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

The Madison County Fiscal Court convened in special session on the 27<sup>th</sup> 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, Paul Reynolds, and John Tudor were present. Madison County Attorney Jennie Haymond and Madison County Clerk Kenny Barger were also present.

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

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

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

Glenna Smith, Treasurer, addressed the court to give the monthly treasurer's report (see on file).

### **IN RE: Distribution of 2021-2022 Draft Fiscal Court Budget:**

Glenna Smith, Treasurer, addressed the court to present the distribution of the 2021-2022 draft fiscal court budget. This provides the court a comparison to the last five years. The only budget that is not prepared yet is the health fund. As soon as that is lined out it will be presented to the court. There will be a budget workshop on May 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am that will go over each line item.

### **IN RE: Resolution 2021-43—Election Systems & Software, LLC Agreement:**

Judge Taylor presented Resolution 2021-43—Election Systems & Software, LLC Agreement for the court's approval. The Madison County Clerk desires to continue their license of the software and purchase related services from ES&S for use in Madison County, Kentucky.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Roger Barger to approve Resolution 2021-43—Election Systems & Software, LLC Agreement.

Kenny Barger, Madison County Clerk, explained that this agreement involves what is known as the Balotar system. This is the printer and computer that allows the office to print ballots for absentee and early voting. On the old contract, ES&S provided the office with the toner and replacements for the printer. Now, the office will be responsible for the toner and replacements, which will be cheaper.

Magistrate Botkin questioned if representatives from ES&S come to the office very often because their service fee is listed as \$1700.00/per day.

Barger stated that the only time representatives from ES&S visit the office is to provide technical support for the equipment on election days.

Magistrate Botkin inquired if Barger saw any irregularities in the system this past year.

Barger noted that there were no problems.

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 2021-44—CARES Act Grant Central Kentucky Regional Airport:**

Judge Taylor presented Resolution 2021-44—CARES Act Grant Central Kentucky Regional Airport for the court's approval. This resolution is concerning the CARES Act grant offer, no. 3-21-0066-020-2021, for the Central Kentucky Regional Airport.

Motion by Paul Reynolds seconded by Tom Botkin to approve Resolution 2021-44—CARES Act Grant Central Kentucky Regional Airport.

Magistrate Botkin stated that the airport board is on a really tight schedule for this. He noted that there is a clause written to "buy American," and explained that this is not as easy as you think it is and to be aware of that.

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Magistrate Tudor explained that this resolution is to reimburse the airport for lost revenue due to the COVID crisis. He questioned what else these funds can be used for.

Magistrate Botkin stated that it can be used for extra man hours, cleaning supplies, etc.

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 2021-45—Road Department Salt Bid Award:**

Willie Willis, Road Superintendent, presented Resolution 2021-45—Road Department Salt Bid Award for the court's approval. He stated that the bids were properly posted and have been opened and reviewed by the Madison County Road Department. There were four bids received. Willis recommended that the court should award the bid to Detroit Salt Company LLC for 97.20/per ton through the KACo reverse salt auction.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 2021-45—Road Department Salt Bid Award.

Magistrate Botkin commented that this was the same company used last year. He noted that one of the good things is that they will guarantee the same price up to a 20 percent overage.

Magistrate Tudor questions how many tons were used during last winter.

Willis estimated that 3,500 tons were used.

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 2021-46—Blue Grass Chemical Activity—Blue Grass Army Depot MOU:**

Dustin Heiser, EMA Director, presented Resolution 2021-46—Blue Grass Chemical Activity—Blue Grass Army Depot MOU for the court's approval. This resolution will approve the signature of the updated Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Blue Grass Chemical Activity (BGCA), Blue Grass Army Depot (BGAD), Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives (ACWA), and Madison County.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Paul Reynolds to approve Resolution 2021-46—Blue Grass Chemical Activity—Blue Grass Army Depot MOU.

Magistrate Botkin stated that the practices out there have been stellar to this point in time, with the exposures and the things that have been limited and released out there. We want to maintain a perfect record out there if we can. He stated his appreciation for Heiser staying on top of this.

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 2021-47—CSEPP Financial and Grants Management Courses Bid Award:**

Dustin Heiser, EMA Director, presented Resolution 2021-47—CSEPP Financial and Grants Management Courses Bid Award. The Madison County CSEP program and the Bluegrass CSEPP footprint have a need for financial and grants management training. There was one bid received for the training from Management Concepts. The Madison County CSEP program team along with the Kentucky Emergency Management staff recommended that this bid be awarded to Management Concepts.

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Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by Roger Barger to approve Resolution 2021-47—CSEPP Financial and Grants Management Courses Bid Award.

Heiser explained that these are the final years of the CSEP program and that there are a lot of grants and financial management to come along with that closeout. Management Concepts does a fantastic job with this kind of training and they are well known throughout FEMA and other states. The goal is to provide a minimum of one training course per year from the Madison County CSEPP budget and one from the Kentucky Emergency Management budget. If budgets allow for more training, then they will do so.

Magistrate Botkin questioned if the classes would be virtual or in-person.

Heiser responded that they will stick with virtual for the 2021 calendar year.

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 Vanderloef, Battlefield Golf Club Director, addressed the court to recommend that they hire Scott Clark as seasonal grounds crew at \$10.00/per hour, effective April 28, 2021.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by John Tudor to hire Scott Clark as seasonal grounds crew at \$10.00/per hour, effective April 28, 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 Berea Chamber of Commerce is offering (2) scholarships to the Class of 2021 graduating seniors at Berea Community High School & Madison Southern High School. Students should contact their school counselor for an application and additional information. Deadline submission is midnight Friday, April 30, 2021.
- Maple Grove Road/KY 1984 bridge replacement is set to begin Monday, May 17, 2021. This bridge was determined unsafe for the traveling public and was closed April 23, 2020, due to the condition of the superstructure. The anticipated completion date is Tuesday, August 31, 2021.
- National Day of Prayer will be May 6<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am-2:00pm in front of the courthouse.
- Eastern Kentucky's Spring Commencement exercises will be Friday and Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, at various locations across ECU's campus. Please see ECU's website for exact locations and times. In light of this, traffic around ECU and especially on the Eastern Bypass will be heavy those days, so you may need to plan accordingly.
- The Berea Police Department is sponsoring a Spring Clean-Up in Berea on Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>. Everyone will meet at Berea's City Hall at 9am/ Please bring gloves and trash bags or anything else you think would help with a "clean up." For more information, please contact the Berea Police Department.
- Reminder...driver's license and other types of official Governmental IDs are now issued through the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Driver's License Regional Office in the Richmond Mall. Please visit [www.drive.ky.gov](http://www.drive.ky.gov) to schedule an appointment. You will no longer go to the Madison County Courthouse for your driver's license or other types of ID.
- Please remember that all county parks close at dusk each day, and please use the designated parking areas and trash receptacles.

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- Fort Boonesborough is open for season. It is a great place to take the kids or out of town visitors. The fort is open Wednesday through Sunday from 9am to 5pm. While the fort is open, the campground areas at Fort Boonesborough are closed due to damage from the February flooding until August 1, 2021.
- Now is the time to be getting your team together for the Richmond Chamber of Commerce's 40<sup>th</sup> annual Business on the Greens Golf Tournament. This year's tournament will be Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, at the Boones Trace National Golf Club. Please see the Richmond Chamber's website for more details, registration, or sponsorship opportunities.
- We are getting into blacktopping season, so please be mindful of our road work crews as they do this vital work for our county.

### **Comments from Magistrates:**

**Magistrate Botkin** thanked Brandon at the state for the blacktopping that they have been doing. He stated that he thought that work was complete on I75; they went from Rockcastle to Clays Ferry. There were some bad places and it really needed to be done. Hopefully, the state will start slope mowing within the next couple of weeks. Botkin requested for it down on 595 in between the turnoff from Barnes Mill to Round Hill. There are some bushes down there that really need cutting back off the highway. He has requested some guard rail through the state and the state engineer stated that they were going to go out and look at that to be put up on 595 across from Warren's Greenhouse. Botkin has received several calls concerning broadband. The American Rescue Plan Act will hopefully give the county some funds to expand broadband. That will be of top priority. There was also some money that was received back six weeks ago for extension of broadband out into the county. If there are any concerns about not having it, please call. There is a plan in place to get that out to as many places as possible. If the Coronavirus has been good for nothing else, it has put a spotlight on the holes in internet coverage throughout Madison County. The county will start blacktopping next week. Botkin noted that the roads that were selected are not the only places in need of improvement. The money will only go so far. Everything is in a priority system and hopefully there will state funds available later so that more blacktopping can be completed. He thanked the state for putting up signage at the end of Caleast and Duncannon to keep trucks from getting off the Duncannon exit when the interstate goes down. Botkin wished Magistrate Tudor a happy birthday.

**Magistrate Tudor** stated that he had talked with the Road Supervisor and that the roads have been chosen that the county is going to blacktop this year. Like tom said, we cannot get everything in need of blacktop but will go as far as possible and put those other roads on the list for next year. Please be patient. About a week ago the county put up some no littering signs out on some of the county roads. We have had a lot of littering this spring on our roads and are trying to do some pick up but there is still some out there. We need to quit throwing our trash from these fast-food restaurants out on the road. Littering makes a terrible ugly mess out there. Tudor received several calls from the Speedwell Road area where the AppHarvest Greenhouse is going. The road is getting broken up with the big trucks going up through there. Tudor reached out to Brandon McIntosh yesterday and was told that a crew would be out there today with some hot patch. Also, thank you to Brandon for putting up a culvert down on Dreyfus Road. He stated his appreciation for the county and state road department. Lastly, Bill Wesley, State Representative, has agreed to meet with the residents of Waco on Saturday, May 8, 2021 to discuss having a Waco Community Park. If you live in the Waco area, please be at that meeting from 10am-11am.

**Magistrate Barger** noted that the limb pickup is finishing up if it has not already. After they get done with that, they will start the blacktopping; keep an eye out for that. After receiving calls from concerned constituents, Barger reached out to the state and had them put up signage on Colonel Road that tells how tall the opening is at the underpass. He noted that he had some concerns with drivers parking their trucks on the side of the road as you go by the truck stop because the edges of the road are not supported like the blacktop in the middle. He stated his appreciation for everybody for their work in the county.

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**Magistrate Reynolds** stated that the Botkin and Barger covered everything.

**Judge Taylor** stated that the Road Department picked up limbs at 833 different properties. That is an outstanding figure if you think about the short period of time that it was completed in.

**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 Paul Reynolds to approve pay claims and transfers.

**ANNOUNCE NEXT COURT DATE:**

Judge Taylor announced the next court date for May 11, 2021 at 9:30am via Zoom Video Conferencing. There will be a special called budget work session on May 4, 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 10:20 am.



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REAGAN TAYLOR MADISON CO. JUDGE/EXECUTIVE