

Meeting Date; 7/26/2022

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 26th of July 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, John Tudor, and Tom Botkin were present. Madison County Attorney Jennie Haymond, Madison County Sheriff Michael Coyle, 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 Jim Riggs from Big Hill Christian Church to lead the Court in prayer. Judge Taylor asked Sheriff Michael Coyle to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: Approval of Meeting Minutes 7-12-2022:

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to approve the minutes from the regularly called meeting on July 12, 2022.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Not in Attendance
John Tudor- Yes	Ben Robinson III- Yes
Reagan Taylor – Yes	

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report was postponed until August 9, 2022.

IN RE: Resolution 2022-97—State Road Transfer-Simpson Lane:

Scott Shepherd, Road Supervisor, presented Resolution 2022-97—State Road Transfer-Simpson Lane for the Court's approval. This Resolution is approving a road transfer from the Commonwealth of Kentucky to the Madison County Fiscal Court.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 2022-97—State Road Transfer-Simpson Ln.

Magistrate Tudor asked Shepherd how many landowners have property that will be affected by this transfer. Shepherd stated to his knowledge it only affects two individuals.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger-Not in Attendance
John Tudor- Yes	Ben Robinson III-Yes
Reagan Taylor – Yes	

IN RE: Resolution 2022-98—Kirksville Volunteer Fire Department CDBG Grant Application:

Logan Hart, with the Bluegrass Area Development District, presented Resolution 2022-98—Kirksville Volunteer Fire Department CDBG Grant Application for the Court's approval. This Resolution is authorizing the submission of an application for the Kirksville Volunteer Fire Department Fire Station Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) with the intent of the Kirksville Volunteer Fire Department to purchase property adjacent to the current fire station and to construct a new fire station.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve Resolution 2022-98—Kirksville Volunteer Fire Department CDBG Grant Application.

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Magistrate Botkin stated that as a community they average about 140 calls a year and are on track to receive 150 calls this year. The existing structure doesn't have the room to house all their equipment, and is in need of repair. He is appreciative of the grant to provide the new structure.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

Roger Barger-Not in Attendance

John Tudor- Yes

Ben Robinson III- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 2022-99—Tax Assessment Board Appointment:

Judge Taylor presented Resolution 2022-99—Tax Assessment Board Appointment for the Court's approval. This Resolution is appointing Owen Barnes to the Madison County Tax Assessment Board.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 2022-99—Tax Assessment Board Appointment appointing Owen Barnes to the Madison County Tax Assessment Board.

Magistrate Tudor stated that Barnes will be a good asset to the Tax Assessment Board. He's a businessman in Richmond and Berea who knows the value of commercial and residential properties.

Judge Taylor explained that the Tax Assessment Board is made up of 3 members. The Fiscal Court gets an appointment, the Judge Executive gets an appointment, and the city with the largest population gets an appointment, which is the City of Richmond. These appointments are 3-year terms, and the members cannot service back-to-back terms. The Fiscal Court or the Judge always tries to get a member with Berea representation.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

Roger Barger-Not in Attendance

John Tudor- Yes

Ben Robinson III- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 2022-100— Emergency Management Agency Communications Tower Sites Bid Award:

Jennifer Hitch, Deputy Director, presented Resolution 2022-100—Emergency Management Agency Communications Tower Sites Bid Award for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to award a bid for the Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Communications Tower Sites Improvement Work.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve Resolution 2022-100—Emergency Management Agency Communications Tower Sites Bid Award.

Magistrate Botkin asked what the scope of the work would be. Hitch stated that this would involve minor tower site improvements as they work on the radio system upgrade such as upgrading the fencing and gravel on the lots, minor electrical work, membranes for the roofs, and paving some of the drives to the towers.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

Roger Barger-Not in Attendance

John Tudor- Yes

Ben Robinson III- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 2022-101—MWM Consulting, LLC Professional Services Agreement:

Judge Taylor presented Resolution 2022-101—MWM Consulting, LLC Professional Services Agreement for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to approve a professional services agreement between the Madison County Fiscal Court and MWM Consulting, LLC for the purpose of MWM Consulting, LLC to conduct an Economic Development Study for the County to determine the best locations and industries to recruit to Madison County.

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Motion by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to approve Resolution 2022-101—MWM Consulting, Inc. Professional Services Agreement.

Magistrate Botkin stated that this agreement is a good thing to help the County to grow and determine the locations that it needs to grow in.

Magistrate Tudor believes MWM Consulting, LLC will provide some information and oversight on some areas that the County might not be able to find on their own.

Judge Taylor stated that he is excited about the opportunity this agreement will provide.

Magistrate Robinson asked is this information that will be provided be redundant with any comprehensive plans established or would it be put into a comprehensive plan and expand on that plan. Judge Taylor stated that this information would take a “deeper dive” into the comprehensive plans with looking at existing infrastructure, and workforce that is already in place, as well as the type of potential industries that need to be recruited, and locations within the County that need the growth.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

Roger Barger-Not in Attendance

John Tudor- Yes

Ben Robinson III- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Personnel—Golf:

Gary Vanderoef, recommended the hiring of Jerry Causey as a Seasonal Grounds Maintenance at a rate of \$10.50/hour effective July 27, 2022.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve the hiring of Jerry Causey as a Seasonal Grounds Maintenance at a rate of \$10.50/hour effective July 27, 2022.

Magistrate Tudor ask Vanderoef if Causey has worked with him before and Vanderoef stated that he has not, he was a new hire. He also stated that they will be losing 2 high school students once school starts.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

Roger Barger-Not in Attendance

John Tudor- Yes

Ben Robinson III- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Personnel—Golf:

Gary Vanderoef recommended the hiring of Jake Fritz as a Part-Time Seasonal Golf Shop at a rate of \$11/hour effective August 11, 2022.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to approve the hiring of Jake Fritz as a Seasonal Golf Shop at a rate of \$11/hour effective August 11, 2022.

Magistrate Robinson asked Vanderoef how he was doing at the staffing standpoint for Seasonal workers. Vanderoef stated that they are still short on the Grounds Crew members but explained that the Grounds Crew he has now is doing a fantastic job. Magistrate Robinson also asked how the rounds played tracking compared to last year. Vanderoef stated that in June they set a record for income in a single month, and so far in July they broke their record in income for any July they have previously had on Sunday. They are seeing a lot more younger people coming out to play.

Magistrate Tudor commended Vanderoef on the fantastic job he does at the Golf Course.

Magistrate Botkin expressed his appreciation for all Vanderoef’s work and expertise at the Golf Course.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

Roger Barger- Not in Attendance

John Tudor- Yes

Ben Robinson III- Yes

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IN RE: Personnel—Fire Department:

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Tim Gray, Chief, recommended the promotion of Herb Lovett to Training Officer at a yearly rate of \$58,000 effective August 3, 2022.

Motion by Ben Robinson III seconded by John Tudor to approve the promotion of Herb Lovett to Training Officer at a yearly rate of \$58,000 effective August 3, 2022.

Magistrate Botkin asked Chief Gray what he did for a Training Officer in the past. Chief Gray stated that every line officer is an instructor, so they had been trying to get everyone trained in each shift, everyone is getting trained but it's not at the same level of training for everyone. Chief Gray stated they also have 5 Volunteer Departments within the County and Lovett will be training those departments as well.

Magistrate Robinson stated the consistency in training across the County within all the Fire Departments will be great for the community.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes

Roger Barger- Not in Attendance

John Tudor- Yes

Ben Robinson III- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Judge's Report:

- Richmond Parks & Recreation and the Madison County Public Library will be hosting a Movie in the Park at Irvine-McDowell Park on Friday, July 29th. The movie featured is "Grease" & will begin at dark. Bring a blanket, a lawn chair, and enjoy the movie.
- The 2022 Madison County Fair and Horse Show will be July 29th through August 6th at the fairgrounds on Old Irvine Road. Please see the Madison County Fair's website for the most up to date information, forms, and schedules.
- The Taste of Richmond event will be Friday, July 29th from 5:30 PM to 8 PM at Richmond Centre. Bring your family & friends to enjoy a night filled with food trucks & live music.
- The 2022 Hops & Vines Festival will be Saturday, July 30th from 2 PM to 10 PM along South Second Street in downtown Richmond. Proceeds will benefit the Madison County Humane Society.
- CASA's Superhero Gala will be Saturday, August 6th from 6:30 PM to 10:30 PM at the ECU Center for the Arts Stage. Contact CASA to purchase required tickets.
- Berea Tourism is hosting a Back to School Bash on Saturday, August 6th at the Berea Welcome Center in Old Town Artisan Village from 11 AM to 2 PM. Contact Berea Tourism if you would like to donate school supplies or for more information.
- Richmond Teen Center and Richmond Parks & Recreation are hosting a Back to School Bash on Thursday, August 11th at Irvine-McDowell Park from 2 PM to 6 PM. Contact Richmond Parks & Recreation if you would like to donate school supplies or for more information.

Comments from Magistrates:

Magistrate Botkin stated the County is working on blacktopping roads for the fall. The exit at Duncannon at Buc-ee's is becoming hazardous with the semi-trucks that are parking on the side of the ramp and cautioned the community to be careful when getting on and off the exit ramps.

Magistrate Tudor encouraged the County to go out and support the Fair starting this weekend. He also cautioned the public on driving in the rain and with vacation travelers on the roadways. Tudor stated the

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Governor is hosting a Local Issues Conference in Louisville on August 17-19, 2022, and some of the Magistrates will be in attendance.

Magistrate Robinson stated that he was able to attend the Walk to Remember for those lost to Covid on Saturday at the Berea Hospital; it was a great event and was very well received. He has been working with the County and State Road Departments concerning paving 1st District roads in the fall as well.

Clerk Barger was encouraged to hear the teamwork going on between Richmond and Berea City Governments and Fire Departments; everyone working together benefits the County as a whole.

Sheriff Coyle thanked Clerk Barger for allowing the Sheriff's Department to use his van during the Sheriff's Association Boys and Girls Camp to transport the children to camp.

Comments from Department Heads:

No comments from the Audience.

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IN RE: Pay Claims and Approve Transfers:

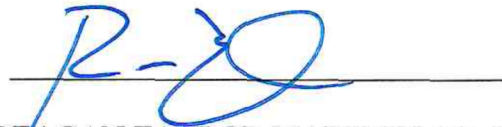
Motion made by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to approve to pay claims and transfers.

ANNOUNCE NEXT COURT DATE:

Judge Taylor announced the next court date for August 9, 2022, in Richmond at 9:30AM.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Motion from John Tudor to adjourn, seconded by Tom Botkin. Hearing no objection, the meeting adjourned at 10:23 PM.



REAGAN TAYLOR MADISON CO. JUDGE/EXECUTIVE