

HONORABLE REAGAN TAYLOR COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE PRESIDING

The Madison County Fiscal Court convened in regular session on the 9th day of June, 2015 at 9:30AM in the Madison County Courthouse, Richmond, Kentucky. Present was the Honorable Reagan Taylor in the chair presiding and the following members of the Fiscal Court: Roger Barger, Tom Botkin, Larry Combs, and John Tudor were present. Madison County Clerk Kenny Barger, Madison County Sheriff Mike Coyle, and Madison County Attorney Marc Robbins, were also present.

It being determined a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order.

Judge Taylor asked the youth minister from Red House Baptist, Dwayne Abrahamson to open the meeting with prayer. Judge Taylor then asked Sheriff Coyle to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: Approval of Minutes:

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Roger Barger, to approve the minutes from the May 26th, 2015 regularly called meeting.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Yes
John Tudor- Yes	Larry Combs- Yes
Reagan Taylor – Yes	

IN RE: Amend Agenda to discuss Ky. Trail Town along with Boone Trace Master Plan.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by Tom Botkin to amend the agenda to add discussion for Ky. Trail Town.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Yes
John Tudor- Yes	Larry Combs- Yes
Reagan Taylor – Yes	

IN RE: Agreement Approval with Madison County Health Department for Safety City.

The basis of the agreement is for the Health Department to maintain and coordinate meetings and trainings for Safety City. Magistrate Combs requested that the health department report to the court on the number of children that visit Safety City. Chief Cox reported that 1000 kindergarten children had gone through Safety City in the last school year. He stated that it is a coordinated effort by many entities including: Fire Department, Sheriff Department, Army Depot, EMS, and Madison County Health Department.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by Roger Barger to authorize the County Judge Executive to sign the agreement with the Madison County Health Department for Safety City.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Yes
John Tudor- Yes	Larry Combs- Yes
Reagan Taylor – Yes	

IN RE: Purchase Approval for Road Department Vehicles and Equipment.

Judge Taylor started the discussion by informing the court that Madison County Clerk Barger had returned \$360,000 in excess funds back to the court after his first four year term in office. He commended Clerk Barger on the great job he and his staff were doing. The judge continued by stating the equipment that the road department was using was old and that many vehicles needed to be replaced due to safety concerns and excess mileage. The Judge asked for approval to purchase four new pickups (\$24,900 each), hot box, and front end

loader. The total cost for the equipment will be \$300,500. The judge confirmed that the old equipment would be in the surplus auction.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to authorize the purchase of the above mentioned equipment at state contract price.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Yes
John Tudor- Yes	Larry Combs- Yes
Reagan Taylor – Yes	

IN RE: Approval of Motor Vehicle Tax Bill to Madison County Clerk.

Judge Taylor stated that KRS 133.240 (3) states that the Clerk shall receive \$.15 for each boat and vehicle licensed in Madison County. The total for 2015 is \$11,498.10.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Roger Barger to authorize payment to the Madison County Clerk.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Yes
John Tudor- Yes	Larry Combs- Yes
Reagan Taylor – Yes	

IN RE: Open bids for Madison County Road Department for fuel, rock, and culverts.

County Attorney Robbins confirmed that all bids but one were received sealed, by mail, and in the appropriate time frame. One bid for fuel was not received in the proper time frame and will not be eligible for submission. Richmond Petroleum Inc. was received on June 8th. The deadline for bid submission was June 5th.

There were bids received for all three services.

Fuel:

1. Riley Oil
2. Kentucky Petroleum

Rock:

1. Rockcastle County Quarry
2. Allen Company

Culverts:

1. Robinson and Turley

This bid was opened by staff due to no indication of bid on outside of envelope. The bid was resealed immediately while being witnessed by two staff.

The bids will be reviewed and a recommendation made to the Fiscal Court at a later date.

IN RE: Approval of Interlocal agreement for support for Lake Vega Dam.

Lake Vega Dam is an 1840 acres reservoir. This agreement is an interlocal agreement between the Army Depot and the County for support in the emergency plan if the dam ever experienced seepage, overflows or failed.

A copy of the emergency plan is on file in the Judge's office.

Motion by Larry Combs seconded by John Tudor to approve the interlocal agreement for the Lake Vega Dam.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Yes
John Tudor- Yes	Larry Combs- Yes
Reagan Taylor – Yes	

IN RE: Resolution 15-09 Homeland Security Grant.

This grant is for replacement of the bed in a F-450 brush truck for the Madison County Fire Department.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to approve Resolution 15-09 Homeland Security Grant.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Yes
John Tudor- Yes	Larry Combs- Yes
Reagan Taylor – Yes	

IN RE: Discussion on Boone Trace Master Plan and Ky. Trail Town.

Judge Taylor started the discussion by encouraging the court to support both entities. The Boone Trace Master plan would follow the first road ever blazed in Kentucky starting in Kingsport Tennessee and ending at Fort Boonesborough. After some discussion the question was brought up about crossing private property and the liability of signing a letter of support. The question was that by signing the letter of support it would be viewed as legal support to obtain said properties. The court agreed to give a letter of support excluding eminent domain.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by Larry Combs to approve the letter of support for the Boone Trace Master Plan excluding eminent domain.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Yes
John Tudor- Yes	Larry Combs- Yes
Reagan Taylor – Yes	

IN RE: Approve Personnel hire for the Animal Shelter.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to approve the hiring of Michael White at \$9.50 per hour with a six month training and probationary period as animal control officer.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Yes
John Tudor- Yes	Larry Combs- Yes
Reagan Taylor – Yes	

IN RE: Approve Personnel hires for Road Department.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by Larry Combs to approve the hiring of:

1. Travis French General Laborer
2. Norman Weaver General Laborer
3. Darrell Winkler General Laborer
4. Roy Cox Sign Design and Installer and General Laborer

At the rate of \$13.00 per hour for the Madison County Road Department.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Yes
John Tudor- Yes	Larry Combs- Yes
Reagan Taylor – Yes	

IN RE: Appointment of Madison County Treasurer.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to reappoint Glenna Baker as Madison County Treasurer for a term of four years.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Yes
John Tudor- Yes	Larry Combs- Yes
Reagan Taylor – Yes	

JUDGE’S REPORT:

We have postings for EMA Director and CSEPP Bookkeeper that close on June 12th. The bill we previously discussed from Barger’s Towing for the towing of the solid waste truck will not be covered under warranty and will be paid.

Kentucky Changers will be in town starting June 14th. I have a list of projects and encourage the court to stop by and support this wonderful program.

Announcements:

March 1 thru October 31, 2015 – Whitehall Park will be closed for pipeline upgrades.

Surplus Auction will be on Saturday June 13th at 9AM at the road department south on Clarksville Lane. A list of items that are being auctioned is available on the web site. Our volunteer auctioneer will be Hershel Miller.

Comments from the Department Heads:

Scott Tussey spoke briefly with the court about the annual River Sweep. The event will be on Saturday, June 20th from 9AM-Noon. Volunteers will gather at the Boonesborough beach area and will then be transported by boat to the Clark County side of the river. Annually approximately 1.5 tons of garbage is removed from the river and surrounding banks. Volunteers should be sure to wear sturdy shoes.

Scott announced that he have received the grant for the annual household hazardous waste removal. This event will be on Saturday, October 3rd from 8AM-3PM at the road department south.

Kenny Barger, Madison County Clerk thanked his staff for all the hard work that do every day to make the County a better place. He stated that he would have been unable to accomplish the surplus of funds without the hard work of his staff.

Comments from Magistrates:

Magistrate Botkin

Magistrate Botkin talked about the Depot tour that the court had completed. He stated that he was very impressed with the safety precautions that were in place. He thanked the road crew for all the hard work on the downed trees and ditches that had been cleaned out. He closed by commending the hiring board for the experience level in the recent hiring.

Magistrate Tudor

Magistrate Tudor thanked the road department for being out and about checking on things. He also stated that the court was still talking with the Division of Water about the rocks piling up in the creek beds. He informed the court of Relay for Life event this Saturday at Caudill Middle School. He encouraged all Madison County citizens to support local charities and events.

Magistrate Barger

Magistrate Barger stated that he really didn’t realize the large amount of moving that went on in the county as well as the number of times that it was done in a season. He thanked Willie for his 20 years of service to the county and a job well done.

Magistrate Combs

Magistrate Combs talked with the court about the "Loan a Truck" program. We stated that he believed we needed to use the third back up truck when there was an emergency situation. Scott Tussey spoke from the audience and asked Magistrate Combs to give him the contact information for the citizen requiring assistance. The two trucks are currently booked through sometime in September. Magistrate Combs asked County Attorney Robbins if he had confirmed the information about insurance coverage for the volunteer firefighters. County Attorney Robbins stated that he did not have an exact answer yet but would report back as soon as possible.

Judge Taylor asked if anyone from the audience would like to speak.

Debbie Secchio from the Madison County Tax Watch came to the podium. She talked with the court about the group's focus of fairness and efficiency of services. She asked the court to try and encourage special tax groups to lower taxes after the 2018 property assessments. County Attorney Robbins stated that the court are just a depository and only review the rates. Mrs. Secchio asked if there was a criterion for tax payer money going to nonprofit groups from county funds. She then asked if the court had any expectation of gaining revenue from the airport expansion.

Melissa Gross from Kentucky River Foothills addressed the court. Mrs. Gross stated that the service that runs from Berea to Richmond is used to capacity the majority of the time. Madison County contributes \$44,000 which in turn is matched by Kentucky Office of Transportation Delivery. The City of Richmond and Berea both contribute \$55,000 annually. Magistrate Combs asked for a report of the number of passengers using the service. Mrs. Gross stated that a monthly report is currently being sent to the Judge's office. Magistrate Combs also asked if the information could be on the web site. Mrs. Gross responded by stating she believed the information was already on the web site.

IN RE: Pay Claims and Approve Transfers:

Motion by John Combs, seconded by Roger Barger, to approve pay claims and transfers.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Yes
John Tudor- Yes	Larry Combs-Yes
Reagan Taylor-Yes	

ANNOUNCE NEXT COURT DATE:

Judge announced the next court date for June 23rd, 2015 in Richmond at 9:30AM.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Motion from Larry Combs to adjourn, seconded by Tom Botkin. Hearing no objection, the meeting adjourned at 10:58AM.

REAGAN TAYLOR MADISON CO. JUDGE/EXECUTIVE