

UNION COUNTY FISCAL COURT MEETING
May 9, 2023

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

Jeannie Quattrocchi, Public Administration Specialist with GRADD, opened the Public Hearing regarding the Union County Fiscal Court's proposed to repave the roads and basketball court at Moffit Lake Recreation Area by applying to the Department for Local Government for assistance under the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965. The Land and Water Conservation Fund is limited to funding a maximum of 50% of the proposed project costs of \$320,000, in which, the remaining 50%, totaling \$160,000, will be matched by the Fiscal Court. No public comment was made at the hearing. Judge O'Nan closed the hearing.

The meeting opened at 9:10 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, Jones and Girten.

The minutes from the April 25, 2023, Fiscal Court meeting were approved as presented.

Judge O'Nan presented a proclamation, proclaiming May 7-13, 2023, as National Healthcare Week in Union County. Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to approve said proclamation, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Judge O'Nan presented a proclamation, proclaiming May 2023, as Williams Syndrome Awareness Month in Union County. Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve said proclamation, seconded by Magistrate Jones, motion carried.

The Road Committee made a recommendation to hire Justin Mosley as the seasonal mower for the Road Department at \$17.25 per hour. Magistrate Jones made a motion to approve said recommendation, seconded by Magistrate Girten, motion carried.

The Road Committee made a recommendation to hire Mallory Henshaw for the part-time recycle position at \$13.00 per hour. Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve said recommendation, seconded by Magistrate Girten, motion carried.

Judge O'Nan presented a 911 Security Resolution that will enhance 911's communications by purchasing additional phone consoles for the Dispatch center and Mobile Viper laptops for the Emergency Management Response Trailer in the amount of \$92,160. Magistrate Floyd made a motion to approve said resolution, seconded by Magistrate Jones, motion carried.

Magistrate Floyd made a motion to advertise for the County Reapportionment on Wednesday, May 10, 2023, seconded by Magistrate Jones, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented road material bids for rock, pipe, and asphalt for the 2023/2024 fiscal year. The bids were as follows:

Rock:

- Jeff Ratley Trucking, LLC Morganfield, KY
- Holcim Fredonia, KY

Pipe:

- Young’s Rental Morganfield, KY
- Metal Culverts, Inc. Jefferson City, MO

Asphalt:

- Rogers Group, Inc. Hopkinsville, KY

Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to take the bids under advertisement and award at the May 23, 2023, Court meeting, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan postponed declaring Maintenance Supervisor, Ray Steward’s 2023 Chevy Silverado Truck Bed as surplus and setting advertisement dates for bids until the next meeting on May 23rd because Road Supervisor, Tony Ratley has more items to add to the list.

Magistrate Floyd made a motion to set advertising dates for the County Road Aid and LGEA Hearing for May 10th and May 17th, 2023, seconded by Magistrate Girten, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan stressed to all employees how important it is for them to turn in any receipts they receive when purchasing items for the county to Jill Hunley or Kim Nance. He lost a receipt and said that when he went back to the place of business to get a duplicate, it took them a long period of time to get it for him. He said that Jill and Kim are having to spend a long amount of time tracking down lost receipts, when it is the purchaser’s responsibility to turn these in. He strongly encouraged everyone to turn in receipts in a timely manner with the purchaser’s signature on each one of them.

Claims are to be paid as presented.

Judge O’Nan stated that when the County hired Kim Wolf for the Moffit Lake position, it left Kathy Baird at Animal Control without anyone to help, because the part-time employee was off work with medical issues. He recommended that we short term hire, Marissa Gibson, who was a volunteer at \$14.00 per hour, only until we have a recommendation for the full-time position. Magistrate Girten made a motion to approve said recommendation, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan stated that he abdicated in Frankfort last week for \$92.5 million for internet funding. He and Webster County Judge Executive, Steve Henry met with Rocky Adkins, who is the Senior Advisor to Governor Andy Beshear, to push this project.

Magistrate Wyatt thanked Road Supervisor, Tony Ratley, and his crew for helping with District 1 and District 5’s clean-up last weekend.

Magistrate Ricketts stated that renovations on the Museum are moving right along.

Magistrate Floyd thanked the Court again for purchasing the mower for the City of Uniontown to mow their levee.

He stated that Fiber Kinetic is hooking residents up inside the city.

Ballparks are in full swing, and he thanked the County for all they did to make this possible.

He said that someone sent him a screenshot of what was on Facebook regarding the tree trimming that was done by the County Road Department. He replied that he asks for tree trimming to be done on his roads throughout his District, that they will do a better job of cleaning up and that the Road Department does an impressive job of doing this service for us. Comments were made that the Road Department does not care, Magistrate Floyd brought to their attention that they are the ones out removing snow at night in the cold and removing trees and debris from the roads after a storm. Judge O’Nan added that he received a text last night from one of Magistrate Floyd’s constituents, saying that they wanted to compliment the county’s chipping crew for maintaining the trees along the roads, they are doing a great job and it looks really good. During the last bad storm, the Judge said that he was out checking the county roads and that the Road Supervisor and one of his crew were out until 2:30a.m. making sure the roads were safe and passable for the residents to travel that morning. He asked that if anyone has a problem to call him or their Magistrate and it will be taken care of.

Magistrate Jones stated that Thursday, Friday, and Saturday are the clean-up days for District’s 3 and 4 at the back gates of the Fairgrounds and that the gates will be open from 7a.m.-5p.m. The County Road Department will be there assisting, and they will have seven dumpsters there to start out with.

Magistrate Girten said that District 5’s clean-up went well and that most of the bins were filled up. He thanked the County Road Department for their help and said that they did an impressive job.

He said that there are issues with the Waverly bottoms because of high water. The floodgates are closed for the safety of the county residents and the first responders. He said that someone asked if they could have a key and he told them no keys would be given out, but that he or Tony Ratley would be available if someone needed help.

County Clerk, Garrick Thompson wanted to remind everyone that there is a state primary on Tuesday, May 16, 2023. Early voting will start Thursday, May 11, 2023, through Saturday, May 13, 2023, 8:00a.m.-4:00p.m. at the Morganfield Senior Citizens Center. On election day, polls are open from 6a.m.-6p.m. and any registered Union County voter can go to the following locations to vote:

- Morganfield Senior Citizens Center
- Sturgis Elementary School
- Uniontown Turner Building
- Waverly K of C Hall
- Pride Community Room
- Henshaw Christian Church

Paul Monsour, with County Tourism, thanked Tony Ratley and the County Road Department for putting up the Lewis and Clark signs.

Magistrate Jones made a motion to go into executive session KRS 61.810(1)(b) deliberation on future acquisition of real property and KRS 61.810(1)(c) discussion of proposed litigation, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

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

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



Kim Nance
Fiscal Court Clerk



Adam O'Nan
County Judge/Executive