

**CALLOWAY COUNTY
FISCAL COURT MEETING
March 16, 2022 Regular Meeting**

An adjourned meeting of the Calloway County Fiscal Court was held at 9:00 am on Wednesday the 16th day of March, 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 February 16th, 2022 regular meeting were reviewed by the Court. 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. The minutes of the March 3rd, 2022 special 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 Hale seconded by Squire Rister to approve the financial statement. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Hale to pay the bills. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Hale to approve the transfer. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

New Business began with Jailer Ken Claud presented to the Court the Jail Budget and review of the State Contracts. After a discussion, motion made by Squire Cherry seconded by Squire Rister to authorize Judge Imes to sign the two year contract between the County Jail and State. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Nick Atherton representing Energy Systems Group updated the Court and answered questions. Squire Rister questioned using local contractors. Mr. Atherton assured him that if the local contractors were bonded and insured ESG would accept the local contractor bids. The Court decided to approve the go ahead with both projects. Motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Hale. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Squire Eddie Clyde Hale asked that a portion of Duncan Trail be closed. Squire Paul Rister asked that a portion of Crouch Road be closed and Squire Don Cherry asked that a portion of Martin Chapel Road be closed. Each Squire described reasons for the request and explained that some portion of the road would be closed due to safety, and the County would cease maintenance on the portion that had been requested. After further discussion, motion made by Squire Hale seconded by Squire Rister to begin the process by giving Judge Imes authority to appoint three non-vested viewers to inspect and report their findings at the next Fiscal Court meeting on the portions of Duncan Trail, Crouch Road, and Martin Chapel Road. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Mrs. Tonya Robinson presented to the Court a budget amendment. After a discussion, motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Cherry to approve the first reading of the budget amendment as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Judge Imes asked the Courts approval to appoint Jonathan Baskin to replace Jodi Hanneman who resigned from the Murray Transit Board. After a discussion, motion made by Squire Cherry seconded by Squire Crutcher to appoint Baskin to fill the remainder of the position to expire October 16, 2023. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Next Judge Imes recommended to the Court to adopt the KRS annual maximum rate for Water District Commissioners at \$3600. After a discussion, motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Hale to approve the recommendation. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Judge Imes asked the Court to approve Mike Westfall as a seasonal position at the Road Department. Motion seconded by Squire Hale to approve Mr. Westfall as a seasonal position. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

The Court then heard from Julie West-Morganti representing VULCAN regarding changes in the current agreed price on stone. Vulcan asks the County for a fuel surcharge relief. After a discussion motion made by Squire Crutcher seconded by Squire Hale to approve a \$25/load fuel surcharge from March 16 to April 20 or until an agreement may be made so not to suspend service. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Ms. West-Morganti would contact the Judge Exec office with price increases to the current contract be discussed at the April meeting.

Squire Rister presented to the Court the three pest control bids received for this year. Based on the bids it would be most efficient to use McGee for a one year contract on County buildings while Bug Masters will continue servicing all CCFR stations. After a discussion, motion made by Squire Crutcher seconded by Squire Cherry to approve the bids as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Judge Imes asked the Courts approval to authorize the payment of a used engine for replacement in the bob truck when in possession of the road department. Motion made by Squire Crutcher to authorize the payment. Seconded by Squire Hale. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Deputy Judge Exec. Gina Winchester gave an update on the Bicentennial Book and the Admin/Ordinance committee.

Jailer Claud thanked the Court for the maintenance fixes at the Jail and thanks to Nathan Baird for volunteering to help with the jail radio equipment. Sheriff Knight let the Court know that Nathan Baird had submitted the siren grant request and hoped to hear from it in May. Jamie Hughes from the Health department gave an update. And Squire Rister recognized Justin McCain, Leadership Murray, and thanked him for leading a group to discuss and prioritize ways the Fiscal Court might chose to spend its portion of ARPA funds. Mr. McCain additionally expressed his appreciate to the Jail and Justice system work with Leadership Murray.

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.