

Mason County Fiscal Court  
Regular Session  
June 14, 2016  
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), Deputy Judge/Executive Richard Newberry, Assistant County Attorney Jackie Sue Wright, Sheriff Patrick Boggs and County Treasurer Kim Muse.

Judge/Executive Pfeffer introduced former Kentucky State Senator Charlie Borders. Mr. Borders is employed by U.S. Senator Rand Paul's office as a field representative for constituent services.

Motion by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner Day to approve the minutes from the May 10<sup>th</sup> regular meeting as presented.

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

Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner McKay to approve the minutes from the May 25<sup>th</sup> special meeting as presented.

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

Motion by Commissioner McKay and seconded by Commissioner Walters to approve the minutes from the May 25<sup>th</sup> joint county-city meeting as presented.

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

Judge/Executive Pfeffer introduced Vicki Steigleder, Director of the Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. Steigleder presented the findings of a recent survey of 28 retail businesses in the area. The survey was part of the Business Retention and Expansion Program which is provided by the Community Economic Development Initiative of Kentucky. Highlights of the survey included a favorable rating for doing business in Mason County and an interest in promoting the use of social media and websites for advertising.

Judge/Executive Pfeffer introduced Barry Fields, President of the Citizens' Voice of Mason County. Mr. Fields told members of the court that the group will host a presentation on hydraulic fracturing, also known as fracking, and the waste associated with it. This information is being presented by Brandon Nuttall, a staff geologist with the Kentucky Geological Survey, which is part of the University of Kentucky. The presentation is scheduled for July 14 at 6:30 p.m. at Blue Lick's State Park. All are invited to attend.

### **Road Department**

Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner McKay to accept the report as presented by Road Supervisor Joe Brown and attached hereto.

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

Road Supervisor Brown updated members of the court on the status of the repair work to the slippage areas on Walton Pike. Cribbage and excavation work will be done next week and completion of the project will be shortly thereafter.

### **Animal Shelter**

Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner McKay to accept the report as submitted by Roger Mullikin, presented by Deputy Judge/Executive Richard Newberry 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 Disbursements Report for May in the amount of \$37,799.17 as presented by Sheriff Patrick 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 review and is attached hereto.

**Landfill**

Motion made by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner Day 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

Landfill Supervisor Leonard noted the Kentucky Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit was renewed. Changes to the permit and reporting requirements will reduce the cost of monthly and quarterly sampling at the landfill. The KPDES Permit Changes Summary is attached hereto.

**Recycling**

Motion made by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner Walters to accept the May report as presented by Steve Frodge 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 for the County Treasurer to pay upon receipt for two projects – installation of pallet shelving and construction of a containment area around the balers.

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

**Solid Waste**

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

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

### **Detention Center**

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

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

Jailer O'Hearn requested fiscal court to reimburse the detention center the cost of the car used as the canine unit. The car cost \$4,500.00 and was paid for out of commissary funds. Regulations require anything purchased with commissary funds must be used for the sole benefit of the inmates. The car is sometimes used for other purposes at the detention center.

Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner Walters authorizing fiscal court to purchase the canine unit vehicle from the detention center at a price of \$4,500.00, with said proceeds going to the commissary fund at the detention center as reimbursement.

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

Steve Frodge with the Recycling Center informed members of the court that the county will once again received a \$4,000 grant to be used for a tire amnesty program scheduled for September. Any individual with a valid Mason County driver's license can bring tires to the landfill for disposal at no charge.

### **Treasurer's report**

Motion by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner Day to pay all claims, including additional claims totaling \$188,160.22, as presented by Treasurer Kim 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 pay the following additional claims not included in list attached hereto: Bradford Towing in the amount of \$1,000, Patricia Mullikin in the amount of \$200, and H.G. Mays, not to exceed \$110,000.

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 of May 31, 2016, as presented by Treasurer Kim Muse 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 approve budget transfers in the amount of \$19,350.00.

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

Motion by Commissioner Walters and seconded by Commissioner Day to pass **Order 16-03** authorizing the County Treasurer to make the following fund transfers:

General Fund to Jail Fund	\$150,000.00
General Fund to Solid Waste Fund	\$ 50,000.00

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

Motion by Commissioner McKay and seconded by Commissioner Walters to approve the June surplus list attached hereto.

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

**Ordinance 16-02 – *Electrical Inspection Fees***

Fiscal Court had the first reading of ordinance. After some discussion regarding the fee schedule, Judge/Executive Pfeffer said he would consult with some of the inspectors about the fees.

**Resolution 16-09 – *KOHS Application for Buffalo Trace Search and Rescue Team boat***

Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner Walters authorizing Judge/Executive Pfeffer to make application for funds for the purchase of a boat for the Buffalo Trace Search and Rescue Team.

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

**Resolution 16-04 – *Affiliation Agreement with Buffalo Trace Search and Rescue***

Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner Walters to adopt Resolution 16-04 and pay the search and rescue team \$2,031.00, based on a rate of 25 cents per capita, to help with operational needs of the team.

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

**Resolution 16-05 – Resolution is not required to make application.**

**Resolution 16-06 – *KOHS Application for Warning Siren on US Bank***

Motion by Commissioner McKay and seconded by Commissioner Day to adopt Resolution 16-06, authorizing Judge/Executive Pfeffer to make application for funds from the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security to replace the warning siren on the US Bank building on Second Street. The siren is estimated to cost \$26,339.44 to replace.

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

**Resolution 16-07 – *KOHS Application for Lewisburg Fire Department Turnout Gear***

Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner Walters to adopt Resolution 16-07, authorizing Judge/Executive Pfeffer to make application to the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security for funds for the purchase of 15 sets of turnout gear. The gear is estimated to cost \$30,000.00.

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

**Resolution 16-08 – *KOHS Application for May's Lick Volunteer Fire Department Turnout Gear***

Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner McKay to adopt Resolution 16-08, authorizing Judge/Executive Pfeffer to make application for funds for the purchase of 12 sets of turnout gear for the May's Lick Volunteer Fire Department. The gear is estimated to cost \$24,000.00

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

**Old Business**

The Northern Kentucky University Conservancy owns property on Kansas Creek Road. As part of an agreement between the former landowner, Duke Ford, and the county, a turnabout area was constructed for use by garbage trucks and snow plows. The conservancy, at the time of purchase, believed the turnaround to be owned by the county. In order to reduce their liability, the conservancy wants to deed this turnaround property to the county at no charge. The conservancy will also erect a fence around this area with no cost to the county.

The County Administrative Code is currently being updated. Judge/Executive Pfeffer asked members of the court to review the code and make suggestions for any changes.

**Communication from Judge/Executive and Commissioners**

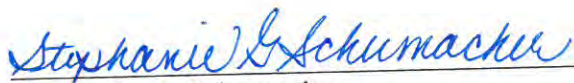
A bike ride is scheduled for Saturday, June 25, at 8:00 a.m., with the starting point being at the Colonel Charles Young cabin. Judge/Executive Pfeffer invited anyone interested to volunteer at the event.

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

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


The next fiscal court meeting will be Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted on this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June 2016:



Stephanie G. Schumacher  
Fiscal Court Clerk

Approved for Review:

  
Joseph P. Pfeffer  
Mason County Judge/Executive