

BOUNDARY COMMISSION
ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI
MEETING MINUTES

November 17, 2020

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Rick Dorsey, Steve Frank, Ann Pluemer, Kathy Schweitzer, Ben Uchitelle, Kyra Watson and Steve Wegert

Commissioners Absent: Tom Mooney

Commission Staff Present: Michelle Dougherty, Executive Director
Michael Hart, Legal Counsel

Others present: Tim Engelmeyer, City Attorney for City of Valley Park, MO

Chairperson Schweitzer called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m., November 17, 2020. The meeting was held online via Zoom and livestreamed to YouTube with accommodations made for the public to attend as well due to the statewide social isolation order.

ROLL IS CALLED – QUORUM DECLARED

Roll was called and a quorum declared by Ms. Dougherty.

APPROVE AGENDA

Mr. Dorsey made a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Pluemer seconded the motion. Voice vote: Ayes, All. Nays, None. *The motion passed.*

APPROVE MINUTES

Mr. Dorsey made a motion to approve the minutes of October 27, 2020. Mr. Wegert seconded the motion. Ayes, All. Nays, None. *The motion passed.*

STAFF REPORT

Ms. Dougherty stated she didn't have much to add to the report that was in the packet. She said she'd sent via email moments before the meeting the withdrawal ordinances for Glen Echo Park and Normandy and wanted to make sure all the commissioners were aware of the email.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Tim Engelmeyer, City Attorney for City of Valley Park thanked the Commission for the opportunity to speak. The City had filed a motion requesting to move the effective date of the Simplified Boundary Change up to January 1, 2021. Mr. Engelmeyer explained that all the parties involved requested to move it up 30 days from the original effective date so they can get started sooner. Ms. Schweitzer stated they would be taking up this issue up under Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS.

A. Officer Nominations

Ms. Schweitzer reported that the Nominating Committee had met via email and has suggested the following slate of officers be nominated for next year.

Chair – Steve Wegert
1st Vice Chair – Kyra Watson
2nd Vice Chair – Steve Frank.

Ms. Watson declined the nomination as her term is expiring at the end of December and she is not being reappointed.

Ms. Schweitzer suggested Mr. Mooney for 1st Vice Chair.

The slate for 2021 is:
Chair – Steve Wegert
1st Vice Chair – Tom Mooney
2nd Vice Chair – Steve Frank

Mr. Dorsey made a motion to accept the Nominating Committee’s report. Mr. Uchitelle seconded the motion. Ayes, All. Nays, None. *The motion passed.*

B. Executive Director Retirement Contribution.

Mr. Dorsey made a motion to go into closed session pursuant to Section 610.021 (1) and (3) regarding legal actions and causes of action or litigation and any confidential or privileged communications. Ms. Watson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:
Rick Dorsey – Y
Steve Frank – Y
Ann Pluemer – Y
Kathleen Schweitzer – Y
Ben Uchitelle – Y
Kyra Watson – Y
Steve Wegert – Y

The motion passed. Closed session began at 5:42 pm.

Ms. Pluemer made a motion the executive director’s retirement contribution for 2020 be increased 1% over 2019’s contribution percentage. Mr. Dorsey seconded the motion. Ayes, All. Nays, None. *The motion passed.*

Mr. Dorsey made a motion to end the closed session. Mr. Wegert seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:
Rick Dorsey – Y
Steve Frank – Y
Ann Pluemer – Y
Kathleen Schweitzer – Y
Ben Uchitelle – Y
Kyra Watson – Y

Steve Wegert – Y
The motion passed. Closed session ended at 5:52 pm.

OLD BUSINESS

A. BC2001 Normandy/Glen Echo Park Consolidation

Chairman Schweitzer stated the Commission had received ordinances from City of Normandy and Village of Glen Echo Park to withdraw their consolidation proposal. Mr. Uchitelle asked for background information. Ms. Dougherty explained that before their scheduled public hearing they needed to postpone it because Normandy had a new set of public officials that had been elected and needed to be brought up to speed. Mr. Uchitelle asked why they didn't just postpone instead of withdrawing. Mr. Hart replied that the city attorney for Normandy explained that the new set of public officials in light of COVID, the reduction in sales tax, the existing reductions in municipal court fees they wanted to wait to determine if this in the future would make better economic sense.

Mr. Dorsey made a motion to accept the City of Normandy and the Village of Glen Echo Park withdrawal of BC2001 from the Boundary Commission's consideration. Ms. Pluemer seconded the motion. Ayes, All. Nays, None. *The motion passed.*

B. BC2003 Simplified Boundary Change: Transfer of Jurisdiction between St. Louis County and City of Valley Park, MO Summary of Decision.

Mr. Dorsey made a motion to reconsider the vote by which the Commission approved BC2003's Summary of Decision. Mr. Wegert seconded the motion. Ayes, All. Nays, None. *The motion passed.*

Mr. Dorsey made a motion to amend BC2003's Summary of Decision's effective date to January 1, 2021. Mr. Wegert seconded the motion. Ayes, All. Nays, None. *The motion passed.*

Mr. Dorsey made a motion to approve BC2003 Summary of Decision as amended. Mr. Frank seconded the motion. Ayes, All. Nays, None. *The motion passed.*

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Dorsey made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Frank seconded the motion. Voice vote: Ayes, All. Nays, None. *The motion passed.* The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Dougherty
Executive Director

Approved: December 15, 2020