefferson County Administration Bldg 729 Maple Street Hillsboro, Missouri 63050 on Thursday 6th, day of February 2008 at 5:00 p.m.

BE IT FURTHER RECORDED that on this day Tuesday the 5th, day February 2008 at 2:00 pm an agenda was e-mail posted to Jefferson County Admin. Bldg. and all members of the commission and was in one of the leading local papers for the public, a copy of which is annexed.

Minutes of Open session Pursuant to R. Mo. S.S. 610.010 to 610.030:

Co-Chair Dennis Tesreau called the meeting to order at 5:03 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance waived due not having a flag.

AT THE ABOVE TIME AND PLACE AND UPON ROLL CALL THERE WERE IN ATTENDANCE THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

Co-Chair Derrick Good
Phil Amato
Anthony Becker
William Dodson
Victoria Presnell-James
Sean C. King
Michael Minicky

Co-Chair Dennis Tesreau
Frances A. Newkirk
Paul Reinheimer
Laura S. Schmidt
S. Gail Shorney
Michael Turley
(Bruce Valle – Absent)

Guests:

Brian Haskin
Kim Henson
Trish Bourbon
Ginger Frank
Ken Shorney
Carey Renshaw
Jeannie Goff

D. Tesreau called for a motion to amend the agenda and place County Clerk Wes Wagner and staff before committee reports. P. Amato motioned and V. Presnell-James seconded the motion upon verbal call for approval (9) yea (0) Nay motion carried.

Approval of Agenda:

1. M. Turley motioned to approve agenda of January 22nd, 2008, V. Presnell-James seconded the motion. upon verbal call for approval (9) yea (0) Nay motion carried.
2. F. Newkirk motion to approve agenda of January 29th, 2008, T. Becker seconded the motion with the correction of a committee member on the Power Point Presentation of S. Gail Shorney in place of Sean C. King. Upon verbal call for approval (11) yea (0) nay motion carried.

D. Tesreau called for a motion to have a limit of (5) minutes per person unless on the agenda for public comments. P. Reinheimer motioned and V. Presnell-James seconded the motion. Upon verbal call for approval (12) yea (0) nay motion carried.

(4) Member's joined the meeting in progress to bring the count to (13)

Public Comments:

Ginger Frank requested that the Charter Commission meeting time be changed to 7:00 pm, Ms. Frank stated that the current meeting time was difficult for the citizens of the county to attend.

Ken Shorney offered encouragement to the commission and to continue regardless of negative comments. Mr. Shorney presented a sheet with Petition Drive count by Event. A copy is annexed.

Following a lengthy discussion on the issue D. Tesreau called for motion to change the time or leave as it is. M. Turley motioned to continue with the current schedule of 5:00 – 7:00 pm for the work sessions. P. Reinheimer seconded the motion. Upon verbal call for approval (13) yea (0) nay motion carried.

Review of proposed questions:

D. Tesreau called for a motion to accept the proposed questions, P. Reinheimer motioned to accept. S. King seconded the motion.

Reschedule and/or confirmation of future meeting dates for input:

- A. Feb. 28th, 2008 - office holders and county officials
- B. **Addition of March 6th, 2008** -Continue with office holders and county officials.
- C. March 20th, 2008 – State Representatives and State Senators (Spring Break)
- D. March 27th, 2008 – City Admin., Mayors and Representatives of various taxing districts within Jefferson County.
- E. April 24th, 2008 – Representatives of Clubs and Organizations.
- F. April 29th, 2008 – Public Forum
- G. Begin discussion of drafting of charter.

All meetings at 5:00pm unless notified of time change and location change.

Discussion on the amount of meeting dates, with concern that the schedule may not be contain enough and that the meetings may need to be longer.

M. Minicky asked about the amount of time to write the draft and the answer was approximately (2) to (4) weeks. The need to establish the drat writing committee.

D. Tesreau called for a motion to approve the press release.

S. King motioned to approve and release the proposed press release to the media, T. Becker seconded the motion, upon verbal call for approval (13) yea (0) nay motion carried.

M. Minicky suggested that we ask Joe Ortwerth of St. Charles to attend a meeting to provide insight on the experience with the St. Charles charter.

P. Reinheimer e-mailed the question of asking Retired Sen. Bill McKenna for his input.

G. Shorny is concerned with the time of fitting guests in the schedule.

T. Becker motioned that commission members prepare a list of who they think would be of benefit to the commission with the following guidelines: Name, contact information, (2) sentence statement of how you think the commission will benefit from listening to this person. P. Amato seconded the motion, upon verbal call for approval (13) yea (0) nay motion carried.

The lists with information are to be sent to Derrick Good for placement on the schedule.

County Clerk Wes Wagner presented a well defined description of the responsibilities of the county clerk's office. A copy of which is annexed.

Mr. Wagner presented ideas for possible changes in the county clerk's office that may enhance the operability of his office. There are approximately (22) tasks preformed in this office.

Trish Bourbon discussed the duties of accounts payable substantiated with a line item list of (5) tasks.

Jeannie Goff discussed the duties of Finance, substantiated with a line item list of (25) tasks.

M. Turley asked about the amount of time spent by T. Bourbon and J. Goff in the performance of their duties that are repetitious and could be streamlined by implementing policies.

The answer is several.

D. Tesreau called for a motion to table the remainder of the agenda until February 28th, 2008 meeting.

M. Minicky motioned to table the remainder of the agenda. F. Newkirk seconded the motion, upon verbal call for approval (13) yea (0) nay motion carried.

D. Tesreau motion to accept and confirm the website as presented by T. Becker, D. Good seconded the motion, upon verbal call for approval (13) yea (0) nay motion carried.

D. Tesreau called for a motion to adjourn, L. S. Schmidt motioned and M. Minicky seconded the motion, upon verbal call for approval (13) yea (0) nay motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm

Next meeting is **Thursday February 28th, 2008 at 5:00pm** Jefferson County Administration Bldg. 729 Maple Street Hillsboro, Missouri 63050

Approval Date: _____

Co-Chairs: Dennis Tesreu

Derrick Good

Attested by: _____
Frances A. Newkirk, Secretary

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