

Meeting Date; 12/13/2022

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 13th of December 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, Major Russell Lane, 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 Jason Koerner from Southland Christian 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 11-22-2022:

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve the minutes from the regularly called meeting on November 22, 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).

IN RE: 2nd Reading Ordinance 2022-11—Business License Fee Schedule:

Judge Taylor presented the 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2022-11—Business License Fee Schedule for the Court's approval. This ordinance is relating to business licenses and fees imposed upon certain occupations, trades, and professions conducting business in Madison County, Kentucky. Judge Taylor explained that the business license fee would go from a \$10 yearly fee to a one-time \$50 fee, and the current businesses in the County would be grandfathered in.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2022-11—Business License Fee Schedule.

Magistrate Botkin asked for clarification on the term "peddlers"; who did that entail. Glenna stated that it would be a vendor who is temporary, like the fireworks that are set up at gas stations.

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 2022-136—Madison County Public Library Board Appointment:

Jill Williams, Deputy Judge Executive, presented Resolution 2022-136— Madison County Public Library Board Appointment for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to appoint Charles Hay for the position of Madison County Public Library Board Member with an expiration date of January 1, 2027.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 2022-136— Madison County Public Library Board Appointment appointing Charles Hay to the Board with an expiration date of January 1, 2027.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger- Yes
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John Tudor- Yes Ben Robinson III-Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 2022-137—Madison County Public Library Board Appointment:

Jill Williams, Deputy Judge Executive, presented Resolution 2022-137— Madison County Public Library Board Appointment for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to appoint Diane Smith for the position of Madison County Public Library Board Member with an expiration date of January 1, 2027.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve Resolution 2022-137— Madison County Public Library Board Appointment appointing Diane Smith to the Board with an expiration date of January 1, 2027.

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 2022-138—Appointment of Applicant Agent for FEMA Disaster Grants:

Jill Williams, Deputy Judge Executive, presented Resolution 2022-138— Appointment of Applicant Agent for FEMA Disaster Grants for the Court's approval. This Resolution is approving the Madison County Treasurer as the applicant agent for FEMA Disaster Grants.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve Resolution 2022-138— Appointment of Applicant Agent for FEMA Disaster Grants.

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 2022-139—Valley View Ferry Board Appointment:

Judge Taylor presented Resolution 2022-139— Valley View Ferry Board Appointment for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to appoint Kimberly S. Campbell for the position as board member of the Valley View Ferry Board with an expiration date of July 23, 2023.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by Tom Botkin to approve Resolution 2022-139— Valley View Ferry Board Appointment appointing Kimberly S. Campbell to the Board with an expiration date of July 23, 2023.

Magistrate Tudor asked Judge Taylor if the new Magistrate for District 2 would automatically be taking over Roger's role as the Court's representation for the Valley View Ferry Board, and Judge stated that yes, the new Magistrate would.

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 2022-140—FY22 PennyFix Spay and Neuter Grant Application:

Katie Banks, Animal Care and Control Director, presented Resolution 2022-140—FY22 PennyFix Spay and Neuter Grant Application for the Court's approval. This Resolution is for the application and administration of the 2022 PennyFix Grant program funds to spay and neuter companion animals in Madison County.

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Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by Roger Barger to approve presented Resolution 2022-140—FY22 PennyFix Spay and Neuter Grant Application.

Magistrate Tudor stated that any time they can receive grant funding for any County programs is a great service that helps save the County and that program money.

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 2022-141—FY22 Bow Wow Buddies Second Chance Grant Application:

Katie Banks, Animal Care and Control Director, presented Resolution 2022-141—FY22 Bow Wow Buddies Second Chance Grant Application for the Court's approval. This Resolution is for the application and administration of the 2022 Bow Wow Buddies Foundations Grant program funds to pay for required canine surgeries in Madison County.

Motion by Ben Robinson III seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 2022-141— FY22 Bow Wow Buddies Second Chance Grant Application.

Magistrate Tudor asked Banks if she could explain what the Second Chance Grant provides and what has to be done to get approved for it. Banks explained that with this Grant they would have to pay for the expenses first, then would get re-imbursed for them afterwards.

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 2022-142—Interim Madison County EMA/CSEPP Director Appointment:

Jill Williams, Deputy Judge Executive, presented Resolution 2022-142— Interim Madison County EMA/CSEPP Director Appointment for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to approve the appointment of Tim Gray, Fire Chief, as the Interim Madison County EMA/CSEPP Director, effective December 6, 2022.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 2022-142— Interim Madison County EMA/CSEPP Director Appointment.

Magistrate Botkin thanked Chief Gray for stepping up and helping the County during this time.

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 2022-143— Madison County Search and Rescue Coordinator Appointment:

Jill Williams, Deputy Judge Executive, presented Resolution 2022-143— Madison County Search and Rescue Appointment for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to approve the appointment of Tim Gray, Fire Chief, as the Madison County Search and Rescue Coordinator.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve Resolution 2022-143— Madison County Search and Rescue Appointment.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

Tom Botkin-Yes	Roger Barger- Yes
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IN RE: Resolution 2022-144— FY22 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grant Application:

Tim Gray, Fire Chief, presented Resolution 2022-144— FY22 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grant Application for the Court's approval. This Resolution is for the application and administration of the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Grant Programs directorate federal fiscal year 2022 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Program to assist local Fire Departments with staffing and deployment capabilities.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by John Tudor to approve Resolution 2022-144— FY22 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grant Application.

Magistrate Botkin asked if they had ever received this grant before. Judge Taylor stated that he believed this was the 4th time they had applied for this grant.

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 2022-145— FY23 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Rural Communities Opioid Response Program Grant Application:

Judge Taylor presented Resolution 2022-145— FY23 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Rural Communities Opioid Response Program Grant Application for the Court's approval. This Resolution is for the application and administration of Fiscal Year 2023 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Rural Communities Opioid Response Program Grant funds to pay for substance abuse disorder mitigation measures in Madison County.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve Resolution 2022-145— FY23 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Rural Communities Opioid Response Program Grant Application.

Magistrate Robinson asked how the funds would be distributed if the County did receive this grant. Judge Taylor stated that there are particular programs that it can go toward. They are wanting to get the application submitted, but they haven't decided yet who they might partner with or where the funds might go to.

Magistrate Tudor stated that the opioid epidemic is destroying the country and our community. Any way that they can help to get a handle on the epidemic, especially to programs geared toward school aged kids, is a great opportunity for the County.

Magistrate Robinson also stated that they need to look at this epidemic at all levels and it is a problem that needs to be addressed.

Magistrate Botkin stated that this is a step to help put the County in a better position for the future.

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—Road Department:

Scott Shepherd, Road Supervisor, recommended the hiring of Barry Bryant as a CDL Truck Driver/General Laborer at a rate of \$16 per hour effective December 14, 2022.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve the hiring of Barry Bryant as a CDL Truck Driver/General Laborer at a rate of \$16 per hour effective December 14, 2022.

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Magistrate Robinson asked Shepherd where this hiring would put him in terms of number of employees still needed. Shepherd stated they still have 5 full time positions open, but with the seasonal drivers, they have enough to run at full staff.

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 William Jordan from Firefighter I as a Firefighter II, at a rate of \$9.24 per hour effective December 21, 2022.

Motion by Roger Barger seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve the promotion of William Jordan from Firefighter I as a Firefighter II, at a rate of \$9.24 per hour effective December 21, 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—Fire Department:

Tim Gray, Chief, recommended the promotion of Justin Harvey from Firefighter I as a Firefighter II, at a rate of \$9.24 per hour effective December 21, 2022.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve the promotion of Justin Harvey from Firefighter I as a Firefighter II, at a rate of \$9.24 per hour effective December 21, 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—Fire Department:

Tim Gray, Chief, recommended the promotion of Shane Thornton from Firefighter I as a Firefighter II, at a rate of \$9.24 per hour effective December 21, 2022.

Motion by John Tudor seconded by Ben Robinson III to approve the promotion of Shane Thornton from Firefighter I as a Firefighter II, at a rate of \$9.24 per hour effective December 21, 2022.

Herb Lovett, Safety City Training Officer, conducted the Pinning Ceremony for Justin Harvey who was accompanied by his father Greg Harvey, Shane Thornton who was accompanied by his wife Mackenzie Thornton, and William Jordan who was accompanied by his father Clark County Battalion Chief William Jordan.

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:

- 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 Visitor Center. The socks will be delivered to Salvation Army in Richmond to be distributed.

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- The Richmond Police Department is hosting their Cram the Cruiser Food Drive at the Richmond Wal-Mart until Christmas. Please drop off non-perishable food items at the Richmond police cruiser located just outside the front entrance to help eliminate hunger in Madison County.
- Madison County parks are open during the winter months. Please be aware that the parks may close during inclement weather. If the gates are closed or the park's entrances are blocked by traffic cones, please do not move the cones, or open the gates.
- The Madison County Circuit Court offices have moved to their temporary court facility space located at 116 West Main Street in Richmond. The Madison County Clerk's office will be relocating in the near future in preparation for the renovation of the courthouse. Please be patient with these changes as we seek to improve the many services Madison County has to offer.
- The Madison County Courthouse and its related offices will also be closed Friday, December 23rd through Monday, December 26th for the Christmas holiday. Offices will re-open on Tuesday, December 27th at 8 AM. The Madison County Courthouse and its related offices will also be closed on Friday, December 30th and Monday, January 2, 2023, for the New Year's Day holiday. Offices will re-open at 8 AM on Tuesday, January 3, 2023.
- Thank you to the magistrates for your service to our community and the impact you all have made.

Comments from Magistrates:

Judge Taylor recognized the Leadership Madison County class of 2023 that was in attendance today for their Local Government Day.

Magistrate Botkin talked about the meeting they had with the State and the community on December 1st at the Kirksville Elementary School concerning the State's plans and future decision on the road leading to the Airport. He thanked the State Road Department for fixing the dip in front of Kirksville Elementary School. Magistrate Botkin recognized the other Magistrates, thanking Magistrate Robinson for his willingness to work together and his service to the County, Magistrate Tudor for his hard work for District 3 and his friendship, and Magistrate Barger for his mentorship when he first became Magistrate.

Magistrate Tudor thanked the citizens of Madison County; it has been a pleasure to serve. He thanked the Department Heads and County employees for their work and help during his years of service.

Magistrate Barger recognized his wife Teresa, daughter Heather, and friend Claude House for attending today. There has been a lot of people who helped him campaign over years, especially family, and he thanked them for all their help. He stated that it has been a good 20 years of service.

Magistrate Robinson stated that it has been a pleasure to serve with everyone and is thankful for the relationships that he has developed over the past year. He thanked those that supported him, and offered Magistrate Elect Combs any assistance he might need in the future. He also encouraged the public to participate in court proceedings, whether it be in person or on Facebook Live.

Clerk Barger stated that it has been an honor to serve with his uncle Roger over the years and appreciates all his support over the years.

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Attorney Haymond thanked all the Magistrates for their service and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Sheriff Coyle thanked the Court for all their support and friendship, stating that it has been a good team.

Comments from Department Heads:

No Comments from Department Heads.

Comments from the Audience and Facebook Comments:

Kenyon Sparks and his son Michael Sparks of College Hill in Waco spoke to the Court about a dog barking and coyote issue he is having at his house. The Sheriff's Office and the County Attorney's Office have sent Deputies and State Police Officers out in the past and have found nothing illegal going on. It has been suggested that Mr. Sparks hire an attorney to file a Civil Suit. Judge Taylor did ask Jennie Haymond if they could set up a meeting to discuss if there is anything the Fiscal Court could govern on to help Mr. Sparks.

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 January 10, 2023, in Berea at 9:30AM.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Motion from John Tudor to adjourn, seconded by John Tudor. Hearing no objection, the meeting adjourned at 10:57 AM.



REAGAN TAYLOR MADISON CO. JUDGE/EXECUTIVE