

UNION COUNTY FISCAL COURT MEETING  
December 28, 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 a regular meeting with Judge Executive Adam O’Nan presiding. The Union County Fiscal Court met in the upstairs Courtroom. Magistrates present were Wyatt, Floyd, Ricketts, and Byrnes.

The minutes from the December 14, 2021 Fiscal Court meeting were accepted as read.

Union County Coroner, Stephen Shouse came before the Court with a few requests. Judge O’Nan presented them as follows:

- **Health Insurance for Part-Time Deputies:** In our Administrative Code Handbook it states that in order to be eligible for health benefits, you must be a full-time employee, having worked at least 30 hours per week. Stephen said that according to the State his employees are listed as full-time. Judge O’Nan said that this is something that Stephen, himself and County Attorney, Julie Wallace would have to discuss. He said that the biggest problem with doing this is that if we do it for his part-time employees, we’d have to do it for all part-time employees.
- **Hiring Another PRN Deputy:** Judge O’Nan said with this being a minimal expense to the county which just involves room and board for training for a 40 hour course, he doesn’t see any problem with hiring another PRN Deputy.
- **(3) Handheld Radios:** Stephen had mentioned in one of the meetings that have been held regarding preparation for emergencies, that when he was helping in Mayfield after the tornado, one thing he noticed to be lacking was communication. With there being no power or cell service he said that communicating with other emergency personnel was a real issue. In order for us to be better prepared in case of an emergency situation of this magnitude, he requested 3 Handheld Radios for his department. He said that reliable communication is of the utmost importance in a situation like this. Judge O’Nan said for him to get with EMA Director Rick White, in regards to the radios, so that they can make sure that the ones he gets are compatible with all other departments.

Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to approve the hiring of another PRN Deputy and for the purchase of (3) Handheld Radios, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to advertise for a heavy equipment operator and mechanic at the Road Department on December 29, 2021 and January 5, 2022 and accept applications until January 7, 2022, seconded by Magistrate Byrnes, motion carried.

Union County Clerk, Garrick Thompson presented a 2021 Budget Amendment. He stated that because new car prices hit record highs this year, surging used car and purchase prices there was a year over year increase of 14.3% for new vehicles and 27.4% for used vehicles. Because of this his office took in a lot more money than was initially anticipated or budgeted for, around 20% more. Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to approve the 2021 Budget Amendment Income Projection of \$5,441,500, the 2021 Budget Amendment Expense Projection of \$5,294,163, with the Excess Fees being \$147,337, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to award the Proposal for Qualified Professional Engineers for the EOC Building to PFGW Architects out of Paducah, KY., seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to award the bid for two new fire trucks to Atlantic Emergency Solutions out of Bowling Green, KY. in the amount of \$350,000 with a \$6,000 pre-pay discount for a total of \$344,000 per truck, seconded by Magistrate Byrnes, motion carried.

Magistrate Byrnes made a motion to award the bid for the Henshaw Fire Department Building to Sheffer Construction, LLC. in the amount of \$486,916 with a \$2,600 contingency to add a door for a total of \$489,516, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Magistrate Floyd made a motion to award the bid for the Ice Rink to Central City Tourism in the amount of \$22,501 pending their approval of allowing Union County one free rental per year, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

With January being the start of a new quarter, Judge O’Nan stated that we need two different Magistrates to volunteer to be on the Quarterly Claim Committee. Magistrate Ricketts and Magistrate Clements volunteered to make up that committee for this quarter.

Claims are to be paid as presented.

Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to approve transfers, seconded by Magistrate Byrnes, motion carried.

Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve the November 2021 Treasurer Report pending audit, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan stated that Moffit Lake Manager Cody Collins and County Engineer Sean Sheffer are working on way to do online booking and get it incorporated into our new website. They have found a company, CampSpot, that charges \$2 for every booking and 10% of the booking if it goes through them. Judge O’Nan feels like if it is linked to our website, most people will book through the link instead of booking through the company. With Moffit being one of the cheapest campgrounds around, he said that if several bookings were made through the company, we could raise our prices to offset that cost if needed. Magistrate Floyd made a motion to approve the contract with CampSpot, pending approval from Union County Attorney Julie Wallace, seconded by Magistrate Byrnes, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan stated that the 100employee mandate regarding vaccinations is coming and wanted to let the Court and the County know that we are under 100 employees, so it will not affect us.

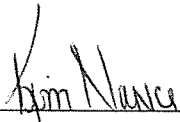
He also wanted to brag on the County employees as a whole, for going above and beyond the last couple of years, doing anything that was asked of them, as well as doing things they weren't asked to do, with no complaining and doing it with excellence. He is very proud to be our leader.


Magistrate Wyatt stated that First Responders have made several runs in the last couple of weeks to places with no addresses on their mailboxes and that this really cuts into their response time. He's asking all county residences to please make sure your addresses are placed where they need to be and that they are clearly visible.

Magistrate Floyd said that the attitude of the County employees is a reflection of Judge O'Nan's leadership and he just wanted to thank him for that.

He asked if the pay for our jailer had been set yet and Judge O'Nan stated that County Treasurer Lissa Gibson is doing some research on this, reaching out to other counties to see what their pay is and he will try and have a figure for them at our next Court meeting.

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

  
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Fiscal Court Clerk  
Kim Nance

  
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Adam O'Nan  
County Judge/Executive