# HENRY COUNTY FISCAL COURT REGULAR MEETING JUNE 16, 2020

The Henry County Fiscal Court met in Regular Session on June 16, 2020, 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 Mike Fisher
Esquire Roger Hartlage
Esquire Chuck Smith
Esquire Jason Stanley

#### **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. The meeting was conducted in accordance with social distancing guidelines due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

# RE: APPROVAL OF THE MAY 19<sup>TH</sup> REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the minutes from the May 19<sup>th</sup> Regular 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 the Department has been busy with mowing, grading, and pot hole patching. The work on Fox Creek should be finished this week and then move on to Turkey Run Road. The Road Committee and Hinkle Construction will meet at the New Cut Road site to insure that the specifications for the work are clearly communicated and aligned with the estimates for the project. Esq. Hartlage requested that the culvert on Blakemore Lane be checked.

# 2. Road Committee Report - Esq. Beasley

Esq. Beasley stated that the Committee had not met.

# 3. Approval of Rock, Asphalt, and Salt Bids for 2020/21

Judge Brent requested that Supervisor Tindle open the bids for asphalt, rock, and salt which had been submitted.

	Vendor	Specifications	Price per Ton
<u>Asphalt Bids</u>	Hinkle	Plant pickup Placed & compacted	\$64.00 \$75.50
	Mago	Plant pickup Laid	\$58.00 \$69.00
	Shelbyville Asphalt	Plant pickup	\$58.00
	Louisville Paving	Plant pickup Laid	\$48.00 \$67.00
Rock Bids	Liter's Quarry	2s, 3s, & 4s DGA & 610 #57s #8s Class II Rip Rap Class III Rip Rap Dust	\$ 9.50 \$ 9.50 \$10.50 \$10.50 \$12.00 \$16.00 \$ 8.00

#### Salt Bids

#### No Salt Bids Received

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the bids from Louisville Paving for laid asphalt if they can complete work within 90 days and then take the next lowest bid if not; for all asphalt vendors for pick up to accommodate timing and location needs; and for Liter's Inc. for rock.

Motion carried unanimously

#### **RE: EMS TAXING DISTRICT REPORT**

# 1. EMS Board Report - Esq. Smith & Esq. Bates

Esq. Bates reported that operations are running smoothly. The EMS Taxing District Board met and is reviewing the financials in light of the pandemic. Collections are down with an average of \$45,000 for the first 4 months of 2020. Judge Brent stated that in order to make \$600,000 annually \$50,000 would be needed monthly. The 2019 Fiscal Court budget included \$550,000 in collections, and we are currently on pace to have \$546,000 for the year. The EMS Taxing District budget was been approved for the upcoming year. The \$17,388.55 in federal COVID-19 funds will be transferred to the Taxing District from Fiscal Court.

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

### 1. Update

P & Z Administrator Amanda Ricketts, reported that 21 electrical permits and 18 building permits have been issued during the month. The Planning Commission has approved 3 zone changes and the Board of Adjustments has issued 3 variances and 2 conditional use permits during the year.

#### **RE: PARKS & FAIRGROUNDS**

Travis Buchanan, Parks & Fairgrounds Supervisor, reported that they have been busy with mowing and have landscaped the bed at the 4-H Center. Activities are resuming on the sports fields with the Eminence softball team and the Henry County soccer and baseball teams using the facilities. The Buchanan Splash Pad equipment is all in place, and the system will be ready to operate when given the okay to do so. The lumber for the new shelter which will include 4 additional shaded tables has been procured, and it should be completed by the end of the month.

### **RE: ANIMAL SERVICES**

#### 1. Director's Report

Director of Animal Services, Dan Flinkfelt, informed the Court that the Spay/Neuter Grant has been received for 2019 and the application for the 2020 Grant was submitted yesterday. They will begin handing out vouchers for the procedures to be performed at the Henry County Animal Clinic. There is \$2,000 for use in Henry and Trimble Counties. Director Flinkfelt expressed thanks for the truck for the Animal Shelter. Pet Sense in Madison continues to donate 1-2 pallets of free food monthly.

#### 2. Committee Report – Esq. Fisher

Esq. Fisher reported that the Animal Services Committee has discussed the need for a topper for the new truck.

Upon motion by Esq. Fisher and second by Esq. Hartlage, it is ordered by the Court to approve the expenditure of up to \$1,000 for the purchase of a topper for the Animal Shelter truck.

Motion carried unanimously

#### **RE: ABC DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

ABC Director Ed Nelson's report for the first 3 quarters of year indicated \$11,400 in license fees. He visited with each license holder prior to the quarantine period. There are currently 2 available after 1 business was sold and 1 was destroyed by fire. The local distilleries are still not offering retail sales. Director Nelson estimates the fees will be down \$20,000 to \$30,000 for 2019/20.

# **RE: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT**

Esq. Hartlage stated that he did not have a report for June.

# **RE: SHERIFF'S MONTHLY REPORT**

Sheriff Keith Perry reported the following activities for the month of May: 185 KSP dispatch calls, 80 Sheriff's office calls, 60 citations/criminal summons, 31 criminal arrests, 14 warrant arrests, 67 all papers served, 1 juvenile transport, 49 vehicle inspections, 20 carry conceal licenses, 5 DUI arrest, and 8 drug charge arrests.

Sheriff Perry stated that he met with KACO representatives to review the reports of 5 accidents which have resulted in insurance claims. The major factor has been environmental and not due to high speed driving. The latest incident occurred as a result of action to stop a Challenger on which there have been numerous complaints of speeding. There have been no more reports on that vehicle. The newly passed House Bill 298 will now mandate driver training for all officers.

#### **RE: ESTABLISHMENT OF A FISCAL COURT SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Judge Brent informed the Court that KACO has recommended that Fiscal Court establish a Safety Committee in response to recent claims. The committee would review County policies, needed trainings for employees, and other options to reduce costs. This action would result in a 5% reduction in premium costs amounting to several thousand dollars.

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and second by Esq. Hartlage, it is ordered by the Court to establish a Safety Committee composed of Esq. Smith, Chair; Esq. Stanley, and Esq. Bates.

Motion carried unanimously

# **RE: 2020/2021 BUDGET – 2<sup>ND</sup> READING**

Judge Brent informed the Court that the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the 2020/21 budget was held on May 6. It has been approved by the State and advertised preparing it for the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading with minor amendments. The line item for Animal Shelter Operations is increased to \$22,000 returning it to the same as last year's budget. The State is requiring that real and personal property be broken out into separate line items of \$850,000 for Real Property and \$50,000 for Personal Property.

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of the 2020/2021 Budget.

Motion carried unanimously

#### **RE: LGEA PUBLIC HEARING**

Judge Brent informed the Court that we are required to hold a public hearing on the money that we get from the mineral severance tax on the rock mined from the quarry. There were no questions or comments

#### RE: TRANSPORTATION COOP AGREEMENT PUBLIC HEARING FOR USE OF FUNDS

Judge Brent stated that there must also be an annual public hearing regarding the County Road Aid. These dollars from the State are based on the miles of roadways and gas sold in Henry County. The money is used to operate the County Road Department. Judge Brent announced the floor was open for comment. There were no questions or comments from the public.

#### **RE: LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS**

Judge Brent stated that he had received recommendations from the Henry County Library Board for the reappointment of Dianne Brammell and Thomas Minton as members.

Upon motion by Esq. Smith and second by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered to approve the reappointment of Dianne Brammell and Thomas Minton to the Henry County Library Board.

Motion carried unanimously

# **RE: CLAIMS & TRANSFERS**

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

General Fund Road & Bridge Fund Jail Fund LGEA Litter 911 Fund ABC Fair Fund Total Expenditures		\$177,113.56 40,203.35 27,695.92 6,419.95 0.00 776.77 1,672.57 231.93 \$254,114.05
From:	192009990	\$54,293.46
To:	150103680	\$2,733.40
	150155070	3,599.00
	150252120	1,164.27
	150255690	405.00
	150655650	1,308.67
	151759030	77.00
	194002020	45,006.12
From:	3192009990	\$3,318.63
<u>To:</u>	0394002010	713.72
	0394002020	2,604.91
From:	492009990	\$335.96
<u>To:</u>	0451015880	335.96
From:	7692009990	\$12.72
To:	7694002010	12.72
From:	01TRANS	\$50,000.00
<u>To:</u>	03TRANS	\$50,000.00

Motion carried unanimously

# **RE: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Judge Brent opened the floor for public comments and there were none.

# **RE: COURT COMMENTS**

Travis Buchanan thanked the Sheriff's office for their help with an individual causing issues at the Recreational and Services Park.

#### **RE: ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Esq. and second by Esq. , 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: July 21, 2020