

UNION COUNTY FISCAL COURT MEETING  
July 9, 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 Magistrate Jim Ricketts, 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. Magistrates present were Wyatt, Floyd, Ricketts, Jones and Girten.

The minutes from the June 25, 2024, Fiscal Court Meeting were approved as presented.

Magistrate Wyatt reported that after meeting with Sheriff Thomas the committee recommended the purchase of one 2025 Ford Interceptor from Wade Ford in the amount of \$47,375.00. They would reevaluate the need for another vehicle after the new COPS Grant is approved or denied. Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to purchase the interceptor for \$47,375.00, seconded by Magistrate Girten, motion carried 4-1 with Magistrate Ricketts voting no.

Judge O’Nan read Amendment #4 to the Job Corps Economic Development Administration Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation project. The amendment lowered the contract from \$325,000.00 to \$318,344.80 and the schedule date from July 4, 2024, to September 20, 2024. Magistrate Ricketts made the motion to approve Amendment #4, seconded by Magistrate Wyatt, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan made the recommendation to hire a maintenance director at the Expo Center. He, Magistrate Ricketts, Expo Director Deibler all sat in on the interviews. The recommendation is to hire Jerrod Owen @ \$20.00/hr. and also to hire Lindsey Bradshaw as a part time custodian @ \$16.00/hr. Magistrate Ricketts made the motion to hire both at the recommended pay rates seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Judge O’Nan asked to set advertising date for a new Community Service Driver for the inmate road crews on July 17 and 24, 2024 to stop taking applications on August 2, 2024. The committee can make a hire recommendation on August 13, 2024. Magistrate Floyd made a motion to advertise July 17 and 24, 2024 with applications to be accepted through August 2 and a hire recommendation on August 13, 2024, seconded by Magistrate Wyatt, motion carried.

Andy Dailey made a presentation advocating for a Union County Sports Complex. The proposal detailed many aspects including that 20% of Union County’s population is under 18 years old. Benefits include better health, social skills, and better educational health from cognitive skills.

Construction from the project will be a good boost for the county as the construction company and subcontractor will be bringing in additional jobs and purchasing for local economy growth.

The current stage is to develop a committee to start planning and budgeting for the complex which includes finding and hiring a Director of Sports and Recreation for the County. The Complex is to be both a sports complex and an aquatic center. Currently Union County has over 600 kids playing baseball or softball with no batting cages in the county, over 250 kids in ABA basketball spreading through four local schools, and hundreds of kids playing soccer. Volleyball is starting to pick up and currently kids have to go outside the county to play that. The desired capability of the Complex will hold multiple basketball, volleyball pickleball, and tennis courts. As well as a wrestling training center an Archery room, and a pool.

The sustainability of the Complex will come in the forms of tournament rentals, concessions weekly leagues, party rentals, batting cage rentals, swimming lessons, lifeguard training, and KHSAA referee/umpire training.

After Mr. Dailly completed his presentation Magistrate Floyd stated that the first step in the project would have to be hiring a county wide Director of Sports and Recreation. Magistrate Wyatt questioned how much a facility would cost. Mr. Daily stated multiple facilities have been built in Western Kentucky and the process vary based on the size and facilities incorporated. Judge O’Nan stated that a director would definitely be needed from the jump. He thanks Mr. Daily for coming and giving his detailed presentation.

Judge O’Nan requested the approval to pay his training incentive for HB810 in the amount of \$5152.68. Magistrate Jones made a motion to approve the training incentive payment, seconded by Magistrate Girten, motion carried.

Claims are to be paid as presented.

Magistrate Wyatts made a motion to approve an additional claim for the Enterprise Fleet bill in the amount of \$11,380.75 and to pay the sheriff Interceptor when it arrived in the amount of \$47,375.00 to Wade Ford, seconded by Magistrate Jones, motion carried.

Magistrate Wyatt made a motion to approve transfers in the amount of \$834,951.99, seconded by Magistrate Jones, motion carried.

Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve the June 2024, Treasurer Report, seconded by Magistrate Floyd, motion carried.

Magistrate Jones made a motion to approve the Fourth Quarterly Treasurer’s report, seconded by Magistrate Ricketts, motion carried.

Magistrate Ricketts made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s 23-24 Year End Settlement, seconded by Magistrate Girten, motion carried.

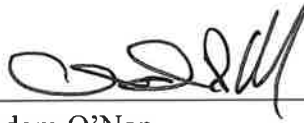
Judge O’Nan reported that he had a meeting at GRADD where the discussion on medical marijuana dispensaries would be discussed. This is strictly on medical dispensaries and growers in Union County. He would report back at the next meeting as well on the NACO conference.

Magistrate Ricketts commented on how much he liked the Veteran sign at the courthouse and wanted to see one at our other county facilities. Judge O’Nan said we could make that happen.

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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Fiscal Court Clerk  
Kim Nance



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Adam O’Nan  
County Judge/Executive