

Wednesday October 16, 2024

Name	Position	Present	Quorum
Becky Plattner	Presiding Commissioner	Yes	Yes
Monte Fenner	Southern Commissioner	Yes	
Stephanie Gooden	Northern Commissioner	Yes	

Becky Plattner called the meeting to order.

Sheriff Cindi Mullins submitted a request to destroy a ProCurve networking switch as it has been replaced with a new one. Model #2610-24, Serial #J9085A, and Inventory #001450. Becky Plattner asked for a motion to approve. Monte Fenner made a motion to approve. Stephanie Gooden seconded. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Becky Plattner asked for a motion to authorize a Contractor’s Contract, upon approval of the final draft from the Commission’s counsel, for the contract with Westport Construction Company to build the Welcome Center. Monte Fenner made a motion to approve. Stephanie Gooden seconded. Motion carried 3-0-0. Commissioner Plattner stated that it is the Commission’s understanding that possibly 10-15 days after the approval and signing of the contract that Westport will start on the construction project.

Becky Plattner stated that today there will be the quarterly meeting of the Develop Saline County board at 10:00 AM where there will be \$581,527.95 of funds disbursed to Saline County entities.

Stephanie Gooden stated “The vote of the Saline County citizens approved the Economic Development tax in April 2018. Because of the partnership of Saline County citizens, the Commission, and the Develop Saline County Advisory Board, we have been able to work very hard to develop and improve infrastructure at the junction and around Saline County. The Economic Development tax has distributed into cities and communities to improve their infrastructure they normally would not have the means to do so. The Economic Development tax has been able to give the City of Marshall, Slater, Sweet Springs, Arrow Rock and the smaller cities and unincorporated areas over \$866,000 each. The amount of Economic Development achieved by this tax is phenomenal for our county. The junction of Interstate 70 and highway 65 is one of the last remaining junctions along I-70 with the potential for successful development with over 35,000 vehicles passing through every day. After several years of infrastructure improvements, it is with great pleasure to announce that LOVES Travel Stop will be coming to the Southeast corner of the junction of Interstate 70 and highway 65.”

Becky Plattner stated “This announcement comes after over a year of working with LOVES and without the infrastructure being built and already existing, this area would not have even been a consideration. The tax revenue generated from this development will continue to benefit the communities that already benefit from the Economic Development tax. We welcome LOVES to Saline County and are looking forward to more great development to come.”

Becky Plattner asked for a motion to adjourn. Monte Fenner made a motion to adjourn. Stephanie Gooden seconded. Motion carried 3-0-0.



 Becky Plattner
 Presiding Commissioner



 Monte Fenner
 Southern Commissioner



 Stephanie Gooden
 Northern Commissioner

Minutes Certified by:



 Britt All Burton
 County Clerk

