

UNION COUNTY FISCAL COURT MEETING  
August 9, 2022

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 scheduled 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.

The minutes from the July 26, 2022 Fiscal Court meeting were approved as read.

Field Representative, Austin Wetherinton from Congressman James Comer’s office, came before the Court to give us an update on a few things Congressman Comer’s busy working on:

- He continues to oppose unprecedented spending by Congressional Democrats and the Biden administration’s economic policies which have caused a recession and record high inflation. He recently spoke on the House floor expressing his concerns over inflation and the impact it’s had on Kentuckians.
- As the Republican leader on the House Committee on Oversight and Reform, Congressman Comer is committed to holding the Biden Administration accountable to the American people. Instead of using the Committee’s power to vilify private businesses, he is determined to return the Committee to its intended mission of rooting out waste, fraud and abuse in the federal government.
- He recently defended the United States agriculture industry in an Environment subcommittee hearing. He is firmly against regulations which threaten farmers’ ability to keep food on our tables.
- He recently spearheaded legislation, the Access for Veterans to Records Act, which allows veterans to access critical benefits in a more, timely manner. This bill was passed with overwhelming support. The Access for Veterans to Records Act will help provide veteran households service-related benefits including medical treatment, unemployment assistance and emergency housing services.

Judge O’Nan, along with the Fiscal Court, expressed their appreciation for Austin and the rest of Congressman Comer’s staff for all that they do for us.

County Attorney, Julie Wallace presented her Cold Check Collection Report stating that, last fiscal year, she was able to collect \$5,220.30 for our local merchants. After expenses, she was

able to give the remaining balance of \$117.42 to the Fiscal Court. Magistrate Floyd made a motion to accept the \$117.42, seconded by Magistrate Clements, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented the Green River District Health Departments 2022 tax rate. The rate was set at 5.25 cents per \$100 of the assessed valuation of all real property and at the rate of 5.25 cents per \$100 of the assessed valuation of all personal property; and at the rate of 5.25 cents per \$100 of the assessed valuation of all motor vehicles in Union County as of January 1, 2023. This rate is the same rate that was set by them last year. Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to accept the Green River District Health Departments 2022 Tax Rates, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan informed the Court that he had received our 2022 Tax Rate information from the Department of Local Government (DLG). He learned after talking with PVA, Clay Wells, that Union County has topped out over 1 billion dollars in total property. Last year the Court set our property tax rate at 9.9. If we keep the rate the same this year, instead of raising it, we would still see an increase of around 35 and a half million dollars in total property from last year. Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to set our Real Property Tax Rate at 9.9, which is the same as last year, Seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Magistrate Floyd made a motion to advertise for a full-time, CDL licensed employee for the Road Department on August 10, 2022 and August 17, 2022, to stop accepting applications on August 26, 2022 and to bring a hire recommendation before the Court on September 13, 2022, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented a MOA for HB1 project number E018, Job Corp Sewer Infrastructure Rehabilitation in the amount of \$638,835.00. Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to approve said MOA, seconded by Magistrate Clements, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented a MOA for HB1 project number E019, Morganfield Rescue Squad Facility in the amount of \$149,215.00. Magistrate Clements made a motion to approve said MOA, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried. Magistrate Wyatt abstained from voting due to him being a member of the Rescue Squad.

Judge O’Nan presented a MOA for HB1 project number E020, Henshaw Volunteer Fire Department Facility, in the amount of \$423,450.00. Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve said MOA, seconded by Magistrate Clements, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented a MOA for HB1 project number E021, Breckinridge Museum Renovations, in the amount of \$722,850.00. Magistrate Clements made a motion to approve said MOA, seconded by Magistrate Byrnes, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented a MOA for HB1 project number E022, Water Treatment Equipment, in the amount of \$42,074.00. Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve said MOA, seconded by Magistrate Wyatt, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented a MOA for HB1 project number E023, Moffit Lake Recreational Area, in the amount of \$552,416.00. Magistrate Floyd made a motion to approve said MOA, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented a MOA for HB1 project number E024, Emergency Management Mobile Unit, in the amount of \$155,052.00. Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to approve said MOA, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented a MOA for HB1 project number E025, Moffit Lake Model Cabins, in the amount of \$351,400.00. Magistrate Floyd made a motion to approve said MOA, seconded by Ricketts, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented a MOA for HB1 project number E026, Renaissance Corner Renovations, in the amount of \$250,000.00. Magistrate Clements made a motion to approve said MOA, seconded by Magistrate Byrnes, motion carried.

Claims are to be paid as presented.

Judge O’Nan stated that he will be attending a meeting today at 11:00am where Kenergy will making an announcement regarding Rural Broadband Internet. He also noted that he will be attending the Local Issues Conference next week in Frankfort.

Magistrate Wyatt asked for an update on the attendance at Moffit Lake. Melissa Coker said that she checks the attendance every Monday and it is really good.

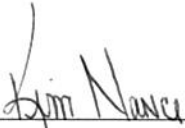
Magistrate Ricketts asked if there could be a monthly update given on all the County’s projects so that he could give his constituents updates when asked? Judge O’Nan said, that would be no problem.

Magistrate Floyd said that he would be interested in having a Fall Cleanup. He is going to get with the Magistrates to set up dates and times and will bring back before the Court when he has more information.

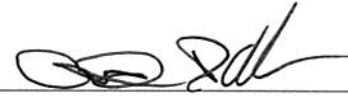
Magistrate Byrnes thanked Road Foreman, Tony Ratley and his crew for doing such a good job keeping the trees trimmed.

Magistrate Clements stated that he had a few constituents asking about roadside mowing. Road Foreman, Tony Ratley was not in attendance to give an update.

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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Kim Nance  
Fiscal Court Clerk



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Adam O'Nan  
County Judge/Executive