

**Mason County Fiscal Court  
Regular Session  
July 14, 2020  
9:00 a.m.**

Judge/Executive Joseph Pfeffer called the meeting to order. Present were Commissioner Joseph McKay (District 1), Commissioner Chris O'Hearn (District 2), Commissioner Phil Day (District 3), County Attorney John Estill, Deputy Judge/Executive Richard Newberry, County Treasurer Kim Muse, Emergency Management Director Clay Buser, Landfill Manager Todd Leonard, Solid Waste Coordinator Arnold Dodge, Economic Development Director Owen McNeill, and Administrative Assistant Judy Birt.

**APPOINTMENT OF ACTING COURT CLERK**

***Motion by Commissioner O'Hearn, seconded by Commissioner Day, to appoint Administrative Assistant Judy Birt as the acting Court Clerk.***

Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**June 9, 2020 Regular Meeting**

***Motion by Commissioner McKay and seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn, to approve the minutes from the June 9, 2020 regular meeting.***

Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

**ROAD DEPARTMENT**

**Motion by Commissioner Day, seconded by Commissioner McKay, to accept the June 2020 report as presented and attached hereto.**

Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Judge Pfeffer reported:

- County is awaiting receipt of the amended County Road Aid Agreement. A fully executed copy is expected within the next 10 days. Upon receipt of the CRA funds, paving projects will be scheduled.
- Six roads are being considered for chip and seal.
- Vendor claims: payment for leased loader hydraulics; have a repair quote for approximately \$28,000 to repair the loader hydraulics; soliciting additional quotes
- State Surplus closed week of July 13 to prepare for August auction; no loaders available

**ANIMAL SHELTER**

**Motion by Commissioner O’Hearn and seconded by Commissioner McKay, to accept the June 2020 report as presented and attached hereto.**

- Commissioner McKay - Yes
- Commissioner O’Hearn - Yes
- Commissioner Day - Yes
- Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

**SHERIFF’S REPORT**

**Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner McKay, to accept the monthly vehicle report for June 2020 as presented and attached hereto.**

- Commissioner McKay - Yes
- Commissioner O’Hearn - Yes
- Commissioner Day - Yes
- Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Judge Pfeffer reported Sheriff Boggs was absent as he was in professional training at the Steam Academy. An invitation was extended to the Commissioners to stop by during the training.

**LANDFILL REPORT**

**Motion by Commissioner McKay and seconded by Commissioner Day to accept the June 2020 report as presented by Todd Leonard and attached hereto.**

- Commissioner McKay - Yes
- Commissioner O’Hearn - Yes
- Commissioner Day - Yes
- Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Mr. Leonard reported two bids had been received for the last phase of the Geocomposite Drainage 4 & 5 project. A meeting of the Landfill Committee was held and recommended the bid submitted by Environmental Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$62,674.23 be accepted. **Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner O’Hearn, to accept the bid from Environmental Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$62,674.23.**

- Commissioner McKay - Yes
- Commissioner O’Hearn - Yes
- Commissioner Day - Yes
- Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

**Agreement with Beneficial Reuse Management LLC**

County Attorney Estill presented and discussed a “Synthetic Gypsum Removal and Marketing Agreement” between the County and Beneficial Reuse Management LLC for the removal of synthetic gypsum product at the Landfill. After considerable discussion and the recommendation of the Landfill Committee to approve the Agreement, **motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner O’Hearn, to authorize Judge/Executive Pfeffer to sign the Agreement as presented by County Attorney Estill and attached hereto.**

- Commissioner McKay - Yes
- Commissioner O’Hearn - Yes
- Commissioner Day - Yes

Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

### **RECYCLING**

Judge Pfeffer requested a moment of silence be observed in memory of Kenny Freeman.

The State Department of Corrections is accepting plans for inmate work release; however, none have been approved.

Recycling products continue to be much cleaner and there is good participation. Staff have talked to Bracken County regarding a sorter center.

**Motion made by Commissioner McKay and seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn, to accept the June 2020 Recycling Report as presented and attached hereto.**

Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Judge Pfeffer reported the tipper truck caught fire. Settlement has been received from insurance, with the County retaining the body of the truck. **Motion made by Commissioner McKay and seconded by Chris O'Hearn, to authorize the purchase of a garbage packer truck from Municipal Equipment in the amount of \$142,744.22 and to enter into a lease agreement with U. S. Bancorp for the financing of the packer Truck.**

Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

### **SOLID WASTE**

**Motion made by Commissioner O'Hearn and second by Commissioner McKay, to accept the June 2020 Solid Waste Report and Roadside Litter Report presented by Arnold Dodge and attached hereto.**

Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

### **DETENTION CENTER REPORT**

**Motion was made by Commissioner O'Hearn and seconded by Commissioner McKay to accept the June 2020 Detention Center Report as presented and attached hereto.**

Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

### **Comprehend Agreement**

**Motion was made by Commissioner O'Hearn and seconded by Commissioner McKay, to approve the Memorandum of Agreement with Comprehend, Inc. for the SAP Recovery Program as presented and attached hereto.**

Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn, to authorize the payment of claims, including additional claims, totaling \$307,225.40 and attached hereto.**

Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

**Motion by Commissioner Day, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn, to authorize payment in the amount of \$30 to the Kentucky Finance Cabinet for the notary renewals of Kim Muse, Megan Davenport, and Claudia Williams.**

Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

**Motion by Commissioner McKay, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn, to approve the Financial Statement as of June 30, 2020 as presented and attached hereto.**

Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

**Motion by Commissioner McKay and seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn, to approve Budget Transfers in the amount of \$386,271.65 as presented and attached hereto.**

Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR**

Clay Buser reported that the RAVE system has been operational for one month, with 1200 sign-ups.

The temporary medical facility at the Steam Academy has been taken down and the items stored; however, the facility can be set back up if needed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Buffalo Trace Search and Rescue**

**Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner McKay, to authorize payment in the amount of \$750 to the May's Lick Volunteer Fire Department for the Buffalo Trace Search and Rescue for rent of 5006 Wilson Avenue for July - December, 2020.**

Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

**Surplus Report**

**Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn, to accept the Surplus Report as presented and attached hereto.**

Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

**OTHER**

Judge Pfeffer reported that the EMS Run Report was provided in the meeting packet.

**First Reading of Ordinance 2020-03**

County Attorney Estill presented the first reading of Ordinance 2020-03 granting Limestone Cable Vision, Inc. a franchise for the operation of a cable television system and allowing access to county roads to access their customers. A Public Hearing has been scheduled for August 11, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. Judge Pfeffer will negotiate on the number of County offices to receive free service.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business to come before the meeting.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM JUDGE/EXECUTIVE AND COMMISSIONERS**

Judge Pfeffer reported the following:

- The first COVID death has occurred in Mason County
- COVID case counts has increased as result of more testing and reopening of sites
- Health Department is available to answer questions and provide assistance in event planning
- Recreation Park swimming pool has reopened with good attendance most days.

**Closed Session to Discuss Land Acquisition**

**Motion by Commissioner O'Hearn and seconded by Commissioner McKay, to adjourn into closed session pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1)(b) to discuss the purchase of land, as publicity would be likely to affect the value of the property.**

Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

After approximately 30 minutes in closed session, **motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn, to return to open session.**


Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

**ADJOURNMENT**

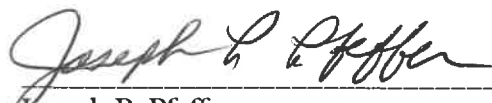
**Motion by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner McKay to adjourn the meeting.**

Commissioner McKay - Yes  
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes  
Commissioner Day - Yes  
Judge/Executive Pfeffer - Yes

Respectfully submitted on this the 14th day of July 2020:

  
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Judith A. Birt  
Acting Mason County Clerk

Approved for Review:

  
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Joseph P. Pfeffer  
Mason County Judge/Executive