

Meeting Date: 4/25/2023

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 25th of April, 2023 at 9:30AM in the Richmond City Hall Chambers in Richmond, Ky. Present was the Honorable Reagan Taylor in the chair presiding and the following members of the Fiscal Court: James Brian Combs, Stephen Lochmueller, Billy Ray Hughes, 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 Magistrate James Brian Combs to lead the Court in prayer. Judge Taylor asked Sheriff Mike Coyle to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: Approval of Meeting Minutes 4-11-2023:

Motion by Billy Ray Hughes seconded by Stephen Lochmueller to approve the minutes from the regularly called meeting on April 11, 2023.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

James Brian Combs-Yes Stephen Lochmueller-Yes

Billy Ray Hughes- Yes Tom Botkin- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

Treasurer's Report:

Sarah Stewart, Treasurer in Training, addressed the Court to give the monthly treasurer's report (see on file).

IN RE: Retirement Recognition—Glenna Smith:

Judge Taylor recognized Glenna Smith with a Certificate of Retirement and thanked her for all her hard work and dedication to the Madison County Fiscal Court and Madison County citizens for the past 23 years.

Glenna Smith thanked the Court for their support over the years, stating that it has been a pleasure to serve, and she has thoroughly enjoyed her job and the people that she has worked with.

Magistrate Hughes stated that Glenna is respected State-wide and thanked her for her service to the County.

Magistrate Botkin thanked her for providing answers whenever they needed them, no matter the time.

IN RE: 2nd Reading Ordinance 2023-02—General Fund Budget Amendment:

Sarah Stewart, Treasurer in Training, presented the 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2023-02— General Fund Budget Amendment for the Court's approval. This Ordinance is relating to the budget amendment of the Madison County General Fund budget.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by James Brian Combs to approve Ordinance 2023-02-General Fund Budget Amendment.

Judge Taylor stated that after advertising for this budget amendment, there weren't any in-writing comments or questions. There were no public comments.

Judge Taylor explained that this amendment is for the ePollBooks used during the elections by the Clerk's Office.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

James Brian Combs-Yes Stephen Lochmueller-Yes

Billy Ray Hughes- Yes Tom Botkin- Yes

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IN RE: Resolution 2023-45—God’s Outreach Food Distribution Center Project Request for Payment:

Sarah Stewart, Treasurer in Training, presented Resolution 2023-45— God’s Outreach Food Distribution Center Project Request for Payment for the Court’s approval. This Resolution is to authorize a payment request for the Madison County God’s Outreach Food Distribution Center Project.

Motion by Billy Ray Hughes seconded by James Brian Combs to approve Resolution 2023-45— God’s Outreach Food Distribution Center Project Request for Payment.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

James Brian Combs-Yes Stephen Lochmueller-Yes

Billy Ray Hughes- Yes Tom Botkin- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 2023-46— County Clerk’s Motor Vehicle and Boat Bills Claim:

Jill Williams, Deputy Judge Executive, presented Resolution 2023-46— County Clerk’s Motor Vehicle and Boat Bills Claim for the Court’s approval. This Resolution is to authorize payment for the Madison County Clerk’s Claim for the calculation of motor vehicle and boat bills for 2023.

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by Stephen Lochmueller to approve Resolution 2023-46— County Clerk’s Motor Vehicle and Boat Bills Claim.

Clerk Barger stated that the county is growing and that the Department of Revenue certified that the total number of motor vehicle and boat accounts is 100,349 as of January 1, 2023 in Madison County.

Judge Taylor stated that he appreciates the job Clerk Barger does as the Clerk, and the Magistrates all agreed.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

James Brian Combs-Yes Stephen Lochmueller-Yes

Billy Ray Hughes- No Tom Botkin- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 2023-47—Land and Water Conservation Grant Funds Application:

Gary Vanderoef, Director of Golf Operations, presented Resolution 2023-47— Land and Water Conservation Grant Funds Application for the Court’s approval. This Resolution is for the application and administration of 2023 Kentucky Department for Local Government Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Funds.

Motion by Stephen Lochmueller seconded by James Brian Combs to approve Resolution 2022-47— Land and Water Conservation Grant Funds Application.

Vanderoef explained that this application is for the purchase of all-inclusive, ADA approved, new playground equipment at White Hall Park. Currently some of the equipment there is in need of repair and unsafe for children to use. He is hopeful that over the next few years, they can add such equipment to the Kirksville and Union City community parks.

Magistrate Botkin asked if this would include the soft matting for the ground covering. Vanderoef stated that the surface material hadn’t been decided on yet, but anything that is put down will be ADA approved.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

James Brian Combs-Yes Stephen Lochmueller-Yes

Billy Ray Hughes- Yes Tom Botkin- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Resolution 2023-48—EMA/CSEPP Bid Award for Coroner’s Office Pickup Truck:

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Tim Gray, Interim EMA/CSEPP Director and Fire Chief, presented Resolution 2023-48—EMS/CSEPP Bid Award for Coroner's Office Pickup Truck for the Court's approval. This Resolution is to approve a bid award to purchase a 2023 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 pickup for the Madison County Coroner's Office through Freeland Chevrolet in the amount of \$41,430.00.

Motion by James Brian Combs seconded by Tom Botkin to approve presented Resolution 2023-48 — EMS/CSEPP Bid Award for Coroner's Office Pickup Truck.

Magistrate Botkin asked if Freeland Chevrolet was on the State contract. Chief Gray stated that they were not, they are actually in Tennessee, but that this bid is honored at the State price. He explained that they have been looking for this type of truck for 4 years, and there was no one in Kentucky that had one so they put it out for bid.

Coroner Cornelison explained that this is for a regular cab 4-wheel drive pickup truck, and that they would get a conversion kit to put on the bed of it. There have been several situations in which they have been unable to get the van to and have been in need of a 4-wheel drive transport vehicle, as well as needing the ability to transport individuals at the same time in different locations. He stated that this pickup will be a great addition to the Coroner's Office, especially as the county continues to grow.

Coroner Cornelison also stated that the Waco Volunteer Fire Department helps with the transport for the Coroner's Office, and are very appreciative of their help.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

James Brian Combs-Yes Stephen Lochmueller-Yes

Billy Ray Hughes- Yes Tom Botkin- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Enter Executive Session:

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by James Brian Combs to enter into Executive Session at 10:04AM to discuss a personnel issue. This Executive Session is allowable under KRS 61.810.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

James Brian Combs-Yes Stephen Lochmueller-Yes

Billy Ray Hughes- Yes Tom Botkin- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Exit Executive Session:

Motion by Tom Botkin seconded by Billy Ray Hughes to exit Executive Session at 10:45AM. No action was taken at this time on the personnel issue.

Motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

James Brian Combs-Yes Stephen Lochmueller-Yes

Billy Ray Hughes- Yes Tom Botkin- Yes

Reagan Taylor – Yes

IN RE: Judge's Report:

- Tasty Tuesdays have returned to Irvine-McDowell Park from 5:00 to 8:00 PM every Tuesday through September. There will be different food trucks and activities each week.
- Please join us for a District 2 Town Hall Meeting at Newby Country Store on Saturday, April 29, 2023 beginning at 9:00 AM. This event is open to the public for community discussions. Some of the magistrates, as well as Representative Deanna Frazier Gordon, will be attending. This is the first of several town hall meetings that have been scheduled throughout the year for citizens to ask local elected officials questions or voice their concerns.

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- A National Day of Prayer event will be held on the courthouse lawn Thursday, May 4th at 11:00 AM. Contact Mitch Brown at 859-314-2151 for more information.
- A Bourbon, Boots, and BBQ Derby Eve Party benefiting Hospice Care Plus will be Friday, May 5th at 6:00 PM at Churchill's in Berea. Visit www.hospicecareplus.org for reservations or more information.

Comments from Magistrates:

Magistrate Combs thanked Glenna for her service to the community and wished her the best for her retirement.

Magistrate Lochmueller stated that during his short time working with Glenna, she has always been very professional and wished her much enjoyment in her retirement. He also stated that the Valley View Ferry is close to being finished and as soon as they determine the date the ferry will be operational again, he will let the public know.

Magistrate Hughes announced that the Madison County Beef Cattle Association is having their Farm Field Day at Austin Cooper's on Simpson Ln at 6:00PM today, and encouraged everyone to stop by to get a hamburger dinner. Also, this Saturday, the Union City Ruritan is having a fish fry from around 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM, and encourages the public to attend.

Magistrate Botkin again thanked Glenna for her service to the County. He stated that there are currently 4 State highway projects underway on I-75, 25, 52 and 421, and encouraged everyone to use caution and slow down in those areas. The State and County trash pickup volunteers have also begun, as well as tree limb debris pick-up, and asked the public to use caution when they see those individuals out on the roadways. He informed the Court on an email he received concerning ARPA Fund retraction and had asked Jill to look into that.

Clerk Barger thanked Jailer Tussey and the inmates who have helped the Clerk's Office move. They are still moving books and are working on contingencies to help with parking. He explained that vehicle and boat renewals can be done through the mail and online for those who don't wish to wait in lines.

Jailer Tussey stated that May 7th through May 13th is National Correctional Officers Week. He will be providing lunch for the staff on Friday, May 12th to show his appreciation and invited the Fiscal Court members to join them. He thanked the community for donating lunches to the staff.

Jailer Tussey also stated that the Central Kentucky Regional Airport will be hosting a Food Truck Fly-in on Saturday, April 29th from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. They will have food trucks, free young eagle flights for kids, and discovery flights for all ages for \$35.

Sheriff Coyle stated that the Sheriff's Office has one new deputy that's been working out in the field, 2 returning deputies, and 2 on FMLA. He explained that they have been short-staffed lately, but they are there if anyone needs them.

Comments from Department Heads:

No Comments for Department Heads.

Comments from the Audience and Facebook Comments:

No comments from the Audience or Facebook Comments.

IN RE: Pay Claims and Approve Transfers:

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Motion made by James Brian Combs seconded by Tom Botkin to approve to pay claims and transfers.

ANNOUNCE NEXT COURT DATE:

Judge Taylor announced the next court date for May 9, 2023, in the Council Chambers' Courtroom in Berea, Ky at 9:30 AM.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Motion from Billy Ray Hughes to adjourn, seconded by Stephen Lochmueller. Hearing no objection, the meeting adjourned at 11:01 AM.



REAGAN TAYLOR MADISON CO. JUDGE/EXECUTIVE