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Stoddard County Collector - Treasurer Joshua Speakman recently attended the annual Missouri County Collectors Association (MCCA) conference, where he was elected to the Executive Board. This is a conference all collectors across the state are required to attend.

The association does more than just keep collectors up-to-date on training, but provides information, as well as has an impact on, legislation that is in our capitol. That legislation impacts us here locally and across the state.

Josh stated he felt that seeking an executive board position, not only put stoddard county on the map, but allowed for him to be in a better position to advocate for taxpayers.

It's a good feeling that the taxpayers support me to do a job, and a group of my peers in that job support me to serve as a member of the Executive Board"

"I have always been told, if you are not at the table, you may be on the menu. I wanted to make sure tax payers and entities back here at home aren't on the menu."

Josh also serves on the legislative and technology committees for the association.

One of the things Josh has been working on outside of the collector's office, is assisting with legislation that impacts the inflated personal property taxes we have faced over the past few years.

Josh says he hopes that getting involved more with that association, results in a positive impact on taxpayers. "they elected me to do a job, and I want to do it well. Here on a

county level we have updated our county collector’s website, created an installment plan to lessen the burden on taxpayers, and found ways to improve operations in the office. I hope to expand that positive impact while serving on the MCCA executive board”

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