

GALLATIN COUNTY FISCAL COURT
April 14, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Gallatin County Fiscal Court was called to order by Judge Ryan Morris on April 14, 2022 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, M. J Haddix, Joel Shinkle and Donnie Sullivan. County Attorney John G. Wright was also present. Everyone stood and recited the pledge of allegiance.

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Fiscal Court Meeting of March 10, 2022 was made by Joel Shinkle and seconded by Donnie Sullivan. All ayes. The amended minutes of May 13, 2021 were presented for approval. The 1st reading of the code enforcement inter-local agreement was passed at that meeting but was not included in the minutes. Magistrate Haddix made a motion to approve the corrected minutes with it being seconded by Magistrate Shinkle. All ayes.

Recognition of Audience: None.

Approval of Agenda: Judge Morris presented the meeting agenda for approval with two items being struck from the agenda, Duke Energy (they were not ready) and ARPA Ambulance, (check list needs to be completed) and with the addition of Code Enforcement, Fair Board and Health Insurance under New Business. Magistrate Moore moved to approve the agenda as amended. Magistrate Sullivan seconded. All ayes.

Vendor Claims: Claims were presented for approval to pay. Magistrate Haddix made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Magistrate Shinkle seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

March 2022 Financial Reporting

1. Treasurer Report – Treasurer Lesa Bullard presented the Fund Cash Statement Summary for the month ending March 31, 2022. Magistrate Haddix made a motion to approve the report and Magistrate Moore seconded the motion. All ayes.
2. Budget Transfers – Magistrate Moore made a motion to approve the budget transfers for the month of March. Magistrate Shinkle seconded the motion. All ayes.
3. Interfund Cash Transfers – Magistrate Shinkle made a motion to approve the interfund cash transfers for the month of March. Magistrate Haddix seconded. All ayes.
4. Quarterly Report – Magistrate Sullivan made a motion to accept the 3rd quarter report. Magistrate Moore seconded. All ayes.
5. Budget Amendment #031022 #8 - 2nd Reading of Airport Debt Bond. Motion to approve made by Magistrate Moore and seconded by Magistrate Sullivan. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

HARTIG PARK BARN PROJECT

The group met to discuss what it would take to repair the barn. Magistrate Shinkle stated that the Gallatin County Historical Society is interested in helping out with the barn. David Hull stated that they would need grant style funding to do it right. Need to do a feasibility study and have a timeline. Judge Morris asked if we could get an answer by next month. Magistrate Shinkle made a motion to table the discussion until next month. Magistrate Haddix seconded. All ayes.

ARPA FUNDING DISCUSSION

Playground projects budget: Judge Morris presented information about adding, not replacing, playground equipment at the county park and at the fairgrounds. Motion was made by Magistrate Haddix to spend \$85,000 on new playground equipment. The motion was seconded by Magistrate Shinkle. All ayes.

Sports Complex Budget: \$110,000 is in the budget for the shelter bathrooms etc. They have asked for pricing on buildings and pole barns. City of Warsaw will handle most of that.

Senior Bus Budget: We currently have a handicap accessible bus that is in good shape. An investment in the future would be to purchase another vehicle similar to that but a newer version. Another option would be a 12-15 passenger van that would be easier to drive for short trips. If a van is purchased, Missy could drive it. Will work on having a resolution for next month.

SPEEDWAY BOULEVARD

Speedway Boulevard is not a county road so we cannot spend county road aid money on it. The county has a miscellaneous account with money from scrap metal at the county barn. There is currently over \$5,000 in the account. This money could be used for the road because it is not taxpayer dollars, per Rich Ornstein. It could be taken in as an emergency and then fix it. A lot of people are using the road because 42 is closed. Magistrate Sullivan made a motion to take Speedway Blvd in as an emergency road and re-evaluate when it is no longer an emergency or when US 42 is open. Magistrate Moore seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-1 with Magistrates Moore, Sullivan, & Shinkle voting yes and Magistrate Haddix voting no. Magistrate Haddix in explaining his vote stated that he just has a lot of questions and where he believes that Rich Ornstein is one of the best in the state and if he had the chance he would like to bounce some ideas off him.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Vic Satchwell presented the Conservation District budget. Motion made by Magistrate Shinkle and seconded by Magistrate Haddix to accept the budget. All ayes.

LETTER OF RECOGNITION

Gallatin County Sheriff's Deputy Mason Sizemore was recognized for helping a motorist whose tire had blown out because of the potholes on the interstate.

District 4 Constable William Skirvin was also recognized for helping a motorist when they couldn't get any help. Magistrate Moore stated the county is lucky to have constables.

ARPA PREMIUM PAY RESOLUTION

Motion was made by Magistrate Haddix and seconded by Magistrate Moore to approve Resolution No. 041422 authorizing premium pay for essential county employees that were employed during certain periods using funds received from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

AOC PROJECT BIDS

Motion made by Magistrate Haddix and seconded by Magistrate Shinkle to accept the \$48,500 bid to paint the exterior of the courthouse.

COUNTY SECURITY CAMERA PROJECT

The camera system has been ordered and should be in around the end of May.

CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD

Brent Caldwell has resigned from the board as he is now the Code Enforcement Officer. Scott Workman has been nominated by Magistrate Haddix. Magistrate Haddix made a motion to

accept the nomination with it being seconded by Magistrate Moore. All ayes. Jackie Giles will have to be replaced as he is moving to Owen County. Judge Morris swore in the members that were present: Renee Cozine, Amy Williams, Rick Andrew, and Scott Workman.

FAIR BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Wayne Dunkerley and KY Davis are in attendance. Judge Morris presented a list of people interested in joining the fair board. They are: Larkin Legrand, Randy Cozine, Chris Cozine, Bob Searcy, and Christina McEntire.

Magistrate Shinkle made a motion to accept those people as members of the fair board.

Magistrate Sullivan seconded the motion. All ayes. The next fair board meeting will be April 19th at 6pm at the Fairgrounds.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Judge Morris gave the court copies of the insurance packet explaining the new health insurance.

COMMENTS

Judge Morris announced that Bobby Nunn has retired. Ryan King is the new animal control officer.

Auction items are being gathered and will be declared surplus to have a spring auction.

Judge Morris would like each magistrate to schedule a time to meet with him and Lesa to go over the budget. He also would like to speak with department heads.

Magistrate Haddix discussed the processing plant (butcher shop) located at the corner of 127 and 455. They will be open for deer season.

Magistrate Moore asked to be kept updated on Speedway Blvd.

Magistrate Sullivan thanked the road department for the work they did on Knox Lillard.

Magistrate Ethan Moore made a motion to go into closed session to discuss a personnel issue per KRS 61.810 (1)(b). Donnie Sullivan seconded the motion. All ayes.

Joel Shinkle moved to come out of closed session. Donnie Sullivan seconded the motion. All ayes.

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

Tracy Miles
Gallatin County Fiscal Court Clerk