

UNION COUNTY FISCAL COURT MEETING
February 8, 2022

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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, Byrnes and Clements.

Judge O’Nan presented the Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Proclamation, proclaiming the week of February 7-14, 2022 as Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week in Union County. Jeanie Hancock and Emily O’Nan were in attendance for this, with Mrs. Hancock presenting the Court with several facts regarding Congenital Heart Defects. Magistrate Clements made a motion to approve said proclamation, seconded by Magistrate Wyatt, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented the Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month Proclamation, proclaiming February 2022 as the month of Teen Dating Violence Awareness. Magistrate Floyd made a motion to approve said proclamation, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan then had an open discussion with the Court regarding the Jailer’s salary, giving everyone the opportunity to voice their thoughts and opinions, so as to be prepared to vote on this at the next Fiscal Court Meeting on February 22, 2022. Several good questions and points came from this with a few being:

- Once a salary has been set, can it be adjusted within the term?
- Instead of automatically following what other counties are paying, we need to take into consideration the persons knowledge and experience, as well.
- Keep in mind that the cost of living is on the rise
- In order to keep good employees, we have to pay them

After much discussion, Judge O’Nan and the Court felt that a vote could be held at the next meeting.

At the December 28, 2021 Fiscal Court Meeting a motion was made and carried approving the hire of a PRN Deputy Coroner to be available in the event of a disaster situation. Coroner, Stephen Shouse came before the Court to give his recommendation to hire Chad Cullen as the PRN Deputy Coroner. Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve said recommendation, seconded by Magistrate Wyatt, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented a HB192 Resolution for the construction of the Henshaw Volunteer Fire Department Building, for up to the amount of \$550,000. Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve said Resolution, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented a HB192 Resolution for renovations at the Breckinridge Museum, for up to the amount of \$750,000. Magistrate Clements made a motion to approve said Resolution, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented a HB192 Resolution for the construction of the Morganfield Rescue Squad Building, for up to the amount of \$400,000. Magistrate Floyd made a motion to approve said Resolution, seconded by Magistrate Clements, motion carried. Magistrate Wyatt abstained from voting due to him being a member of the squad.

Judge O’Nan presented a HB192 Resolution for the Operational Costs of 911 Dispatch, up to the amount of \$600,000. Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to approve said Resolution, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented a HB192 Resolution for the purchase of a new CAD System for 911 Dispatch, up to the amount of \$137,927. Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to accept said Resolution, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented a HB192 Resolution for the purchase of two Pumper Trucks, one for the Union County Volunteer Fire Department and one for the Whispering Meadows Volunteer Fire Department, up to the amount of \$688,000. Magistrate Floyd made a motion to approve said Resolution, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented a Resolution adopting and approving the execution of a Memorandum of Agreement between the Union County Fiscal Court and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Department of Highways in the amount of \$26,160.00 for Ben Ladd Road FD39 Funds. Magistrate Clements made a motion to approve said Resolution, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan then presented the MOA, mentioned above, for FD39 Funds in the amount of \$26,160.00 for Ben Ladd Road from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Department of Highways. Magistrate Clements made a motion to approve said MOA, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to advertise for a new dump truck on February 16, 2022 and February 23, 2022 and to open bids on March 8, 2022 at 9:00 a.m., seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan stated that the Road Department is in need of a new forklift and that this is something that needs to be tackled. We have \$34,000 in Grant Funds available and they have found a forklift for around \$36,000, which means the Court would have to pay the remaining balance.

He stated that he wasn't asking for a vote at this time because he wanted to get exact figures first and know for sure whether or not the \$36,000 was State Contract pricing. He just wanted to make the Court aware of the need for one and of the available Grant Funds. He also said that the old forklift will be declared as surplus. He is hoping to have this information at the next Court meeting on February 22, 2022.

All claims are to be paid as presented.

Magistrate Clements made a motion to approve transfers, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

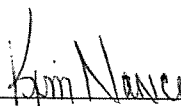
Magistrate Floyd made a motion to approve the December 2021 Treasurer Report pending audit, seconded by Magistrate Clements, motion carried.

Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve the 2nd Quarter Treasurer Financial Report, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.


Magistrate Clements asked if there was an update on the landfill. Judge O'Nan said that this is still being addressed and that he recently spoke with a representative from Republic and is waiting to hear back from them.

Judge O'Nan said that he had been in Frankfort last Wednesday at a Judge's conference when he was sent a picture from the Central Office including our Emergency Management Director, our two Emergency Management Deputy Directors, our Senior staff and the schools meeting to make plans to be prepared for the ice and snow that was predicted for us and that we did receive. He said that he knows everything went as smoothly as it did because of their preparedness. He said that we really have a great team. After receiving the picture, he decided to leave Frankfort before the weather turned really bad so that he could get home to help however he could in addressing the County's needs. He closed by thanking and expressing how proud he is of all the employees of the County.

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



Fiscal Court Clerk
Kim Nance



Adam O'Nan
County Judge/Executive