

HENDERSON COUNTY FISCAL COURT—MINUTE & ORDER BOOK

Records of Minutes of Regular Meeting 08/23 2022

Court convened for a Regular Meeting at the Courthouse, Henderson, KY, on Tuesday, August 23, 2022 at 9:30 a.m., County Judge/Executive Brad Schneider presiding.

Call To Order

County Judge/Executive Brad Schneider called the meeting to order.

Invocation

The invocation was given Judge Schneider

Pledge Of Allegiance

Judge/Executive Schneider led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Magistrate Berry	Present
Magistrate McCollom	Present
Magistrate Moran	Present
Magistrate Puttman	Present
Magistrate Southard	Present

Minutes August 9, 2022 Fiscal Court Meeting

Magistrate Southard made a motion to approve the August 9, 2022 fiscal court minutes as submitted. Magistrate Moran seconded the motion. A voice vote was held. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Coop Extension Service District 2022/2023 Tax Rates – Amanda Hardy

Amanda Hardy, Cooperative Extension Service County Fiscal Matters Coordinator reported that the board had voted to hold the rates the same as last year for this year.

Magistrate Moran made a motion to accept the Coop Extension Service District's tax rates. Magistrate Puttman seconded the motion. A voice vote was held. All voted in favor and the motion was approved.

Public Library 2022/2023 Tax Rates – Shannon Sandefur

Shannon Sandefur, Director of the Library, presented the 2022 Property Tax Rate Certification for the Henderson County Library. The Board voted to take the compensating rate which is computed by the Kentucky Department of Libraries and Archives.

Magistrate Puttman made a motion to accept the library's tax rates. Magistrate Moran seconded the motion. A voice vote was held. All voted in favor and the motion was approved.

Shannon gave an overview of the library's usage over the last year. The library will be having a ribbon cutting and official grand opening on October 22. This had been postponed because of limited activities due to Covid when the new library was completed.

Drainage Commission 2022/2023 Tax Rates –

Judge Schneider reported that the Drainage Commission had met and that tax rates would remain the same as last year.

Magistrate Puttman made a motion to approve the drainage commission's tax rates. Magistrate Southard seconded the motion. A voice vote was held. All voted in favor and the motion was approved.

Henderson County 2022/2023 Tax Rates – 2nd Reading

The fiscal court clerk read the tax order into the record.

Motion was made by Magistrate Puttman to adopt the tax rates as read. Motion was seconded by Magistrate McCollom. A voice vote was held with all present voting in favor. Motion Carried.

Reappointment - Henderson County Riverport Board

Judge Schneider advised that Scott Keach & Mike Thurman's terms on the Riverport's Board expire this month and it is the recommendation of Greg Pritchard to reappoint them to the Riverport Board

Magistrate McCollom made a motion to reappoint Scott Keach & Mike Thurman to the Riverport board. Magistrate Berry seconded the motion. A voice vote was held. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Appointment - Henderson County Jailer

Judge Schneider stated that since Jailer Amy Brady has announced her retirement as of August 31, 2022, per KSR 63.220 he is appointing Edward Vaught as Interim Jailer until the general election is held in November. Ed is currently a Captain over Training at the Detention Center. Magistrate McCollom asked if it would be an ethics violation since Ed's wife also works at the Detention Center. Judge Schneider said he and County Attorney Steve Gold would look into it and make sure the situation compliant with the ethics rules.

EMA Funding Request – EMA Kenny Garrett

Kenny reported the EMA's office received a 50/50 vehicle grant for \$35,865. He has found a vehicle in stock with a purchase price of \$34,852. He would like to use the \$16,534.56 the county received from Hopkins County for the Command Post use and \$1,397.94 from his budget to make up the county's 50%. County Attorney Steve Gold asked if this vehicle was under the state purchasing contract. Kenny replied that it was.

A motion was made by Magistrate McCollom for the \$16,534.56 received from Hopkins County to be moved to the EMA's Supplies line item for the county's 50%. The motion was seconded by Magistrate Puttman. A voice vote was held. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Judicial Center HVAC Service Agreement –

The current agreement with DeBra-Kuempel expires on August 31. They have offered an option which would extend the coverage until Jan 31, 2023

A motion was made by Magistrate Puttman the county to exercise the option to extend the current agreement with DeBra-Kuempel until Jan 31, 2023. The motion was seconded by Magistrate Southard. A voice vote was held. Magistrate McCollom abstained, Magistrates Berry, Moran, Puttman & Southard voted in favor and the motion carried.

Animal Control Reports – Kendra Gallagher Strawn - Director

Kendra presented the monthly reports. They are working on hiring a new Operations Manager. They currently have 2 full time and 1 part time ACOs. Judge Schneider asked if Kendra could remind the court who was serving on the Humane Society Board. Kendra replied; President – Kendra Strawn, Vice President – Emma Todd, Treasurer – Amber Herdegen, Secretary – Stacey McCord-Crooks, Adrienne Garber, Dawn Crowder, Courtney Givens, Sean Wilder & Simone Hecker.

Sheriff's Monthly Reports – Sheriff David Crafton

Sheriff Crafton advised the court that an error had been made when the last surplus property was declared in court. An incorrect VIN was given for one of the vehicles. The information has now been corrected and the vehicle will be advertised for disposal.

Sheriff Crafton presented the monthly reports.

Magistrate Puttman made a motion to accept the Sheriff's reports into the record. Magistrate Moran seconded the motion. A voice vote was held. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Sheriff's Franchise & Oil Tax Annual Settlements – Sheriff David Crafton

Magistrate Southard made a motion to accept the annual Sheriff's tax settlements into the record. Magistrate Berry seconded the motion. A voice vote was held. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

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County Clerk's Report: - Renesa Abner

Renesa presented the monthly report to the court and turned over a check to the county for \$123,872.90 in excess fees.

She asked the public that if they have moved to make sure and update their information on the voter registration.

Magistrate McCollom made a motion to accept the County Clerk's monthly report into the record. Magistrate Berry seconded the motion. A voice vote was held. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

County Attorney Report: - Steve Gold

County Attorney Steve Gold presented a report of payments dated August 23, 2022 and turned over \$7,343.46 in various checks to the court.

Magistrate McCollom made a motion to accept the County Attorney's payments into the record. Magistrate Southard seconded the motion. A voice vote was held. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Fund Transfers – Brenda Rider –

Treasurer Brenda Rider reported the transfers are to transfer ARPA funds to the Road Fund to maintain the funding level of last year. Magistrate Southard would like to add another \$500,000 to the transfer for asphalt. County Engineer Nick Stalling explained we have around 275 miles of paved road in the county. In order to keep the grades up of the state report card on our roads we need to pave between 18 – 19 miles per year. Because of the increase cost of asphalt without the extra \$500,000 we cannot pave this much this year and will always be playing catch-up. Motion was made by Magistrate McCollom to increase the transfers by \$500,000 for asphalt. Motion was seconded by Magistrate Puttman. A voice vote was held and all voted in favor.

Magistrate McCollom then made a motion to approve the transfers. Seconded by Magistrate Puttman and all voted in favor when the voice vote was held.

Judge Schneider added when the budget was being prepared it was originally planned to give each VFD \$11,000 this year. When the checks were being cut it was discovered that this amount had been erroneously entered at \$10,000. He would like to move \$11,000 from contingency to the VFD & Rescue Squad line items to be able to send the additional \$1,000 to each department and rescue.

Magistrate Southard made a motion to approve this transfer. Magistrate McCollom seconded the motion. A voice vote was held. All voted in favor and the motion was approved.

Claims – Brenda Rider

Treasurer Brenda Rider presented the monthly claims and the bank balances after the claims are paid. She also presented that following additional claims for payment.

General Fund:	\$656.25	Magistrate Southard (Training reimbursement)
	\$845.25	Magistrate Berry (Training reimbursement)
	\$633.99	Magistrate Moran (Training reimbursement)
	\$113,985.00	Don Franklin Auto (Sheriff vehicles)
Jail Fund:	\$3,875.29	Precision Aircare LLC (HVAC services)
	\$805.92	Republic Services (Trash removal)

Magistrate McCollom made a motion to pay the claims. Magistrate Southard seconded the motion. A voice vote was held. All voted in favor and the motion was approved.

Good of the County

Judge Schneider – reported there had been an oversight by the Conservation Service when recertifying Conservation Ag District #051-08 which was approved in Fiscal Court on July 26. Several acres had been erroneously omitted from the district. The Conservation Service has submitted an addendum to correct the error. Magistrate McCollom made a motion to recognize the correction process. Seconded by Magistrate Puttman. A voice vote was held with all voting in favor.

Magistrate McCollom – had spoken to the Jailer and the county inmate population is growing. There are a large number waiting to be sentenced or waiting for treatment beds. He hopes the coordinating committee that once existed with the courts, Commonwealth Attorney's Office, County Attorney's office and the Detention Center would be reestablished. County Attorney Steve Gold said there is local support again for the "Rocket Docket" grant and if approved this should help the situation of getting these inmate through the circuit court process faster.

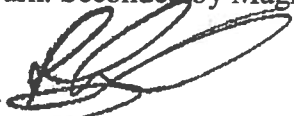
Executive Session

Judge Schneider asked if the court could go into executive session. Judge Schneider made a motion to go into executive session per KRS 61.810(1) (g) Discussions between a public agency and a representative of a business entity and discussions concerning a specific proposal.

Magistrate Puttman seconded the motion. All voted in favor and court adjourned into executive session.

After approximately 65 minutes, Magistrate Puttman made a motion to come out of executive session and return to the regular session of Fiscal Court. Magistrate Southard seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

There being no further business to come before the court, Magistrate Puttman made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Magistrate McCollom.



Brad Schneider
County Judge Executive

ATTEST:



Kurt Wiesen
Fiscal Court Clerk