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## **HONORABLE REAGAN TAYLOR COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE PRESIDING**

The Madison County Fiscal Court convened in regular session on the 28<sup>th</sup> of January 2020 at 9:30AM in the Fiscal Courtroom in Richmond, KY. Present was the Honorable Reagan Taylor in the chair presiding and the following members of the Fiscal Court: Tom Botkin, and John Tudor were present. Madison County Sheriff Mike Coyle, Madison County Jailer Steve Tussey, Madison County Attorney Jennie Haymond, and Madison County Clerk Kenny Barger was also present.

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

Judge Taylor asked Magistrate Botkin to lead the court in prayer. Judge Taylor asked Sheriff Coyle to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **IN RE: Approval of Meeting Minutes 01-07-2020:**

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to approve the minutes from the regularly called meeting on January 7, 2020.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

John Tudor- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

### **IN RE: Treasurer's Report:**

Glenna Baker, Treasurer, addressed the court to present the monthly Treasurer's report (on file).

### **IN RE: Resolution 20-08-2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Sanctuary County:**

Judge Taylor addressed the court to present Resolution 20-08-2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Sanctuary County, protecting citizen's right to bear arms, per the United States Constitution. Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 20-08-2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Sanctuary County.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

John Tudor- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

### **IN RE: 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Ordinance 20-01-Discontinuance of Road-Ralph Park West:**

Judge Taylor presented the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance 20-01-Discontinuance of Road-Ralph Park West.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance 20-01-Discontinuance of Road-Ralph Park West.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

John Tudor- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

Willie Willis, Road Superintendent, addressed the court to recognize road commissioners Jimmy Parsons, and Jimmy Marcum for the work they've put in on this project.

### **IN RE: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Ordinance 20-02-Weight Restrictions County Roadways:**

Scott Shepherd, Administrator, addressed the court to present the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance 20-02-Weight Restrictions County Roadways. Requirements will prohibit certain trucks from using designated county streets and roadways.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance 20-02-Weight Restrictions County Roadways.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

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Tom Botkin-Yes

John Tudor- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

### **IN RE: Presentation-Rocket Docket Funding:**

Jennie Haymond, Madison County Attorney, addressed the court to present data from the first year of Rocket Docket implementation. 102 cases have been sent through the Rocket Docket; 15 cases are pending. 70 cases that qualified for rocket docket were declined by the defendant. To house 102 inmates for six months it would cost the county \$565,160.00. Rocket Docket averaged 20.5 days of jail time for 102 inmates, costing the county \$64,821.00. That's a savings of \$504,339.00.

### **IN RE: Resolution 20-09-Rocket Docket Program Funding:**

Jennie Haymond, Madison County Attorney, addressed the court concerning Resolution 20-09, requesting \$50,000.00 to supplement the salaries for personnel and additional staff needed to facilitate Rocket Docket operations.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to approve Resolution 20-09-Rocket Docket Funding.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

John Tudor- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

### **IN RE: Resolution 20-10-CSEPP Media Monitoring System Contract:**

Jennifer Hitch, Finance Officer for EMA/CSEPP, addressed the court concerning Resolution 20-10. CSEPP requires Media Monitoring to support their mission. After receiving a sole source letter from Meltwater, CSEPP decision makers were satisfied with the product options. Hitch recommended to the court that they award the Media Monitoring System Contract to Meltwater.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to enter contract with Meltwater concerning their Media Monitoring System.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

John Tudor- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

### **IN RE: Resolution 20-11-CSEPP Weather Alert Radio Approval:**

Jennifer Hitch, Finance officer for EMA/CSEPP, addressed the court concerning Resolution 20-11. Hitch recommended that Alert FM be awarded the bid for weather alert radio system. These systems are used to alert the public in cases of emergency.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 20-11, awarding Alert FM the bid for CSEPP weather alert radio.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

John Tudor- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

### **IN RE: Personnel-Planning and Codes Department:**

Bert Thomas, Director of Planning and Codes, addressed the court to recommend they hire Kinsey Rohrback as Office Assistant 1 at \$12/per hour, effective February 12, 2020.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to hire Kinsey Rohrback as Office Assistant 1 for the Planning and Codes department at \$12/per hour, effective February 12, 2020.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

John Tudor- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

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### **IN RE: Personnel-Planning and Codes Department:**

Bert Thomas, Director of Planning and Codes, addressed the court to recommend they hire Elizabeth Cordle as Office Assistant 1 at \$12/per hour, effective January 29, 2020.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to hire Elizabeth Cordle as Office Assistant 1 for the Planning and Codes department at \$12/per hour, effective January 29, 2020.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

John Tudor- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

### **IN RE: Personnel-Finance Officer:**

Jennifer Hitch, Finance officer for EMA/CSEPP, addressed the court to recommend that they hire Ancie Hatfield as a CSEPP Finance Officer at \$19.74/per hour, effective February 12, 2020.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to hire Ancie Hatfield as a CSEPP Finance Officer at \$19.74/per hour, effective February 12, 2020.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

John Tudor- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

### **IN RE: Judge's Report:**

- Berea Mayor Bruce Fraley will be giving his 2020 State of the City Address on January 30<sup>th</sup> at noon at Churchills. For required tickets, please contact the Berea Chamber of Commerce.
- Richmond Mayor Robert Blythe will be giving his 2020 State of the City Address on Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, at 8am, at the ECU Perkins building. For required tickets, please contact the Richmond Chamber of Commerce.
- The Madison Community Band's 2020 Winter Concert will be Saturday, February 15, at 7:30pm, at the First Baptist Church on the ECU Bypass.
- The Richmond Chamber of Commerce's 2020 Legislative Trip to Frankfort will be Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>. Please contact the Richmond Chamber of Commerce to make your required reservation or for more information.
- The Madison County Courthouse and its related offices will be closed Monday, February 17, 2020 for President's Day. Offices will reopen Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, at 8am.
- If interested in the 2020 Census Count Committee please contact our PVA, Billy Ackerman. Training will be scheduled in the upcoming week.

### **Comments from Magistrates:**

**Magistrate Botkin** gave a special thank you to Kelly Baker, Brandon McIntosh, Travis Brenda, and other parties who were involved in putting up new signage at the intersection of 1295 and highway 52. There's been a lot of horrible wrecks at that location; Botkin spoke with our representative who connected with Kelley Baker and Judge Taylor to resolve this issue. He has also been working to replace the signage at White Station Road to properly label the CSX tunnel. Botkin has asked for millings at Highway 421 down Kingston. He is also asking for improvements to be made at the intersection of 421 and Dreyfus Rd. Botkin has been advocating for a turn lane at Kingston, working with Representative Goforth. Discretionary funds have been requested for improvements at Hagan Mill Road.

**Magistrate Tudor** asked that everyone remember Larry and Roger and that they're kept in prayers. Since Resolution 20-08-2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Sanctuary County was passed Tudor wanted to remember a bit of history. On January 27<sup>th</sup> over 75 years ago the worst Holocaust in history occurred in Poland with more than a million Polish

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Jewish individuals were initially murdered by the German army. Tudor wanted to take a moment to remember all the soldiers (men and women) who have served throughout the years to make this country a safe place and fought to keep us free. Tudor asked that the audience bow their heads for a moment of silence.

**Jailer Steve Tussey** addressed the court to give an update on the jail. Numbers are going down; thank you to our county and state attorney. There is currently a total of 454 inmates; 369 are inhouse; 43 are on home incarceration; 42 are housed out-of-county. This is the lowest our out-of-county number has been in over six months. Last week Tussey hosted a meeting with the National Institute of Corrections who were here at his request to review the criminal justice system (locally). They are looking at any and all entities that have anything to do with the jail and inmate count. They are the leader in all thing's corrections, and they will give recommendations on how to be more efficient. Also last week, Tussey co-hosted a meeting with the health department concerning suicide prevention awareness. Attendees consisted of all law enforcement and first responders of the county. Tussey explained that the meeting was preventative maintenance to try to get ahead of a critical issue in the nation. He also addressed illness in the detention center; there are five employees who are out this week.

### **Comments from Department Heads:**

No comments from Department Heads.

### **Comments from the Audience:**

Shane Morris, resident of Berea, addressed the court concerning Resolution 20-08. Morris stated that there are some people who have cynically suggested that this resolution is an effort made by Fiscal Courts across Kentucky aimed at placating people, satisfying them, and they'll go away. He stated that he trusted his home county's Fiscal Court isn't doing that. He expressed his appreciation for the remarks made by Judge Taylor and Magistrate Tudor. Morris maintains that resolutions have no force of law. He claimed that by passing an ordinance, the Madison County Fiscal Court could preserve Second Amendment rights.

Lisa Hall, resident of Battlefield, addressed the court inquiring about the hydraulic study presentation that was scheduled for court.

Judge Taylor responded that the hydraulic study would not be addressed due to pending litigation and that notifications were sent out to homeowners regarding this change.

### **IN RE: Pay Claims and Approve Transfers:**

Motion made by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to approve pay claims and transfers.

### **ANNOUNCE NEXT COURT DATE:**

Judge Taylor announced the next court date for February 11<sup>th</sup>, in Richmond at 9:30AM.

### **IN RE: ADJOURNMENT**

Motion from Tom Botkin to adjourn, seconded by John Tudor. Hearing no objection, the meeting adjourned 10:37am.

  
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REAGAN TAYLOR MADISON CO. JUDGE/EXECUTIVE