

**HENRY COUNTY FISCAL COURT  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 21, 2018**

The Henry County Fiscal Court met in Regular Session on August 21, 2018, at the Henry County 4-H Building in New Castle, Kentucky, with the following in attendance:

John L. Brent, Judge Executive  
Virginia Harrod, County Attorney  
Esquire Scott Bates  
Esquire Jerry Beasley  
Esquire Terri Cummings  
Esquire Mike Fisher  
Esquire Jason Stanley  
Esquire Rickey Timberlake

**RE: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Judge/Executive, John L. Brent, led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**RE: PRAYER & PREPARATION**

Silent prayer was observed in preparation for the meeting.

**RE: CALL TO ORDER**

Judge Brent called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and noted that all magistrates were in attendance.

**RE: APPROVAL OF THE JULY 17 REGULAR MEETING AND JULY 31 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

Upon motion by Esq. Stanley and second by Esq. Timberlake, it is ordered by the Court to approve the minutes from the July 17<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously

Upon motion by Esq. Stanley and second by Esq. Timberlake, it is ordered by the Court to approve the minutes from the July 31<sup>st</sup> Special Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously

## **RE: UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Judge Brent stated there was no unfinished business from the previous meeting.

## **RE: NEW BUSINESS**

### **RE: ROADS**

#### **1. Supervisor's Report**

Henry County Road Supervisor, Kenny Tindle, reported that Tom Thurman was retiring after 22 years and Michael Tingle has submitted his 2-week notice to take another job. He recommends hiring Jeff Stivers who has been working part-time for the department to a full-time position. The Road Department has been grading and rocking after every rain and continue to mow and bushwhack.

#### **2. Road Committee Report--Esq. Beasley**

Esq. Beasley stated that the committee did not meet.

#### **3. Flex Fund Update**

Judge Brent reported that he has been making calls to the Transportation Cabinet to secure the approval for the work on Hickory Corner. The County must have the MOU signed before the work is done or we would not be reimbursed. He has identified someone with whom he has a connection and determined that there have been personnel changes and someone has a stack of paperwork. Supervisor Tindle stated that he has asked the paving company to begin the other 2 roads in District 6, and Hinkle should begin their work the second week of September. Esq. Beasley stated that the patching to pavement which has been done is much better this year.

Judge Brent stated that he has written a letter to the *Henry County Local* to clarify road funding to the people who are questioning why some roads are being paved while they feel others that are in worse shape have not been done. County roads are the ones without striping with the exception of Giltner and Radcliff Roads. Also there are 2 different pots of state dollars which cannot be interchanged. The funds for primary roads such as HWY 55 and HWY 22 cannot be used on Rural Secondary Routes like 202.

#### **4. Personnel Report / Hiring Approvals**

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and second by Esq. Timberlake, it is ordered by the Court to hire Jeff Stivers to a full-time position with the Road Department.

Motion carried unanimously

## **RE: EMS/PARAMEDICS**

### **1. Supervisor's Update**

Henry County EMS Supervisor, Paige Lucas-Jamiel, reported that the run numbers are down, but approximately 70 percent of them are to Louisville due to requests or the more specialized care needed. These runs require more time causing the need for more trucks to be in service. All trucks are currently running, but some will need new tires before winter. Supervisor Lucas-Jamiel informed the Court that Richard Jaenigen who has previously worked for them has requested that he be employed on a part-time as-needed basis.

### **2. EMS Committee Report - Esq. Bates**

Esq. Bates reported that the EMS Committee did meet and discussed the 2 full-time positions currently open. The decision has been made to wait until October after more careful review of the numbers to determine the best route at that time.

### **3. Hiring Approvals**

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Stanley, it is ordered by the Court to employ Richard Jaenigen in a part-time as-needed role.

Motion carried unanimously

### **4. Ambulance Financing**

Judge Brent informed the Court that he had sent requests for financing of the new ambulance and received bids from Citizens Deposit, Limestone, KACO, and American. Citizens Deposit was the lowest bidder with an offer of 3.8% fixed rate for 39 months with 3 annual payments to be paid on December 1.

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to obtain financing for the new ambulance from Citizens Deposit with a 3-year, 3.8% fixed rate loan with a principal amount of \$150,000.

Motion carried unanimously

## **RE: P & Z/SOLID WASTE**

### **1. Director's Update**

Henry County P & Z / Solid Waste Administrator, Jody Rucker, reported that 22 building and 19 electrical permits have been issued for the month. The Board of Adjustments did not meet. The Planning and Zoning Commission approved 2 requests for zoning changes for Louisville Distilling Company and Milkhouse Creamery.

## **RE: PARKS & FAIRGROUNDS**

### **1. Supervisor's Update**

Travis Buchanan, Parks and Fairgrounds Supervisor, reported his staff is working to keep up with mowing which is much more than typical. Fall sports are picking up with football beginning on August 11. They will have some night games this year under the new lights. Little League baseball has partnered with Oldham County and will have some games here. Soccer sign-ups have been held and practices will begin soon.

The latest Leadership Henry class has erected a lighted flagpole between the fields in the Recreational and Services Park. They will have a dedication on September 4 at 5:30 p.m..

This year's Trail or Treat will be held on October 19 from 5-7 p.m. at the Recreational and Services Park. October 26 is designated as the make-up date.

### **2. Splash Pad Update**

Judge Brent reported that he and Travis Buchanan have been working diligently on the splash pad project and will continue to stay on top of the progress. Mr. Buchanan met with the contractors and stated that they should start to move dirt tomorrow if the weather permits. The site is all marked and the holding tank should be delivered tonight. The work should move quickly, and we are still hopeful for completion in September.

## **RE: ANIMAL SERVICES**

### **1. Director's Update**

Director of Animal Services, Dan Flinkfelt reported that this has been a hectic month. They have dropped the number of animals in the shelter to 6 from 22 with rescues and adoptions. They were able to transport the rescue animals to Chicago in the county's truck. With school back in session, it appears that call volume has dropped.

### **2. Committee Report- Esq. Fisher**

Esq. Fisher reported that the committee did meet and the issue of transporting seems to have been resolved. Judge Brent reported that the senior citizen who was to have been employed at no cost to the County had decided that it was not a good fit for him. A senior student from Henry County High School will be employed through an internship program for 2 hours per day Monday through Thursday and will begin this week.

## **RE: ABC Administrator's End-of-Year Report**

Ed Nelson, ABC Administrator, presented his end-of-year report to the Court. He stated that as of June 30 all license and regulatory fees were paid on time. He stated that the work continues at Six Mile Creek Distillery and due to construction delays should be opening in several months.

## **RE: Jail Part-time Hiring Request**

Judge Brent reported that Jailer Scott Southworth has requested the addition of a part-time employee to fill his current scheduled hours. He has recommended David Woods for the position.

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Fisher, it is ordered by the Court to employ David Woods to a part-time deputy jailer position.

Motion carried unanimously

## **RE: BAPTIST HEALTH LAGRANGE DONATION**

Judge Brent introduced Clint Kaho, President of Baptist Health LaGrange. Mr. Kaho presented a check for \$5,000 as a donation on the county's purchase of a new ambulance. This sponsorship recognizes the importance of the new ambulance to the citizens of Henry County and to Baptist Health.

## **RE: HENRY COUNTY LIBRARY – PRESENTATION OF TAX RATES**

Jessica Powell, Director of the Henry County Public Library addressed the Court presenting the new tax rates adopted by the Library Board. They have elected to take the compensating rate. Construction costs for the new library have risen dramatically in the last months due to the delays new specs required. The 2<sup>nd</sup> round bid opening will be on August 27 and will hopefully be better. The new library will be constructed on Main Street in Eminence.

## **RE: 2017/18 TREASURER'S SETTLEMENT**

Megan Wilson, County Treasurer, presented the 2017/18 annual settlement report showing all receipts and disbursements from July 1, 2017, to June 30, 2018. Judge Brent acknowledged her dedicated work and the good job of insuring all rules are followed exactly. To allow for the court members to review the data, the settlement report will be approved at the Special Meeting set for August 30, 2018.

## RE: 2<sup>nd</sup> READING OF THE 2018 TAX RATES

Judge Brent reported that we could not get the certification from the State in time to advertise the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading for the regular August meeting tonight. This process is usually done during the July and August meetings, but due to delays there will be a special meeting on August 30 at 5 p.m. at the Courthouse Annex to complete the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. He expects the rate will remain the same based on the unanimous vote previously.

## RE: SHERIFF'S MONTHLY REPORT

Sheriff Cravens presented the Sheriff's Department report for July citing the following services: 302 KSP dispatch calls, 120 Sheriff's office calls, 8 citations/criminal summons, 16 criminal arrests, 26 warrant arrests, 219 court papers served, 1 special event (Henry County Fair), 55 vehicle inspections, 45 carry conceal licenses, 1 DUI arrest, and 6 drug charge arrests.

The Sheriff's Department is in Phase 2 of the hiring process to employ one female officer for court security and transport. Her training must be brought up-to-date and employment paperwork should be completed by Friday.

## RE: CLAIMS & TRANSFERS

Upon motion by Esq. Bates, it is ordered to approve the following claims and transfers:

General Fund	\$280,972.03
Road & Bridge Fund	102,867.96
Jail Fund	50,322.34
LGEA	3,460.00
Litter	534.49
911 Fund	956.22
ABC	20,112.62
Fair Fund	<u>1,641.01</u>

Total Expenditures \$460,876.67

**From:** 0192009990 Reserve for Transfer \$24,000.00  
**To:** 0193009990 Transfer to Other Funds \$24,000.00

**From:** 0193009990 \$24,000.00  
**To:** 7850507230 ABC Law Enforcement Vehicle 20,000.00  
7850504450 ABC Office Supplies 500.00  
7850502020 ABC Personnel 3,500.00

Motion carried unanimously

**RE: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Judge Brent opened the floor for public comments.

Roger Hartlage inquired about the Planning and Zoning approvals and why they were not on the agenda. Judge Brent and Administrator Rucker explained that Fiscal Court approval of the changes was one option, but the other method of adoption requires a 21-day period during which an aggrieved party, magistrate, or incorporated city can request a hearing on the action. There have been no such requests and if none are received, the ordinance will become law on August 31.

**RE: COURT COMMENTS**

Judge Brent reminded those in attendance that the HOPE for Recovery Walk would occur on August 18 at 7 p.m. at the Recreational and Services Park.

**RE: ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Timberlake, it is ordered by the Court to adjourn and each Magistrate, the Judge/Executive, and the County Attorney shall receive a typed copy of these Minutes prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Motion carried unanimously

S/ Denise Perry  
**DENISE PERRY**  
**FISCAL COURT CLERK**

S/ John L. Brent  
**JOHN L. BRENT**  
**JUDGE/EXECUTIVE**

Date Approved: **September 18, 2018**