

Mason County Fiscal Court
Regular Session
April 12, 2022
9:00 a.m.

Judge/Executive Owen McNeill called the meeting to order. Present were Commissioner Joseph McKay (District 1), Commissioner Chris O'Hearn (District 2), Commissioner Phil Day (District 3), Assistant County Attorney Jackie Sue Wright, Road Department Supervisor Joe Brown, Landfill Supervisor Todd Leonard, Sheriff Patrick Boggs, Jailer Lisa Kern-Yearly, County Treasurer Kim Muse, Emergency Management Director Clay Buser, Animal Shelter Supervisor Billy Howell, Solid Waste Supervisor Chris Carpenter and Executive Assistant Nathan Truesdell.

Introduction of Guests

Judge/Executive McNeill introduced Melissa Greenwell, Director of the Buffalo Trace ION Center here in Maysville. She explained to members of the court that Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear proclaimed April as sexual assault awareness and prevention month. Throughout the month, the ION center works to raise public awareness around sexual assault and educate communities on how to prevent sexual assault. Director Greenwell asked members of the court to sign a proclamation in support of local efforts to raise awareness. Judge/Executive McNeill signed the proclamation designating April 2022 as sexual assault awareness and prevention month in Mason County.

Next, Jennifer Gordley, with FGP AmeriCorps and Angie Turner with RSVP AmeriCorps spoke to members of the court about the importance of volunteers in our communities. April 5, 2022, is National Service Recognition Day. Ms. Turner said over 300 volunteers serve Mason County. Judge/Executive McNeill issued a proclamation announcing April 5, 2022, as National Service Recognition Day and to encourage residents to recognize the positive the impact of service in our community and to thank those who serve.

Lastly, Judge/Executive McNeill introduced Jodi Ashby to the court. Ms. Ashby was recently hired by the Maysville-Mason County Industrial Development Authority board as the new director of economic development.

Approval of Minutes – March 15, 2022

Motion made by Commissioner Day and seconded by Commissioner McKay to approve the minutes from the March 15 regular meeting as presented.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes
Commissioner Day - Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

Road Department

Supervisor Joe Brown informed members of the court that more gravel was put down on the west end of Morton Lane. Also, part of Minerva Tuckahoe Road has washed out and needs repaired or the whole road will be a loss. Supervisor Brown has received one estimate at \$14,000.00 for repairs and is working on attaining another estimate.

Motion made by Commissioner Day, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn to accept the March report as submitted by Road Supervisor Joe Brown and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O'Hearn - Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

Animal Shelter

Motion made by Commissioner O'Hearn, seconded by Commissioner McKay to accept the March report as presented by Supervisor Howell and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O'Hearn – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

Supervisor Howell commended former animal shelter supervisor Richard Newberry for bringing the shelter up to what it is today. He also said he would begin assembling more kennels outside adjacent to the building. Lastly, he was happy to report that the color run organized by the Dog Squad at Mason County Middle School, raised almost \$1,000.00 and eight dogs were adopted at the run.

Sheriff's Report

Motion by Commissioner O'Hearn and seconded by Commissioner Day to accept the Monthly Tax Disbursement Report for March totaling \$97,997.36 as presented by Sheriff Patrick Boggs and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O'Hearn – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

Sheriff Boggs said his office has collected over 98% of the tax bills, totaling \$11.2 million, and the remaining uncollected bills will be turned over to the county clerk's office on April 15.

The Monthly Vehicle Report was submitted for review.

Motion made by Commissioner Day, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn to accept the Quarterly Report as presented by Sheriff Boggs and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O'Hearn – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

Landfill Report

Motion by Commissioner McKay, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn to accept the March report as presented by Todd Leonard and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O'Hearn – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

Recycling Center Report

Motion by Commissioner O'Hearn, seconded by Commissioner McKay to accept the March report as submitted by Randy Hamm and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O'Hearn – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

Solid Waste Report

Motion by Commissioner Day, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn to accept the March report as presented by Chris Carpenter and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O'Hearn – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

Property Abatement and Illegal Dumping Report

Motion by Commissioner McKay, seconded by Commissioner Day to accept the March report as submitted by Shane Taylor and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O’Hearn – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

Garbage Collection Report

Motion by Commissioner O’Hearn, seconded by Commissioner McKay to accept the March report as submitted by Nicole Storms and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O’Hearn – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

Detention Center Report

Motion made by Commissioner Day, seconded by Commissioner O’Hearn to accept the March report as presented by Jailer Lisa Kern-Yearly and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O’Hearn – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

Treasurer’s Report

Motion made by Commissioner McKay, seconded by Commissioner O’Hearn to authorize the payment of claims, including additional claims totaling \$45,073.40, as presented and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O’Hearn – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

Motion made by Commissioner Day, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn to approve the Quarterly Financial Statement as of March 31, 2022, as presented and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O'Hearn – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

Motion by Commissioner O'Hearn, seconded by Commissioner McKay to approve the Quarterly Investment Journal as of March 31, 2022, as presented and attached hereto.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O'Hearn – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

Motion made by Commissioner O'Hearn, seconded by Commissioner McKay to approve budget transfers in the amount of \$118,800.00.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O'Hearn – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

EMS Report

Fire Chief Kevin Doyle with the Maysville Fire Department submitted the March EMS Report for review. The report is attached hereto.

Permit Report

The Permit Report for March was submitted for review and is attached hereto.

New Business

Sue Grant, President of the Albert Sidney Johnston Museum, asked for the court's assistance in replacing the current security system and upgrading to a new security system for the museum. An estimate from Special Hazard Fire Protection was provided. The estimate is for the installation of a new panel keypad, four door contacts, two glass break detectors, three motion detectors and three key fobs for \$1,585.00.

Motion made by Commissioner Day, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn to approve the purchase of a new security system from Special Hazard Fire Protection for \$1,585.00, with the county paying 50 percent of the cost.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O'Hearn – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

Mrs. Grant also asked for the court's assistance in paying for the cleaning of the outside of the museum. The museum is covered with a cedar siding which cannot be power washed. An estimate was provided by BrushAway Vinyl Siding Cleaning to wash the entire exterior, including windows and shutters, for \$500.00.

Motion made by Commissioner Day, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn to approve the cleaning of the outside of the Albert Sydney Johnston museum for \$500.00 by BrushAway Vinyl Siding Cleaning.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O'Hearn – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

Board Appointments

Judge/Executive McNeill informed the court that both Chris Hopper and Jeff Frodge have been appointed to the Maysville-Mason County Industrial Development Authority board.

Communications from Judge/Executive and Commissioners

Judge/Executive McNeill said the Mason County Conservation District submitted its Annual Plan of Work and Budget for Fiscal Year 2023 for review.

Judge/Executive McNeill said he, along with other community leaders, is advocating for a real ID center to be located in Maysville.

County Clerk Stephanie Schumacher explained the election process for the upcoming Primary Election on May 17, 2022. Those who qualify to vote absentee by mail have until May 3, 2022, to make application through the online portal. In-person excused absentee voting will be held in the county clerk's office May 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 and 11 from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. No-excuse, early voting will be held May 12, 13 and 14 at the county clerk's office from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Five vote centers will be open on Election Day for voters to cast their ballots. Those will be located at Central United Methodist Church on East Second Street, the Mason County Fieldhouse, Highland Christian Church on KY 10, the Mays Lick Fire Hall and the Orangeburg Fire Hall. Any voter may cast his ballot at any vote center.

Having no further business, motion made by Commissioner McKay, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn to adjourn.

Commissioner McKay – Yes
Commissioner O'Hearn – Yes
Commissioner Day – Yes
Judge/Executive McNeill – Yes

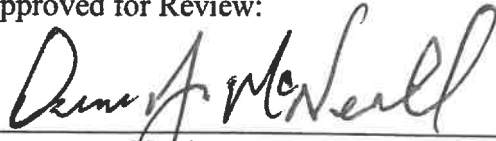
The next fiscal court meeting will be Tuesday, May 10, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted on this the 12th day of April 2022:



Stephanie G. Schumacher
Fiscal Court Clerk

Approved for Review:



Owen J. McNeill
Mason County Judge/Executive