

**HENRY COUNTY FISCAL COURT
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 15, 2018**

The Henry County Fiscal Court met in Regular Session on May 15, 2018, at the Henry County Courthouse in New Castle, Kentucky, with the following in attendance:

John L. Brent, Judge Executive
Virginia Harrod, County Attorney
Esquire Scott Bates
Esquire Jerry Beasley
Esquire Terri Cummings
Esquire Mike Fisher
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 at 6 p.m. and noted that all magistrates were in attendance.

RE: APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 17 REGULAR MEETING AND APRIL 30 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the minutes from April 17th Regular Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Beasley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the minutes from April 30th Special Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Judge Brent stated there was no unfinished business from the previous meeting.

RE: NEW BUSINESS

RE: ROADS

1. Supervisor's Report

Henry County Road Supervisor, Kenny Tindle, reported that the Road Department was at full force with mowing, grading, bushwhacking, replacing culverts, and hauling rock.

Road Committee Report- Esq. Beasley

Esq. Beasley stated that the committee did not meet.

2. Wolfpen Bridge Update

Jeff Roederer reported that all abutments and piers for the Wolfpen Bridge are completed and approximately half the steel girders are installed. The deck should be put on next week. The project is about 2½ weeks ahead of the previously prepared work schedule.

Judge Brent stated that if the County were to do the necessary work on the approaches themselves, equipment would be required for compaction. A proposal will be put together for the Road Committee to review and it will be included on next month's agenda.

RE: EMS/PARAMEDICS

1. Supervisor's Update

Henry County EMS Supervisor, Paige Lucas-Jamiel, reported that EMS services are going okay. With the loss of a dialysis patient, they are down to only 2.

2. EMS Committee Report - Esq. Bates

Esq. Bates reported that the EMS Committee did not meet.

3. Request to Advertise for Bids for the Purchase of a New Ambulance

Judge Brent stated that although the purchase of a new ambulance was included in the proposed budget, the current auditor requires that there be formal action by Fiscal Court.

Upon motion by Esq. Stanley and second by Esq. Timberlake, it is ordered by the Court to approve the advertisement for bids for the purchase of a new ambulance.

Motion carried unanimously

Judge Brent, Esq. Bates, and Director Lucas-Jamiel, explained that the specs to be included in the bid will be looser to generate more bids. They expect at least 15 bids to be submitted.

RE: P & Z/SOLID WASTE

1. Director's Update

Henry County P & Z / Solid Waste Administrator, Jody Rucker, reported that 11 building and 16 electrical permits have been issued for the month. Neither the Planning and Zoning Commission nor the Board of Adjustments met this month.

1. 2nd Reading of Zoning Ordinance Amendment Re: Conditional Use Permits on Distilled Spirits Storage, Distilling & Tasting Rooms

Judge Brent presented the 2nd Reading of the Zoning Ordinance regarding issuance of conditional use permits for distilled spirits storage, distilling and tasting rooms. He stated that there were 2 changes to the document since the 1st Reading. One small business wants to perhaps have a restaurant as part of their operation so that has been added. Also Planning and Zoning staff got feedback from another distiller who feels that allowing up to 10 truck deliveries per week would be helpful so that has been increased.

Court members discussed that this applies only to those distillers who choose to build in an agricultural zone instead of an industrial area. This conditional use would be helpful in growing agritourism businesses. There should be limited deliveries required since bourbon requires lengthy storage. Each incorporated city must also approve the ordinance.

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and second by Esq. Fisher, it is ordered by the Court to approve the 2nd Reading of an A-1 conditional use for construction of one warehouse, rack house, craft distillery, and tasting room/restaurant for each 50 contiguous acres with itemized requirements.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: PARKS & FAIRGROUNDS

Henry County Parks & Fairgrounds Superintendent, Travis Buchanan, reported that his crew is very busy with the growing grass. Youth baseball and softball are playing at Harry Hill Park till June. Soccer will finish this month. Mr. Buchanan informed the Court that there have been 8 additional trees placed around the walking trail at the Recreational and Services Park in memory or honor of individuals. This program is a continuation of the Leadership Henry Class project, and there have been over 70 trees placed with no cost to the County.

Mr. Buchanan explained that he is again supervising an intern placed with the Parks Department by KentuckianaWorks who covers all the costs for this employment. The intern will be working for up to 30 hours per week for 8 weeks. Judge Brent stated that the Sheriff's Office and other organizations have incorporated these interns into their programs and several have led to paid positions. He reminded everyone how important this type of collaboration is to further economic development for the County.

RE: ANIMAL SERVICES

1. Director's Update

Director of Animal Services, Dan Flinkfelt reported that this has been a difficult month with the death of a community member and severe injuries to a Kentucky State Police trooper in their effort to save a dog on Interstate 71. They have been busy with stray animals and handling calls to the shelter. KSP is now texting or emailing him on non-essential calls. With the help of volunteers, his Department has adopted 20-30 animals. One dog was euthanized due to its vicious bites which resulted in injuries to an adult and a child.

Committee Report- Esq. Fisher

Esq. Fisher reported that the committee did meet, but he had nothing further to present to the Court.

RE: 1ST READING OF BUDGET AMENDMENT PERTAINING TO THE RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS DONATED FOR A SPLASH PAD

Judge Brent explained that in conversation with Mr. Donald Buchanan it was decided to bid out the construction of the splash pad. There was only one bid submitted. The sole bid was from Waterplay Recreation Sales in the amount of \$379,869.75. This bid does not include 2 canopies which are included in the check from Mr. Buchanan which has already been accepted.

Upon motion by Esq. Stanley and second by Esq. Cummings, it is ordered by the Court to accept the \$379,869.75 bid from Waterplay Recreation Sales for the construction of the splash pad.

Motion carried unanimously

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and second by Esq. Fisher, it is ordered by the Court to approve the 1st Reading of a budget amendment to increase the receipts in the Park Donation fund and increase the expenditure in the Park Improvements account by \$363,720.75 to accommodate the donation for the construction of the splash pad.

RE: LGEA PUBLIC HEARING

Judge Brent announced that the Court would hold the annual LGEA Fund public hearing. These severance funds are generated from rock and mineral sales. There were no public comments from citizens.

RE: COUNTY ROAD AID PUBLIC HEARING

Judge Brent announced the County Road Aid public hearing. The County Road Aid funds result from taxes paid at the pump and redistributed to the counties. There were no comments.

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Stanley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the participation in a cooperative program to aid the County in the construction, reconstruction, and maintenance of road and bridges using its share of the County Road Aid Funds apportioned by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: SHERIFF'S MONTHLY REPORT

Sheriff Cravens presented the Sheriff's Department report for February citing the following services: 272 KSP dispatch calls, 110 Sheriff's office calls, 48 citations/criminal summons, 12 criminal arrests, 34 warrant arrests, 194 court papers served, 1 fugitive transport, 1 MIW transport, 80 vehicle inspections, 45 carry conceal licenses, and 7 drug charge arrests. Sheriff Cravens reported that the Health Department's insurer, KACO, has replaced the roof on the Sheriff's Office.

RE: SET JAILER'S SALARY

Judge Brent stated that per KRS any changes to the Jailer's salary must be during election years. According to the Department of Local Government's budget reviewer this year even though the salary has been documented in the proposed budget, the amount must be approved by the Court.

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Stanley, it is ordered by the Court to approve the Jailer's salary as included in the proposed budget.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: APPROVAL OF SALARY SCHEDULE FOR EMPLOYEES

Judge Brent stated that the Department of Local Government requires that the Salary Schedule for County Employees be officially approved by Court action.

Upon motion by Esq. Beasley and second by Esq. Timberlake, it is ordered by the Court to approve the Salary Schedule for County Employees for the 2018 calendar year.

Motion carried unanimously

RE: CLAIMS & TRANSFERS

Upon motion by Esq. Bates and second by Esq. Timberlake, it is ordered to approve the following claims:

General Fund	\$292,091.60
Road & Bridge Fund	176,776.25
Jail Fund	40,696.19
Litter	145.05
911 Fund	1,651.75
Fair Fund	<u>467.98</u>
Total Expenditures	\$511,828.82

Motion carried unanimously

RE: PUBLIC COMMENTS

Judge Brent opened the floor for public comments.

Hugh McBurney raised a concern that the Road Department had sprayed weed killer resulting in loss of vegetation cover and washing around culverts. Supervisor Tindle responded that the department’s policy is to spray only at the end of roads and where necessary to protect those culverts when employees are mowing.

Jim Edds from Manor Drive spoke regarding the ditch issue that he had previously raised. Esq. Beasley and Supervisor Tindle explained that the work is scheduled, but was delayed due to the weather and illness of the driver necessary to deliver dry dirt. They have obtained the sod and will get it completed as soon as possible. He also raised concerns about speeding and the need for patrols and police presence.

RE: COURT COMMENTS

There were no additional Court comments.

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/ Denise Perry
DENISE PERRY
FISCAL COURT CLERK

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

Date Approved: **June 19, 2018**