

Meeting Date: 6/28/2022

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 28th of June 2022 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: Ben Robinson III, Roger Barger, John Tudor, and Tom Botkin 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.

Judge Taylor asked Reverend James Atherton from College Hill United Methodist Church to lead the Court in prayer. Judge Taylor asked Madison County Sheriff Mike Coyle to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: Approval of Meeting Minutes 6-14-2022:

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to approve the minutes from the regularly called meeting on June 14, 2022.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes Ben Robinson III-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

Treasurer's Report:

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

Magistrate Tudor asked about the Road Fund line item where the expenditures were more than the revenue. Smith stated that FEMA owes the County from the 2019 ice and flood disaster. It is not unusual for FEMA to take a long time to send the payment but she is hopeful they will get paid in the next couple of months. Also, the State still owes the County on the bike path project and other discretionary funds that should be coming soon.

IN RE: Proclamation—Victoria Benge Day:

Judge Taylor proclaimed June 28, 2022, as Victoria Benge Day in recognition of her accomplishments, leadership, dedication, and service to our citizens and CASA of Madison and Clark Counties having been named National Program Director of the Year.

Victoria Benge, CASA Executive Director; Stephanie Diaj, CASA Senior Volunteer Coordinator; Rosalyn Patton-Pelt, CASA Volunteer Coordinator; Eve Rabinoff, CASA Volunteer Coordinator; Erin Truett, Former CASA Board President; and Elvis Romero, as well as several volunteers were in attendance for the proclamation.

Benge thanked the Court for their support, and her team of volunteers, staff, board members, and supporters for their work. She encouraged members of the community to sign up to volunteer with CASA by calling or emailing her at victoria@madisoncasa.org. She also informed the Court that CASA's Superhero Gala will be held on August 10th.

IN RE: 2nd Reading Ordinance 2022-07—Fiscal Court Budget for 2022-2023:

Glenna Smith, Treasurer, presented the 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2022-07—Fiscal Court Budget for 2022-2023 for the Court's approval. This Ordinance is to adopt the 2022-2023 Fiscal Court Budget.

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Motion by Roger Barger seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve the 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2022-07— Fiscal Court Budget for 2022-2023.

Magistrate Botkin thanked Smith for the good budget she provided.

Magistrate Tudor stated about half of the revenue is CSEPP money, which we will be losing in a couple of years. He appreciated Smith for her work on the budget.

There were no audience comments.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes Ben Robinson III-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 2022-84—Treasurer's Request to Pre-Approve Claims and Transfers:

Glenna Smith, Treasurer, presented Resolution 2022-84—Treasurer's Request to Pre-Approve Claims and Transfers for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to approve the Treasurer's request to pre-approve the claims and transfers that might come through by June 30, 2022.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve Resolution 2022-84—Treasurer's Request to Pre-Approve Claims and Transfers.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes Ben Robinson III-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 2022-85—Madison County Sheriff's 2021 Local Tax Settlement:

Judge Taylor presented Resolution 2022-85—Madison County Sheriff's 2021 Local Tax Settlement for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to approve the Madison County Sheriff's local tax settlement collected in 2021.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Roger Barger to approve Resolution 2022-85—Madison County Sheriff's 2021 Local Tax Settlement.

Mary Margaret Young, Administrative Director, stated that there were a few glitches within the GUTS system with mixing up the commissions for the Health and Ambulance (Ambulance should be 4.0% and Health should be 4.25%), and nothing was held out for Water Shed. There was also an error on the Sheriff's Report in which the refunds were not subtracted off when the additional bills were manually added. The Sheriff's Department collected over \$59 million in taxes for 2021, and just a little over \$1 million went delinquent.

Judge Taylor stated that the \$59 Million is collected for all taxing districts which includes the State portion, the School, the County, Ambulance, Health Department, Library, and Extension.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes Ben Robinson III-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 2022-86—Detention Center Roadside Inmate Work Crews MOA:

Judge Taylor presented Resolution 2022-86—Detention Center Roadside Inmate Work Crews MOA for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) and the Madison County Detention Center for roadside inmate work crews good from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024.

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Motion by Ben Robinson III seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 2022-86—Detention Center Roadside Inmate Work Crews MOA.

Magistrate Botkin asked if this MOA was for a 1-5 man crew, and if it would allow for a 2nd crew. Judge Taylor said yes it was and if the Transportation Cabinet sees if there were a need for a 2nd crew this would allow that.

Jailer Tussey stated that the inmates that are allowed to be on the work crews are State inmates that are classified at a level 1, and they don't get a lot of inmates with that classification level. He explained that this MOA will allow him to put a crew out on trash pick-up every day, which he is not always able to do with County inmates. The State, County, and State Inmates on the crew all will benefit from this program.

Magistrate Botkin stated that this is a good program and will provide a good impact on the County roads trash clean up.

Magistrate Tudor asked if there was a number for people to call about roadside trash pick-up. Jailer Tussey stated to call the Jail at 859-624-4710 and they will dispatch a crew out.

Judge Taylor stated that the crew this MOA covers would be getting their job duties from Brandon McIntosh at the Transportation Cabinet on a daily basis.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes Ben Robinson III-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 2022-87—Madison County Information Technology Service Agreement for 2022-2023:

Chris Iseral, Chief Information Officer, presented Resolution 2022-87—Madison County Information Technology Service Agreement for 2022- 2023 for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to authorize the signing of contractual agreements by the Madison County Fiscal Court to provide IT Services to the 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 Utilities District, Madison County PVA, Madison County EMS, and Southern Madison Water District from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Roger Barger to approve presented Resolution 2022-87—Madison County Information Technology Service Agreement for 2022- 2023.

Clerk Barger stated that Iseral does other things to bring in revenue that helps pay for the services that he provides to the Fiscal Court.

Magistrate Tudor stated that he is proud to have Iseral on the County IT Department, who keeps up with the newest technology, works well with all the Departments in the County, and provides services that helps the County save money.

Magistrate Robinson thanked Iseral and his team for keeping the County's IT system safe and for all the work that they do behind the scenes.

Magistrate Tudor also asked Iseral if he would be willing to put together a class or meeting to keep the Magistrates updated with all the new IT services that are being used within the County. Iseral stated that would be a good idea to do about 2 times a year to keep them all up to date.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes Ben Robinson III-Yes

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IN RE: Resolution 2022-88—Madison County Information Technology Telephone & Internet Services Contract:

Chris Iseral, Chief Information Officer, presented Resolution 2022-88—Madison County Information Technology Telephone & Internet Services Contract for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to authorize the signing of a Telephone and Internet Services contract between the Madison County Fiscal Court and Kinetic Business (Windstream).

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 2022-88—Madison County Information Technology Telephone & Internet Services Contract.

Iseral explained the process of how they got to the point of looking for quotes for a new telephone system and how beneficial that system would be to the County.

Magistrate Robinson asked about the cost of the rented equipment through Windstream compared to AT&T. Iseral stated it would be \$2.50 per phone and \$3 per service for a total of \$5.50 per user per month, which the County has about 225 users. He also asked Iseral if he and his team are comfortable with doing the pro installation themselves. Iseral stated that yes, they are. Instead of Windstream sending people out to install the phones, the County IT Department will do the installation with Windstream on Zoom walking them through it.

Judge Taylor thanked Iseral and his team for doing their due diligence in making sure this was the direction the County needed to go.

Magistrate Tudor asked Iseral for an update on the Broadband Internet service. Iseral said that they have been working with Spectrum to help determine customers who may actually be in their scope of coverage. All Points is continuing to work with the County to finalize their agreement. Iseral encouraged the public to go online to fill out the form from All Points through Madison Connect on the Madison County website for them to see who is unserved, underserved, or even served.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes Ben Robinson III-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 2022-89—Deicing Road Salt Bid Award:

Scott Shepherd, Road Department Supervisor, presented Resolution 2022-89—Deicing Road Salt Bid Award for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to award the Madison County Road Department Deicing Road Salt bid to Morton Salt, Inc. for \$102.04 per ton of deicing road salt.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Roger Barger to approve Resolution 2022-89—Deicing Road Salt Bid Award.

Shepherd explained that they are involved in the KACo salt auction as well as bidding it out to get the best price on deicing salt. This year, the KACo salt auction was about \$24 more than last year's cost, whereas the Morton Salt, Inc was only a \$5 increase.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes Ben Robinson III-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 2022-90—Tax Assessment Board Appointment:

Judge Taylor presented Resolution 2022-90—Tax Assessment Board Appointment for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to appoint Will Sharp to the Tax Assessment Board.

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Motion by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to approve Resolution 2022-90—Tax Assessment Board Appointment appointing Will Sharp to the Tax Assessment Board.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes Ben Robinson III-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 2022-91—Annual Employee Adjustments for 2022-2023:

Morgan Elliston, HR Coordinator, presented Resolution 2022-91—Annual Employee Adjustments for 2022-2023 for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to adopt the annual Employee Adjustments for 2022-2023 and to be effective beginning the July 6, 2022 pay period.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve Resolution 2022-91—Annual Employee Adjustments for 2022-2023.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes Ben Robinson III-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Personnel—Golf:

Gary Vanderoef, Director of Golf Operations, recommended the hiring of Emma Farthing as a Seasonal Outside Cart Attendant at a rate of \$9.50/hour.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to approve the hiring of Emma Farthing as a Seasonal Outside Cart Attendant at a rate of \$9.50/hour effective June 29, 2022.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes Roger Barger-Yes

John Tudor- Yes Ben Robinson III-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Personnel—Golf:

Gary Vanderoef, Director of Golf Operations, recommended the hiring of Ashton Ward as a Seasonal Grounds Maintenance at a rate of \$10.50/hour.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by John Tudor to approve the hiring of Ashton Ward as a Seasonal Grounds Maintenance at a rate of \$10.50/hour effective June 28, 2022.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes Roger Barger-Yes

IN RE: Personnel—Golf:

Gary Vanderoef, Director of Golf Operations, recommended the hiring of Adam Cole as a Seasonal Grounds Crew at a rate of \$10.50/hour.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve the hiring of Adam Cole as a Seasonal Grounds Crew at a rate of \$10.50/hour effective June 29, 2022.

Judge Taylor asked Vanderoef if these hires got them closer to being fully staffed. Vanderoef stated they are getting closer for the Grounds Crew, but they still have some seasonal staff openings.

Magistrate Robinson asked how people go about signing up to work; they need to go online to the Madison County website.

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John Tudor- Yes Ben Robinson III-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Judge's Report:

- I want to take a moment to recognize our Planning & Development Director Bert Thomas & his team. From training new employees, staff sickness, & increased business all while being short staffed, they have managed to continue getting their daily work completed; and most importantly putting citizens first. Bert & his team are always willing to lend a helping hand, and we greatly appreciate each one of them. Thank you to Olivia Gooch for hanging in there, Elizabeth Cordle from our Finance team for stepping up to assist in the department when needed, and Lauren Smith & Marty Sizemore for their continuous dedication.
- Kentucky Organ Donation Affiliates is hosting an Independence Day 5K on Saturday, July 2nd from 7:30 AM to 9 AM at White Hall State Historic Site in Richmond. Visit [runsignup.com](https://www.runsignup.com) to purchase tickets.
- The City of Berea's Annual 4th of July Spectacular will be Monday, July 4th beginning at 6 PM at the Berea City Park. There will also be a free live performance by Rock of Ages (an 80's rock tribute) at 8:00 PM. Fireworks will begin at 10 PM. Contact Berea Parks and Recreation for more details.
- Richmond's Independence Day Extravaganza will be Monday, July 4th at the Lake Reba Recreational Complex. Gates will open at 4:30 PM, and a live concert will begin at 5 PM. Fireworks will begin at 10 PM. There is a \$5.00 parking fee. For a complete schedule of events, please contact Richmond Parks and Recreation.
- The Berea Craft Festival will be Friday, July 8th through Sunday, July 10th at the Indian Fort Theater in Berea. View more details at www.visitberea.com.
- The Kirksville Community Center is having their "Christmas in July" Craft Show from 9 AM to 2 PM on Saturday, July 9th. Call 859-338-6690 or see the Kirksville Community Center's Facebook page for more information.
- Just a reminder, there are several road construction projects throughout the county. The road construction at the northern part of the Robert R. Martin Bypass will run through Friday, July 29th. Please be mindful of the road crews working in these areas.
- The Madison County Courthouse and its related offices will also be closed Monday, July 4th for the Independence Day holiday. Offices will re-open on Tuesday, July 5th at 8 AM.

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Comments from Magistrates:

Magistrate Tudor announced that the Richmond Arts Center is having an Independence Musical celebration at First Baptist Church at 7:00PM on Friday July 1st. Judge Taylor added that if anyone would like to sing in the chorus for this celebration, they are having practice on Tuesday night June 28th at 6:00 PM at the church. Tudor recognized Bert Thomas as going above and beyond with his work for the County.

Magistrate Barger wanted to show his appreciation to not only Chris Iseral but Ryan and the rest of the IT Department for all their work they do for the County.

Magistrate Robinson was thankful to be back at Court after having Covid. He thanked Glenna Smith and her staff for their hard work on putting together a great budget. He also thanked Scott Shepherd and his crew for getting the East Barker Ln bridge repaired, and back up and going quickly. He encouraged the public to go online and fill out the Madison Connect form; it only takes a couple minutes and is very beneficial in helping to get everyone in the County highspeed internet.

Magistrate Botkin thanked Brandon McIntosh with the State Road Department for putting some millings at the entrance for the Twin Lakes Subdivision. The State will also be clearing some line-of-sight issues on Highway 52 around Indian Mound Rd. There has been a request for signs on Highway 52 to be replaced, as well as fixing the dip in front of the Kirksville Elementary School, which will hopefully get fixed in the next couple of months. The State has patched the concrete bridge at Fort Estill Hill and are trying to get a contract to resurface it. They are still working on the contract to get the bridge cleaned out at Silver Creek on Highway 52; they are waiting on a crane to get down there. Botkin thanked Scott Shepherd and the Road Department for the work they did on Wallace Mill Rd, the Idylwild Subdivision, and on N. Dogwood.

Comments from Department Heads:

No Comments from Department Heads.

Comments from the Audience:

Reverend James Atherton from College Hill United Methodist Church gave an update on an organization called City for the Nations that he is a part of, and their partnership with the nation of Najir, Africa. They work with remote people groups in Najir that are "unengaged" with other organizations, to help start churches and bring people to Christ. Through the City of the Nations, they are also able to partner with Activate Global to help people in nations like Najir to start micro and small businesses.

IN RE: Pay Claims and Approve Transfers:

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

ANNOUNCE NEXT COURT DATE:

Judge Taylor announced the next court date for July 12, 2022, in Berea at 9:30AM.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Motion from Tom Botkin to adjourn, seconded by Roger Barger. Hearing no objection, the meeting adjourned at 10:59 PM.

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