

UNION COUNTY FISCAL COURT MEETING
November 22, 2022

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

The meeting was called to order by Judge Executive Adam O’Nan 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 November 8, 2022 Fiscal Court meeting were accepted as read.

Judge O’Nan presented a HB1 MOA for Volunteer Fire Department Equipment in the amount of \$50,678.00 Magistrate Floyd made a motion to approve said MOA, seconded by Magistrate Byrnes, motion carried.

After the Pre-Bid Meeting for the furnishment of all labor and materials for the Breckinridge Museum Renovations project was held on November 10, 2022, Judge O’Nan stated that there were a few things that needed to be addressed before bids could be opened. He recommended that opening bids be postponed until Tuesday, December 13, 2022. Magistrate Clements made a motion to approve said recommendation, seconded by Magistrate Byrnes, motion carried.

County Engineer, Sean Sheffer, gave the Court a year-to-date expense report on Moffit Lake. As of July 1, 2022 we spent almost \$25,000, we are out of the red and making money. As of today, our expenditures are \$60,349.55, we’ve taken in \$93,947.58 and with salaries added in we are about even. Judge O’Nan stated that the Weekly/Daily continues to be a positive driver for the revenue out there. He, Sean Sheffer and Melissa Coker went to Frankfort week before last to make a presentation to the Land and Water Grant committee in hopes of receiving a \$250,000 matching grant to put down new asphalt where our road department has replaced nearly all the culverts at Moffit and getting the basketball area paved. He feels that our chances being awarded the grant are good and we are just waiting to hear from DLG.

Moffit Lake Manager, Tammy Dempsey said that she is very excited about the new office. It’s under roof and the heating and air people are onsite today. She has hosted several activities out there. The Senior Citizens visited twice, with attendance doubling on the second visit and a Trunk or Treat was held with over 300 people participating. She said that the new CAMSPOT program is very helpful, as it allows people to make and pay for reservations online. If anyone is interested in using it, they can go to www.campspot.com. Even though the county’s new website has helped generate more visitors, Judge O’Nan feels that the best kind of advertisement is from

people who visit, have a pleasant stay and shares their experience with others. People as far as Oregon have visited and on one weekend there were people from 9 different states visiting. Currently, Moffitt's camping season is from April 1-December 1, but in 2023 the season will be from March 15-November 15.

Claims are to be paid as presented.

Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve transfers in the amount of \$00,000.00, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

After talking with Circuit Judge Rene Williams, Judge O'Nan said that the swearing in ceremony of newly elected officials will take place on Thursday, December 22, 2022 in the upstairs Courtroom at 2p.m.

Magistrate Wyatt commended County Clerk, Garrick Thompson and all poll workers for the great job they did on the election. Gave a "shoutout" to the Union County Braves Football team for the Awesome season they had. Congratulated Judge O'Nan on being named 2nd Vice President of KACo. Wished everyone a Happy & Safe Thanksgiving and commended our First Responders for the job they did on a very difficult run. We are Blessed to have the Best.

Magistrate Ricketts too, commended our First Responders. Congratulated Judge O'Nan for his 2nd Vice President appointment with KACo...that IS a big deal. Kudos to Mayor, Randy Greenwell and the City of Morganfield for their hard work in kicking off the Christmas season on Sunday, November 20, 2022 with the Candyland Christmas Open House. On Saturday, December 3, 2022 the City of Sturgis will have their Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting at 5p.m. everyone is invited. Hopes everyone has a Blessed Thanksgiving.

Magistrate Floyd commended Mayor Greenwell and the City of Morganfield on the kickoff of the Christmas Season. He hopes both Uniontown & Sturgis has great attendance at their Christmas Festivities. Congratulations to Judge O'Nan on his 2nd Vice Presidency of KACo. He was impressed on the moderating that Judge O'Nan did in a session at the KACo Conference in Lexington. Floyd said that this session was his favorite and the most informative. Kudos to the Union County Braves Football team...WE ENJOYED THE RIDE!!!

Magistrate Byrnes congratulated Judge O'Nan on being named 2nd Vice President of KACo. It is a great honor and well deserved. Congratulations to the Union County Braves Football team. Commended everyone involved in the work done at Moffitt Lake. It's unbelievable the amount of work that's been done out there.

Magistrate Clements congratulated Judge O’Nan on being named 2nd Vice President of KACo and the Union County Braves Football team for a tremendous season.

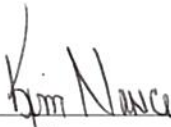
He wanted to go on record stating that he had already talked to Clerk Thompson and suggests that we raise the rental rate for polling places from \$20 per day to somewhere in neighborhood of \$50 per day. Judge O’Nan stated that he didn’t see a problem with that at all. Clements made a motion to start the process of doing away with Occupational Taxes. Motion dies due to lack of a second. He would like for this motion to be noted in the Minutes.

He asked if the 5th Tuesday Court Meeting was going to be held at 5:30p.m. on November 29, 2022. Judge O’Nan said that with there not being anything pressing and all bills being paid up to date, he recommended that the 5th Tuesday Court Meeting be canceled. Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to cancel our November 29, 2022 5th Tuesday Court Meeting, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.


Magistrate Floyd asked Judge O’Nan to address what the County is doing for Emergency Management. The Judge said that he was a Moderator at one of the sessions held at the KACo Conference regarding emergency preparedness. He stated that after working with Judge Executive Jack Whitfield after the deadly tornadoes, Union County’s Emergency Management was going to look much different than it did prior to those tornadoes and it already does. The County’s new mobile command unit will be picked up Tuesday, November 29th. We are redoing our emergency service functions. There are 15 functions that deal with anything from housing, volunteers, extension, schools, to transportation that we are dissecting. Pat Hardesty, our regional director from Kentucky Emergency Management (KYEM) bragged on our progress and where we are in being more prepared in case of a catastrophic event. When all is said and done, Judge O’Nan stated that Union County will be prepared to stand on our own for 72hrs. in an emergency situation. We want to be self-sufficient knowing that the cavalry is coming.

Magistrate Ricketts suggested that during the 1st quarter of 2023, we have a Magistrate Training Session so that they understand all the plans that are being developed and the individuals who have taken leadership roles and in what areas of emergency services. Judge O’Nan said that after the last election, Sean Sheffer, Melissa Coker and Tami Steward developed a county-wide elected official training that will be held again at the beginning of next year and that hopefully the training session suggested by Magistrate Ricketts can be incorporated in with that.

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.



Kim Nance
Fiscal Court Clerk



Adam O’Nan
County Judge/Executive