

**HENRY COUNTY FISCAL COURT
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 19, 2021**

The Henry County Fiscal Court met in Regular Session on January 19, 2021, at the Henry County 4-H Building in New Castle, Kentucky, with the following in attendance:

John L. Brent, Judge Executive
Kassidy Dees, Assistant 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 and with attendees required to wear face masks due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

RE: APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 15TH REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and second by Esq. Bates, it is ordered by the Court to approve the minutes from the December 15th Regular Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Judge Brent stated there were no items of unfinished business from the previous meeting.

RE: NEW BUSINESS

RE: ROADS

1. Supervisor's Report

Road Supervisor Kenny Tindle was not in attendance due to a medical procedure.

2. Road Committee Report - Esq. Beasley

Esq. Beasley stated that the Committee did meet and would have a report following the review of the Road Fund expenditures for the year.

3. Adoption of Shain Lane into County Road System

Judge Brent stated that Shain Lane which accesses the new commerce development in Pendleton is up to the specifications for County roads. The Road Committee members concurred with the recommendation.

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and second by Esq. Bates, it is ordered to approve the inclusion of Shain Lane into the County road system.

Motion carried unanimously with
Esq. Hartlage abstaining

RE: EMS TAXING DISTRICT REPORT

1. EMS Board Report - Esq. Smith

Esq. Smith reported that Esq. Bates attended the Board meeting held on Monday. Esq. Bates stated that operations seem to be going well. CARES Act dollars are being used for the purchase of needed equipment which has been ordered and will be arriving soon. The Board continues to discuss the financial position and it appears that the annual settlement with Baptist Health LaGrange will be close to the expected amount.

RE: P & Z/SOLID WASTE

1. Update

P & Z Administrator Amanda Ricketts reported that there were 17 building permits and 21 electrical permits issued. The Planning and Zoning Commission met on December 9, 2020, and did not meet in January. The Board of Adjustments did not meet in December.

2. Zone Change & Conditional Use Request for 1850 Radcliff Road

Judge Brent stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission met on December 9, 2020, at which time the matter of an A-1 to B-2 change with a conditional use provision for storage of contractors equipment for the property located at 1850 Radcliff Road was presented by Chelsey Brammell on behalf of applicant Renee Jones. The Commission voted unanimously to deny Docket 2020-11Z based on the application, supporting documents, and testimony presented. Before the Court is the final decision to uphold the findings of fact and recommendation of the Commission on the map amendments which was requested by the applicant. The public hearing on the map amendment was held before the Planning and Zoning Commission and to be decided is whether as the legislative body to approve their recommendation to deny the requested amendment.

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Stanley, it is ordered to approve the recommendation by the Planning and Zoning Commission to deny the Zone Change Application Docket 2020-11Z for 1850 Radcliff Road.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: PARKS & FAIRGROUNDS

Travis Buchanan, Parks & Fairgrounds Supervisor, reported that this is the slow time of year which allows the work on small projects and inside tasks. The sand filter on the Buchanan Splash Pad is repaired and the floors are being stripped and waxed on the 4-H Center.

RE: HENRY COUNTY LITTLE LEAGUE PRESENTATION

Judge Brent introduced J. R. Chisholm, President of the Henry County Little League, to present the that organizations planned improvements at Harry Hill Park. Mr. Chisholm explained that the group has been fund raising and has plans for field renovations including drainage and surface work. He commended Travis Buchanan for his assistance. The HCLL would like to improve the facilities equivalent with those in surrounding communities. Targeted projects include resurfacing, dugouts, fence work, and eventually a 4th field. Mr. Chisholm stated their commitment to doing this for all of Henry County. They will continue to raise money and hope to partner with the County to combine efforts and funds to see improved facilities.

RE: COURTHOUSE UPDATE

Travis Buchanan, Courthouse Superintendent, reported that he had met with the Project Review Committee and reviewed the timetable which appears to be an April completion. He will be training on the operation of the HVAC system and other maintenance needs for the building with the contractors soon. Judge Brent stated that there will be a meeting concerning the landscaping next week.

RE: ANIMAL SERVICES

1. Director's Report

Director of Animal Services, Dan Flinkfelt, reported that operations are going well and donations to the Shelter continue. There are still zero euthanasias for the year; and volunteers and staff continue to work really hard to keep this status.

2. Committee Report – Esq. Fisher

Esq. Fisher stated that the Animal Services Committee met and discussed that by the end of the week the Shelter should again be empty due to the efforts of all those involved.

RE: SHERIFF'S MONTHLY REPORT

Deputy Sheriff Josh Jamiel reported the following activities for the month of December: 224 KSP dispatch calls, 173 Sheriff's office calls, 102 citations/criminal summons, 31 criminal arrests, 10 warrant arrests, 125 all papers served, 1 MIW transport, 43 vehicle inspections, 26 carry conceal licenses, 4 DUI arrests, and 12 drug charge arrests. Sheriff Keith Perry is currently under a COVID quarantine.

RE: SOIL CONSERVATION UPDATE

Allen Bryant of the Henry County Soil Conservation Board addressed the Court and presented an update on the District. The Board was established in 1947 and the 7 members are charged with conserving natural resources. Federal and State programs allow them to channel dollars and they work to get as much as possible in Henry County. They support grant applications, contests, educational experiences to support water and soil conservation. Since Curtis Coombs has been employed grant applications and awards have grown exponentially. Mr. Bryant stated that they are encouraging composting which is free and requires very little time to effectively replace the dead animal removal program which was no longer viable due to cost.

RE: ORDER TO EXTEND THE WEST CARROLL WATER DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

Judge Brent explained that the property owners at 15308 River Road have filed a petition for their property to be annexed by the West Carroll Water District. The request is based on the public health, convenience, fire protection and comfort of the residents. The cost for the Henry County Water District to reach the property would be \$80,000-\$90,000; and they have agreed with West Carroll that this annexation would be beneficial.

Upon motion by Esq. Smith and second by Esq. Stanley, it is ordered to approve the annexation of 15308 River Road by the West Carroll Water District for the purpose of supplying water utilities.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: PUBLIC HEARING FOR ANGEL’S ENVY SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT

Judge Brent introduced Hayden Kandul of the Kentuckiana Regional Planning and Development Agency to conduct a public hearing on the proposed sanitary sewer service. The request is to authorize Henry County Fiscal Court to apply for a Community Development Block Grant to bring the service to the property at 4546 Campbellsburg Road. This funding would be used in conjunction with federal funds from the Economic Adjustment Assistance Program for sanitary sewers as Phase 1 of the growth plan to construct the proposed Angel’s Envy Distillery on the site. Currently there are completed or under construction a palletized aging warehouse and 2 ricked barrel aging warehouses. The Court previously agreed to collaborate with Carrollton Utilities in this effort since they are the only viable option for providing the needed service. Although the sewer line is in Henry County, it will be owned and operated by Carrollton Utilities.

Ms. Kandul opened the floor for public comments and there were none.

RE: RESOLUTION RE: ANGEL’S ENVY SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT

Upon motion by Esq. Smith and second by Esq. Stanley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the resolution authorizing Henry County Fiscal Court to apply for a Community Development Block Grant for the Angel’s Envy Sanitary Sewer Extension Project that will provide sanitary sewer service to the proposed Angel’s Envy Distillery in Henry County.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: CLAIMS & TRANSFERS

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

General Fund	\$161,045.75
Road & Bridge Fund	49,773.72
Jail Fund	37,976.23
LGEA	379.24
CARES Act	535.96
Litter	542.00
911 Fund	35.46
ABC	1,683.21
Fair Fund	<u>1,046.96</u>
Total Expenditures	\$253,018.53

Motion carried unanimously

RE: PUBLIC COMMENTS

Judge Brent opened the floor for public comments.

RE: COURT COMMENTS

Esq. Hartlage added that economic development work can be seen in action in the Pendleton area.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Stanley, 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: **February 16, 2021**