

GALLATIN COUNTY FISCAL COURT
Regular Meeting
December 12, 2024
6:00 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Gallatin County Fiscal Court called to order by Judge Ryan Morris on December 12, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the Gallatin County Extension Office (West Wing) Warsaw, Kentucky. Magistrates present were Ethan Moore, Donnie Sullivan, Joel Shinkle and M. J Haddix. County Attorney Grant Axon present. Everyone stood for the pledge of allegiance.

Minutes: Minutes from the November 12, 2024 special meeting was presented. Motion to approve made by Magistrate Haddox and seconded by Magistrate Moore. All ayes.

Recognition of Audience: Kentucky Davis with Marshall Ford shared with the court and public that they will be providing a new service to the Senior Citizens and people working. This is a remote experience that will include pickup, delivery and a mobile unit. This is a \$200,000.00 commitment catering to Seniors and those people who are working and cannot leave to have routine maintenance and this is no cost to the individual for this service.

Approval of Agenda: Judge Morris added the CPI of 3.4% raise for employees with revenue status, also adding Closed Session for Property Acquisition KRS 61.810B. Motion to add made by Magistrate Shinkle and seconded by Magistrate Sullivan. Motion passed.

Vendor Claims: Claims were presented for approval, Magistrate Moore moved to pay the bills as presented. Magistrate Shinkle seconded the motion. Magistrate Haddix voting no. Motion passed 3-1.

November 2024 Financial Reporting

1. Treasurer Report – Treasurer Lesa Bullard presented the Fund Cash Statement Summary for the month ending November 30, 2024. Magistrate Haddix made a motion to approve the report and Magistrate Sullivan seconded. Motion passed.
2. Budget Transfers – Magistrate Haddix made a motion to approve the budget transfers for the month of November. Magistrate Shinkle seconded. Motion passed.
3. Interfund Cash Transfers – Magistrate Haddix made a motion to approve interfund cash transfers. Magistrate Moore seconded. Motion passed.
4. Cash Transfer – Magistrate Haddix made a motion to approve the cash transfer. Magistrate Shinkle seconded. Motion passed.
5. Ordinance #111224/Budget Amendment #4- Magistrate Sullivan made a motion to approve the second reading of Amendment #4 approving the CDBG-Triad Pharmacy Grant in the amount of \$684,000.00. Magistrate Haddix seconded. Motion passed.
6. Ordinance #111224/Budget Amendment #5- Magistrate Shinkle made a motion to approve the second reading of Amendment #5 for the Interact for Health (Safe Routes to School) Grant applied for by Sherri Broderick in the amount of \$40,000.00 This grant will be awarded in \$40,000.00 increments totaling \$120,000.00. Magistrate Haddix seconded. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Medical Cannabis- Second Reading of Ordinance Allowing or Prohibiting

A motion to Prohibit Cannabis Business in Gallatin County made by Magistrate Shinkle seconded by Magistrate Moore. Judge asked for a roll call vote. Magistrate Haddix-no, Magistrate Moore-yes, Magistrate Shinkle-yes, Magistrate Sullivan-no, Judge/Executive Morris-yes. Motion passes to Prohibit Medical Cannabis Business Ordinance. This is the second and final required reading.

NEW BUSINESS

2025 GALLATIN COUNTY SHERIFF BUDGETT

A motion made by Magistrate Sullivan to approve the 2025 Sheriff Budget. Magistrate Haddix seconded. Motion passed.

2025 SHERIFF BUDGET SETTING MAXIMUM SALARIES FOR (DEPUTIES&ASSISTANTS)

Magistrate Haddix made a motion to approve the maximum salaries set for 2025 in the amount of \$874,341.67. Magistrate Sullivan seconded. Motion passed.

GALLATIN COUNTY HERITAGE FARM RECOGNITION

David Hull presented the Furnish Farm Family with the 100-year plaque. There were 11 farms recognized within the county for being with the same family over 100 years. The Furnish Family was very appreciative for the recognition.

GALLATIN COUNTY LIBRARY APPOINTMENT

Magistrate Moore made a motion to accept the library reappointment of Joanie Rogers. Magistrate Sullivan seconded. This is a four-year term. Motion passed. Alternate was Sherri Ferguson.

ARPA RESOLUTION 20241212

The final ARPA resolution authorizing the expenditure of \$880,879.72 for payroll revenue loss. The period is March 3, 2021 through December 31, 2024. Motion to accept the resolution as read was made by Magistrate Sullivan and seconded by Magistrate Shinkle. Motion passed.

AIRPORT TERMINAL DESIGN

Airport Chair, Wayne Rassman presented the Judge and Fiscal Court with the airport terminal design. The airport terminal design once approved would be sent out by the Architect and out for bid in February or March. Anticipating early summer for construction to begin. Wayne Rassman stated infrastructure and furniture will need to be added. The FBO can opt out or can add private dollars if they want to add or change something on the terminal building. The airport board remains in control of the airport, the FBO leases the property. This airport terminal will be 5500 square foot, two million dollars project funded with State funding. Magistrate Haddix asked if the FBO's were asked their opinion on the terminal design. He stated we want to make sure we setup the FBO for success. The airport board had an airport design committee that took site visits to other airports viewing their terminals. Motion to accept the design terminal as presented made by Magistrate Moore seconded by Magistrate Shinkle. Magistrate Haddix abstained. Motion passed.

FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER PRESENTATION

Kerry Tackett with the Family Resource Center provided the court with a presentation of the how they help children within the school. A few statistics included serving 330 children and 7000 intervention needs. Gallatin County is 76.8 percent impoverished. The Family Resource is vital to the needs of the school children and families.

2025 COUNTY CLERK BUDGET

Magistrate Shinkle made motion to approve the 2025 County Clerk Budget, seconded by Magistrate Haddix. Motion passed.

2025 COUNTY CLERK MAXIMUM SALARIES SET FOR DEPUTIES & ASSISTANTS

Magistrate Haddix made a motion to approve the maximum order setting salaries for 2025 and seconded by Magistrate Moore. Motion passed.

NUCOR BOND

Nucor is working with their legal department on documentation for community assistance with county related projects. Table to another date. Motion to table made by Magistrate Sullivan and seconded by Magistrate Moore. Motion passed.

2025 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE SET

The Judge discussed and reviewed the holiday schedule with several departments. The consensus of the employees was to take December 25 and December 26 as paid holidays for 2025. Part-time employees who work on the actual major holidays get paid for working. A motion to accept the 2025 holiday schedule was made by Magistrate Shinkle and seconded by Magistrate Haddix. Motion passed.

CPI RAISES – COUNTY EMPLOYEES 3.4% CPI

The Judge shared with the court that we are secure in implementing a 3.4 percent raise for all full-time employees. A motion to accept the CPI increase made by Magistrate Haddix and seconded by Magistrate Moore. Motion passed.

ENTER CLOSED SESSION- 61.810B

Motion to enter closed session to discuss property acquisition made by Magistrate Shinkle and seconded by Magistrate Haddix. Motion passed.

EXIT CLOSED SESSION

Motion to exit closed session made by Magistrate Haddix and seconded by Magistrate Shinkle. Motion passed.

ADJOURN

Magistrate Sullivan made a motion to adjourn. Magistrate Moore seconded. All ayes.

NOVEMBER 2024

- **Medical Cannabis Ordinance-First Reading**
- **Gallatin Co Water Board Reappointment-Ann Webster**
- **Gallatin Co Park & Recreation (Concession Stand)-Update**
- **ARPA-Final obligation**
- **Airport Land Lease**
- **Livestock-Running at large**
- **Road CPPP Program-Projects approved**