

Meeting Date; 08/25/2020

Meeting of; Madison County Fiscal Court

Meeting Type; Special Called

Judge Taylor presented Resolution 20-88—Madison County 2020 Ad Valorem Rates for the court's approval. The Madison County Fiscal Court is legally required to adopt 2020 ad valorem rates in accordance with KRS 132.0225.

Nancy Crewe, Public Health Director, addressed the court to present the tax rates set by the Board of Health.

Judge Taylor presented the tax rates set by the Madison County Public Library on behalf of Ruthie Maslin, Director.

Lisa Adams, County Manager, addressed the court to present the tax rates set by the Madison County Extension Office.

Carols Coyle, EMS Director, addressed the court to present the tax rates set by Emergency Management Services.

Magistrate Tudor stated that the public may not be aware that all these taxing rates are set by the members of those taxing districts and the fiscal court has no variance on adjusting those. The court must accept the rates as they are reported.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by Roger Barger to approve Resolution 20-88—Madison County 2020 Ad Valorem Rates.

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 20-90—Windy Oaks Circle & Sunny Oaks Drive Road Adoption:

Willie Willis, Road Superintendent, addressed the court to present Resolution 20-90—Windy Oaks Circle & Sunny Oaks Drive Road Adoption for the court's approval. The roads have been inspected by a Madison County Road Supervisor who recommended them for adoption.

Judge Taylor stated that a section of Windy Oaks Circle will be renamed to Sunny Oaks Drive. He proposed an amendment to the original resolution so that the plat number will be added in reflection of the aforementioned subdivision section.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Roger Barger to approve Resolution 20-90—Windy Oaks Circle & Sunny Oaks Drive Road Adoption with the addition of the amendment presented by Judge Taylor.

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 20-91—Baptist Health 340B Program Compliance MOU:

Gary Gerard, President of Baptist Health Richmond, addressed the court to present Resolution 20-91—Baptist Health 340B Program Compliance MOU for the court's approval. Baptist agrees to continue its commitment to the provision of medically necessary health care services to indigent, uninsured, and underinsured residents, specifically to participate in Health Kentucky's low-income medical care programs. In order to participate in the 340B Program, Baptist must maintain a memorandum of agreement with a government entity.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by Tom Botkin to approve Resolution 20-91—Baptist Health 340B Program Compliance MOU.

Magistrate Botkin stated his appreciation for Baptist Health in the community and for them being willing to take on this program and to help those that are less fortunate that need that assistance.

Magistrate Tudor echoed Botkin's compliment on Baptist Health. The Fiscal Court is the only entity that Baptist Health is working through and wouldn't cost the county any financial strain. This program will help the needy with their health insurance and their health coverage. Tudor stated his appreciation for their service.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Yes
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John Tudor- Yes

Larry Combs-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 20-92—FY2021 Litter Abatement Grant Funds:

Tom Webb, Grant Writer, addressed the court to present Resolution 20-92—FY2021 Litter Abatement Grant Funds for the court's approval. This resolution will allow the application and administration of calendar year 2021 Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet Division of Water Management (DWM) Litter Abatement Grant Funds.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 20-92—FY2021 Litter Abatement Grant Funds.

Magistrate Tudor inquired the amount received from Litter Abatement Grant Funds the previous year.

Judge Taylor estimated the amount received was around \$63,000.00.

Magistrate Tudor stated this was a good program.

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 20-93—PETCO Animal Welfare Grant Funds:

Tom Webb, Grant Writer, addressed the court to present Resolution 20-93—PETCO Animal Welfare Grant Funds for the court's approval. This resolution will allow the application and administration of PETCO Animal Welfare Grant Funds.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Roger Barger to approve Resolution 20-93—PETCO Animal Welfare Grant Funds.

Magistrate Botkin inquired if this was a new grant.

Webb responded this was a new grant for Madison County.

Magistrate Tudor questioned if the amount requested would include the entire \$100,000.00 or just partial debt.

Webb stated it would be partial as it is based on the number of animals that you service or that you serve.

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—Fire Department:

Tim Gray, Fire Chief, addressed the court to recommend that they promote Allan Jones from a Firefighter 4 to the lieutenant's position. His rate of pay will be \$10.50/per hour, effective September 2, 2020.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Roger Barger to approve the promotion of Allan Jones to the lieutenant's position at \$10.50/per hour, effective September 2, 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—Fire Department:

Tim Gray, Fire Chief, addressed the court to recommend that they hire Jakob Chandler Tharp as a Firefighter 1. His rate of pay will be \$7.50/per hour, effective September 9th, 2020.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to approve the hire of Jakob Chandler Tharp as a Firefighter 1 at \$7.50/per hour, effective September 9th, 2020.

- The 2020 Census is coming to a close. If you haven't filled out your 2020 census form, please do so very soon and send it in. It only takes about 5 to 10 minutes. Field workers will be going out soon to canvas areas and homes that have not returned their census forms.
- The following events normally held in September have been cancelled for 2020:
 - Berea's Spoonbread Festival
 - Kirksville Days, including the Country Ham Breakfast at the Masonic Lodge
 - The Annual Siege of Boonesborough
 - Richmond Native American Pow Wow
- Also, the Downtown Richmond Clean Sweep scheduled for Friday, September 18th has also been cancelled.

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- We are heading into fall and it is a perfect time to visit one of our Madison County parks. Parks open around 8am and close at dusk. Battlefield Golf Course is also open and ready for your visit with some restrictions. For more information regarding Battlefield Golf Course or the county parks, please call 624-8005.
- Madison County also has several job openings. Visit Madison County's website madisoncountky.us for the most up to date list of positions available with Madison County government.
- Please continue to wear a face covering when in public, continue the social distancing if at all possible and remember to wash your hands.
- The Madison County Courthouse and its related offices will be closed Monday, September 7th, for the Labor Day holiday. Offices will re-open on Tuesday, September 8th, at 8am.

Comments from Magistrates:

Magistrate Botkin stated that the project on Arbuckle is being worked on. The project on Wheeler Branch will begin once work is finished up on Arbuckle. For the residents over there in Hickory Hills there will be a project over there this fall; materials have been ordered so just be patient while we get those supplies. They're supposed to begin work on Goggins Lane for the crack ceiling and will work eight to ten hour shifts during the night. They're going to seal it first and then do new striping over there as well. The districts are having a lot of problems with people taking road signs again. We've talked about this before it's around \$200-\$250 a sign for the county to go back and put it up; this is taxpayer money that could be used for something else. One of the worst parts about it is for first responders. Please leave the road signs alone.

Brandon McIntosh will begin working soon bridge where a guardrail was torn down on Menelaus at the CSX railroad crossing.

Botkin stated that there is a lot of responsibility that goes with gun ownership and to think before you get your weapons out and start shooting. KRS 237.104 governs the responsibilities for gun owners and prevents counties from administering ordinances that restrict ownership, the right to shoot, bear arms, etc. Wanting something like that resolved will have to be taken to the state legislator.

Magistrate Tudor stated he had received several calls this week concerning a gentleman who was hit in the leg by a bullet that came into his house. Sheriff Coyle and Jennie Haymond, County Attorney, are investigating that situation. Please be careful when shooting firearms. Tudor stated he was a strong supporter of the second amendment but emphasized you should always be aware of your surroundings. Make sure you have a backstop behind where your bullets going to go; you can't recall a bullet once it comes out of a firearm. Be safe if you're going to be out there shooting.

Magistrate Barger stated the Bogie Mill Bridge will be back open in a few days but that they'll still need to do some blacktopping later on. Maple Grove Bridge is the only other problem in his district at this time; a lot of people have been hindered as it's heavily traveled and is a good shortcut going across Tate's Creek. Barger thanked all of the county workers for their service. They do a lot of things they're just not appreciate for in their everyday work.

Magistrate Combs stated in regard to what Tom said that we just need to use good sense. Hopefully the incident will serve as a learning situation for Madison County. Other than that, Combs stated he was glad to be there.

Clerk Barger stated that the portal to request for a mail-in absentee ballot for the general election was launched. This is a pre-request because ballots will not be certified until September 8th. Once the ballot is certified they will be printed. Just because you requested a ballot today doesn't mean we'll be mailing it out next week. We won't be mailing those ballots out until mid to late September. The portal at www.govoteky.com will be open until October 9th for voters to request their mail-in absentee ballot.

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Comments from Department Heads:

No comments from Department Heads.

Comments from the Audience:

Mary McMahan, Madison County Resident, questioned if the motor vehicle fee for the health department is a new tax.

Judge Taylor stated this was not a new tax

IN RE: Pay Claims and Approve Transfers:

Motion made by Roger Barger seconded by John Tudor to approve pay claims and transfers.

ANNOUNCE NEXT COURT DATE:

Judge Taylor announced the next court date for September 8, 2020 at 9:30am via Zoom Video Conferencing.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Motion from John Tudor to adjourn, seconded by Tom Botkin. Hearing no objection, the meeting adjourned 10:50am.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. Taylor", is written over a horizontal line.

REAGAN TAYLOR MADISON CO. JUDGE/EXECUTIVE