

CALLOWAY COUNTY
FISCAL COURT MEETING
May 17, 2023, Regular Meeting

An adjourned meeting of the Calloway County Fiscal Court was held at 9:00 am on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, in the Calloway County Court House Annex. Judge Executive Kenneth C. Imes called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer. The following duly qualified members of the Court were present: Squire Don Cherry, Squire Paul Rister, Squire Larry Crutcher and Squire Ricky Stewart. Also present were County Treasurer Tonya Robinson, Deputy Judge Executive Gina Winchester, County Attorney Bryan Ernstberger, and County Clerk Antonia Faulkner.

The Court reviewed the minutes of the April 19 regular meeting. Motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Cherry to waive the formal reading and approve the minutes as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

County Treasurer, Tonya Robinson, asked the Court to approve the financial statements as presented. Motion made by Squire Crutcher, seconded by Squire Stewart to approve. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Motion made by Squire Rister, seconded by Squire Cherry to approve the payment of the bills. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Motion made by Squire Crutcher, seconded by Squire Cherry to approve the cash transfers. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Judge Imes recessed the regular meeting and called to order a Public Hearing regarding CRA/LGEA funds. There were no comments, the hearing was closed, and the regular meeting called back into session. Motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Cherry to approve the use of the funds as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Judge Imes recessed the regular meeting and called to order a Public Hearing regarding Budget Amendment #2 excess fees for the Sheriff, County Clerk grant money, and illegal dump grant money. There being no comment, the public hearing was closed, and regular session called back to order. Motion made by Squire Crutcher seconded by Squire Stewart to approve the second reading of budget amendment #2. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

The regular session was again recessed, and a Public Hearing was called to order regarding the second reading of the repeal of Ordinance #03-2018-A State Mutual Aid Agreement for Emergency Services. There was no comment, the regular meeting was called back into session. After a discussion, a motion was made to approve the second reading of a repeal of the ordinance by Squire Cherry seconded by Squire Rister. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

County Treasurer, Tonya Robinson presented to the Court Budget Amendment #3, budgeting unexpected money from FEMA and KYTC. After a discussion, a motion was made by Squire Stewart seconded by Squire Rister to approve the first reading as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Mrs. Robinson asked the Court to approve the blanket order for FY 2023-2024. Motion made by Squire Rister was seconded by Squire Cherry to approve the blanket order as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered. She then asked the Court to approve a standing order for FY 2023-2024, motion made by Squire Crutcher seconded by Squire Stewart to approve the standing order as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

The Court then reviewed the draft of the FY 2023-2024 County Budget. After a discussion, a motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Stewart to approve the first reading. Squire Rister noted that county employee's salaries have not kept up with inflation. This budget does include a pay raise, and with the county changing to a new insurance carrier, the amount of premium the employee pays will likely offer some savings. All voted aye and the first reading of the budget was approved.

Judge Imes presented to the Court, in the form of a motion, the first reading of an ordinance for a proposed gas tax. This would take effect only if the State were to make it legal but will be null until that time. Motion seconded by Squire Stewart to approve. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Judge Imes presented in the form of a motion an order to approve personnel changes. Motion seconded by Squire Crutcher, all voted aye and it was so ordered.

Judge Imes presented Board Appointments to the Court. Motion made by Squire Stewart seconded by Squire Rister to re-appoint Joe Dan Taylor to the Dexter Almo Water District, term to expire 5-19-2027. All voted aye and it was so ordered. He then presented the establishment of a Reapportionment Committee according to KRS 67.045. In the form of a motion, Judge Imes appointed Jane Benson (dist.2), Bill Marcum (dist. 3) and Lisa Farris (dist.4) to the committee paying them a stipend of \$200.00 each. Motion seconded by Squire Rister to approve the appointments as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

The Court discussed an RFP to consider for a bridge replacement project on Old Salem Road. Motion made by Squire Crutcher seconded by Squire Rister to advertise for bids setting a bid opening date for Monday June 19 at 8am. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Judge Imes asked the Court to enter Executive Session in regard to KRS 61.810 (b). Motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Cherry to recess the regular session and go into executive session. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Motion made by Squire Crutcher seconded by Squire Stewart to exit executive session and enter back into regular session. All voted aye and it was so ordered. In order to square up the county's recently acquired property on Hwy 641 North, Judge Imes negotiated an agreement with the company that owns the adjoining cemetery property whereby the county will pay for some construction work being done on behalf of the cemetery to repair leakage that affects both properties. In exchange for this payment of construction work, which is well below the appraised value of the parcel, the owner of the cemetery will convey that parcel (3.6 acres) to the county. It is a great deal for the county and really a win-win for all involved. County Attorney, Bryan Ernstberger, has drafted an agreement to this fact that has been sent to the cemetery owner's counsel. The maximum total the county would be out for the construction work would be \$86,400.00 or less. The property owner asked the County to put \$100,000.00 in the County Attorney's escrow account as surety. Judge Imes asked in the form of a motion to be allowed to one, sign the agreement as County Judge, two, to authorize the County Treasurer to transfer \$100,000.00 of general county funds into the County Attorney's escrow account, three, to request county funds be transferred back to the County from escrow upon a fully executed terms of agreement by both parties, and four, further authorize the Treasurer to pay the ultimate purchase price from designated budgeted ARPA funds. Motion seconded by Squire Crutcher to approve the motion as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Gina Winchester gave an Admin./Ordinance Committee update. Jailer, Ken Claud asked the Court to approve a resolution supporting a grant for court video equipment. The equipment could save money on transport and personnel involved in getting inmates to court appearances. Squire Rister made a motion

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October 19, 2022 Regular Meeting

An adjourned regular meeting of the Calloway County Fiscal Court was held at 9:00 am on Wednesday October 19, 2022 in the Calloway County Court House Annex. Judge Executive Kenneth C. Imes called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer. The following duly qualified members of the Court were present: Squire Eddie Clyde Hale, Squire Don Cherry, Squire Paul Rister, and Squire Larry Crutcher. Also present were: County Treasurer Tonya Robinson, Deputy Judge Executive Gina Winchester, County Attorney Bryan Ernstberger and County Clerk Antonia Faulkner.

The minutes of the September 21, 2022 regular meeting were reviewed by the Court. Motion made by Squire Cherry seconded by Squire Rister to waive the formal reading and approve the minutes as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Ms. Tonya Robinson presented to the Court the Treasurer's Report. After a discussion, motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Hale to approve the financial statement as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Motion made by Squire Hale seconded by Squire Rister to pay the bills. All voted aye and it was so ordered. There were no transfers to approve.

New business began with the Co. Treasurer Tonya Robinson requesting the acceptance of the one bid for new payroll and accounting software in the treasurer's office. After a discussion motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Cherry to approve the bid from FiscalSoft and approve the payment of \$44,985.00. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Judge Imes informed the Court that Ms. Kathy Wyatt has resigned from the Dexter-Almo Water District. On the recommendation of the District Chair, Mr. Joe Dan Taylor, motion made by Squire Hale seconded by Squire Crutcher to appoint Bradley Michael Smith to fill the unexpired term to expire on May 19, 2025. The Court was made aware that Mr. Smith is not currently in the district however, the district is waiting on the final annexation approval by the State which will include Mr. Smith's residence. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

The Court then reviewed personnel appointments. In the form of a motion Judge Imes appointed Ms. Victoria 'Tori' Saul as the new executive assistant to the Judge's office and Mr. Justin Tidwell to a full-time position. Motion seconded by Squire Crutcher to approve the appointments. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Ms. Gina Winchester gave an update on the admin/ordinance committee and an update on the County's Bicentennial Celebration and Founder's Day plans. Mrs. Janetta McCallon and Mr. Randy McCallon informed the Court of the Founder's Day coloring contest offered to 4th graders in the public schools or on the County website. The coloring books are historical buildings of Calloway County drawn by high school art students. The coloring books were to promote the discussion of Calloway history and get the community involved. Parents commented on taking the kids to see the actual buildings and discuss the significance to the community. Appreciation to the entire committee and the work done was expressed by the Court.

Squire Rister and Squire Cherry raved over the work of the Road Department, and Squires Hale and Crutcher commented their appreciation to be on the committee and the Court.

Judge Imes presented to the Court that the NOVEMBER regular meeting will be moved to Tuesday November 15 at 9 am due to a scheduling conflict. Ms. Mignon Rutledge gave an update on the Library construction, and County Clerk Antonia Faulkner gave a reminder of the Election calendar.

Judge Imes gave the opportunity for public comment. Randy McCallon mentioned upcoming events pertaining to Soil conservation and Phillip Lynn Rogers complimented the Court on the attitude and involvement.

There being no further business before the Court, motion made by Squire Crutcher seconded by Squire Cherry to adjourn. All voted aye and it was so ordered.



Approved by County Judge Executive Kenneth C. Imes

On this 15th day of November, 2022.

CALLOWAY COUNTY
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May 15, 2024, Regular Meeting

An adjourned meeting of the Calloway County Fiscal Court was held at 9:00 AM on Wednesday May 15, 2024, in the Calloway County Court House Annex. Judge Executive Kenneth C. Imes called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer. The following duly qualified members of the Court were present: Squire Don Cherry, Squire Paul Rister, Squire Larry Crutcher and Squire Ricky Stewart. Also present were County Treasurer Tonya Robinson, Deputy Judge Executive Gina Winchester, County Attorney Bryan Ernstberger, and County Clerk Antonia Faulkner.

The Court reviewed the minutes of the April 17, 2024, regular meeting. Motion made by Squire Crutcher seconded by Squire Rister to waive the formal reading and approve the minutes as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

County Treasurer, Tonya Robinson, asked the Court to approve the financial statements as presented. Motion made by Squire Rister, seconded by Squire Stewart to approve. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Motion made by Squire Rister, seconded by Squire Crutcher to approve the payment of the bills. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Motion made by Squire Stewart seconded by Squire Rister to grant permission to County Treasurer, Tonya Robinson to pay additional bills to Jim Smith Contracting and Murray Paving. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Crutcher to approve the cash transfers as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Motion made by Squire Stewart seconded by Squire Rister to approve the budget transfers as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

The Court discussed the first reading of a 2023-2024 budget amendment #2 regarding KYTC Emergency Funds received to make repairs to Coleman Branch and Squire Holland bridges. Motion made by Squire Stewart seconded by Squire Rister to approve the first reading as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Mrs. Robinson asked the Court to authorize a new line item for AUTO INS TAX. Motion made by Squire Crutcher seconded by Squire Rister to authorize the new line item in the current 2023-2024 budget. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Motion made by Squire Stewart seconded by Squire Rister to authorize Mrs. Robinson to open a new checking account at The Murray Bank in the name of Calloway County FC Automobile Ins tax and transfer \$942,317.37 from the Road Fund into the new account. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Mr. Mike Oliver presented to the Court the rural and secondary road report. Squire Rister expressed his gratitude for the reduced speed limit on Robertson Road off of Hwy 121. Judge Imes expressed gratitude for the crossover on Hwy 641 at the County Extension office driveway.

New business began with Judge Imes explaining the KYTC contracts for County Road Aid. A public hearing was open for comment discussion, there was none. The hearing was closed and resumed regular session for the Courts approval of and authorization for the Judge to sign. Motion made by Squire Rister

seconded by Judge Imes to approve resolution #24-0515-A County Road Aid Cooperative program agreement. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

County Clerk, Antonia Faulkner requested an approval of an amendment to her 2024 Budget. The approval would allow an addition of a line item to include HB 1 grant funds. Motion made by Squire Crutcher seconded by Squire Stewart to approve the request as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Judge Imes presented the second reading of the County 2024-2025 budget. Mrs. Robinson explained changes that the Department of Local Government wanted regarding transfers, with no changes to the bottom line. The public hearing was called to order. There was no comment. Motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Crutcher to approve the second reading of the 2024-2025 county budget as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

The Court discussed the first reading of an ordinance addressing the requirement for taking roads into the County Road maintenance system. The Court discussed recent passage of HB 829 which makes changes to KRS Chapter 218B to legalize medical cannabis in KY. Along with the first reading of an ordinance pertaining to the regulation of medical cannabis business activities in Calloway County. Squire Cherry asked to discuss a resolution which would add a question on the ballot for the voters to make the determination of the activities of medical cannabis in Calloway County. Squire Rister asked County Attorney Ernstberger, if this resolution did not pass could it be brought back up at a later meeting. Mr. Ernstberger replied that it could. After a discussion, a motion was made by Squire Cherry to approve the resolution as presented. There was no second and no final vote, it was determined that the resolution would 'lay on the clerk's desk' and could be called for approval again.

Other business included a resolution to include Westhaven Lane to the County Road system. Squire Rister discussed the request, review, and repairs by the developer. The motion was made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Crutcher to approve the inclusion of Westhaven Lane into the County Road system. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Judge Imes made a motion to reappoint Charles Boren to the Dexter-Almo Water District to expire 5-19-2028, motion seconded by Squire Rister. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Judge Imes in the form of a motion recommended Gina Crider to fulfill the unexpired term of Lance Allison on the library board to expire 8-15-2026. Motion seconded by Squire Crutcher. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Judge Imes asked the approval of the personnel changes. Motion made by Squire Stewart seconded by Squire Rister. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Judge Imes, in the form of a motion, asked for the approval of the Road department materials bids as presented which included the primary vendor and secondary vendor. Motion seconded by Squire Rister, all voted aye, and it was so ordered.

Judge Imes discussed the authorization to move forward with the new security camera system for the building that houses the 911 Center and Sheriff's office from Communications Inc. Gina Winchester began the committee reports with an update on the Admin/Ordinance committee and the Animal Care & Control committee. Judge Imes commented on the work that Josh Kerr EM Director

and Clifty Gardner, Road Dept. did to keep us safe during the week's weather event. Squire Ricky Stewart commented on the complication and hard decision to be made. He expressed his appreciation of the work done on the ordinances, the need for clarity and the patience of the citizens. Squire Rister asked about any updates on the broadband grant work in the northeast portion of Calloway, and the progress of putting together a list of Department needs to be purchased with the LAFTC funds. Mrs. Winchester responded regarding broadband grant, the last update included waiting for applications to open for funding. Gina took the time to brag on Josh Kerr and his work with opening the MSU shelter in which 58 people used during the recent storm, on Chris and Road Department staff's work getting trees off the road, and on Nathan Baird E911's Communication Center clean audit. She mentioned an update regarding the deeds on the roads at Fort Heiman, with a reminder of the June deadline for the National Park Service.

There being no further business before the Court motion made by Squire Stewart seconded by Squire Crutcher to adjourn. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Approved this _____ day of June 2024 by Calloway County Judge Executive, Kenneth C. Imes
