Commission in session pursuant to adjournment at the Courthouse in Bowling Green, County of Pike, State of Missouri.

Bill Allen, Presiding Commissioner, Present

Tom Wallace, Eastern Commissioner, Present

Brock Bailey, Western Commissioner, Present

Bill Allen called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and moved to accept the agenda as presented and pay bills. Tom Wallace, seconded. Vote 3-0.

Billy Orf, Road and Bridge Supervisor, met with the Commission and discussed the possibility of hiring retirees on a part-time basis.

Laura Stumbaugh, Pike County Clerk, met with the Commission about HR issues in the county, and the possibility of hiring Road and Bridge part-time employees.

The Commission discussed the current investigation involving the Sheriff's Department, Bowling Green Police Department and the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Due to the status of the investigation, and it being a Highway Patrol and Missouri Attorney General case, the County Commission has no authority or necessary actions currently.

The Commission met with Ameren for the purpose of discussing the Solar Project and Chapter 100 discussions. Ameren; the Commission; and Travis Elliott Legal Counsel joined on TEAMS, as well as the City of Bowling Green Mayor, Jim Arico. Others were Mark Murry, Mark Grimm, Jim, Scott Huber and Dan Stroh. The Commission discussed options with Ameren for multiple years. It has been determined that the best option for the county is to enter the Chapter 100 agreement with Ameren, since they are governed by the Missouri Public Service Commission. The Commission will look at documents and make decisions soon, hopefully by March 28, 2025. Timelines, road use, decommissioning, legal ownership, legal transfers, and contractual details were discussed. The date for finalizing the details is tentatively marked as May 19, 2025. The Commission plans to meet in closed session on Monday, March 24, 2025 at 9:30 AM to discuss county matters in the agreement.

Kathy Turner, Pike County Circuit Clerk, reported on a budget issue as she has gone over the equipment line for the court. Possible future budget adjustments may be necessary.

Chad Perkins met with the Commission and discussed State and County issues.

There being no other business before the County Commission, the meeting adjourned until March 20, 2025 at 9:00 AM.

Laura Stumbaugh County Clerk

Bill Allen, Presiding Commissioner

Tom Wallace, Eastern Commissioner

Brock Bailey, Western Commissioner