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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 13th of April 2021 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, Tom Botkin, John Tudor, and Paul Reynolds were present. Madison County Assistant Attorney Brooke Bowman and Madison County Clerk Kenny Barger were also present.

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

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

IN RE: Approval of Meeting Minutes 03-23-2021:

Motion by Paul Reynolds seconded by Roger Barger to approve the minutes from the specially called meeting on March 23, 2021.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes

Paul Reynolds-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Update for Kit Carson Commons Project

Vickie Jozefowicz, Executive Director at Kentucky River Foothills, addressed the court to give an update on the Kit Carson Commons Project. She stated that the project is about 80% finished. The official name of the project is the Workforce Pathway at Kit Carson Commons. This was funded as one of the first projects that Kentucky Housing Corporation funded as an innovative project. It is innovative because it is two projects in one. The first part is that there are 30 units of housing, with two and three bedrooms. Priority will be given to single parent veterans who are going to college. The second priority will go to single parents who are going to college. Currently, the Kentucky River Foothills operates the Eastern Scholar House project on campus; there are 39 two-bedroom apartments for single parents that are going to college. Often, there is a waiting list for these apartments. Sometimes, there are families who may have two or three children and they are a little crowded in the two-bedroom units. It will be nice for those families to be able to live at the Kit Carson Commons instead. The second component of the Kit Carson Commons is where the Madison County Fiscal Court come into play, and that is for a workforce training center. This will be aimed at anybody in the community, primarily low-income people that are seeking careers in industry, manufacturing, shipping, and warehousing. The program will be largely taught by EKV Workforce Development and by SkillEdu, which used to be called The Adult Ed. Traditionally, when you think of Adult Ed you think of people getting a GED. Adult Ed has evolved and is now called SkillEdu. Now, there are other services available. One of the services provided by that organization is a soft skills curriculum and certification. There are three buildings that compose this project; they are located on the corner of Kit Carson and Lancaster. The workforce training center will open in September. This center is made up of two classrooms, a symposium room, and a conference room. Jozefowicz encouraged members of the court to visit and tour the project.

Magistrate Tudor expressed that he looked forward to touring the facility. He stated that this will be very beneficial not only for the county but the community as well. Tudor noted that he was glad soft skills training would be provided as this will come in handy.

Magistrate Botkin questioned if the soft skills training would only be available to the people in those quarters. Jozefowicz responded that the housing component is a separate project from the workforce training, which includes the soft skills certification. The people who go through the workforce training will not live onsite; this certification will be open to the community. However, there could be people living on site who are going to college that might want to pick up some of the various certifications that will be available.

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IN RE: Agenda Amendment:

Judge Taylor asked for the court's permission to amend the agenda, striking through item eight.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to amend the agenda.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes

Paul Reynolds-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Proclamation—Fair Housing:

Judge Taylor stated that fair housing is a right protected by the Federal and State Laws. Fair housing means that people may choose a place to live, without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, disabilities, or because someone has children. Housing discrimination is illegal. There is a recognized need for community education and awareness of fair housing for all Madison Countians. Therefore, Judge Taylor proclaimed April 2021 as Fair Housing Month.

Tina Cain, Senior Program Manager at Fahe, was present for any questions.

IN RE: Resolution 2021-39—Rural Secondary Program FY2022:

Willie Willis, Road Superintendent, presented Resolution 2021-39—Rural Secondary Program FY2022 for the court's approval. Approval of this resolution will allow the court to vote on the recommended use of FY2022 Rural Secondary funding. The roads being recommended for the 2022 fiscal year are KY 2881 (Caleast Road), KY 1016 (Estill Street), and KY 499 (Crooksville Road). The road being recommended for the use of 2022 FLEX Funds is KY 876 (Barnes Mill Road).

Casey Smith, Highway Design Engineer for the Commonwealth of Kentucky, addressed the court concerning the Rural Secondary Program. He stated that they are projecting about \$284,516.00 of Flex Funds that would be available for the county. This is a program that is only funded through the Motor Fuel Tax. 22.2% of the Motor Fuel Tax goes into this program to address Rural Secondary roadways.

Magistrate Reynolds requested clarification that the county could use up to 20% of the funding for county roads. Smith responded that 20% of the initial distribution would be available for the county's use.

Judge Taylor recommended that the court vote yes to accept the recommended routes for the use of FY2022 Rural Secondary Funding. He recommended that the court vote no to applying the Flex Funds to a State-maintained roadway.

Motion by Paul Reynolds seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 2021-39—Rural Secondary Program FY2022.

The court voted as follows:

1. Does the Fiscal Court accept the recommended routes for the use of FY2022 Rural Secondary Funding?

☒ Yes No

2. Does the Fiscal Court wish to apply Flex Funds to a State-maintained roadway?

Yes ☒ No

Magistrate Botkin noted that Barnes Mill Road has a couple of spots that are pretty rough and could be graded down where the patching wasn't smoothed.

Magistrate Barger stated that his district was not on the list for getting any of the road money. However, there have been years where his district was on the list and other districts were not. He noted that there is always going to be roads that they cannot get to because they cannot all be done in one year.

Magistrate Tudor questioned that if the county chose not apply Flex Funds to Barnes Mill Road what the cycle would be before they would get back to looking into doing something.

Smith responded that Barnes Mill Road is on the priority list but that there are no promises that it will be next year. The state could possibly do some strip patching and get it looking pretty good.

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IN RE: Resolution 2021-40—FY22 General ASAP Grant:

Judge Taylor presented Resolution 2021-40—FY22 General ASAP Grant for the court's approval. This resolution will confirm the Madison County Fiscal Court to serve as the applicant agent for the FY22 General ASAP Grant and authorizing the judge executive to sign on behalf of the county. The court will serve as the applicant agent for the Madison County Agency for Substance Abuse Policy (ASAP) so that they can apply for assistance to affect alcohol and substance abuse issues and to increase drug prevention and awareness activities funded by the program.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by Tom Botkin to approve Resolution 2021-40—FY22 General ASAP Grant. Laura Nagle, Harm Reduction Specialist, stated her appreciation for the leadership of the court.

Magistrate Botkin noted that in reviewing the provided budget, it looked like there was a very good distribution of those funds this year. He stated his appreciation for the agency.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes

Paul Reynolds-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 2021-41—FY22 County Road Aid Agreement:

Willie Willis, Road Superintendent, presented Resolution 2021-41—FY22 County Road Aid Agreement for the court's approval. This resolution will adopt and approve the execution of a county road aid coop program contract between the Madison County Fiscal Court and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, Department of Rural and Municipal Aid. This contract will begin July 1, 2021, as provided in the Kentucky Revised Statutes (KRS) and accept all roads and streets referred to therein as being a part of the county road system.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Roger Barger to approve Resolution 2021-41—FY22 County Road Aid Agreement.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes

Paul Reynolds-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

Judge Taylor stated that the county always participates in the emergency program which three percent of approximately \$1.5 million will be allocated for county road aid. Emergency funds are used when situations come up such as flooding, road slippage, etc.

IN RE: Resolution 2021-42—Valley View Ferry Board Appointment:

Judge Taylor presented Resolution 2021-42—Valley View Ferry Board Appointment for the court's approval. The current term for Melinda Jones will expire on May 9, 2021. She will be reappointed as a board member of the Valley View Ferry Board.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 2021-42—Valley View Ferry Board Appointment.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes

Paul Reynolds-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

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IN RE: Personnel—Golf:

Gary Vanderoef, Battlefield Golf Club Director, addressed the court to recommend that they hire Reynaldo Alejandro as seasonal grounds crew at \$9.50/per hour, effective April 14, 2021.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to hire Reynaldo Alejandro as seasonal grounds crew at \$9.50/per hour, effective April 14, 2021.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Yes
John Tudor- Yes	Paul Reynolds-Yes
Reagan Taylor – Yes	

IN RE: Personnel—Golf:

Gary Vanderoef, Battlefield Golf Club Director, addressed the court to recommend that they hire William Carr as seasonal grounds crew at \$9.50/per hour, effective April 14, 2021. Carr is a returning seasonal employee.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to hire William Carr as seasonal grounds crew at \$9.50/per hour, effective April 14, 2021.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Yes
John Tudor- Yes	Paul Reynolds-Yes
Reagan Taylor – Yes	

IN RE: Judge's Report:

- The final cutoff to schedule tree debris pick-up will be April 15th before 4:30pm. After that time, no new pick-ups will be scheduled. Please visit our website at madisoncountkyky.us or contact the Solid Waste Department 859-624-4709 to schedule your pick-up.
- There will be a Downtown Richmond Clean Sweep on Friday, April 23, from 12 noon until 3pm. There will be several areas to cover. For more information and registration sites, please call or text Rose Rex at 859-559-0032.
- Effective Monday, April 26, 2021, Madison County residents will be able to obtain all in-person driver's license, REAL ID, and ID services through the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Driver's Licensing Regional office located in the old Richmond Mall. Please visit www.drive.ky.gov for more information or to schedule an appointment. You will no longer come to the Madison County courthouse for your driver's license or other forms of governmental ID.
- Registration for Richmond Parks and Recreation 2021 Summer Camp is now open. Please see their website for this year's camp themes and schedules.
- Our county parks are up and running, but there is something we would like our visitors to help us with: please use the waste receptacles for your trash
- The Tasty Tuesdays' food truck event will be every Tuesdays at the Irvine-McDowell Park from 5 until 8pm through October. This event has grown by leaps and bounds in the six weeks it has been going on and it is a great time for everybody. If you would like to participate as a vendor, contact Richmond Parks and Recreation.
- Preliminary plans for Berea's 2021 Spoonbread Festival in September are in the process of starting up. If you would like to help this year or want to have a booth, please contact the Berea Chamber of Commerce.

Comments from Magistrates:

Magistrate Botkin noted that when magistrates share a road that they must split the cost on those. Crutcher Pike is a road that was blacktopped last year with shared funds. This year, it is in the plan to complete some more

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blacktopping on that road. In the fourth district, Eagle Drive and Meadow Ridge Drive were chosen for blacktopping. He stated that roads are often blacktopped in sections because one year's budget will more than likely not blacktop the whole thing. If there are additional funds available, more work may be completed. Turner Ridge is another road that is just a mess; it needs blacktop but there is only so much money. Galloway Lane in Berea and Mountain View Estate are both subdivisions that are old and need road repairs. Botkin thanked the Boy Scouts organizations that came out and helped to pick up trash and limbs out at Battlefield this past weekend. Troop 118 and 401 were a big help. The road department is getting caught up a little bit on the limb pickup. He thanked J.C. Young, Executive Director of the Kentucky Magistrates and Commissioners Association, as well as Representative Deanna Frazier. During the last legislative session, J.C. was up there everyday fighting for things that benefit bills that benefit the county. We would be at a loss without him and Deanna Frazier. She lets the court know if there is something that will affect their areas. The court can contact her, and she will go up and push and fight for those bills. He stated that if anyone needs him, they could reach him at 200-9765.

Magistrate Tudor stated that he attended a training conference in Lexington this past week and go some new ideas and listed to some good speakers. It is always good to go to these training conferences to get some ideas of how to improve the county. The boat ramp at College Hill has been cleaned off and is now open. It is clean and ready to launch boats. Tudor has been in conversation with the road advisor, Willie Willis, and picking out roads that need blacktopping this coming year. The list is almost completed. He stated that the weather has been nicer and there will be a lot of kids out so slow down and watch for them. Also, do not throw out your trash and please pickup litter that you see.

Magistrate Barger thanked Magistrate Botkin for his help in getting a little blacktop in an area that they share the road. He stated that he always appreciates when the court can cooperate with each other. He stated that they had some good speakers at the training conference he attended. It was a good time being able to talk together and share ideas and thoughts with one another.

Magistrate Reynolds mentioned that the Spoon Bread festival is coming back this year and will need a lot of help.

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

ANNOUNCE NEXT COURT DATE:

Judge Taylor announced the next court date for April 27, 2021 at 9:30am via Zoom Video Conferencing.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Motion from Tom Botkin to adjourn, seconded by Paul Reynolds. Hearing no objection, the meeting adjourned 10:31 am.



REAGAN TAYLOR MADISON CO. JUDGE/EXECUTIVE