

Mason County Fiscal Court
Regular Session
June 9, 2015
9:00 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Judge/Executive Joseph Pfeffer. Present were Commissioner Joseph McKay (District 1), Commissioner Annette Walters (District 2), Commissioner Phil Day (District 3), County Attorney John Estill, Assistant County Attorney Jackie Sue Wright, Deputy Judge/Executive Richard Newberry, Sheriff Patrick Boggs and County Treasurer Kim Muse.

Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner Walters to approve the minutes of the May 12 meeting with corrections as presented.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Motion by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner McKay to approve the minutes of the May 22 special meeting as presented.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Animal Shelter Report

Motion by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner Day to accept the report as presented by Roger Mullikin and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Sheriff's Report

Motion by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner McKay to accept the Monthly Tax Disbursement Report for May as presented by Sheriff Boggs and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Sheriff Boggs submitted the Monthly Vehicle Report for May for the Court's review.

Judge/Executive Pfeffer opened bids for the purchase of vehicles for the Sheriff's Department. Only one bid was submitted. The bid was from Mann Chrysler for three Dodge Chargers Police Package V6 automatic for a purchase price of \$68,478.00, which is less than state contract pricing. Judge/Executive Pfeffer recommended a specifications review to make certain the bid meets the state specifications.

Motion by Commissioner McKay and seconded by Commissioner Day to accept the bid and authorize the Judge/Executive Pfeffer, County Treasurer and County Attorney to research financing and lease options at a competitive rate not to exceed three years.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer – Yes

Road Department Report

Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner McKay to accept the report as submitted by Joe Brown and presented by Deputy Judge/Executive Richard Newberry and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Motion by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner McKay authorizing Judge/Executive Pfeffer to enter into a contract with Compass Minerals, who is the supplier for deicing salt.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Judge/Executive Pfeffer informed the Court that HB 510 helped offset some of the decrease in county road aid. Mason County received \$33,236.10 for use in road maintenance. At this time, it is difficult to schedule repairs due to the limited availability of asphalt as well as heavy equipment due to ongoing road projects on US 62.

Landfill Report

Motion by Commissioner McKay and seconded by Commissioner Walters to accept the report as presented by Todd Leonard and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

County Attorney Estill spoke to Fiscal Court regarding an informal conference requested by the Enforcement Division of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection and attended by Todd, County Attorney Estill and Judge/Executive Pfeffer. A number of outstanding violations have been issued against the county for a leachate collection pond that sometimes drains into a ditch line. The Enforcement Division recognized the issues and uniqueness of the situation. The violations will remain open while the county studies other places and testing methodologies. Todd will also compile plans and proposals to deal with violations, as well as perform additional testing.

Recycling Report

Motion by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner Day to accept the report as presented by Steve Frodge and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Solid Waste Report

Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner McKay to accept the report as presented by Steve Frodge and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Detention Center Report

Motion by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner McKay to accept the report as presented by Jailer Lisa O'Hearn and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner McKay to surplus or dispose of items listed in report presented by Jailer O'Hearn and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Treasurer's Report

Motion by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner McKay to pay claims as presented and additional claims totaling \$93,111.83 as presented by Treasurer Muse and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Motion by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner Day to approve the Financial Statement as presented by Treasurer Muse and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Motion by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner McKay to approve budget transfers in the amount of \$40,698.00 as presented by Treasurer Muse and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Motion by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner McKay authorizing the payment of \$11,144.50 to Software Management LLC for the upgrade of computer equipment in the Mason County Clerk's Office. This amount is half the price of the upgrade. The Clerk's Office will pay the remaining half.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Motion by Commissioner McKay and seconded by Commissioner Walters to amend the voucher claims to include the down payment of \$2,500.00 toward the purchase of a drug dog, which will be housed at the detention center.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

New Business

- A. Allison Adams, secretary for the Mason County Public Health District Board, presented the tax rates for ad valorem, real estate and tangible property. The rates will remain the same as last year's rate which is 8 cents per \$100. The projected revenue for the Health District for 2015-2016 fiscal year is \$1,104,512.00. The projected expenses total \$834,484.00.
- B. Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner Walters to approve the reappointment of Larry Redden to the Western Mason Water District Board for a four year term.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

- C. Barry Fields represented the Citizens Voice of Mason County and addressed the Court with concerns about the Mason County Animal Shelter. This group of citizens submitted a report to the fiscal court and is attached hereto. The report listed findings and recommendations for the animal shelter. The Citizens Voice of Mason County would like to create a board of directors to assist the animal control officer and shelter. The group suggested the board would be compiled of volunteers. Judge/Executive Pfeffer suggested a meeting with Kathryn Felice to organize a committee to assist at the shelter.

D. Vickie Steigleder with the Chamber of Commerce asked the court to purchase an ad in Relocation Magazine at a price of \$1,700.00 less 10% for being a member. The magazine will also be available in a digital format.

Motion by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner McKay authorizing the payment of \$1,700.00 less 10% for being a member for the magazine advertising.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

E. Resolution 15-16 – Emergency Weather Siren

Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner McKay authorizing Judge/Executive Pfeffer to make application with the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security Grants for an emergency weather siren to be installed in the eastern part of Mason County. The amount of the grant is \$25,000.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Resolution 15-17 – Storm Century Alert System

Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner Walters authorizing Judge/Executive Pfeffer to make application with the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security Grants for the Storm Century Alert System. This system will provide Amber Alerts as well as weather warning alerts. The amount of the grant is \$17,500.00.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Resolution 15-18 – Lewisburg Fire Department Homeland Security Grant

Motion by Commissioner McKay and seconded by Commissioner Day authorizing Judge/Executive Pfeffer to make application with the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security Grants for ventilation equipment and a thermal imaging camera. The amount of the grant is \$8,500.00

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer – Yes

F. Resolution 15-19 - Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014

Motion by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner Day authorizing Judge/Executive Pfeffer to enter into an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with the Fiscal Courts of Bath, Boyd, Bracken, Fleming, Greenup, Lewis, Montgomery, Robertson and Rowan counties within the boundaries of the TENCO Workforce Investment Area for the implementation of services and programs.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer – Yes

G. Resolution 15-20 - Reappointment of Kim Muse as Mason County Treasurer

Motion by Commissioner McKay and seconded by Commissioner Day to reappoint Kim Muse as Mason County Treasurer. Her term will end June 30, 2019.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer – Yes

Motion by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner Day approving Western Surety as the surety on the bond for Mason County Treasurer.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer – Yes

H. Ron LeForge – Eagle Scout Presentation

Ron LeForge, member of Boy Scout Troop 221, is working towards earning his Eagle Scout Award. He has chosen the Mulberry Community Garden as his project. Ron wants to make the garden accessible to all people. He will install pavers in the ground as well as raised garden beds. The total cost of the project is \$2,000.00. Ron asked the court for a donation to his project. Judge/Executive Pfeffer offered to donate topsoil for use in the garden.

Motion made by Commissioner McKay and seconded by Commissioner Day to provide topsoil as well as the hauling of the topsoil for the garden project.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer – Yes

I. Hay Production Agreement

Judge/Executive Pfeffer informed the court he had been approached by someone about cutting the Cummins Nature Preserve and harvesting the hay. Last year, the county paid \$980 twice a year to bush hog the nature preserve. This agreement is of no cost to the county.

Old Business

County Attorney Estill asked the court to review the Administrative Code. The Administrative Code is required to be reviewed every year by Fiscal Court. County Attorney asked everyone to review the administrative and he would then begin working on a draft.

Communications from the Judge/Executive and Commissioners

Judge/Executive Pfeffer reminded members of the court of the dedication of the tree in memory of former County Commissioner Patrick McKay IV. The dedication will be held in the yard on Sutton Street and is scheduled for Sunday, June 14 at 2:00 p.m.

Having no further business, motion made by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner McKay to adjourn.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner Walters – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive Pfeffer – Yes

The next Fiscal Court meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 14, 2015, at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted this 9th day of June 2015:

Stephanie G. Schumacher
Fiscal Court Clerk

Approved for review:

Joseph P. Pfeffer
Mason County Judge/Executive