

**MADISON COUNTY FISCAL COURT
MADISON COUNTY, KY
RESOLUTION 2026-027**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MADISON COUNTY FISCAL COURT APPROVING
TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN COUNTY-OWNED HISTORIC
PORTRAITS TO THE MADISON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

WHEREAS, Madison County Fiscal Court (the “County”) is the current owner of certain historic portraits that depict individuals and events significant to the history of Madison County, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, the Madison County Historical Society is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation, interpretation, and public display of Madison County history; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that the long-term preservation and public accessibility of these historic portraits will be best served by transferring ownership to the Madison County Historical Society; and

WHEREAS, the Madison County Historical Society has agreed to accept ownership of the portraits and to assume responsibility for their care, preservation, and appropriate display in accordance with professional historical standards;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MADISON COUNTY FISCAL COURT
AS FOLLOWS:**

1. **Transfer of Ownership** – Ownership of the historic portraits currently held by the County, as more particularly described in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated by reference, is hereby transferred and conveyed to the Madison County Historical Society.
2. **Conditions of Transfer** – The portraits are transferred “as is,” without warranty, and shall be used by the Madison County Historical Society for historical preservation, educational, and public display purposes consistent with its mission.
3. **No Cost to the County** – The transfer of ownership shall be made at no cost to the County, and the County shall receive no monetary consideration for the transfer.
4. **Authorization** – The Madison County Judge/Executive is hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents and take any actions necessary to effectuate this transfer.
5. **Effective Date** – This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted this 14TH day of APRIL 2026.

Motion made by Combs, seconded by Lochmueller.

Vote:	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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Magistrate James Brian Combs	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Magistrate Stephen Lochmueller	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Magistrate Billy Ray Hughes	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Magistrate Tom Botkin	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Judge/Executive Reagan Taylor	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Signed:

R-Taylor
Reagan Taylor
Madison County Judge/Executive

4-14-2024
Date

Attested:

Kenny Barger McC
Kenny Barger
Madison County Clerk

4-14-2024
Date

Exhibit A

Madison County Fiscal Court County-owned Historic Portraits

1. Squire Turner
1793 – 1871
Lawyer
Mem. Con. Convention 1849
2. John Bennett
1837 – 1903
Lawyer
State Senator – 1895-1899
3. William B. Smith
1832 – 1925
Lawyer
4. Curtis F. Burnam
1820 – 1909
Lawyer
Mem. Con. Convention 1890
5. James W. Caperton
1824 – 1909
Lawyer
6. William H. Caperton
1798 – 1862
Lawyer
U.S. Dist. Atty. – 1853-1857
7. Samuel Estill
1755 – 1837
Pioneer Settler
KY House Rep. – 1795
8. Jerry A. Sullivan
1862 – 1930
Lawyer
Regent E.T. College – 1906-1930
9. Col. William Irvine
1763 – 1819
Pioneer Settler
Mem. Con. Convention – 1799
10. David Irvine
1796 – 1872
State Senator – 1855-1858

MCHS Board Meeting MINUTES for February 9, 2026
5:30 pm, at Madison County Historical Society Cottage
121 Aspen Avenue

Secretary's Report: Review/Approval of August 11th General Membership Meeting, Justin made a motion to approve with changes, Bill seconded, unanimous approval. January minutes Ben made a motion to approve with changes, Bill seconded, unanimous approval.

Treasurer's Report: Financial update and membership status. Judy made a motion to have Frances move the money in the money market account, add enough money from the general account to equal \$10,000 and open a new CD. Tom seconded, unanimous approval.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Cemeteries:
 - a. Old Soldier's, Clara Daniels is working on writing bios about people buried at Old Soldiers Cemetery for her Gold award in Girl Scouts.
 - b. Maple Grove, On hold for now. Everything is holding up with all the weather. Booklets have been given to all the schools, both libraries, ECU Archives, and Carter G. Woodson Center. Clark-Moores has asked Judy to do a presentation on the book.
 - c. Cemeteries A & B, no update
 - d. Reid Cemetery, still don't know when it will be moved.
 - e. Clark Cemetery, no update
2. Courthouse records:
 - a. Coroner's records, Sharon is still trying to get to Frankfort to locate the missing box of records.
 - b. Marriage licenses, everyone working on transcribing is almost finished with one tray, so that means that 1900 to 1907 are almost ready to proofread.
3. Battlefield update: Work on the carriage house is complete, will work on porch columns next. Philip fell and fractured several ribs in the ice, so he will be out of commission for some time.
4. Revolutionary War Committee: meeting tomorrow at 3:00 to start work on the book.
5. Courthouse portraits: Dean made a motion to start a fund for donations totaling \$32,000 to restore portraits, Teresa seconded, unanimous approval. The Madison County Fiscal Court would like to donate the portraits to the historical society, and we would then raise funds for restoration and place on permanent loan to the city of Richmond in Irvinton. Item was tabled until we have a better idea of the timeline for the process and can assess liability.
On February 11th, a motion to accept ownership of portraits was made and approved via electronic voting.
6. Audio interviews of older citizens: no update
7. Madison County Multiuse Trails: no update
8. History Makers Club: Madison Central is having a Black History Month event Tuesday, February 17, at 6 at the Central gym. The event will focus this year on teachers and administrators of Richmond High School. They will present a banner with Richmond High state championships to Telford YMCA. Ben received grants to purchase a 3D printer to create the model of historic Richmond. After that students will research the businesses and collect information about them.
9. Grants (Footprints, America's 250th): Ben made a motion to transfer the \$8,536.00 in the Footprints Grant fund to Richmond Tourism for the express purpose of reprinting the Footprints booklet, Tom seconded, unanimous approval.
10. Cottage updates
 - a. Lease agreement: no update
 - b. Electronics: doorbell, tripod and camera: Sharyn purchased the doorbell. She will get the camera and tripod by the next meeting.
 - c. Donation policy: Discussion of edits to the policy. Tom will rework and bring back to the next meeting.
11. Kit Carson Park section: Rob asked Tom and Sharon about a proposed plan for the layout of the park.

12. Veteran's Hall of Fame paperwork: Judy and Sharon will review this next week.
13. Yard Sale: start asking for donations. Don't deliver to the cottage until week prior to the yard sale.
14. Recognition program: Charles Wagers has agreed to serve on the committee as the general member. The group will meet when he comes to Richmond.
15. Footprints signs dedication: Will be February 26 at First Baptist (Francis and Collins). Gary Noland is speaking. Judy volunteered to help Sharon create a program for the event.

NEW BUSINESS

- Response to EKU: article and meetings: A letter to the editor concerning the J. Stone Walker House is pending.
- America 250th:
 - White Hall – program on women
 - July 4th week – Vignettes on Main Street
 - Weekly – This Week in Madison County

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- February 17: Madison Central Gym 6:00, History Makers presentation on Richmond High School.
- February 19: Richmond Library at 6:30. John Lovell presenting "Madison High School History"
- February 21: Berea Genealogy Group 1:30 to 3:00– Sam Miller presenting "The History of the Baptist Church in Kentucky"

Next Meeting

March 9

Adjourn: Sharyn made a motion to adjourn, Justin seconded, unanimous approval

Jackie Couture, Secretary