

## IN RAY COUNTY COURT TUESDAY, MAY 02, 2023

Present in Ray County Court today were: Billy Gaines, Presiding Commissioner  
Gary Wilhite, Western Commissioner  
Dave Powell, Eastern Commissioner  
Heather Maulsby, County Clerk

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go into session at 9:00 am. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

The Commission opened the Tuesday meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor Isaacson the prayer.

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Citizens open comments: No one attended.

Commissioner Powell made a motion to issue Court Order 2023-04-01 for the Marijuana 3% on the ballot to be sent to Missouri State of Revenue. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

The Commission approved payables for Payables Clerk, Trina Wisdom and Ray County Treasurer, Melissa Holloway.

Commissioner Powell made a motion to appoint Leanna Larson to fill the unexpired term of Debbie King on the Ray County Board of Service. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go into an Emergency Closed Session at 10:42 a.m. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Commissioner Powell made a motion to go out of Closed Session at 11:04 a.m. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go out of session at 12:00 p.m. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Court Adjourned

Until Wednesday, May 03, 2023

## IN RAY COUNTY COURT WEDNESDAY, MAY 03, 2023

Present in Ray County Court today were: Billy Gaines, Presiding Commissioner  
Gary Wilhite, Western Commissioner  
Dave Powell, Eastern Commissioner  
Heather Maulsby, County Clerk

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go into session at 9:00 am. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Citizens open Comments: Ray County resident Randy Hartman discussed with the Commission possibility of chip & seal on Strawberry Road in the further.

The Commission spoke with Simon with Waldinger and R&B Heating & Cooling to report a gas leak in the Courthouse and Prosecuting Attorney's Office needing repaired.

Commissioner Gaines spoke with Road & Bridge Supervisor, Elvis Silkwood concerning shutting down N. Raum Bridge per MODOT.

The Commission approved one Platt for Planning & Zoning Office Manager, Paula Patchett.

The Commissioner Powell made a motion to issued Court Order 2023-05-01 for National Prayer Day on May 4, 2023.

Commissioner Gaines signed Progress #7 for Landing Road Bridge 25700161 (32).

The Commission approved minutes for April 27 & 28, 2023.

Commissioner Gaines signed February 2023 Diesel Fuel Refund.

The Commission returned a call to Ray County resident, Julie Nelson. Julie was in question if the Commission would be putting on the agenda what county business the Commission would be doing on their Monday, Thursday and Friday when they are not in session. The Commission said they will be putting in the minutes on Tuesday or Wednesday what they are doing.

Connor and Daniel with GFI Digital spoke with the Commission and Ray County Clerk, Heather Maulsby concerning courthouse internet needs.

The Commission signed checks.

Commissioner Powell made a motion to accept Ray County Senior Service Board 2023 Budget Amendment. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go out of session at 12:00 p.m. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Court Adjourned

## IN RAY COUNTY COURT TUESDAY, MAY 09, 2023

Present in Ray County Court today were: Billy Gaines, Presiding Commissioner  
Gary Wilhite, Western Commissioner  
Dave Powell, Eastern Commissioner

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go into session at 9:00 am. Commissioner Gaines seconded the motion. Carried 2-0.

The Commission opened the Tuesday meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor Isaacson the prayer.

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go into Closed Session per State Statue 610-021.1 Legal at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Commissioner Powell made a motion to go out of closed session at 9:15 a.m. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Citizens open comments: Ray County resident, Rhonda York discussed the Ray Rock noise, traffic problems, vehicles flying down the county roads outside of Ray Rock, and open hours past what was agreed on. The Commission will discuss this with Planning & Zoning and get back with Rhonda York.

The Commission approved payables.

Commissioner Powell made a motion to appoint Leanna Larson to the Ray County Board of Service to fill the unexpired term of Debbie King. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Ray County resident, Julie Nelson met with the Commission to discuss handicap parking at the Courthouse. Commissioner Powell has talked to the Richmond City Administrator, Tonya Willim about getting with the Public Safety Committee to get more handicap parking for the county on the west side of the Courthouse. It was brought up about the county employees parking around the Courthouse. Commissioner Powell said it is up the office holders as to where their employee's park.

Ray County Prosecuting Attorney, Camille Johnston discussed the rumor of the Commission moving her offices to the courthouse into the empty offices after the annex is built. Prosecuting Attorney Johnston and Victim Advocate, Melissa White gave the Commission reasons why moving her wouldn't work. There will not be enough room for the victim to meet with the prosecutor & victim advocate and victim safety, working after hours and security was a few of the examples. The commission said the topic was discussed as an option if the annex happens and there will be empty rooms in the courthouse.

Commissioner Wilhite made a motion to go out of session at 12:00 p.m. Commissioner Powell seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Court Adjourned

Until Wednesday, May 10, 2023

## IN RAY COUNTY COURT WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2023

Present in Ray County Court today were: Billy Gaines, Presiding Commissioner  
Gary Wilhite, Western Commissioner  
Dave Powell, Eastern Commissioner

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go into session at 9:00 am. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Citizens open Comments: No one attended.

The Commission approved Tax Abatements & Supplements and reviewed Settlements for Ray County Collector, Julie Chowning.

The Commission approved minutes of May 2 & 3, 2023.

Commissioner Gaines signed checks.

Commissioner Wilhite returned calls to Ray County resident concerning chip & seal needed on W141 and Old Salem Road.

Ray County Treasurer, Melissa Holloway updated the Commission on County Sales and Use Tax.

The Commission requested Planning & Zoning to discuss Ray Rock complaints. The Commission will tour Ray Rocks May 19, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

Commissioner Wilhite will travel Rabbit Farm Road to see if it could be used to demonstrate Road Groom Equipment for Road & Bridge.

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go out of session at 12:16 p.m. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Court Adjourned

Until Tuesday, May 16, 2023



IN RAY COUNTY COURT MONDAY, MAY 15, 2023

Present in Ray County Court today were: Billy Gaines, Presiding Commissioner  
Gary Wilhite, Western Commissioner  
Dave Powell, Eastern Commissioner

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go into session at 2:30 p.m. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

The Commission attended a virtual American Rescue Plan Act meeting to discuss the PWSD #1 Project 1 & Project #4, Homestead Sewer Projects, Road & Bridge Dump Trucks and Planning & Zoning project. Attending: Commissioner Gaines, Commissioner Powell & Commissioner Wilhite, Treasurer, Melissa Holloway, Payables Clerk, Trina Wisdom, Kim Swain with Forvis and Attorney, Travis Elliott.

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go out of session at 3:35 p.m. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Court Adjourned

Until Tuesday, May 16, 2023

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IN RAY COUNTY COURT TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2023

Present in Ray County Court today were: Billy Gaines, Presiding Commissioner  
Gary Wilhite, Western Commissioner  
Dave Powell, Eastern Commissioner  
Heather Maulsby, County Clerk

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go into session at 9:00 am. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

The Commission opened the Tuesday meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor Isaacson the prayer.

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Citizens open Comments: No one attended.

Road & Bridge Supervisors Elvis Silkwood and Tim Syphert met with the Commission to discuss Henrietta Bridge removal. Elvis Silkwood has talked with MODOT and the Railroad and they are open for discussion to take down the Henrietta Bridge. Henrietta Clerk, Margaret Nordseick will get Railroad phone numbers for the Commission. There was discussion of closing one crossing. Elvis Silkwood discussed with the Commission needing garage doors for the buildings where the Road & Bridge pickups are parked. The Commission will put this out to bid. It was discussed a resident wants to put a waterline on the county easement on W188th because two neighbors will not allow him to cut across their land. This was approved.

The Commission approved payables.

Commissioner Gaines signed the Morton Bridge NO 2570016 (32) Section 106 Memorandum of Agreement (MOA).

Commissioner Wilhite returned phone calls to Kit Smith concerning W158, Paul Oliva concerning Oak Road, Paul Wildschuetz concerning W128th road improvements and a resident on N. New Garden asking about chip & seal.

Commissioner Powell made a motion to appoint Stacy Cox to the Grape Grove District for Planning & Zoning. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

The Commission approved minutes for May 9 7 10, 2023.

Commissioner Powell made a motion to put a 5 Stall Trap Shoot at the Ray County Fair Grounds for the FFA. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Commissioner Gaines and Sheriff Childers met with the Hardin family who had the train accident May 15, 2023.

Commissioner Gaines met with John Hartman with the Ray County Board of Services to schedule a meeting with the chairman of the board.

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go out of session at 12:00 p.m. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Court Adjourned

Until Wednesday, April 17, 2023

## IN RAY COUNTY COURT WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2023

Present in Ray County Court today were: Billy Gaines, Presiding Commissioner  
Gary Wilhite, Western Commissioner  
Dave Powell, Eastern Commissioner  
Heather Maulsby, County Clerk

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go into session at 9:00 am. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Citizens open comments: No one attended.

Commissioner Wilhite spoke with Aaron Hicks with the Henrietta Special Road District concerning Rail Road information on the Henrietta Bridge. Mr. Hicks will email the Commission with more information.

A Ray County resident called about potholes on W141. Commission turned this into the Road & Bridge. Repairs are scheduled for the next two weeks.

The Commission signed the Toshiba Printer contract for the Prosecuting Attorney Office. Voted as: Commissioner Powell-Yes, Commissioner Gaines- Yes and Commissioner Wilhite-No.

Ray County resident Paul Wildschuetz with Fencestile Vineyard and Winery met with the Commission to discuss road repair needed on W128.

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go out of session at 12:00 p.m. Commissioner Wilhite seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Court Adjourned

Until Tuesday, May 23, 2023

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## IN RAY COUNTY COURT TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2023

Present in Ray County Court today were: Billy Gaines, Presiding Commissioner  
Dave Powell, Eastern Commissioner  
Heather Maulsby, County Clerk

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go into session at 9:00 am. Commissioner Gaines seconded the motion. Carried 2-0.

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Citizens open Comments: No one attended.

Road & Bridge Supervisors, Elvis Silkwood and Tim Syphert discussed Road & Bridge wages with the Commission. Commissioner Powell made a motion to start Road & Bridge employees at \$16.00 an hour and after their 60-day probation the supervisors can evaluate for the advancement up to \$18.63. Commissioner Gaines seconded the motion. Carried 2-0.

The Commission approved payables for Payables Clerk, Trina Wisdom.

The Commission approved minutes for May 15 & 16, 2023.

Commissioner Gaines signed March 2023 Diesel Fuel Refund paperwork.

Michael Clancy with Reno Dry met with the Commission to finalize paperwork and to install the drying system in the Courthouse basement. At 1:00 pm. he will install a drying system at the Ray County Museum.

Thursday, May 18, 2023 Commissioner Gaines and Commissioner Powell attended the Chempak meeting at the Health Department.

Friday, May 19, 2023 Commissioner Gaines, Commissioner Powell and Office Manager, Paula Patchett went to Ray Rocks in Richmond, MO to see their business.

Friday, May 19, 2023 Commissioner Gaines attended a Road & Bridge appreciation BarBQ provided by Murphy Tractor.

Commissioner Gaines attended a virtual Mid-American Regional Council Budget, Financial and Board of Directors meeting.

The Commission will not be in regular session on Wednesday, May 24, 2023

The Courthouse will be closed Monday, May 29, 2023 in observance of Memorial Day.

Commissioner Powell made a motion to go out of session at 12:00 p.m. Commissioner Gaines seconded the motion. Carried 2-0.

Court Adjourned

Until Tuesday, May 30, 2023