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Stoddard County Commission Meeting - Monday, April 14, 2025 -

APRIL 21ST 2025 BY DEE LOFLIN

The Commission meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer over Stoddard County and Delta, Missouri by Presiding Commissioner Greg Mathis.

Bootheel Regional Planning Commission will have their annual community meeting Thursday at 2:00 p.m. speaking about grants and guest speaker from MoDOT.

Loyd Rice, GoSEMO Fiber and Electric

130 poles damaged and needed to be replaced. 1.4 million in damages. Mutual aid came in and helped with replacement of poles and lines.

Cecil Weeks, Stoddard County Clerk

Only 12% of the registered voter came out and cast their ballots.

"It's another tool in the toolbox is the new receipts that are given out to the person who is coming in to vote," stated Weeks. "In November several asked about getting a receipt that they had voted."

This also helps the election judges to get the ballot number matched to the 10 different ballot styles in Dexter. People vote on the ballot in the area that they pay personal property taxes, for example, rural, Ward 1, Ward 2, etc. At the bottom of the ticket it shows what ballot number they need to get.

1/2 Cent Sales Tax Approved by the Voters in the April Election

We owe about 2 million dollars for the jail that will come out of the general revenue account and not out of this 1/2 Cent Sales Tax. this will take place at the end of 2025. The new 1/2 cent sales tax will take effect on January 1, 2026. This tax does not have a sunset time frame as it will go on forever.

Solar Farms

C.D Stewart and Greg Mathis attended the Scott County meeting on solar farms.

New Business:

Motion to enter into contract for the BRO Project R103077 replacement 0550011 on County Road 551 over Castor River made by Commissioner C.D. Stewart, seconded by Commissioner Wes Howard. All three voted yes and motion passed. Standard Contract for the engineers to send plans to MoDOT for review.

Other Business:

Motion to accept the Bid Opening meeting minutes for the Stoddard County Jail annual maintenance agreement for the HVAC system on March 24th made by Commissioner C.D. Stewart, seconded by Commissioner Wes Howard.

Motion to approve the request for ARPA monies for New Lisbon Township in the amount of \$10,417.28 for storm gravel made by Commissioner West Howard, seconded by Commissioner C.D. Stewart. All three voted yes and motion passed.

Motion to accept the Meeting Minutes from April 7, 2025 made by Commissioner Wes Howard, seconded by Commissioner C.D. Stewart. All three voted yes and motion passed.

Motion to accept the closes session meeting minutes from April 7, 2025 made by Commissioner C.D. Stewart, seconded by Commissioner Wes Howard. All three votes yes and motion passed.

Motion to adjourn at 11:55 a.m. made by Commissioner C. D. Stewart, seconded by Commissioner Wes Howard. All votes yes and motion passed.

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