## HENRY COUNTY FISCAL COURT REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 18, 2011

The Henry County Fiscal Court met in a Regular Session on January 18, 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 noting everyone was present.

#### **RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Upon motion by Esq. Hawkins and seconded by Esq. Fisher, it is ordered by the Court to approve the minutes from the December 21, 2010 Regular Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously

#### RE: WELCOME TO NEW COURT MEMBERS

Judge Executive, John L. Brent, welcomed new court members Esq. Bates and Esq. Hartlage.

## **RE: OLD BUSINESS**

RE: SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO FIRE DEPARTMENT AUDITS

Esq. Hartlage questioned the wording in **Section #5 accounting obligations** of the Ordinance. He suggested the words **will not** be changed to **may not** and the words **will be** changed to **could be**. Esq. Beasley noted the wording **will not** is needed to hold the fire departments responsible for the accounting obligations. Esq. Hawkins gave a brief update and history of the issue. He noted the request for the County to collect the deed fees was made by the fire departments. In exchange, the fire departments would provide budgets and settlements. Most of the fire departments had been complying, but not all.

Upon motion by Esq. Hawkins and seconded by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the second reading and adoption of the original Ordinance Relating to the Henry County Fire Department Deed Fees.

Yes – Bates, Beasley, Brown, Fisher, Hawkins No – Hartlage Motion carried

## RE: SECOND READING ON A TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING ORDINANCE

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and seconded by Esq. Bates, it is ordered by the Court to approve the second reading of a text amendment to the Planning and Zoning Ordinance.

Motion carried unanimously

**RE:** <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

## RE: APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES

#### 1. Peggy V. Bryant-Deputy Judge Executive

Upon motion by Esq. Fisher and seconded by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the reappointment of Peggy V. Bryant, as Henry County Deputy Judge Executive.

Motion carried unanimously

### 2. Glenn Baxter-County Road Supervisor

Upon motion by Esq. Hartlage and seconded by Esq. Fisher, it is ordered by the Court to approve the reappointment of Glenn Baxter, as Henry County Road Supervisor.

Motion carried unanimously

#### 3. Scott McClamroch-EMS/Paramedic Supervisor

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and seconded by Esq. Brown, it is ordered by the Court to approve the reappointment of Scott McClamroch, as Henry County EMS/Paramedic Supervisor.

Motion carried unanimously

## 4. Travis Buchanan-Parks Supervisor

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and seconded by Esq. Fisher, it is ordered by the Court to approve the reappointment of Travis Buchanan, as Henry County Parks Supervisor.

Motion carried unanimously

#### 5. Bruce Owens-DES Coordinator

Upon motion by Esq. Brown and seconded by Esq. Hawkins, it is ordered by the Court to approve the reappointment of Bruce Owens, as DES Coordinator.

Motion carried unanimously

#### 6. Jody Rucker and Diana Berry-Planning and Zoning Office

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and seconded by Esq. Bates, it is ordered by the Court to approve the reappointment of Jody Rucker and Diana Y. Berry to the Planning and Zoning Office.

Motion carried unanimously

#### 7. EMT'S and Paramedics

Upon motion by Esq. Brown and seconded by Esq. Hawkins, it is ordered by the Court to approve the reappointment of all EMT's and Paramedics.

Motion carried unanimously

#### 8. Road Workers

Upon motion by Esq. Hartlage and seconded by Esq. Bates, it is ordered by the Court to approve the reappointment of the Henry County Road Workers.

Motion carried unanimously

#### 9. All Other Part & Full Time Workers Under the Authority of Fiscal Court

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and seconded by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the reappointment of all other part time and full time workers under the authority of Fiscal Court.

Motion carried unanimously

# RE: COUNTY TREASURER-REQUEST TO PURSUE HIRING A COUNTY TREASURER/HUMAN RESOURCE PERSON

Judge Executive John L. Brent noted Mary Scriber has served either in a full time or part time capacity as Henry County Treasurer for the past 26 years. Judge Brent complimented Mary on her help to him and his office since he became County Judge. Mary is appointed by the Court and her term runs until the end of June and at that time she is planning to retire. Judge Brent asked the Court for permission to pursue hiring a full-time treasurer/human resource person. Along with the responsibility of payroll and accounts receivable the treasurer would also serve

as the human resource person, take care of the health insurance, and keep the personnel files updated. He stressed the need for two full time people in the office, stating the current absence of back-up for sickness, lunch, etc. Judge Brent suggested a salary range of \$27,000.00 – 29,000.00 (twenty seven to twenty nine thousand dollars). Henry County Treasurer, Mary Scriber, was present at the meeting and stressed this is a full time position. She will train the new treasurer and would like to be involved in the interview process. Mary also agreed to fill in whenever needed. Judge Brent asked for volunteers to serve on the interview committee with him and Deputy Judge Bryant. Esq. Bates and Esq. Hartlage volunteered to serve.

Upon motion by Esq. Hawkins and seconded by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to allow Judge Brent to advertise for the position of Henry County Treasurer, at a salary of \$27,000.00 to \$29,000.00 (twenty seven to twenty nine thousand dollars).

Motion carried unanimously

#### **RE:** ROAD SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Henry County School Superintendent, Tim Abrams and Transportation Director, Bruce Gentry came before the Court to publicly expressed their appreciation to the Court and the Henry County Road Department. Mr. Abrams thanked the road department for working to get the roads in good shape so they could have school. Mr. Gentry noted it is comforting to know the road department and Fiscal Court are watching out for the schools with the kid's safety in mind.

### 1. Supervisor's Report

Henry County Road Supervisor, Glenn Baxter, thanked Mr. Abrams and Mr. Gentry for their words of appreciation. Glenn noted there have been several snows but none tremendous. He stated they have had some minor breakdowns on equipment, but all trucks are up and ready to go. He also noted the road department is in good shape on salt.

## 2. Happy Ridge Spur – 15 mph

Upon motion by Esq. Fisher and seconded by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to establish a 15 mph speed limit on Happy Ridge Spur Road.

Motion carried unanimously

#### RE: EMS/PARAMEDICS REPORT

#### 1. Supervisor's Report

Henry County EMS Supervisor, Scott McClamroch, stated he did not have any new hiring requests. Scott did request the EMS Committee meet before the next Court meeting.

#### **RE: PLANNING & ZONING/SOLID WASTE**

#### 1. Supervisor's Report

Planning and Zoning Administrator, Jody Rucker, noted things are going well. He stated he is still in the learning process.

#### 2. Planning Commission- Recommendation of Danny Shain

Esq. Hartlage recommended the Court appoint Danny Shain to finish his term on the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Upon motion by Esq. Hartlage and seconded by Esq. Bates, it is ordered by the Court to accept the recommendation of Danny Shain to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission, effective the next meeting.

Motion carried unanimously

Esq. Bates brought the recommendation of Doug Hicks to finish the term of Barry Taylor, who recently resigned, on the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and seconded by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to accept the recommendation of Doug Hicks to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission, effective the next meeting.

Motion carried unanimously

#### **RE: PARKS REPORT**

Henry County Parks Supervisor, Travis Buchanan, noted during their down time they have been painting in the 4H building and installing new tile floors in the bathrooms. They have also been helping out by shoveling snow.

# RE: TRI-COUNTY SERVICES UPDATE-DIRECTOR BRENDA FOX TO PRESENT

Tri-County Community Action Agency Executive Director, Brenda Fox, came before the Court to provide information regarding the many services they offer. Ms. Fox gave a brief history of Tri-County noting they have been providing services to the County for 35 years. Most programs are income based. They provide services for the aging and low income emergency assistance such as weatherization, heating assistance, prescription and commodities programs. Ms. Fox noted they are always in need of volunteers.

#### RE: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Judge Brent noted in this past election he heard a lot of comments about economic development

and infrastructure. He felt it was time for Fiscal Court to look into what they could do. Judge Brent suggested the Court hold a Special Meeting with a Representative from the Economic Development Cabinet, Senator Ernie Harris and Representative Rick Rand, to discuss the County's needs and what funding options are available. The Court was in consensus to have the Special Meeting on a Thursday night during the month of February.

## RE: FISCAL COURT STANDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Judge Brent appointed the following committees:

Road Committee- Esq. Beasley, Chair – Esq. Fisher, Esq. Hawkins
Emergency Services (EMS, Fire Depts., 911) – Esq. Bates, Chair – Esq. Brown, Esq. Hartlage
Courthouse/Facilities Committee – Esq. Hawkins, Chair – Esq. Bates, Esq. Beasley
Planning & Zoning Committee – Esq. Fisher, Chair – Esq. Beasley, Esq. Hartlage
Budget Committee/Sheriff, Clerk & Jailer – Esq. Brown, Chair – Esq. Bates, Esq. Hawkins
Animal Services Committee – Esq. Hartlage, Chair – Esq. Fisher, Esq. Hawkins
Parks/Fairgrounds Committee – Judge Brent, Chair – Esq. Brown, Esq. Hawkins
Economic Development/Commerce Park – Judge Brent, Chair – Esq. Brown, Esq. Hartlage
Personnel/Salaries/Insurance Committee – Esq. Hawkins, Chair – Esq. Bates, Esq. Beasley

## RE: ANIMAL SERVICES UPDATE – KY HUMANE SOCIETY CONTRACT

Judge Executive, John L. Brent, informed the Court that he received a letter from the Kentucky Humane Society. They will not renew the contract with the County. The current contract will end June 30, 2011. Judge Brent along with the Trimble County Judge Executive, Randy Stephens, met with the KY Humane Society, to ask if they would reconsider. Judge Brent noted it is not about the money, but they are focused on seeing their euthanatizing numbers drop. Trimble County wants to remain a partner with Henry County. Judge Brent spoke with Shelby County and Oldham County about providing animal services for the County. Shelby County is not interested in providing the services. Judge Brent has not heard back from Oldham County.

#### RE: CLAIMS AND TRANSFERS

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

General Fund	\$267,436.10
Road & Bridge	36,802.93
Jail Fund	36,114.13
LGEA Fund	134.56
Federal Grant	20.00
Litter Grant Fund	8.96
911-EMS Fund	23,382.25
Fair Fund	789.74
Total Expenditures	\$364,688.67

Transfers: General Fund

From: 0192009990 (Reserve for Transfers) \$5,801.00 To: 0150655650 (Election Printing) 5,553.00 To: 0191005310 (Official's Bonds) 248.00

Motion carried unanimously

#### **RE: COURT COMMENTS**

Esq. Fisher noted he received a call regarding Fawn Lane which is in the district of Esq. Beasley. Esq. Beasley discussed problems the owners on Fawn Lane are having with garbage trucks damaging the road. He questioned who would be responsible to repair the road, as Fawn Lane is not a county road. Henry County Attorney, Virginia Harrod, noted the owners needed to be referred to the man that developed the subdivision.

Esq. Brown expressed concerns for removing snow and ice from gravel roads. Esq. Beasley also noted concerns on Little Dixie. Henry County Road Supervisor, Glenn Baxter, stated the road department is using chains to break up the ice and snow on gravel roads. He noted if the Magistrate will call him, he will look at the road and address the issue.

Henry County Sheriff, Danny Cravens, wanted the public to know his phones had been down all day. The company has been working on them and he finally got phone service tonight.

#### **RE: ADJOURN**

Upon motion by Esq. Hawkins and seconded by Esq. Brown, it is ordered by the Court to adjourn and each Magistrate, the Judge Executive and the County Attorney shall receive a types 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: February 15, 2011