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Meeting of; Madison County Fiscal Court
Meeting Type; Regularly Scheduled

HONORABLE REAGAN TAYLOR COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE PRESIDING

The Madison County Fiscal Court convened in regular session on the 24th of August 2021 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: Roger Barger, Tom Botkin, and John Tudor 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.
Judge Taylor asked Pastor Joe Wood from Vineyard Community Church to lead the court in prayer. Judge Taylor asked Sheriff Coyle to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: Approval of Meeting Minutes 08-10-2021:

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by Tom Botkin to approve the minutes from the regularly called meeting on August 10, 2021.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

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

IN RE: 2nd Reading Ordinance 2021-14—Zone Change 3276, 3278, 3280, & 3292 Lexington Road:

Bert Thomas, Planning and Building Codes Director, presented the second reading of Ordinance 2021-14—Zone Change 3276, 3278, 3280 & 3292 Lexington Road. The Madison County Planning Commission recommended to approve the Land Use change request from UC-4IC (Urban Corridor-Interstate Commercial) and UC-1 (Urban Corridor-Single Family Residential) to UC-11 (Planned Unit Development).

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Roger Barger to approve the second reading of Ordinance 2021-14—Zone Change 3276, 3278, 3280, & 3292 Lexington Road.

Magistrate Tudor questioned if each of the properties were owned by the same person.

Thomas responded that they were.

Judge Taylor noted that the property has been used for different kinds of things over the years.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

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

IN RE: Resolution 2021-92—Kentucky Waste Tire Management Project:

Scott Shepherd, Road Department Administrator, presented Resolution 2021-92—Kentucky Waste Tire Management Project for the court’s approval. This resolution will allow the Madison County Fiscal Court to enter into an agreement with the Kentucky Division of Waste Management for the 2021 Waste Tire Management Program.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by Roger Barger to approve Resolution 2021-92—Kentucky Waste Tire Management Project.

Judge Taylor noted that every three years, the state hosts a tire amnesty day.

Shepherd stated that this event is not exclusive to Madison County, any surrounding county can bring tires to our event. At the last event, Madison County collected around 20,000 waste tires. He shared that this year he has asked for two locations. They were unable to do that this year due to staffing shortages. We will only have one location for both the south parts of the county and the north. This event will run Thursday through Friday from 8am to 4pm and on Saturday from 8am to 3pm.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Yes
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Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 2021-97—Madison County 2021 Ad Valorem Rates.

Judge Taylor explained how these rates are calculated.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Personnel—Judge Executive's Office:

Morgan Elliston, Human Resources Coordinator, addressed the court to recommend that they hire Jill Williams as a part-time Public Relations Coordinator, with a starting salary of \$700.00/weekly, effective August 24, 2021.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by John Tudor to approve the hire of Jill Williams as a part-time Public Relations Coordinator, with a starting salary of \$700.00/weekly, effective August 24, 2021.

Williams stated that she has spent the last fifteen years working in corporate public relations and marketing. Williams is an ECU graduate and spent ten years with Baptist Health leading their marketing and branding and their transition from Pattie A. Clay to Baptist Health. She noted that she looks forward to working with the court and communicating all the great work that they have been doing for Madison County.

Judge Taylor stated that Williams has been an active member of the community with the Chamber of Commerce, PACA, and Pops at the Park.

IN RE: Judge's Report:

- Health Care Heroes Appreciation Week began August 22nd. Our health care workers have worked diligently for 17 months to treat patients during the Covid surges. This has not been an easy task for them. They are tired and overworked. They're having to hold hands of sick individuals while watching them take their last breath. They are being called health care heroes because they continue to work every day & night trying to save as many Covid patients as possible. Thank you so much to each and every one of these heroes for everything they are doing to keep our community healthy and safe.
- Shout out to the Fire Department for receiving a letter from PETA recognizing their efforts in removing a cat that was stuck in the engine compartment of a car. They also helped remove a hamster that had crawled into the dash of a car, and Bo Tate located Topaz, the missing tortoise, on his farm.
- Shout out to Phillip Seyfrit for being recognized by the Richmond Register as a Community Unsung Hero in the category of Veteran Services. Stop by the battle of Richmond Visitors Center to congratulate him and check out the great exhibits while you're there.
- The Battle of Richmond Civil War Reenactment scheduled for August 28th and August 29th has been cancelled.
- Hope's Wings' Evening of Hope scheduled for Friday, August 27th, has been cancelled. They hope to have the event in the future.
- KidsFest will be Saturday, September 11th, from 11a, to 5pm at the Irvine-McDowell Park.
- The Pattie A. Clay Auxiliary (PACA) Charity Ball scheduled for September 11th has been cancelled.
- White Hall State Shrine's Golden Anniversary Celebration scheduled for Friday, September 17th, has been cancelled. They are looking at other dates for a possible re-scheduling.
- Berea's Spoonbread Festival will be on September 17, 18, and 19th. Contact the Berea Chamber of Commerce for more information.
- Richmond's first Millstone Festival will be Saturday, October 9th. Contact Richmond Parks and Recreation for more information.
- The Madison County Courthouse and its related offices will be closed on Monday, September 6th, for the Labor Day holiday. Offices will re-open on Tuesday, September 7th at 8am.

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Comments from Magistrates:

Magistrate Botkin stated that the magistrates had the opportunity to go to the dedication of the Milford Historical marker out on Goggins Lane and Barnes Mill. He stated that it was a really good event. Milford, for the most part doesn't exist today, but that was where the original county seat was at in Madison County. Tom Black did a lot of good work out there. Botkin stated that he has had a couple of phone calls here recently about the guard rails being damaged over at the intersection of 499 and US 25. Botkin has reached out to the state and contacted their person in charge of that. Botkin was then informed that they have five crews that go around the state and repair guardrails; right now, there are two crews doing them all. He voiced his appreciation for Scott and the guys down at the road department.

Magistrate Tudor stated that he has been working with the state road department because signs were needed on state roads for school bus stops. He noted that there have been a couple of parents and grandmothers calling about their grandkids loading out on busy roads and trying to get some school bus stop signs to alert people to slow down a little bit and keep their children safe. Tudor stated that the litter abatement program is going to start up again October 15th. Tudor plans to organize a trash pick-up in the Waco neighborhood out there and get some volunteers to help.

Magistrate Barger stated that our department don't get enough recognition for what they do behind the scenes; they make us look good and don't get any appreciation a lot of times. Barger noted that when he goes to different departments, they are always courteous and try to answer any questions. He voiced his appreciation for everybody behind the scenes.

Comments from Department Heads:

Scott Shepherd, Road Department Administrator, stated that October 2nd will be the annual Household Hazardous Waste Event and that will be at 208 Clarksville Lane from 9am to 3pm. This is a time you can bring any type of pesticides, oil-based paints, mercury thermometers, and anything that you normally can't throw away in your daily trash. The next weekend will be the waste tire collection. That will run Thursday through Saturday. Saturday, October 16th, will be the River Sweep; that's where volunteers are invited to pick up trash along the Kentucky river from 9am to 1pm, and after there will be a cookout for everybody. The fall Litter Abatement Program will start September 15th through October 31st; the county gets money from the state and civic organizations will pick up certain mileage of roads and will get paid an amount for that. The county will collect the litter when they're finished. If you see people out with yellow vests on, be careful and slow down for them.

Comments from the Audience:

No comments from the Audience.

IN RE: Pay Claims and Approve Transfers:

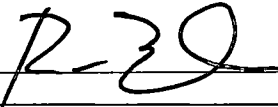
Motion made by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to approve pay claims and transfers.

ANNOUNCE NEXT COURT DATE:

Judge Taylor announced the next court date for September 14, 2021, in Berea at 9:30am.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Motion from Tom Botkin to adjourn, seconded by Roger Barger. Hearing no objection, the meeting adjourned 11:46 am.



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