

**HENRY COUNTY FISCAL COURT
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 16, 2019**

The Henry County Fiscal Court met in Regular Session on April 16, 2019, 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 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 with the exception of Esq. Smith who was in Europe on a business trip.

RE: APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 19th MEETING MINUTES

Upon motion by Esq. Stanley second by Esq. Bates, it is ordered by the Court to approve the minutes from the March 19th Regular Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Judge Brent stated there was no unfinished business.

RE: NEW BUSINESS

RE: ROADS

1. Supervisor's Report

Henry County Road Supervisor, Kenny Tindle, reported that his department continues putting in pipes and ditching throughout the County. The water that is damaging the roadways must be gotten off of them. He and Judge Brent have checked on Joe's Branch where a bridge is needed. It could be funded with the 80/20 dollars since the culvert is no longer sufficient. He has spoken with Transportation Cabinet officials in Frankfort and is waiting on notice regarding the approximate \$480,000 to get the New Cut and Fox Creek work finished.

2. Road Committee Report--Esq. Beasley

Esq. Beasley stated that the Committee has met and recommends a bridge be constructed on Joe's Branch as the project for the 80/20 Bridge Program.

3. 80/20 Bridge Program for 2018/19

Judge Brent explained the Kentucky's 80/20 Bridge Program. To utilize the funds, we must have a proposed project submitted by June 30.

Upon motion by Esq. Fisher and second by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to apply for funding for a bridge on Joe's Branch through the 80/20 Bridge Program for 2018/19.

Motion carried unanimously

4. County Road Aid Cooperative Agreement 2019/20

Judge Brent reported that participation in the Cooperative Program allows counties the opportunity to enter into an agreement with the Transportation Cabinet for the expenditure of our allotted share of County Road Aid Funds. This money comes from the 3 percent that is placed into the fund for emergency needs. Judge Brent read the resolution adopting and approving the execution of a County Road Aid Cooperative Program Contract between the Fiscal Court and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, Department of Rural and Municipal Aid, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019.

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Stanley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the resolution approving the Cooperative Agreement for 2019/20.

Motion carried unanimously

5. Permission to Advertise for Rock, Asphalt, and Salt Bids for 2019/20

Judge Brent stated that the County must advertise for bids for the purchase of rock, asphalt, and salt for 2019/20.

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and by Esq. Bates, it is ordered by the Court to permit the advertisement for bids for the purchase of rock, asphalt, and salt for 2019/20.

Motion carried unanimously

6. HWY 146 Update

Judge Brent stated that Transportation Cabinet Secretary Greg Thomas attended the March Fiscal Court meeting and asked for a follow up meeting to further discuss the HWY 146 project. Scheduling that meeting was delayed due to his secretary leaving and Judge Brent not getting his calls returned. It is scheduled for 2 p.m. on Tuesday, April 23, and Judge Brent invited all magistrates to join him in Louisville for the meeting.

RE: EMS/PARAMEDICS

1. Supervisor's Update

Henry County EMS Supervisor, Paige Lucas-Jamiel, reported that Emergency Medical Services are going well and they are very busy with runs. She stated that she has submitted 2 applications for potential part-time employees.

2. EMS Committee Report - Esq. Smith

Esq. Bates reported that the EMS Committee did meet and recommended that the County hire Nickolas Wilt as a part-time EMT. Esq. Bates stated that Supervisor Lucas-Jamiel is putting together a random drug testing program for current employees and for pre-employment screening.

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Fisher, it is ordered by the Court to hire Nickolas Wilt to a part-time EMT position.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: P & Z/SOLID WASTE

1. Update

P & Z Administrator Amanda Ricketts reported that 13 building and 20 electrical permits have been issued during the month. The Planning and Zoning Commission met on April 20 to discuss a proposed text amendment. The Board of Adjustments will meet on April 22 to review a conditional use application.

RE: PARKS & FAIRGROUNDS

1. Supervisor's Update

Travis Buchanan, Parks and Fairgrounds Supervisor, reported that softball, baseball, and soccer seasons have begun at both parks. With grass growing quickly, they are very busy. There are just a couple of small things to be completed before the final Health Department inspection at the Splash Pad. The archway sign is to be erected soon.

Parks & Fairgrounds Committee

Esq. Stanley reported that the Parks & Fairgrounds Committee has met and discussed the rules for the Splash Pad. They will be meeting again tonight to review these rules and get the Committee's approval for the finalized regulations for use of the Splash Pad.

RE: ANIMAL SERVICES

1. Director's Update

Director of Animal Services, Dan Flinkfelt, reported that things are going well at the Animal Shelter, and the Trimble County employees are working great. The back door that was temporarily repaired has rusted through. Trimble County Fiscal Court met last night and approved the purchase of a new door.

Director Flinkfelt introduced Jessica Elkins from KIPDA who explained that they are applying for an AARP Community Challenge Grant to integrate seniors into the Animal Shelter and its facility and work. They propose building a walking track on the site and placing some exercise equipment that would encourage others to walk dogs and support the on-going services at the Shelter. Travis Buchanan has helped with the plans, and Judge Brent has written a letter of support. She asked for the Court's approval of the project since there will be a very short turnaround time from notification of receiving it until it must be completed by November 4. The grant will cover the project with no cost to the County.

Upon motion by Esq. Hartlage and second by Esq. Stanley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the project at the Henry Trimble Animal Shelter and allow work to begin immediately should KIPDA be awarded the AARP Community Challenge Grant.

Motion carried unanimously

2. Committee Report – Esq. Fisher

Esq. Fisher reported that the committee did not meet.

RE: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Esq. Hartlage reported that there was a public meeting held at the Lake Jericho Fire Department in Pendleton to specifically address sewers for the area. There is another meeting planned at 5 p.m. on May 15 to discuss the survey results and comments from that previous meeting. He invited all to attend.

RE: SHERIFF'S MONTHLY REPORT

Sheriff Keith Perry reported the following activities for the month of March: 252 KSP dispatch calls, 95 Sheriff's office calls, 31 citations/criminal summons, 6 criminal arrests, 7 warrant arrests, 156 all papers served, 1 MIW transport, 55 vehicle inspections, 20 carry conceal licenses, and 4 drug charge arrests.

RE: SHERIFF'S SETTLEMENT

Former Interim Sheriff Deeanne West presented the Sheriff's Settlement Totals for the period ended December 31, 2018. The report showed \$7,408,106.12 collected and \$7,408,104.13 paid out. The difference in the amounts is the result of rounding issues with the program.

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Stanley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the Sheriff's Settlement Report for the period ended December 31, 2018.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: PAYROLL REIMBURSEMENT POLICY FOR COUNTY CLERK, SHERIFF, & COUNTY ATTORNEY

Judge Brent stated that his office handles payroll for the County Clerk's, Sheriff's, and County Attorney's offices and he would like for Fiscal Court to adopt a payroll policy for reimbursements from these offices for the salaries. Of particular concern is the Sheriff's office whose reimbursements are sporadic and delayed. There was discussion about the issue of timely submission of funds given the County's ability to cover these amounts while being required to make all their payments when due. Also discussed was the fear of the Sheriff's Office being significantly behind in payments at the end of the fiscal and calendar years.

There was consensus among the members that the Budget Committee would meet and determine a policy that would be feasible for the Sheriff's Office and could be made uniform to all the offices given the dynamics of reimbursements and budget concerns.

RE: COURTHOUSE PROJECT BOND RESOLUTION

Judge Brent introduced Dwight Salisbury of Ross, Sinclair who is the bonding agent for the County. Mr. Salisbury explained that at this point the County would be authorizing the issuance

of long-term bonds to pay for the short-term notes previously written to get the Courthouse Project started. These bonds would fund the completion of the work, and the Administrative Office of the Courts directly pays the debt service on these bonds without a reimbursement process. The County is actually the issuer of the bonds and must approve a continuing disclosure resolution and direct the Public Properties Corporation to pay the debt service. This process requires public advertising and will be held on April 29 at 5 p.m. at the 4-H Building in New Castle.

Upon motion by Esq. Stanley and second by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the adoption of procedures and guidelines for the bonding process.

Motion carried unanimously

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and second by Esq. Fisher, it is ordered by the Court to proceed with the execution of a lease agreement between the Henry County Fiscal Court and the Henry County Public Properties Commission for the conveyance of the Courthouse Project to the Public Properties Commission.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: 2019/20 BUDGET 1ST READING – APRIL 29, 5 P.M. AT 4-H BUILDING

Judge Brent informed the Court that the 1st Reading for 2019/20 Budget will be held at 5 p.m. on April 29 at the 4-H Building located at the Fairgrounds.

CLAIMS & TRANSFERS

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

General Fund	\$217,044.47
Road & Bridge Fund	152,777.79
Jail Fund	43,120.05
LGEA	550.00
Litter	275.66
911 Fund	3,573.56
ABC	2,969.47
Fair Fund	<u>542.78</u>
Total Expenditures	\$420,853.78

Motion carried unanimously

RE: COURT COMMENTS

Judge Brent opened the floor for additional comments from Court members.

Judge Brent thanked Larry Brown of the Governor's Office for attending the meeting.

RE: PUBLIC COMMENTS

Judge Brent opened the floor for public comments.

Chris McBurney addressed the Court with his dissatisfaction with the ditching that had been done on Batts Lane. He was concerned that he could no longer mow the right-of-way and stated that he would repair what he perceived as damage and charge the County for his work if it was not restored. Supervisor Tindle explained the need for the work to stop damage to the roads and with time the ditched areas would settle and grass would return. County Attorney Virginia Harrod reminded everyone in attendance that the County owns the right-of-way which is 15 feet from the center of the road.

A citizen from the Pendleton area expressed his concern with the meeting held in regard to proposed sewers. He specifically addressed his feeling that many did not know about the meeting and that there was confusion about what is proposed. Esq. Hartlage stated that the meeting was advertised in the *Henry County Local* as is required and additional signs were posted. He would like the public's opinion and participation in economic development matters.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Fisher, 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: **May 21, 2019**