

**HENRY COUNTY FISCAL COURT
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 16, 2014**

The Henry County Fiscal Court met in a Regular Session on December 16, 2014 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. Hawkins and seconded by Esq. Brown, it is ordered by the Court to approve the minutes from the November 18, 2014 Regular Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and seconded by Esq. Bates, it is ordered by the Court to approve the minutes from the November 25, 2014 Special Sheriff and Clerk's Budget Meeting, including their salary cap.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: OLD BUSINESS

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

RE: NEW BUSINESS

**RE: CARROLL COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE –
RUTH BAXTER & JUDGE (SHORTY) TOMLINSON TO PRESENT**

Judge Brent introduced special guests Ruth Baxter and Judge (Shorty) Tomlinson who were present to talk about the Carroll County Community College. Judge Brent noted this is also something the County worked on through our Regional Economic Development effort. Ruth and Shorty serve as Co-Chairs for the Build Smart Regional Campaign Steering Committee. They addressed the Court to ask for support in their fundraising efforts to expand the JCTC Carrollton Campus. Ruth gave a brief history of the Carrollton Campus noting it serves Carroll, Gallatin, Henry, Oldham, Owen and Trimble Counties with higher educational opportunities. They currently have 1200 students coming to the Carroll County Community College. Henry County has 139 enrolled in classes to get their GED's and 126 high school students earning college credits. Ruth explained how the campus has grown and thrived and the need to expand. In 2010 thirty acres were acquired on KY 227 across from General Butler State Park to build a new campus. Ruth noted this is a fourteen million dollar project. They are required by the State to raise 25 percent of the funding before bonds are issued for the remaining 75 percent of the project. They hope to reach 4 million by the end of this year. The plan is to be on the new campus in the fall of 2016. Ruth and Shorty noted Carroll County has been blessed with a lot of jobs. A large number of people will be retiring from the Carroll County plants and the industries prefer to hire regional instead of going out of state. Shorty stressed they need folks trained and qualified to take these good jobs. The expansion will boost training for these existing jobs. Shorty noted the Carroll County Fiscal Court put in one million dollars toward the project. The Oldham County Fiscal Court and Oldham County Board of Education has made a 3 year pledge. Shorty suggested the Court partner with the Henry County Board of Education. Judge Brent felt the Court may be able to give a three year pledge of \$2,500 each year. Judge Brent talked with Henry County School Superintendent, Tim Abrams, about the school matching the donation. Judge Brent noted the County doesn't have the benefit of an occupational tax like Carroll County. Shorty who is retiring at the end of the year noted he has enjoyed working with the Court and appreciated their friendship. He thanked them for allowing him to come and would appreciate any financial assistance from the Court. Judge Brent and the Court were in support of the expansion of the JCTC campus. Esq. Brown and Esq. Hawkins felt the County could do better than the \$2500. Esq. Brown suggested the County make a one time donation of ten thousand dollars and he would personally pay ten percent of the donation.

Upon motion by Esq. Brown and seconded by Esq. Hawkins, it is ordered by the Court to give a one time gift of \$10,000 (ten thousand dollars), with Esq. Brown giving 10% personally to the Building Regional Success Campaign, for the new JCTC Carrollton Campus.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: ROADS

1. Supervisor's Update

Henry County Road Supervisor, Glenn Baxter, reported he got the plow for the one ton truck. Glenn noted the salt bin is full but he has ordered more salt and was told they could fill his contract. Things have been going good and the road department has been busy doing little jobs.

2. Committee Update – Esq. Beasley

Esq. Beasley reported the Committee did meet and approved the plow for the one ton truck. Leslie Doug Jones is going ahead and retire from the Henry County Road Department at the end of the year.

RE: EMS/PARAMEDICS

1. Supervisor's Update

Henry County EMS Supervisor, Josh Jamiel, reported things have been busy. They have picked up some ALS transports out of Carroll County. Josh noted he advertised bids for a new ambulance but only received one ambulance bid. It was from Specialty Truck Sales & Services for a Horton Custom Ambulance on a 453 Type I all aluminum body conversion mounted on a 2016 Ford F-350 4x4 chassis for \$149,496.00. If Horton Emergency vehicles are able to secure a 2015 Ford F-350 4x4 chassis, the contract price will be \$145,496.00. Esq. Hawkins questioned why we only received one bid and Judge Brent noted the price has doubled in twelve years. Josh stressed he advertised and only two companies requested bid specs and only one sent a bid.

Upon motion by Esq. Hawkins and seconded by Esq. Brown, it is ordered by the Court to purchase the ambulance at the advertised price according to the bid and based on the satisfactory review of the specifications by the EMS committee.

Motion carried unanimously

2. Committee Update – Esq. Bates

Esq. Bates noted he and Judge Brent talked with Jason and the mechanic at Earl Floyd Ford's about the issue with the ambulance they put the engine in. Jason and the mechanic gave some reasons why they could be responsible for smashing some of the wires on the motor. They put the motor back in quick thinking the ambulance was going to be sold as is and not a new motor put in. Then we decided we wanted to put in the new motor. Judge Brent and Esq. Bates went ahead and gave them the check for the bill and the county was given a \$1,000 credit on our account for future work. Esq. Bates felt it was a productive trip.

Esq. Bates noted the Court needs to decide what to do with the ambulance we are replacing. He questioned if we should sell it by taking sealed bids, putting it in an auction or on E-Bay. Judge Brent suggested the Committee discuss the options and bring it back to the Court next month. He also suggested they ask County Attorney, Virginia Harrod, for legal direction.

RE: PLANNING & ZONING

1. Director's Update

Henry County P&Z/Solid Waste Administrator, Jody Rucker, was absent due to illness. Judge Brent reported six permits were issued in November.

2. Re-appointment of Reuben Yount to the Planning Commission

Upon motion by Esq. Fisher and seconded by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to re-appoint Reuben Yount to the Henry County Planning Commission for a term of 4 years.

Motion carried unanimously

3. Burk Property – A1 to A3 Zone Change

Judge Brent read the Planning Commission Findings and Recommendations regarding the A1 to A3 Zone Change on the Burke property located at 1221 Pendleton Rd, Pendleton, KY.

Upon motion by Esq. Hartlage and seconded by Esq. Bates, it is ordered by the Court to accept the Planning Commission Zone Change Recommendation from A1 to A3, for the Burke property located at 1221 Pendleton Road, Pendleton, KY.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: PARKS & FAIRGROUNDS SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Superintendent's Report

Henry County Parks & Fairgrounds Superintendent, Travis Buchanan, reported everything has been winterized at the parks and fairgrounds. His department has been doing winter maintenance jobs.

2. 2014 Leadership Class Project

Vicki Yeary and Mike Ray from the 2014 Henry County Leadership Class addressed the Court. Mike informed the Court that they were there to ask the Court's permission to allow them to provide a handicap sidewalk to the pond at the Henry County Recreation and Services Park. Mike explained that the sidewalk will be approximately 140 feet long and 4 feet wide with a brick paved border. The sidewalk will end in a 12 ft by 15 feet concrete landing next to the pond. The Leadership Class will sell brick pavers and granite blocks to raise funds for the project and Cedar Lake Lodge will contribute a fifty percent match. Mike stressed they don't want money from the Court just their approval to go forward with the project.

Upon motion by Esq. Hawkins and seconded by Esq. Hartlage, it is ordered by the Court to allow the 2014 Leadership Class to proceed with the project.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: ANIMAL SERVICES

1. Director's Update

Judge Brent noted Animal Control Officer, Dan Flinkfelt, was absent due to his vacation. Judge Brent reported Skylar Berry is working part-time at the animal shelter.

2. Committee Update – Esq. Hartlage

Esq. Hartlage noted he had no report as the Committee did not meet.

RE: CROP LEASE FOR 2015

Judge Brent informed the Court that Bobby Joe Quickert is interested in continuing the crop lease from the County. Judge Brent told Mr. Quickert he would have to bring it up and let the Court decide.

Upon motion by Esq. Fisher and seconded by Esq. Bates, it is ordered by the Court to allow Bobby Joe Quickert to continue the crop lease of 29 acres at \$125.00 per acre, for 2015.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: CLAIMS & TRANSFERS

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

General Fund	\$328,780.73
Road & Bridge	67,942.63
Jail Fund	40,953.21
Litter Fund	442.58
911/EMS Fund	2,992.60
Fair Fund	<u>1,439.72</u>
Total Expenditures	\$442,551.47

General Fund

From: 0192009990 (Reserve for Transfers)	\$10,700.00
To: 0151305740 (EMS Training)	1,000.00
To: 0151405990 (EMS Miscellaneous)	1,000.00
To: 0152277160 (Commerce Park Water/Electric)	7,700.00
To: 0191005990 (Miscellaneous)	1,000.00

Jail Fund

From: 0392009990 (Reserve for Transfers)	\$100.00
To: 0351015690 (Staff Training)	\$100.00

Motion carried unanimously

RE: PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

RE: COURT COMMENTS

Judge Brent recognized Esq. Brown and Esq. Hartlage as they are leaving office at the end of the year. Judge Brent presented a plaque to Esq. Hartlage for his years of service and complimented him on his contributions to the animal shelter and animal services. Judge Brent thanked Esq. Brown for his years of service as he presented a plaque to him. Judge Brent noted Esq. Brown had three goals he wanted to accomplish. He wanted to see mandatory garbage, to receive a clean county certification from the state and to build a new park. Esq. Brown accomplished two out of the three goals. Henry County did not receive a clean county certification as the program no longer exists. Esq. Brown noted others projects too like safety improvements around Bickers Hill and working on the by-pass around the railroad crossing in Campbellsburg. Esq. Brown noted when he joined the court the EMS service was all volunteers and now we have a paid 24 hour service and he was proud to be a part of it. Esq. Bates and Esq. Hawkins shared memories of time spent with Esq. Brown and what an honor and pleasure it had been to serve alongside him. Esq. Hawkins felt he and Esq. Hartlage had worked together and had accomplished things. He complimented Esq. Hartlage on what he did with the animal control services.

RE: ADJOURN

Upon motion by Esq. Brown and seconded by Esq. Hartlage, 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: January 20, 2015

