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Meeting of; Madison County Fiscal Court

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HONORABLE REAGAN TAYLOR COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE PRESIDING

The Madison County Fiscal Court convened in regular session on the 22nd of November 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 Michael Coyle, 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 Travis Farris from First Baptist Church in Richmond to lead the Court in prayer. Judge Taylor asked Sheriff Michael Coyle to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: Approval of Meeting Minutes 11-8-2022:

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to approve the minutes from the regularly called meeting on November 8, 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).

Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 1066 – Deputy Veteran Award:

Emerson McAfee presented a Deputy Veteran Award to Deputy Iian Bear, Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) President, for his leadership performance of duty, which reflects highly of him and the rest of the Madison County Sheriff's Department.

McAfee also spoke on the progress of the Kentucky Veterans Hall of Fame Monuments in Richmond and Berea.

Proclamation-Madison Central Marching Band State Champions:

Judge Taylor proclaimed November 22, 2022, as Madison Central Marching Band State Champions Day and encouraged all Madison Countians to join us in congratulating these band members and their directors on a job well done.

Robert Jaggie, Band Director, was present to accept the Proclamation, along with senior band members Sam Murray, Rae Hunt, Mique McCallister, and Ryan Word. Jaggie thanked the Court for the recognition; it's been a great fall for Central and he has a great group of students who have worked hard this season.

Proclamation-Madison Central Cross Country State Champion:

Judge Taylor proclaimed November 22, 2022, as Ciara O'Shea Day and encouraged all Madison Countians to join us in congratulating Ciara and her coach on a job well done.

Ciara O'Shea was present to accept the Proclamation, along with her coach & mother Jamie O'Shea, her father Ken O'Shea, siblings Gavin and Teagan O'Shea, and grandparents Steve and Judy Goodwin. Ciara thanked everyone who put in the time to help her get to where she is now; her mom who has coached her for the past 4 years, her family, and her teammates. She has recently committed to the University of North Carolina to run for them and is excited for more big things in her future.

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1st Reading Ordinance 2022-11—Business License Fee Schedule:

Jill Williams, Deputy Judge Executive, presented the 1st Reading of Ordinance 2022-11—Business License Fee Schedule for the Court's approval. This Ordinance is to update the requirements relating to business licenses and fees imposed upon certain occupations, trades, and professions conducting business in Madison County, Kentucky by authorizing the Code Enforcement Officer to administer and enforce the responsibilities associated with this Ordinance. This Ordinance will supersede all business licenses related ordinances, specifically Ordinances 04-21, 12-12, and 15-01.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by Tom Botkin to approve 1st Reading of Ordinance 2022-11—Business License Fee Schedule.

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 2022-128—Battlefield Golf Course Fee Schedule:

Gary Vanderoef, Director, presented Resolution 2022-128—Battlefield Golf Course Fee Schedule for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to adopt an updated Battlefield Golf Course fee schedule and supersedes Resolution 2022-15.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Roger Barger to approve presented Resolution 2022-128—Battlefield Golf Course Fee Schedule.

Vanderoef explained that the updated fee schedule would only increase the golf cart fees and become effective January 1, 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: Resolution 2022-129—Animal Care and Control Fee Schedule:

Katie Banks, Director, presented Resolution 2022-129—Animal Care and Control Fee Schedule for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to adopt an updated Madison County Animal Care and Control fee schedule, which is consistent with surrounding and similarly populated counties, and supersedes Resolution 20-122.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve Resolution 2022-129—Animal Care and Control Fee Schedule.

Magistrate Botkin asked why was it higher for pets that were not fixed compared to those that were. Banks explained that the license is more for unaltered pets with the reasoning that it should serve as an incentive to get your pet fixed. They currently have a partnership with the Humane Society that when an animal is adopted, they receive a voucher for \$75 to help cover the cost of getting the animal fixed.

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 2022-130—EMA/CSEPP All Hazards Position Specific Courses Bid Award:

Jennifer Hitch, Deputy Director, presented Resolution 2022-130—EMA/CSEPP All Hazards Position Specific Courses Bid Award for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to award a bid for All Hazards Position

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Specific Courses to encompass disaster management to contribute to the knowledge and skill for emergency personnel and responder training.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by Roger Barger to approve Resolution 2022-130—EMA/CSEPP All Hazards Position Specific Courses Bid Award.

Magistrate Botkin asked who would receive the training. Hitch stated that when they schedule a training course, it is open to the entire community, with the first options going to the County first responders, those responsible for responding to disasters, and CSEPP.

Magistrate Tudor asked how many sets are open for the courses. Hitch responded that an average class size is 30, but each course can differ some.

Magistrate Robinson asked if there was any information on why there was only one company to place a bid.

Hitch said that one thing that may have weighed in was that they asked for the price to be locked in for 3 years.

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 2022-131— Madison Airport Board, Inc. Appointment:

Jill Williams, Deputy Judge Executive, presented Resolution 2022-131— Madison Airport Board, Inc.

Appointment for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to re-appoint Myron Fisher to the Madison County Airport Board, Inc until appointment expiration on January 1, 2027.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Tom Botkin to approve Resolution 2022-131— Madison Airport Board, Inc. Appointment reappointing Myron Fisher to the Madison County Airport Board, Inc until appointment expiration on January 1, 2027.

Magistrate Botkin stated as a liaison to the Airport Board from the Court, he has seen firsthand what Myron has done for the Airport Board and is grateful to him for continuing to serve on the 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 2022-132— Madison County Planning Commission Board Appointment:

Jill Williams, Deputy Judge Executive, presented Resolution 2022-132— Madison County Planning

Commission Board Appointment for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to re-appoint Douglas Fritz to the Madison County Planning Commission Board until appointment expiration on December 30, 2026.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve Resolution 2022-132— Madison County Planning Commission Board Appointment to re-appoint Douglas Fritz to the Madison County Planning Commission Board until appointment expiration on December 30, 2026.

Magistrate Botkin stated that Mr. Fritz was appointed from the 4th District for that Board and is very pleased with the work he is doing for the County.

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 2022-133— FY 22 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Application:

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Tim Gray, Chief, presented Resolution 2022-133— FY 22 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Application for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to for the application and administration of Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Grant Programs Directorate Federal Fiscal Year 2022 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Funds to be used for operations and safety, vehicle acquisition, and regional projects.

Motion by Ben Robinson III seconded by Roger Barger to approve Resolution 2022-133— FY 22 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Application.

Magistrate Robinson asked what the normal Grant is that they receive. Chief couldn't think of receiving one recently but said the max they could receive would be \$70,000 or more, making the portion the County would have to contribute around \$10,000-\$15,000, which they try to budget for each year.

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 2022-134— 237 North Second Street, Richmond, KY Purchase Agreement:

Judge Taylor presented Resolution 2022-134— 237 North Second Street, Richmond, KY Purchase Agreement for the Court's approval. This Resolution is for the Madison County Fiscal Court to approve the purchase of real property located at 237 North Second Street, Richmond, which adjoins County owned property and will allow more parking spaces in the downtown area which has limited space.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by Roger Barger to approve Resolution 2022-134— 237 North Second Street, Richmond, KY Purchase Agreement.

Magistrate Robinson clarified that this was the Turpin Funeral Home. He asked if there were any concerns with asbestos that they would have to deal with when tearing the house down. Judge Taylor stated there is some but nothing that can't be taken care of when they start tearing the house down, which is part of the contingencies in the contract.

Magistrate Barger stated that the parking downtown is terrible, and this is needed to benefit both the county and city customers.

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 2022-135— Acceptance of Herndon Lane Tract and Road Improvements:

Scott Shepherd, Road Supervisor, presented Resolution 2022-135— Acceptance of Herndon Lane Tract and Road Improvements for the Court's approval. This Resolution is authorizing the acceptance of Herndon Lane Tract for the purpose of widening Herndon Lane.

Motion by Ben Robinson III seconded by Tom Botkin to approve Resolution 2022-135— Acceptance of Herndon Lane Tract and Road Improvements.

Magistrate Botkin asked Shepherd what the plan was for the improvements. Shepherd stated the plan is to take as much of the bank off as possible to create a slope, with the hope of getting an additional 6-8 feet of road. There is a lot of wrecks there due to the line of sight, which this will be able to help some.

Magistrate Tudor asked if this was a purchase or a donation from the Willis family. Shepherd stated that it was a donation.

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Judge Taylor stated that he and Shepherd met with the Willis Family and they were willing to help with the project for the safety of the community, and he appreciates their help. He also thanked County Attorney Jennie Haymond for her help in this project.

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—Fire Department:

Tim Gray, Chief, recommended the promotion of Thomas W. Pettit to a Firefighter III at a rate of \$9.74 per hour effective November 23, 2022.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve promotion of Thomas W. Pettit to a Firefighter III at a rate of \$9.74 per hour effective November 23, 2022.

Chief Gray stated that Thomas was hired in with IFSAC's through the DOD, and once he got his 400 hours of certification, that bumped him past a Firefighter II and straight to a Firefighter III.

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—Fire Department:

Tim Gray, Chief, recommended the promotion of Cordell B. Marcum as a Firefighter II, at a rate of \$9.24 per hour effective November 23, 2022.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve promotion of Cordell B. Marcum as a Firefighter II, at a rate of \$9.24 per hour effective November 23, 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: Judge's Report:

- Judge Taylor congratulated Road Department employees: Shane Poff, David Addison, & Ricky Foster for becoming EVT (Emergency Vehicle Technician) certified.
- Shop Small Saturday will be Saturday, November 26th. Shop Small Saturday encourages patronizing the small, locally owned shops for the Christmas season.
- Baptist Health Richmond invites you to An Evening of Hope in recognition of Lung Cancer Awareness Month. The event will be held at the Chenault Vineyards Welcome Center Tuesday, November 29th at 6 PM. Attendance is limited, and registration is required. Call 859-625-3675 for more information.
- Project Warm Feet is a community service project to collect socks for the less fortunate. The collection event will kick off December 1st and continue through December 20th. You can drop your donations off at the Battle of Richmond Visitors Center. The socks will be delivered to Salvation Army in Richmond to be distributed.

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- Berea Chamber of Commerce's Awards Banquet will be Thursday, December 1st at Boone Tavern. Contact the Berea Chamber for more information.
- Richmond's Christmas Parade will be Friday, December 2nd at 6 PM.
- Berea's Christmas Parade will be Saturday, December 3rd at 6 PM.
- Enrich – Richmond, KY will have their first Annual Christmas Tea event Sunday, December 18th from 5 PM to 7 PM at the Copper Fox Event Center. Please visit their Facebook page for more information, or to support their mission.
- The Madison County Courthouse and its related offices will be closed Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th for the Thanksgiving holiday. Offices will reopen on Monday, November 28th at 8 AM.

Comments from Magistrates:

Magistrate Barger expressed his appreciation to all the County employees.

Magistrate Robinson thanked the Willis family for donating some property on Herndon Ln to help make it safer, as well as Scott Shepherd and the Road Department. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Magistrate Botkin thanked Kenny and his employees for a successful and well-run election. He informed the public that on December 1st from 5:30-7:30 p.m., there will be a public meeting at the Kirksville Elementary School to discuss the possibility of the new economy road that's being developed. Also, in one of the board meetings of the Airport Board, there has been discussions of trying to straighten out the curve that's out there, so that may be something the Court needs to look into in the future. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and expressed his appreciation to all County employees.

Magistrate Tudor expressed his thankfulness to be able to serve the people of the 3rd District for the past 8 years. He thanked God, his family, friends, the community, his supporters, the relationships he has built throughout the State, and all the County employees for all their help over the years. His main goal as a Magistrate was to leave the County a little bit better than how they found it when they came in, and he feels that they have done that. He was glad to have served as Magistrate over the years and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Clerk Barger stated there was a 40% turnout for the election. He stated that because of the lines and the wait time, they will need more equipment, more locations, and more election officers. Even though there were lines at the polls, they moved quickly because of the election officers and their hard work and initiative. He also thanked the locations, particularly the library, who got slammed with voters and they responded by helping with line control, directing traffic, and providing additional help. All the locations received the Clerk's office with open arms and were happy to help with the election process, and Clerk Barger thanked them for that. However, there are still things to improve on for the next election in preparation of the Presidential Election. He also wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Attorney Haymond wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Comments from Department Heads:

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Scott Shepherd spoke to the Court about the process of getting some of the Road Department employees certified to work on emergency vehicles. He also thanked Chief Gray for his help and leadership in the certification.

Comments from the Audience:

Blake Vickers from the Richmond Register wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and congratulated Clerk Barger on a good job with the election.

No Comments from Facebook.

IN RE: Pay Claims and Approve Transfers:

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

ANNOUNCE NEXT COURT DATE:

Judge Taylor announced the next court date for December 13, 2022, in Richmond at 9:30AM.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Motion from John Tudor to adjourn, seconded by Ben Robinson III. Hearing no objection, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 AM.



REAGAN TAYLOR MADISON CO. JUDGE/EXECUTIVE