

**HENRY COUNTY FISCAL COURT  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 18, 2017**

The Henry County Fiscal Court met in Regular Session on July 18, 2017, at the Henry County Courthouse in New Castle, Kentucky, with the following in attendance:

John L. Brent, Judge/Executive  
Kassidy Dees, Attorney  
Esquire Scott Bates  
Esquire Jerry Beasley  
Esquire Mike Fisher  
Esquire Terri Cummings  
Esquire Jason Stanley  
Esquire Rickey Timberlake

**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 Brent called the meeting to order and noted all magistrates were present.

**RE: APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 20 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Upon motion by Esq. Stanley and second by Esq. Timberlake, it is ordered by the Court to approve the minutes from the June 20 Regular Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously

**RE: UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Judge Brent reported there was no unfinished business to discuss.

**RE: NEW BUSINESS**

## **RE: ROADS**

### **1. Supervisor Report**

Henry County Road Supervisor, Kenny Tindle, reported the Road Department has been bush hogging and are half way through the County for the second time. Ethan Smith was hired full-time after passing his CDL test. The Road Department will start doing in-house blacktopping and patching as soon as the plants have blacktop available.

### **2. Road Committee Report- Esq. Beasley**

Esq. Beasley noted the committee met to discuss using brine this winter. He also recommended hiring Ethan Smith full-time.

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and second by Esq. Timberlake, it is ordered by the Court to hire Ethan Smith full-time on the Road Department crew.

Motion carried unanimously

### **3. Brine Use Discussion**

Esq. Beasley noted the Road Committee decided to allow Kenny Tindle to purchase a tank and spray nozzles and also to purchase the liquid brine from Shelby County. It is estimated to cost around \$2,500.

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and second by Esq. Fisher, it is ordered by the Court to allow the Road Department to purchase a tank and nozzles for the use of brine.

Motion carried unanimously

### **4. Resolution for 2017/18 Flex Funds – Giltner Road**

Judge/Executive John L. Brent read aloud the Flex Fund Resolution to the Court.

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and second by Esq. Fisher, it is ordered by the Court to accept the 2017/18 Flex Fund Resolution.

Motion carried unanimously

### **5. Wolfpen Bridge Update**

Judge Executive John L. Brent informed the Court that the County has given five or six bridge bidding packets out. There will be a pre-bid meeting on July 20 for those interested in bidding. There is an ad in the paper with bids due the first week of August. One guideline is that construction needs to start by October. Brent informed the public that the bridge project is

moving forward; however, this is a much bigger project than other county bridges. It is also strongly recommended that the old bridge be taken down.

## **RE: EMS/PARAMEDICS**

### **1. Supervisor Update**

Henry County EMS Supervisor, Paige Lucas, reported everything is going good. Med 7 is back after being serviced and Med 5 is getting new tires. Lucas would like to hire Erin Lewis and rehire Glen Ball as part-time EMTs.

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Timberlake, it is ordered by the Court to hire Erin Lewis and Glen Ball as part-time EMTs.

Motion carried unanimously

### **2. EMS Committee Report- Esq. Bates**

Esq. Bates noted the committee did not meet.

## **RE: P & Z/ SOLID WASTE**

### **1. Administrator's Update**

Henry County P & Z / Solid Waste Administrator, Jody Rucker, reported 13 permits for out buildings and 16 electrical permits were issued last month. Planning and Zoning met on July 12. The Findings and Conditions were determined for the zone change in Pendleton. Once the Commissioner signs off on the official documents, they will be sent to Fiscal Court for approval or denial. It is expected that the official documents will be prepared for the August Fiscal Court Meeting.

### **2. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the Pendleton Exit Proposed Zone Change**

Judge/Executive John L. Brent announced to the Court that the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the proposed Pendleton exit zone change will be at the August Fiscal Court meeting.

## **RE: PARKS & FAIRGROUNDS**

## **1. Superintendent's Update**

Henry County Parks & Fairgrounds Superintendent, Travis Buchanan, reported that the summer youth leagues have finished up. Fall football has started practicing and youth soccer will be having signups soon. Little league baseball and softball will be having a fall league this year at Harry Hill. The Henry County Fair was the first week in July, and the Harvest Showcase will be July 29. The football light poles have been delivered. The lights are still on about a month backorder. Buchanan is getting a meeting together with everyone involved to insure that all are on the same page.

## **RE: ANIMAL SERVICES**

### **1. Director's Update**

Director of Animal Services, Dan Flinkfelt, reported that everything is going good at the shelter. They have had trips to Chicago and other sites to adopt out dogs. He has seen a rise in the number of people turning dogs in when they move and can't take them. Flinkfelt informed the Court that the lights on his car have been changed out. He is getting a quote to get the air conditioner fixed.

### **2. Committee Report- Esq. Fisher**

Esq. Fisher noted the Committee did not meet.

### **3. Judge's Meeting Report**

Judge/Executive John L. Brent noted he met with the Trimble County Judge and they came up with a trial plan to do rotating shifts at the shelter. Henry County will be responsible for two days a week and Trimble County will be responsible for two days with a mixed coverage of both counties on Friday. Brent asked Flinkfelt to use those days when Trimble County is covering to manage employee time off and to be active in the community. Brent would like him to keep a calendar of his trips to be able to report.

## **RE: SHERIFF'S REPORT**

Danny Cravens, Henry County Sheriff, reported for both May and June. In May 2017, the Sheriff's Department had 325 calls dispatched from KSP, 93 calls to the Sheriff's Office for

deputy services, inspected 80 vehicles, and issued 21 concealed carry licenses. In June 2017, the Sheriff's Department had 301 calls dispatched from KSP, 78 calls to the Sheriff's Office for deputy services, inspected 64 vehicles, and issued 27 concealed carry licenses.

Esq. Bates commented that he thinks the vehicle checkpoints are a good idea and thanked Cravens for conducting them. Sheriff Cravens noted those numbers would be in his July report.

### **RE: SHERIFF'S SETTLEMENT PRESENTATION**

Danny Cravens, Henry County Sheriff, presented the Court with the Sheriff's Department settlement.

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and second by Esq. Bates, it is ordered by the Court to approve the Sheriff's Department settlement.

Motion carried unanimously

Judge/Executive John L. Brent asked Cravens what percent the Sheriff's Department gets for collecting taxes. Cravens thought it was about 3.75 percent, but he was unsure since the rate varies.

### **RE: APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY TREASURER - MEGAN WILSON**

Judge/Executive John L. Brent recommended that the Court appoint Megan Wilson as County Treasurer.

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and second by Esq. Timberlake, it is ordered by the Court to appoint Megan Wilson as County Treasurer.

### **RE: 1<sup>st</sup> READING OF THE 2017 TAX RATES (PERSONAL PROPERTY – 11.7 CURRENT RATE, TANGIBLE – 15.9 CURRENT RATE, & MOTOR VEHICLE – 11.9 CURRENT RATE)**

Upon motion by Esq. Fisher and second by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court that the County tax levy remain the same as last year at 11.7 cents per hundred dollars on all real property in Henry County, 15.9 cents per hundred dollars on all personal property in Henry County, and 11.9 cents per hundred dollars on all motor vehicles and watercraft for 2017. A public hearing for the tax levy will be held on August 15, 2017, at 6 pm.

Motion carried unanimously

**RE: COMMERCE PARK PROPERTY LEASE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Esq. Stanley noted the committee met and are trying to figure which lot would be the best location. Stanley is hopeful to have more to report next month.

**RE: CLAIMS & TRANSFERS**

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Stanley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the following claims & transfers:

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>-----\$ 368,986.52</b>
<b>Road &amp; Bridge Fund</b>	<b>-----\$ 144,523.79</b>
<b>Jail Fund</b>	<b>-----\$ 51,954.70</b>
<b>LGEA Fund</b>	<b>-----\$ 1,430.00</b>
<b>Litter Fund</b>	<b>-----\$ 2,309.68</b>
<b>911 Fund</b>	<b>-----\$ 19,527.15</b>
<b>Fair Fund</b>	<b>-----\$ 3,229.79</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>-----\$ 591,961.63</b>

Motion carried unanimously

**RE: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Judge/Executive John L. Brent opened the meeting to public comments.

Danny Holcomb asked about what the County is doing for the drug problem. Brent replied that the County is taking a community approach with different events or groups that have been started including the Hope for Recovery Walk which will be on August 19, Celebrate Recovery, and Communities in Action. Another program that is planned is Quick Response Team modeled after Colerain, Ohio, and some northern Kentucky counties. If there is an overdose, the Quick Response Team, consisting of an EMT, plain clothes officer, and a counselor will check on the patient and try to get them into treatment. In Colerain, Ohio, they have an eighty percent success rate. Brent stated that Henry County was on track for around 200 overdoses for this year back in March and is now on track for around 170.

Mr. Holcomb asked if the County would put signs up with a number to call to report drug activity. Sherriff Cravens stated that he has a website and Facebook page and will be putting his website on his cruisers.

**RE: COURT COMMENTS**

Esq. Beasley thanked Kenny Tindle for tracking and saving rock on the gravel roads.

Esq. Timberlake thanked Kenny Tindle for blacktopping Anderson Acres.

**RE: ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second 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/ Travis Buchanan**

**TRAVIS BUCHANAN  
INTERIM FISCAL COURT CLERK**

**S/ John L. Brent**

**JOHN L. BRENT  
JUDGE EXECUTIVE**

Date Approved: August 15, 2017