

UNION COUNTY FISCAL COURT MEETING
April 25, 2023

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 Judge Executive Adam O’Nan 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.

Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to advertise for road material bids on April 26, 2023, and May 3, 2023, and to open bids on May 9, 2023, at 9:00a.m., seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to advertise for bids for lights at the Morganfield Youth Football Field on May 10, 2023, and May 17, 2023, and to open bids on May 23, 2023, at 9:00a.m., seconded by Magistrate Jones, motion carried.

County Clerk Garrick Thompson came before the Court asking for their approval to use GRADD for the reapportionment of the magisterial districts at the cost of \$1500.00. Magistrate Floyd made a motion to approve the use of GRADD for the reapportionment of the magisterial districts, seconded by Magistrate Girten, motion carried. Advertisement dates will be announced at our May 9, 2023, meeting.

County Engineer Sean Sheffer and Frank Eiter came before the Court to give an update on the renovations at the Renaissance Corner. A power point was presented with pictures of what the finished project would look like. Changes to be made are:

- Seating-concrete bleachers with a seating capacity of 200
- Canopy-over the seats
- Lighting-functional LED technology
- Drainage Improvement
- ADA Accessibility
- Sound System
- Artificial Turf
- Wi-Fi Accessibility
- Large Projector Screen-movies
- Quality Stage Location

Sheffer stated that the estimated cost of the renovations is around a half million dollars. Judge O’Nan said that Delta Regional Authority funds will be used to offset the cost of the project.

Magistrate Floyd made a motion to approve the purchase of a Ventrac mower at the state contract price of \$37,929.05 for the City of Uniontown to use on their levee, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried. Another mower is to be included in the 2023/2024 Budget for the City of Sturgis.

Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve the 2023/2024 Budget Presentation in the amount of \$23,730,774.38, seconded by Magistrate Wyatt, motion carried.

Magistrate Ricketts said that there were four people interviewed for the full-time position at Moffit Lake. After the interviews, the committee recommended that the Court hire Kim Wolf, who is currently employed at our Animal Control, at \$17.58 per hour. Magistrate Girtten made a motion to approve said recommendation, seconded by Magistrate Jones, motion carried.

With that leaving a full-time position open at Animal Control, Magistrate Floyd made a motion to advertise for this position on May 10, 2023, and May 17, 2023, to stop accepting applications on May 19, 2023, and to bring a recommendation to Court on June 13, 2023, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan stated that at our last Court meeting on April 11, 2023, due to a discrepancy on our County Road Inventory List, the County Road Aid Resolution was carried over until today. After the Magistrates had looked over and agreed with our County Road Inventory List, Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve said Resolution, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

- Magistrate Floyd – Yes
- Magistrate Ricketts – Yes
- Magistrate Jones – Yes
- Magistrate Girtten – Yes
- Magistrate Wyatt – Yes
- Judge O’Nan – Yes

Magistrate Jones made a motion to appoint Jan Henshaw to the Union County Library Board of Trustees for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2023, seconded by Magistrate Girtten, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented the Resolution for Application for and Administration of Kentucky Office of Homeland Security Projects for 10 Portable Radio Transceivers in the amount of \$53,629.50 of which half will be matched by the Department of Homeland Security. Magistrate Jones made a motion to approve said Resolution, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan presented the Last Proposal for Special Inspections for the Elevator Installation. The Judge said that after one of the monthly elevator meetings, Jeff Cantor, our engineer of record, came to him and said that Bacon, Farmer, Workman, who is also involved on this project, has provided a service where they will come up and do 20 site visits and inspections to make sure that everything is going according to plan with the elevator installation for a cost of \$14,496. Judge O’Nan feels that this is a good insurance policy for us to have given the scope of the work. Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve this expenditure, seconded by Magistrate Jones, motion carried.

Claims are to be paid as presented. Magistrate Floyd made a motion to approve the addition of the Ventrac mower for the City of Uniontown for \$37,929.05 and for the twenty site visits and inspections by Bacon, Farmer, Workman for the elevator installation in the amount of \$14,496, seconded by Magistrate Jones, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan said that he spoke with Brad Ervin who said that we will be seeing MDR trucks in the county, with Ervin Cable stringing fiber and installers coming right behind them.

Next week, Judge O’Nan and Judge Henry from Webster County will be going to talk to the Director of Internet in Frankfort to lobby for funds for the rural wireless internet project and they will be flying to Washington D.C. on an infrastructure fly in for some projects that they would like to see accomplished in Union and Webster County.

Magistrate Wyatt offered his condolences to Judge O’Nan for the loss of his mother. He asked Sheriff Thomas if he was getting all his vehicles back together? Jason stated that he had one in the shop and one that needed to go in the shop. Wyatt stated that last week there was a semi wreck on Highway 56 W. We recently purchased new Genesis rescue tools from HighTech and while first responders were trying to get this gentleman out from the wreck, one of the Ram tools started leaking and started coming apart. They contacted HighTech, who we purchased the tool from, and they are not wanting to stand behind their product. He has reached out to James Riddle and Darrell and is going to give them a week to see what they can come up with. They are saying that it is an operator error. The two men who were operating the tool are the two most experienced first responders in the County, Ricky Millikan, and Russel Wyatt. Magistrate Wyatt feels that it is a factory defect and if they will not stand behind it, he recommends that we stop doing business with them. He will have an update at the next Court meeting as to what is going on. Judge O’Nan asked if it would be ok if he contacted them, and he said that would be fine.

Magistrate Floyd offered his condolences to the Judge for the loss of his mother. He thanked the Road Department for all the tree trimming they have done. He said that the Clean-up in Uniontown was a huge success. He asked, “with it being mowing season, did Judge O’Nan anticipate us getting any help from inmates for roadside clean-up?” Judge O’Nan said that “we’re hoping to get something worked out.”

Magistrate Ricketts wanted to remind everyone about Derby Day being held in Sturgis on May 5th & 6th. The City of Sturgis has a committee set up who are trying hard to improve their community. He encouraged everyone to attend and to enjoy a fun time.

Magistrate Jones offered his condolences to the Judge for the loss of his mother. He wanted to remind everyone to be aware and patient of the farmers on the roads. He stated that District's 3 & 4 will have a clean-up on May 11th, 12th & 13th, at the back gate of the fairgrounds.

Magistrate Girtten offered his condolences to the Judge for the loss of his mother. He stated that District's 1 & 5 will have a clean-up on May 5th from 8:00-2:30 and May 6th from 8:00-12:30 at the old airport in Morganfield. He said there is a list of what can and cannot be taken.

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