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Meeting of; Madison County Fiscal Court

Meeting Type; Special Called

HONORABLE REAGAN TAYLOR COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE PRESIDING

The Madison County Fiscal Court convened in special session on the 14th of July 2020 at 9:30AM via Zoom Video Conference. Present was the Honorable Reagan Taylor in the chair presiding and the following members of the Fiscal Court: Roger Barger, Larry Combs, Tom Botkin, and John Tudor were present. Madison County Attorney Jennie Haymond, Madison County Sheriff Mike Coyle, Madison County Jailer Steve Tussey, and Madison County Clerk Kenny Barger were also present.

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

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

IN RE: Approval of Meeting Minutes 06-09-2020:

Motion by Tom Botkin and seconded by Roger Barger to approve the minutes from the specially called meeting on June 9, 2020.

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 Meeting Minutes 06-23-2020:

Motion by Roger Barger and seconded by John Tudor to approve the minutes from the specially called meeting on June 23, 2020.

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: 2nd Reading Ordinance 20-17—Commercial Solar Energy Facilities in the Land Use Regulations:

Bert Thomas, Planning and Building Codes Director, addressed the court to present the second reading of Ordinance 20-17—Commercial Solar Energy Facilities in the Land Use Regulations for the court's approval. There was one change from the first reading; the R7 zone was accidentally omitted which is the rural agriculture zone. R7 has now been added in the regulations. The planning commission thought this would be good for the county and the decision was unanimous to approve the decision.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to approve the second reading of ordinance 20-17—Commercial Solar Energy Facilities in the Land Use Regulations.

Magistrate Botkin inquired if there was any public feedback.

Thomas stated nothing negative was reported, only inquires.

Magistrate Tudor stated the importance of leveling the playing field which he believes the new regulations will accomplish.

Judge Taylor stated his support for clean energy and efforts made to create more revenues to develop a stronger tax base.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

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

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IN RE: Resolution 20-77—2020-2021 Madison County Information Technology Service Agreements:

Chris Iseral, IT Director, addressed the court to present Resolution 20-77—2020-2021 Madison County Information Technology Service Agreements. This resolution will authorize signature of the agreements. Service agreements will be administered with the following offices: Madison County 911, Madison County Clerk's Office, Madison County Detention Center, Madison County Sheriff's Office, Madison County Attorney's Office, Kirksville Water Association, Madison County Utility District, Madison County PVA, Madison County EMS, and Southern Madison Water District. Necessary IT work will be billable every 12 months.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 20-77—2020-2021 Madison County Information Technology Service Agreements.

Magistrate Botkin expressed his appreciation for Iseral and his work with department heads.

Magistrate Tudor stated Iseral' s IT department is one of the best in the area. This is a joint effort by Iseral and all the other departments.

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 20-78—Southern Health Partners Health Services Agreement:

Steve Tussey, Jailer, addressed the court to present Resolution 20-78—Southern Health Partners Health Services Agreement for the court's approval. Madison County has partnered with Southern Health Partners for the past five years. Jailer Tussey stated there is an annual 3% increase with a monthly increase of \$947.79. There is \$425,000.00 that is budgeted for this project.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Larry Combs to approve Resolution 20-78—Southern Health Partners Health Services Agreement.

Magistrate Botkin expressed his discontent with the annual 3% increase.

Judge Taylor stated next year Jailer Tussey could investigate other opportunities for health services.

Jailer Tussey shared that he understands concerns but emphasized the good deal maintained with Southern Health Partners.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

John Tudor- Yes Larry Combs-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 20-79—EMA Madison County Health Department MOA:

Dustin Heiser, EMA Director, addressed the court to present Resolution 20-79—EMA Madison County Health Department MOA for the court's approval. The Madison County health department desired to enter into a memorandum of agreement as part of a collaborative effort to stay proactive and prepared in protecting the health and safety of citizens. This agreement will authorize utilization of emergency management personnel and vehicles to transport Madison County Health Department point of dispensing (POD) trailers in the event of an emergency.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 20-79—EMA Madison County Health Department MOA.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes Larry Combs-Yes

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IN RE: Resolution 20-80—FY21 General ASAP Grant:

Judge Taylor presented Resolution 20-80—FY21 General ASAP Grant for the court's approval. Upon approval, Madison County Fiscal Court will serve as the applicant agent for the FY21 General ASAP Grant and authorize the judge executive to sign on behalf of the county. Laura Nagle, Risk Reduction Specialist, was present for questions.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by Roger Barger to approve Resolution 20-80—FY21 General ASAP Grant. Magistrate Botkin expressed his appreciation for Nagle and her efforts.

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 20-81—Department of Local Government CARES Act Funds for 2020:

Tom Webb, Grant Writer, addressed the court to present Resolution 20-81—Department of Local Government CARES Act Funds for 2020. Upon approval, this resolution will authorize the application and administration of Kentucky Department of Local Government CARES Act funds for 2020.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to approve Resolution 20-81—Department of Local Government CARES Act funds for 2020.

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: Personnel--Golf:

Gary Vanderoef, Battlefield Golf Club Director, addressed the court to recommend that they hire Jack Sizemore as seasonal grounds crew at \$9.50/per hour, effective July 15, 2020.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by John Tudor to hire Jack Sizemore as seasonal grounds crew at \$9.50/per hour, effective July 15, 2020.

IN RE: Judge's Report:

- Thank you to everyone that helped with the mulch fire. Thank you to the numerous fire departments that helped. Thank you to EMS for administering fluids to the firefighters. Thank you to EMA for their help.
- Just a reminder that the 2020 Madison County Fair and Horse Show has been cancelled this year due to the continuing health concerns.
- Madison County schools, colleges and universities will be starting the fall semester in mid to late August. Now is the time to find out what health safety procedures are going to be in place for everyone's protection. Please see the various websites for the most up to date information.
- To keep down the infection rate of the Covid-19 virus, it is strongly recommended that you continue to wear a mask in public and thoroughly wash your hands often. Madison County has done an excellent job in keeping our infection rate down; continuing good health practices, as well as social distancing, will help us to continue to do so.
- Our Madison County Parks are getting back up and running. The restrooms are open.
- Battlefield Golf Course is doing well with the new procedures. Please bear with the staff of the golf course as they continue their high level of quality and safety.
- Don't forget the Madison County Animal Shelter has many animals looking for their forever home. Visit the Madison County website (www.madisoncountyclerk.us) for more information on how to adopt a rescue animal.

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Comments from Magistrates:

Magistrate Botkin thanked Chief Gray for his efforts in maintaining good working relationships that benefit the county especially in times of need. He stated that the county has finished up their part on the Wheeler Branch project. Hinkle will repair the road when they finish up on Arbuckle. The Arbuckle project slide began yesterday but was put on hold due to team members having to quarantine for Coronavirus. The Bogie Mill bridge project is projected to begin the first week of August. The Hagan Mill slide is done and we're just waiting for blacktop to get back up to finish that project. The project on Dogwood drive is just waiting for the blacktop now. Botkin thanked all the first responders and emphasized what great job they do not just in an emergency but every day. They put their lives on the line to expose themselves to everything in the world and we appreciate the jobs that they do for us. The Sheriff's department is still providing services for us daily to keep our communities safe and we appreciate all their work. They have had several arrests and busts here in the last couple of weeks. Bad guys don't take a break and drugs don't take a break; that's still going on. Botkin stated that he saw a couple of our deputies out in Berea and every time he sees them, they always look professional and squared away when protecting us. Thank you to Brandon McIntosh; Botkin called McIntosh concerning one of the bridges on the Berea Bypass that had a bad drop on one side of it. The bridge was blacktopped last week. Botkin stated he had received several calls concerning mowing. The state's doing mowing right now but unfortunately due to the limitations of the people they're not mowing everything, just 10 feet of the right of way. Botkin gave a special thanks to the sheriff's department. The sheriff's department provided escort for a funeral for Botkin's sister-in-law; they picked up at Clays Ferry and KSP sergeant Toby Coyle has done a great job in assisting with that. Botkin provided his phone number for anyone who needs it.

Magistrate Tudor thanked all the fire departments (local and regional) that stepped in and came together to work as a team to control that fire down at Clays Ferry. A little suggestion there that will be discussed with the owner is to make smaller piles of mulch. Tudor thanked Coroner Jimmy Cornelson for his efforts; Madison County has had their hands full. We've had two young people on motorcycles have fatal accidents within the last week. Tudor advised young people to please be careful; you're not indispensable. Accidents do happen; be a little more cautious when you're going to get out there and ride motorcycles. Tudor gave a big shout out to Jimmy and all he does. He's one of those first responders that goes no matter what and he see situations that most of us couldn't deal with; I appreciate him and his services and Carlos that works with him. Tudor stated he had received several calls about the slide slip out on Griggs Road. It has been patched for the last four of five years and it just keeps on sliding. We put more black top on it just a month or two ago and it's sliding again making a big cavity in the road there where people can't cross it. We met out there with Matt Grant to hear his input and ideas; we're going to work on that and try to do some ditching out there and try to prevent some of the water from running under the road. Tudor stated he was pleased to announce there has been some progress at the Waco junkyard. It's been a lot of scrap cars and junk on the side of the road for several years. Thank you to Jean and Keith Webb; there's been some removal of some of that scrap iron and some cleanup down there and it looks a lot better. There's a break on Ford Road that received some blacktop last year. There's a spot getting some water under the road and on the lower side some of the new blacktop was breaking off. Tudor has talked with Mr. Willis about getting that ditched and try to get that repaired down there. Tudor thanked the community for their patience during this pandemic and encouraged everyone to stay safe. If you're required to wear a mask, please wear a mask not only for your health but the health of other citizens.

Magistrate Barger stated his big topic for the day was concerning the fire down at Clays Ferry. The Woodland Heights subdivision and the surrounding community there at exit 97 have a legitimate concern due to the fire. Barger stated he hopes the state and federal people are working on it and checking to see what can be done. The subdivision part that's up on top of the hill will get a lot of smoke at times. He stated concern about citizens breathing in the smoke and how it might impact their health. Barger stated one gentleman advised him that the equipment that they use can be fitted with water sprayers that would keep that down when a flame shows up. He stated he was glad to hear that the Bogie Mill bridge will be replaced. Barger thanked all the employees during

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these trying times stating that they're doing a great job. He thanked the public for their patience. Sometimes it takes a little time to get things done but we do our best.

Magistrate Combs stated he wanted to relay on to the people that Berea's produce stand is open two days a week now on Tuesdays and Saturdays. They have a whole lot of produce and are keeping their distance and running it the way it should be. Other than that, Combs stated he was glad to be there.

Sheriff Coyle addressed the court concerning a very sad situation that has confronted our sheriff's office and the citizens of Madison county. We've had a great loss at our sheriff's office, and it was the death of Deputy Michelle Albertson. Just to tell you a little bit about her, Michelle was born on November 14th, 1967 in Kokomo, IN. As a child growing up, she knew what she wanted to do and that was to have a career in law enforcement. That was definitely her calling. She worked as a police officer for the Frankfort Police Department for over 20 years, retiring at the rank of sergeant. After retirement, she came to work in the Madison County Sheriff's Office as a deputy, where she served for 10 years until her unfortunate and untimely death. Michelle was a great person, very compassionate, and had an excellent work ethic. She was very dependable, and she had an excellent attitude. She loved a challenge. Michelle's last work date was Thursday afternoon June 25th, 2020. After completing her shift, she walked by Coyle's office and discussed a couple of things and said she would see him on Monday morning and that she would be off for the weekend. She stated she was looking forward to having a few days off. Unfortunately, the next couple of days and over the weekend she became ill. On Sunday the 28th, she was rushed to a Lexington hospital. Michelle suffered a heart condition along with issues with diabetes when she experienced a stroke. Her health failed quickly, and the medical staff decided that she needed to be transferred to the compassionate care center in Richmond. Michelle passed away on Sunday, July 5th. She was laid to rest with full police honors in Albany, Kentucky (Clinton County), with our burial on Friday, July 10th. Michelle will be greatly missed.

Comments from Department Heads:

No comments from Department Heads.

Comments from the Audience:

No comments from the audience.

IN RE: Pay Claims and Approve Transfers:

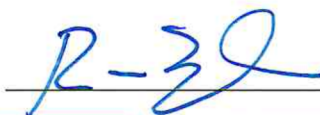
Motion made by Tom Botkin seconded by Roger Barger to approve pay claims and transfers.

ANNOUNCE NEXT COURT DATE:

Judge Taylor announced the next court date for June 28, 2020 at 9:30am via Zoom Video Conferencing.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Motion from John Tudor to adjourn, seconded by Roger Barger. Hearing no objection, the meeting adjourned 10:32am.



REAGAN TAYLOR MADISON CO. JUDGE/EXECUTIVE