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Missouri State Auditor

June 3, 2010

The Honorable Kay Brown
Christian County Clerk
Christian County Courthouse
100 West Church, Room 206
Ozark, MO 65721

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KAY BROWN
COUNTY CLERK

RE: County Classification

Dear Clerk Brown:

House Bill 1806 (HB 1806) passed by the General Assembly in 2010, and signed by the Governor on May 25, 2010, revised the assessed valuations necessary to change county classifications. Due to HB 1806 passage, my letter to you dated September 8, 2009 regarding your county's classification should be disregarded. The assessed valuation necessary to become Class 1 is now \$900,000,000. Christian County's assessed valuation is not large enough to change to Class 1 at this time.

However, HB 1806 also contained a change to Section 48.020.1, RSMo. This change allows any county of the second classification, which on August 28, 2010 has an assessed valuation of at least \$600,000,000 for at least one year, to elect to be classified as a county of the first classification by resolution of the governing body of the county. Please inform us of Christian County's decision regarding this matter. A copy of the minutes is required to document the Commission's actions to pass a resolution to become Class 1.

Enclosed please find the notification of my office concerning the change of classification for Christian County, Missouri, according to Chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri 2000. You may wish to retain this notification for the official county record.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Susan Montee".

Susan Montee, JD, CPA
Missouri State Auditor

Enclosure

c: Presiding Commissioner
Eastern District Commissioner

Western District Commissioner
Circuit Clerk
Recorder of Deeds
Prosecuting Attorney
Sheriff
Auditor
Collector of Revenue
Assessor
Treasurer
Coroner
Public Administrator
County Surveyor

Office of State Court Administrator

KAY BROWN

Clerk of the County Commission
OF
CHRISTIAN
COUNTY

100 W. CHURCH ROOM 206
OZARK, MO 65721
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October 6, 2010

Missouri State Auditor
Attn: Becky Webb
P.O. Box 869
Jefferson City, MO. 65102

Dear Becky,

Enclosed are the September 13, 2010 minutes that contain the motion/vote to continue to remain in 2nd class status and the ordinance.

Thanks for all your help,

Kay Brown

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Christian County Commission

September 13, 2010

Convene

Presiding Commissioner John Grubaugh called the meeting of the County Commission to order at on September 13, 2010 at the County Commission Office. Attendance: John Grubaugh, Present: Bill Barnett, Present: Tom Huff, Present. Chief Deputy Norma Ryan is taking the minutes.

10:00 a.m. Bid Opening - Assessor's Office Re: Assessment List Printing and Mailing

The meeting was attended by Chief Deputy Marian Matthews.

The Commission opened bids for the Assessor's Office for assessment list printing and mailing. They received one bid. Edward Rice bid a total of \$ 29,752.20.

Motion/Vote - Accept the Bid from Edward Rice for Mailing Assessment List

Western Commissioner Bill Barnett made a motion to accept the bid from Edward Rice for printing and mailing the assessment list. Tom Huff seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: John Grubaugh (Yes), Bill Barnett (Yes), Tom Huff (Yes).

10:15 a.m. Christian County Commission Re: Discussion of 1st Class County Status

The meeting was attended by Marian Matthews, Jim Bresee, Lou Lapaglia, Joann McCorkle, Isabella Seelye, Charles McCorkle, Sharon Whitehill Gray, Rick Gardner, Jeff Daugherty, Linda Daugherty, Charles and Sue Jacoby, I. W Seelye, Jane Burton, Jimmy Seabee, Karen Matthews, Karen Moody, Donna Osborn, Dennis Sparrow, Karen Thompson, Jim Bowles, D.R. Thompson, Patti Robertson, Eddie Campbell, Ray Brinson, Leroy and Judy Morisset, Rick Robinson, John Housley and other members of the community.

The County Commission had discussion regarding first class county status. The law change required that the county commission vote to go first class. If the county does not vote, it remains 2nd class. John Grubaugh discussed some of the changes of going first class, then opened the topic up for discussion. Tom Huff and Bill Barnett stated they would prefer to stay 2nd class based on the economy. The county can not go first class until 2015 if they don't go by the end of year. Mr. Lapaglia urged the Commission to make a decision and vote on it now so the 2011 budget can be prepared without having to change. Rick Gardner would like the decision made now and seconds Lou's appeal. Commissioner Grubaugh entertained a motion.

Motion/Vote - Keep Christian County a Second Class County

Western Commissioner Bill Barnett made a motion to to keep Christian County a second class county and not go first class. The Commission signed the resolution. Tom Huff seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: John Grubaugh (Yes), Bill Barnett (Yes), Tom Huff (Yes).

Resolution - 09-13-10-01 -

Keep the 2nd Class County Status

A RESOLUTION OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY, MISSOURI ELECTING CHRISTIAN COUNTY TO REMAIN AS A COUNTY OF THE SECOND CLASSIFICATION UNTIL THE ASSESSED VALUATION OF THE COUNTY IS

September 13, 2010

SUCH AS TO PLACE IT IN ANOTHER CLASSIFICATION

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Christian County, Missouri is currently a second class county pursuant to Missouri, law, and;

WHEREAS, the assessed valuation of Christian County has surpassed the sum of six hundred million dollars and has maintained such assessed valuation for at least five years, and;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 48.020 RSMo, Christian County may elect either (1.) to remain a county of the second classification, OR (2.) to be in the first classification as of January 1, 2011.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the County Commission of Christian County, Missouri, as follows:

1. That, the undersigned County Commission, does hereby elect to remain classified as a county of the second classification until such time as the assessed valuation of the county shall place it into another classification.
2. That this election is made pursuant to the terms of Section 48.020 RSMo as enacted by the Missouri State Legislature in 2010.
3. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from the date of its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED, at a regular meeting of the Christian County Commission, this 13th day of September, 2010.

ATTEST:
Kay Brown, County Clerk

John Grubaugh, Presiding Commissioner

Bill Barnett, Western Commissioner

Tom Huff, Eastern Commissioner

1:00 p.m. Commissioners John Grubaugh, Bill Barnett & Tom Huff Re: OACAC Meeting

The County Commission met at 204 East Elm Street for the OACAC meeting.

Signatures


John Grubaugh, Presiding Commissioner