UNION COUNTY FISCAL COURT MEETING September 14, 2021

All supporting documents to these Minutes may be found in the office of the County Judge/Executive.

The meeting opened at 9:00 a.m. with a Prayer by Bro. Jerry Manning, and the Pledge to the American Flag.

The Union County Fiscal Court met in regular session with Judge Executive Adam O'Nan presiding. The Union County Fiscal Court met in the upstairs Courtroom and the meeting was livestreamed on Facebook. Magistrates present were Wyatt, Floyd, Ricketts, Byrnes, and Clements.

The minutes from the August 31, 2021 meeting were accepted as read.

Union County Public Schools Superintendent, Patricia Sheffer and Director of Finance, Amy Morris came before the Court to present the school's 2021/2022 Tax Rates. They are as follows:

- 72.3 cents per \$100 for assessed valuation of all Real Property
- 72.3 cents per \$100 for assessed valuation of all Personal Property
- 55.7 cents per \$100 for assessed valuation of all Motor Vehicles in Union County
- 3% Utility Tax

Patricia and Amy gave an in-depth report on how and why the rates were set at what they are. For more information on their report please see attachment. Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to accept the Union County Public Schools 2021/2022 Tax Rates, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Debbie McClanahan with the Union County Public Library presented the 2021 Tax Rates as follows:

- 5.5 cents per \$100 for assessed valuation of all Real Property
- 5.5 cents per \$100 for assessed valuation of all Personal Property
- 1.5 cents per \$100 for assessed valuation of all Motor Vehicles in Union County

Magistrate Floyd made a motion to accept the Union County Library Boards 2021 Tax Rates, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Debbie also gave a Genealogy report to the Court. She stated that the Union County Historical Society approached the library to see if they were interested in their genealogy information and of course they said yes. The staff has worked all summer to go through all the material and get it put in its proper place in the Genealogy Room at the Library. Barbara Franks, Lisa Turner and Bill Bauer are currently the ones who are working diligently with the Genealogy material. Debbie encouraged everyone to come visit the Genealogy Room at the Library or to visit the Union County Public Library History Facebook page.

Judge O'Nan presented the one bid received for the new election equipment and software from Harp Enterprises, Inc in the amount of \$217,284.00. Magistrate Clements made a motion to take the bid under advisement to be reviewed by Magistrate Ricketts and the Board of Elections and award at the September 28, 2021 Fiscal Court Meeting, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Judge O'Nan presented the first reading of the 2021/2022 Budget Amendment in the amount of \$222,000. \$200,000 is for the UCDBG-CV Utility Assistance Project and \$22,000 is for the rehabilitation of the Earle C. Clements Job Corps Sewer System. Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to approve the first reading of the Budget Amendment, seconded by Magistrate Clements, motion carried.

Judge O'Nan presented the second reading of the Ordinance Reducing the Speed Limit to 35 mph on Hart Huckeby Road. Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve said second reading, seconded by Magistrate Clements, motion carried.

Judge O'Nan presented the yearly agreements for the Sturgis Volunteer Rescue Squad, Sturgis Volunteer Fire Department, Whispering Meadows Volunteer Fire Department, Morganfield Rescue Squad, Union County Volunteer Fire Department, Sullivan Fire Department, Waverly Fire Department, Uniontown Water Rescue and Henshaw Volunteer Fire Department. Magistrate Floyd made a motion to approve said agreements and to allow Judge O'Nan to sign said agreements, seconded by Magistrate Clements, motion carried.

Judge O'Nan presented Resolution No. 2021-4 which is an order establishing a contract for professional services between the Union County Fiscal Court and the Green River Area Development District. This is required due to the fact that we were awarded a CDBG Block Grant for the Utility Assistance Project and the Green River Area Development District (GRADD) has been chosen to administer the project. Magistrate Clements made a motion to adopt said Resolution, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Judge O'Nan then presented the Contract for Professional Services between the Union County Fiscal Court and GRADD, which states that the County desires to engage GRADD to render certain technical assistance services in connection with the CDBG-CV Utility Assistance Project. Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to approve said Contract, seconded by Magistrate Clements, motion carried.

Claims are to be paid as presented.

Judge O'Nan stated that he had met with Secretary Gray with the KYTC, State Representative Suzanne Miles and Deneatra Henderson, Chief Engineer with KYTC in regards to Hwy. 56. He stated that Deneatra has worked really hard to get this a Federalized program, which speeds up the process of us getting the remainder of the work done from Hwy. 360 to the Shawneetown Bridge on Hwy. 56. It's approximately 7.4 miles. The work could possibly be started in 2022.

The Judge stated that he had received notice from Clay Horton with the Green River District Health Department that we have 48 positive Covid cases since Friday. Our rate is a 73.5 per 100,000 and our 48 cases is the 2nd lowest in our district. He wanted to remind all in the County to be wise and vigilant, Covid is everywhere.

Magistrate Floyd asked if Court on Tuesday, September 28, 2020 could be changed due to a Magistrate Training that is being offered the same day? Judge O'Nan said that we could have a Special Called Meeting on Monday, September 27, 2021 if all were in agreement. Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to change the Court date from Tuesday, September 28, 2021 to a Special Called Meeting on Monday, September 27, 2021, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Magistrate Floyd made a motion to go into Executive Session in regards to future acquisition of real property per KRS: 61.810(1)(b), seconded by Magistrate Clements, motion carried.

Magistrate Floyd made a motion to return to regular session, seconded by Magistrate Clements, motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Court, a motion to adjourn was made by Magistrate Floyd, seconded by Magistrate Byrnes, motion carried.

Fiscal Court Clerk

Kim Nance

Adam O'Nan

County Judge/Executive