

UNION COUNTY FISCAL COURT MEETING
March 12, 2024

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 and the Magistrates present were Wyatt, Floyd, Ricketts, Jones and Girten.

The minutes from the February 27, 2024, Fiscal Court Meeting were approved as presented.

Jason Greenwell with the Conservation District presented the Court with a yearly update and made a request for the Fiscal Court to continue supporting them in the amount of \$41,600 per year for the 2024/2025 fiscal year. Judge O’Nan stated that this request would be included in the 2024/2025 budget.

Judge O’Nan presented a Proclamation, proclaiming the month of March 2024 as Vietnam War Veterans Recognition and Appreciation Month in Union County. Magistrate Girten made a motion to approve said proclamation, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

At our January 23, 2024, Fiscal Court meeting, Judge O’Nan presented to the Court a 3-year contract with Deaconess EMS Ambulance Services which was approved pending County Attorney Julie Wallace’s approval. Today, Magistrate Floyd made a motion to accept the approved contract, seconded by Magistrate Jones, motion carried.

Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to award the Freightliner Fire Truck for the Sullivan Fire Department for the 100% pre-paid amount of \$445,964.79, which is a savings of \$27,470.08 and the Freightliner Fire Truck for the Henshaw Fire Department for the 100% pre-paid amount of \$444,887.32, which is a savings of \$28,140.47 to High Tech Rescue, pending County Attorney Julie Wallace’s approval, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Magistrate Ricketts asked if there was some way to work it in the Purchase Agreement that we receive these trucks as close to the 825-day delivery period and not six months past that date. EMA Director Lee Baird is going to check on this and let the Court know at the next meeting.

Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to award the ADA Adirondack Park Model Log Cabin in the amount of \$77,050.00 to Lancaster Log Cabins and approved the deposit of \$38,525.00 to be added to today’s claims, seconded by Magistrate Girten, motion carried.

Here is the breakdown of the cost:

• 15x27 Cabin with a 10' Porch	\$61,900.00	50% Deposit with Order	\$38,525
• Futon	\$ 850.00		
• Live-Edge Nightstand	\$ 200.00	50% Final Due on Delivery	\$38,525
• Blinds in Entrance Door	<u>\$ 200.00</u>		
TOTAL	\$63,150.00		
• Freight	<u>\$13,900.00</u>		
TOTAL	\$77,550.00		

Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve the Professional Service Agreement from Associated Engineers, Inc. for the New Arena Geotechnical Investigation in the amount of \$9,950.00 and the New Arena Site Survey in the amount of \$6,900.00 at the Expo Center, seconded by Magistrate Jones, motion carried.

With 95% of the construction documents being completed for the Renaissance Corner project, County Engineer Sean Sheffer came before the Court to give an update. He stated that with the design they are going with, it will have an amphitheater appearance with 95% of the seating under a canopy. There will be benches and pub style tables and chairs as well. Seating capacity will be for 338 people. Because of their roots, the trees that are there now will have to be removed, but more will be planted for shading. Instead of curtains, the backstage will be closed off with barn style doors and the bathrooms will be brought up to ADA requirements. He is hoping to be able to set bid dates for construction at our next Fiscal Court meeting and Judge O'Nan stated that he would bring poster board pictures to our next meeting. Sheffer asked the Court to approve the purchase of the canopy from Recreation Insites at state contract pricing of \$279,673 and asked for approval to pay 50% totaling \$139,836.50 to be added in today's claims. Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to approve the purchase of the canopy at the state contract price of \$269,673, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried. Magistrate Jones made a motion to approve paying the 50% totaling \$139,836.50 and adding it to today's claims, seconded by Magistrate Girten, motion carried.

County Clerk Garrick Thompson presented the Court with a check in the amount of \$69,124.58 for his 2023 Excess Fees. He also reported that the transitioning to a new computer system is getting better for his staff and that the public has been amazing through this period. Next month his office renovations will get started and his office will temporarily be located in the downstairs Fiscal Court room. He also stated that several local churches have committed to feeding poll workers on election day and that next month, notices will be sent out about the magisterial and precinct changes.

Sheriff Jason Thomas presented the Court with a check in the amount of \$61,057.25 for his 2023 Excess Fees along with a copy of the Sheriff's 2023 Budget, Cumulative Quarterly Report and Annual Settlement, reflecting that amount of excess fees.

Magistrate Jones made a motion to approve the recommendation of hiring Steve Sanders at \$17.00 per hour and Bryan Smith at \$15.50 per hour for the seasonal groundskeeper's position at Moffit Lake seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Magistrate Girten made a motion to approve the recommendations of hiring Robby Turner and Robin Henshaw at \$15.50 per hour for the seasonal office/gatekeeper's position and Brittney Howard at \$15.50 per hour for the part-time cleaner at Moffit Lake, seconded by Magistrate Jones, motion carried.

Magistrate Jones made a motion to approve HB1 Resolution Moffit Lake Recreation Area Project-Phase III in the amount of \$25,461.00, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Magistrate Girten made a motion for Claims to be paid as presented with these additions:

- Lancaster Log Cabins for deposit of the ADA cabin at Moffit Lake \$38,525.00
- Cash Drawer at Expo Center for derby \$ 5,000.00

Seconded by Magistrate Jones, motion carried.

Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve Transfers in the amount of \$301,212.00, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Magistrate Jones made a motion to approve the January 2024 Treasurer Report, pending audit, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Magistrate Girten made a motion to approve the February 2024 Treasurer Report, pending audit, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Magistrate Ricketts said that District 3 & 4's Clean-up is scheduled for May 17th & 18th at the Expo Center.

Magistrate Floyd said that District 2's Clean-up is scheduled for April 19th & 20th.

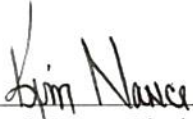
Magistrate Jones said that Hazardous Waste Day is scheduled for June 29th.

Magistrate Girten said that District 1 & 5's Clean-up is scheduled for May 10th & 11th.

IT Director Johnathan Baird stated that he has received almost everything that was approved for him to purchase with his grant funds. Virkada will be at the Expo Center and the

Museum the week of March 25th to install the security systems and the week of April 1st Telecast will be at Moffit Lake to install the Wi-fi.

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.



Fiscal Court Clerk
Kim Nance



Adam O'Nan
County Judge/Executive