

Mason County Fiscal Court
Regular Session
May 11, 2021
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), County Attorney John Estill, Road Supervisor Joe Brown, Animal Shelter Supervisor Richard Newberry, Sheriff Patrick Boggs, Jailer Lisa Kern-Yearly, County Treasurer Kim Muse, Emergency Management Director Clay Buser and Executive Assistant Nathan Truesdell.

Approval of Minutes – April 13, 2021

Motion made by Commissioner O'Hearn and seconded by Commissioner McKay to approve the minutes from the April 13 regular meeting as presented.

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

Mason County Extension Service

Judge/Executive McNeill introduced Mason County Extension Agent Macy Fawns, who was present to present the 2020-2021 budget for the Mason County Extension Service. Income is estimated to be \$512,500.00 plus a carryover amount of \$1,667,507.00 from the previous year. Appropriations are estimated at \$562,500.00. Salaries are the largest component of the budget. In addition to the budget, a ten year reserve plan was also submitted.

Motion made by Commissioner Day, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn to accept the budget for the Mason County Extension Service for fiscal year 2020-2021 as presented by Extension Agent Macy Fawns and attached hereto.

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

Resolution 21-11 – County Road Aid 2021-2022

Judge/Executive McNeill introduced David Leech, Hayden Smith and Travis Cropper, who were with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and in attendance to present the Rural Secondary Road Recommendations for Mason County. The 2021-2022 allocation totaled \$776,238.00. The cabinet recommended improvements to both KY 419 and KY 1234 for asphalt resurfacing, with an estimated cost of \$351,884.00.

Motion made by Commissioner Day, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn to adopt Resolution 21-11 and accept the recommendations for improvements to by KY 419 and KY 1234 as listed, with an estimated cost of \$351,884.00

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

Road Department

Motion made by Commissioner McKay, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn to accept the April report as presented by Road Supervisor Joe Brown and attached hereto.

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

Resolution 21-12 – Proposal to Close Part of Lees Creek Road

Motion made by Commissioner Day, seconded by Commissioner McKay to adopt Resolution 21-12, which proposes to close part of Lees Creek Road, which was severely damaged by flooding and erosion and is too costly for the county to repair and maintain in the county road system.

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

A public hearing regarding the closing of Lees Creek Road is set for June 15, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

Animal Shelter

Motion made by Commissioner Day, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn to accept the April report as submitted by Richard Newberry and attached hereto.

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

Sheriff's Report

Motion by Commissioner O'Hearn and seconded by Commissioner Day to accept the Monthly Tax Disbursement Report for April totaling \$76,041.98, as presented by Sheriff Patrick Boggs and attached hereto.

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

2020 Tax Year Settlement

Sheriff Boggs presented to fiscal court the 2020 tax year settlement for the sheriff's office with receipts totaling \$12,887,453.11 and disbursements totaling \$12,887,455.96. The difference of \$2.85 is due to rounding, according to Sheriff Boggs.

Motion by Commissioner O'Hearn, seconded by Commissioner McKay to accept the 2020 Tax Year Settlement as presented by Sheriff Boggs and attached hereto.

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

The Monthly Vehicle Report for March was submitted for review.

Sheriff Boggs informed the court he is currently researching different options of body cameras for use by deputies in his department.

Landfill Report

Motion by Commissioner McKay, seconded by Commissioner Day to accept the April report as submitted 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 April 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 April report as submitted by Arnold Dodge and attached hereto.

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

Detention Center

Motion made by Commissioner O'Hearn, seconded by Commissioner McKay to accept the April 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

Ordinance 21-02 – Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget

Treasurer Muse read in summary Ordinance 21-02, the Mason County Fiscal Court Budget for 2021-2022. Total budgeted revenues are estimated to be \$25,327, 411.00. This was a first reading and no action was taken.

Ordinance 21-03 – Budget Amendment

Treasurer Muse read in summary Ordinance 21-03, which amends the budget to account for unbudgeted receipts totaling \$1,655,311.00, from federal funding. This was a first reading and no action was taken.

Motion made by Commissioner McKay, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn to authorize the payment of claims, including additional claims totaling \$56,207.55, 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 the Financial Statement as of April 30, 2021, 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 approving Budget Transfers in the amount of \$203,873.00.

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

Motion made by Commissioner O'Hearn, seconded by Commissioner Day to recess from the Mason County Fiscal Court meeting and enter into the Mason County Public Properties meeting.

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

Mason County Public Properties

Resolution 21-01 MPP – Authorize the Issuance of First Mortgage Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2021A

Motion made by Director O'Hearn, seconded by Director McKay to approve Resolution 21-01MPP, which authorizes the issuance of First Mortgage Revenue Refunding Bonds, not to exceed \$2,000,000.

Director McKay – Yes
Director O'Hearn – Yes
Director Day – Yes
President McNeill – Yes

Motion made by Director O'Hearn, seconded by Director Day to recess the Mason County Public Properties meeting and resume the Mason County Fiscal Court meeting.

Director McKay – Yes
Director O'Hearn – Yes
Director Day – Yes
President McNeill – Yes

Second Reading Ordinance 21-01 – Amending Ordinance 00-03 Creating a License Fee Upon Insurance Premiums

Motion made by Commissioner O'Hearn, seconded by Commissioner McKay to adopt Ordinance 21-01, which excludes from imposition any insurance policy already subject to and insurance tax imposed by a municipality.

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

Resolution 21-13 – Authorize the Issuance of First Mortgage Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2021A

Motion made by Commissioner McKay, seconded by Commissioner Day to adopt Resolution 21-13, which approves the action taken by the Mason County Public Properties in its passage of Resolution 20-01MPP.

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

Resolution 21-14 - Discretionary Funding for Big Pond Road

Motion by Commissioner Day, seconded by Commissioner McKay to adopt Resolution 21-14 approving the execution of Memorandum of Agreement with the Commonwealth of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet for the resurfacing of Big Pond Road, estimated to cost \$123,440.00.

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

Northern Kentucky Regional Hazmat

Motion by Commissioner O'Hearn and seconded by Commissioner Day to enter into an agreement with the Northern Kentucky Regional Hazmat Unit, which will provide services to the county and supplement the existing public safety and emergency response agencies. Mason County's share is \$2,272.70, which is based on \$0.13 per capital.

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

Wald Park Contribution Request

Wald Park Incorporated submitted a written request to fiscal court, asking for its continued support of the park and the youth sports programs it provides. Motion was made by Commissioner Day, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn to donate, at this time, \$2,500.00, to Wald Park, Inc., with consideration for more donations in the future.

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

Mason County Public Library Board of Trustees

Motion by Commissioner McKay, seconded by Commissioner O'Hearn to reappoint R. David Hord and to appoint Marilyn Commodore to the Mason County Public Library Board of Trustees. Both appointments are four-year terms, expiring on June 30, 2025.

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

Board of Adjustments

Motion by Commissioner O'Hearn, seconded by Commissioner Day, to appoint Simon Watt to the Board of Adjustments to fill the unexpired term of Martha Pawsat, which expires on October 1, 2021.

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

Maysville-Mason County Port Authority

Motion made by Commissioner O'Hearn, seconded by Commissioner McKay to reappoint Tom Woosley to the Maysville-Mason County Port Authority for a four-year term, expiring on May 31, 2025.

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

Surplus Property

No Surplus Property report was submitted.

Permit Report

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

EMS Report

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

Other

Judge/Executive McNeill said Fran Sarver is continuing to work on the web site design for Mason County Fiscal Court. The project is estimated to take four to six months and she is meeting with different department supervisors for input.

On May 22, a dedication in memory of Judge/Executive Joseph P. Pfeffer will be held at Cummins Nature Preserve.

Judge/Executive McNeill thanked both Judy Birt and Connie Dixon for their years of service working in the Judge/Executive's office as Administrative Assistants and wished them well in their retirement. Nathan Truesdell has been hired as Executive Assistant to Judge/Executive McNeill.

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

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

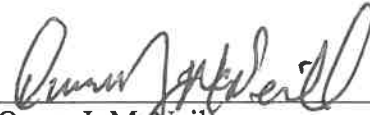
The next fiscal court meeting will be Tuesday, June 15, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted on this the 11th day of May 2021:



Stephanie G. Schumacher
Fiscal Court Clerk

Approved for Review:



Owen J. McNeill
Mason County Judge/Executive