

**HENRY COUNTY FISCAL COURT
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 15, 2011**

The Henry County Fiscal Court met in a Regular Session on February 15, 2011 at the Henry County Courthouse in New Castle, Kentucky with the following in attendance:

Honorable John L. Brent, Judge Executive
Honorable Peggy V. Bryant, Deputy Judge Executive
Honorable Virginia Harrod, County Attorney
Esquire Scott Bates
Esquire Jerry Beasley
Esquire David Brown
Esquire Mike Fisher
Esquire Roger Hartlage
Esquire Nick Hawkins

RE: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Judge Executive John L. Brent led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

RE: PRAYER & PREPARATION

Silent prayer was observed in preparation for the meeting.

RE: CALL TO ORDER

Judge Executive John L. Brent called the meeting to order and noted everyone was present.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Esq. Brown and seconded by Esq. Bates, it is ordered by the Court to approve the minutes from the January 18, 2011 Regular Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: OLD BUSINESS

There being no old business the meeting proceeded to new business.

RE: NEW BUSINESS

RE: ROADS

1. Supervisor's Report

Henry County Road Supervisor, Glenn Baxter, noted the County is still in good shape on salt. The road department has been hauling gravel, but it has been too wet to use the grader. They have also been doing a project on Montfort Lane.

Esq. Fisher noted he received a complaint from residents on Bullitt Hill Road of having trouble with speeders. Esq. Fisher requested additional 35 mph speed limit signs be posted on the road. He also asked the Sheriff's department to patrol Bullitt Hill Road between the hours of 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. Esq. Beasley asked that attention be given to Russell Branch Road, as the culverts were stopped up allowing mud to go across the road. Esq. Beasley also noted tires and a pallet needed to be picked up along Russell Branch Road. Esq. Hartlage requested attention be given to Radcliff Road across from Blakemore, as water is coming across the road. Esq. Hartlage questioned when the County would start repairs on potholes in the subdivisions. Glenn Baxter noted they are ready to start work on potholes. Glenn will also meet with each Magistrate to ride their roads, make a list of road projects, and submit the list of requested projects to the road committee.

2. Flex Funds Discussion

Judge Brent noted the State allows the County to decide on the use of Flex Funds. The State has proposed the County will receive approximately \$169,000.00 (one hundred sixty-nine thousand dollars). Judge Brent noted the Court has the flexibility to recommend that these funds be used on County or State roads. The Court discussed Highways 202, 389, 561 as well as the road from Sulphur to Campbellsburg as roads needing work. Judge Brent suggested the Court think about their priorities before next month's meeting.

Upon motion by Esq. Fisher and seconded by Esq. Hawkins, it is ordered by the Court to use the Flex Funds on the Rural Secondary Roads.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: EMS/PARAMEDICS

1. Supervisor's Report

Henry County EMS Supervisor, Scott McClamroch noted he had met with Esq. Bates and Esq. Hawkins concerning some issues. He expressed his appreciation for their time.

2. Hiring Recommendations

Henry County EMS Supervisor, Scott McClamroch recommended the County hire

as part-time EMT's John Thomas Stanley and Webb Marshall Strang. Esq. Bates and Esq. Brown noted they were impressed with the applications and they approve the recommendations.

Upon motion by Esq. Brown and seconded by Esq. Bates, it is ordered by the Court to hire as part-time EMT's John Thomas Stanley and Webb Marshall Strang.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: PLANNING & ZONING

1. Administrator's Update

Henry County Planning & Zoning Administrator, Jody Rucker, noted there have not been any major problems. He has been working on the Economic Development meeting. He noted FEMA is requesting an upgrade on the Flood Plain Prevention Ordinance.

2. Flood Plain Prevention Ordinance – 1st Reading

Judge Brent read the summary of the Flood Plain Prevention Ordinance. He asked for comments and questions. Esq. Fisher noted he felt government was getting to big.

Upon motion by Esq. Hawkins and seconded by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the 1st reading of the Flood Plain Prevention Ordinance.

Yes-Bates, Beasley, Brown, Hartlage, Hawkins

No- Fisher

Motion carried

RE: PARK'S UPDATE

Judge Brent noted Parks Director, Travis Buchanan, is absent due to the birth of his son. Travis is taking some time off to be with his family. Henry County Sheriff, Danny Cravens, noted several citizens had expressed concerns that a security light is needed at the entrance to the County's new park. He stated after dark you cannot see the roadway coming in or going out. The Court discussed the options of putting in a light or marking the road. The park's committee will look into the issue.

RE: COURTHOUSE FACILITIES COMMITTEE (Courthouse Steps) CHAIR- NICK HAWKINS

Esq. Hawkins noted the committee met and reviewed the two bids to remove and replace the front porch and steps of the Courthouse. Esq. Hawkins reviewed the following bids with the Court:

Corey's Concrete – (includes using a 2” line pump to transport concrete from street to area)	
Total for project- exposed finish	\$4828.00
Total for project- stamped finish	\$6328.00

Stanley Concrete - (add additional \$400.00 to use a 2” line pump to transport concrete)	
Tear out and re-pour –broom finish	\$3200.00
Tear out and re-pour – exposed aggregate	\$3635.00
Tear out and re-pour – stamped decorative concrete with color	\$4545.00

Esq. Hawkins recommended the Court accept the bid from Stanley Concrete for the exposed aggregate, in the amount of \$3635.00, plus an additional \$400.00 for the 2” line pump, for a total price of \$4035.00. The Court was in consensus to use the type of salt made for concrete.

Upon motion by Esq. Hawkins and seconded by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the \$4035.00 (four thousand and thirty five dollar) bid from Stanley Concrete.

Motion carried unanimously

**RE: ANIMAL SERVICES COMMITTEE UPDATE
CHAIR-ROGER HARTLAGE**

Esq. Hartlage reported the committee had met twice since the Court’s last meeting. They met with animal control specialists and Trimble County Magistrates. Valley View Landfill has offered to donate 2 acres of property for the dog kennel. Esq. Hartlage noted Trimble County still wants to partner with Henry County. He noted the committee has elected to find the option best for the County. They recommend we hire our own animal control officer plus a part-time person. To move the project forward we need to have an inter-local agreement with Trimble County. Esq. Hartlage noted the Counties will share equally on expenses of the building, utilities, with each county paying for operational costs for their animals. Esq. Hartlage noted a lot of good people are coming to the front to offer their help. He stated we are short on time as our present contract will end July 1, 2011. Esq. Hartlage wants the ability to hire an architect to draw up the plans for the kennel and to move forward with the project. Esq. Hawkins and Esq. Brown commended Esq. Hartlage for his hard work.

Upon motion by Esq. Hartlage and seconded by Esq. Brown, it is ordered by the Court to go forward and enter into an inter-local agreement to pursue animal control with Trimble County.

Motion carried unanimously

Upon motion by Esq. Hartlage and seconded by Esq. Hawkins, it is ordered by the Court to budget up to \$2500.00 (twenty-five hundred dollars) to hire an architect to draw up the plans for the kennel.

Motion carried unanimously

**RE: HENRY COUNTY FISCAL COURT
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FORUM**

Judge Brent announced to the Court and the public that a Special Called Meeting of Fiscal Court will be held on Thursday, February 24, 2011, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Henry County Senior's Center located at 125 Park Drive, New Castle, KY. The meeting is an Economic Development Forum and is open to the public.

RE: JAIL ISSUES

1. Jailer Status Discussion

Judge Brent noted Fiscal Court had been notified prior to tonight's meeting of Jailer Ronnie Stephens resignation. Judge Brent read the letter of resignation to the Court and then asked Henry County Clerk, Juanita Lashley, to explain what procedures are needed to replace Jailer Stephens. Juanita stated she called the Office of the Secretary of State and also researched the process. She noted Judge Brent has the authority to appoint someone to fill the position until an election is held in November. She noted each political party would nominate their candidate, but write-ins would also be allowed. Judge Brent stated he will try to appoint someone as quickly as possible, with the stipulation that every deputy that wants to, can stay and work. He also noted they will not guarantee each deputy 99 hours per month, but have fairness in scheduling as equal as possible.

2. Clerk, Sheriff, & Jail Budget Committee Report-Chair David Brown

Esq. Brown noted he along with Esq. Bates and Esq. Hawkins met with the jailer and one deputy. There is confusion as each deputy thought they would work 99 hours each month, but the money in this year's budget does not allow for that many hours. Esq. Brown noted the committee agreed to exceed the budget by \$10,000.00 to finish out this fiscal year. Esq. Hawkins stated we are dealing with an unfortunate situation but he commended the deputy jailer's efforts.

Upon motion by Esq. Brown and seconded by Esq. Hawkins, it is ordered by the Court to approve exceeding the budget up to \$10,000.00 (ten thousand dollars) for deputy jailer salaries.
Motion carried unanimously

3. Closed Session Pertaining to Personnel

Upon motion by Esq. Brown and seconded by Esq. Hawkins, it is ordered by the Court to go into a closed session to discuss a personnel issue.

Motion carried unanimously

Upon motion by Esq. Brown and seconded by Esq. Bates, it is ordered by the Court to go out of closed session.

Motion carried unanimously

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and seconded by Esq. Fisher, it is ordered by the Court to go back into regular session. Motion carried unanimously

Judge Brent noted no action taken on personnel issue at this time.

**RE: EXCESS FEES PRESENTATION
HENRY COUNTY CLERK JUANITA LASHLEY**

Henry County Clerk, Juanita Lashley, presented the Court with a check from her excess fees in the amount of \$93,955.29 (ninety three thousand nine hundred fifty five dollars and twenty nine cents). She noted the amount was down as she bought two more voting machines. The Court applauded Juanita for a job well done.

**RE: EXCESS FEES PRESENTATION
HENRY COUNTY SHERIFF DANNY CRAVENS**

Henry County Sheriff, Danny Cravens, presented the Court with a check from his excess fees in the amount of \$10,448.43 (ten thousand four hundred forty eight dollars and forty three cents). Danny noted he estimated his excess fees at \$707.89 but had exceeded his projection. The Court thanked Danny.

RE: CLAIMS AND TRANSFERS

Upon motion by Esq. Hawkins and seconded by Esq. Bates, it is ordered by the Court to approve the following claims and transfers:

General Fund	\$287,845.98
Road & Bridge	48,065.41
Jail Fund	36,508.20
LGEA Fund	132.06
Federal Grant	20.00
911-EMS Fund	7,043.70
Fair Fund	<u>2,086.19</u>
Total Expenditures	\$381,701.54

Transfers

General Fund

From: 0192009990 (Reserve for Transfers) \$600.00
To: 0150705690 (P&Z Conf & Workshops) \$600.00

Motion carried unanimously

RE: COURT COMMENTS

Esq. Brown expressed thanks to the road department for their work on Montfort Lane. Esq. Hartlage noted the money in our budget combined with donations can turn a good animal shelter into a great animal shelter. Judge Brent complimented the Court's Committees. He stated during his eight years on the Court these current committees have worked harder and have work well together. Judge Brent also noted his appreciation for the hard work done by Esq. Hartlage. Esq. Hartlage received an ovation from the Court for his work on the dog issue.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Esq. Hawkins and seconded by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to adjourn and each Magistrate, the Judge Executive and the County Attorney shall receive a typed copy of these minutes prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Motion carried unanimously

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

S/Peggy V. Bryant
PEGGY V. BRYANT
FISCAL COURT CLERK

S/John L. Brent
JOHN L. BRENT
JUDGE EXECUTIVE

Date Approved: March 15, 2011