

GALLATIN COUNTY FISCAL COURT
March 11, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Gallatin County Fiscal Court was called to order by Judge Ryan Morris on March 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Gallatin County Extension Office Annex, Warsaw, Kentucky. The meeting was also streamed on Facebook Live. Magistrates present were Ethan Moore, Donnie Sullivan, and Joel Shinkle. M. J Haddix attended the meeting via Zoom. County Attorney John G. Wright was also present. Everyone stood and recited the pledge of allegiance.

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of February 11, 2021 was made by Ethan Moore. Donnie Sullivan seconded the motion. All ayes.

Recognition of Audience: None.

Approval of Agenda: Judge Morris presented the meeting agenda for approval. Joel Shinkle requested to add personnel to the closed session. Joel Shinkle made a motion to approve the meeting agenda with the added item. Ethan Moore seconded the motion. All ayes.

Approval of Monthly Bills: Claims were presented for approval to pay, including the added blue sheet. Ethan Moore made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Donnie Sullivan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

February 2021 Financial Reporting

1. Treasurer Report – Treasurer Lesa Bullard presented the Fund Cash Statement Summary for the month ending February 28, 2021. Donnie Sullivan made a motion to approve the report and M.J Haddix seconded the motion. All ayes.
2. Budget Transfers –Joel Shinkle made a motion to approve the budget transfers for the month of February. Donnie Sullivan seconded. All ayes.
3. Interfund Cash Transfers – Ethan Moore made a motion to approve the interfund cash transfers. Joel Shinkle seconded. All ayes.
4. Budget Amendment #021121 #3 2nd Reading, Gallatin County Sheriff Excess Fees. Motion to approve the budget amendment was made by M.J Haddix and seconded by Donnie Sullivan. All ayes.
5. Budget Amendment #031121 #4 – 1st Reading, Gallatin County Clerk Excess Fees and Airport Grant. Budget Amendment approved by M.J Haddix and seconded by Ethan Moore. All ayes.

OLD BUSINESS

CODE ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

Judge Morris updated gave the magistrates a spread sheet of properties and their status. Anyone can contact the Judge's office with concerns/complaints regarding properties. Letters go out to property owners with either Jim Hansen or John Fuellhart's signature.

NEW BUSINESS

STATE OF THE COUNTY

Judge Morris presented an update of things that have been done in the county during this term including the road system, police/fire/EMS, building improvements etc. Also included is a statement of Current Financial Standing.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK CV GRANT RESOLUTION

Resolution #03112021 authorizes Judge Morris to sign and file a Community Development Block CV Grant application. Gallatin County will apply for \$125,000 to provide utility relief to residents. M.J Haddix made a motion to approve the resolution with it being seconded by Ethan Moore. All ayes.

DISPATCH TEXT TO 911

Ryan Bailey gave a presentation regarding 911 emergency communications. You can text 911 in an emergency situation. "What 3 Words" went live in Gallatin County February 1st. You can download a free app to be able to use what3words address in an emergency.

COUNTY CLERK YEAR END STATEMENT

Judge Morris informed the court of the County Clerk's Year End Settlement in the packet. He noted that the Clerk turned over \$81,175.23 in Excess Fees. Ethan Moore made a motion to approve the Clerk's Settlement. Joel Shinkle seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

FAIRGROUND LEASE

There is some land around the fairgrounds that is not being utilized at this time. The land could be leased to farmers for cattle etc. The lease would maintain the property. If it is not leased, the county would have to bush hog the property. M.J Haddix made a motion to explore leasing with it being seconded by Ethan Moore. Motion passed unanimously.

FLOOD EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Judge Morris and the court commended the Emergency response teams that responded during the flood.

YOUTH SPORTS COMPLEX

This project consists of building a concession stand, shelter house, restrooms etc. This will consist of a 30x60 pole barn building, open breeze way in the middle and positioning to see all fields. The county will go in halves with the city. The money is in the budget but it won't take near what is budgeted. Donnie Sullivan made a motion to move forward with this project. The motion was seconded by Ethan Moore. All ayes.

HARTIG PARK ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION CONTRACT

Ethan Moore made a motion to accept the Amendment to the Environmental Restoration and Preservation Contract. Motion was seconded by Joel Shinkle. Motion passed 4-1

COMMENTS

Magistrate Moore made a motion to go into closed session to discuss property acquisition per KRS 61.810(1) (b) and personnel per KRS 61.810(1) (f). Motion seconded by Donnie Sullivan. All ayes.

M.J Haddix made a motion to return to open session. Ethan Moore seconded the motion. All ayes.

With no further business before the court, Ethan Moore made a motion to adjourn. Joel Shinkle seconded his motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Tracy Miles
Gallatin County Fiscal Court Clerk

**GALLATIN COUNTY FISCAL COURT
PUBLIC HEARING
March 11, 2021**

The Public Hearing was called to order by Judge Ryan Morris on March 11, 2021 at 5:45 p.m. at the Gallatin County Extension Office Annex, Warsaw, Kentucky. The meeting was also streamed on Facebook Live. Magistrates present were Ethan Moore, Donnie Sullivan, and Joel Shinkle. M. J Haddix attended the meeting via Zoom. County Attorney John G. Wright was also present.

Judge Morris turned the meeting over to Lisa Cooper, NKADD.

Ms. Cooper explained that the Kentucky Department for Local Government is accepting applications under the Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus Response Program. This program will help Gallatin County residents that have been impacted by COVID-19 and need help to pay utility bills. It is recommended that Gallatin County apply for \$125,000. There are no restrictions. The applicant will self-certify that they have been impacted by COVID.

With there being no other questions or comments the Public Hearing was closed.

Tracy Miles
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