

CALLOWAY COUNTY  
FISCAL COURT MEETING  
December 20, 2023  
Regular Meeting

An adjourned meeting of the Calloway County Fiscal Court was held at 9:00 am on Wednesday, December 20, 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 November 15, 2023, 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 Stewart, seconded by Squire Rister to approve. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Motion made by Squire Cherry, seconded by Squire Rister to approve the payment of the bills. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Crutcher to approve the transfers as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Mrs. Robinson asked the Courts approval to dispense a check for the days training. Motion made by Squire Crutcher seconded by Squire Cherry to approve the check as requested. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Mr. Zach Stewart of the CCFR explained to the Court an invoice presented to the Treasurer. A Homeland Security grant for radio equipment required the Fiscal Court approval and to act as a go through before the end of 2023. The Court discussed the invoice, a motion made by Squire Stewart seconded by Squire Rister to approve the payment of the invoice as requested. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Judge Imes explained to the Court, according to the County Admin. Code Section 2.1(c) each department of county government that has its own policies and procedures that differ from the County's Admin. Code, should be furnished to the Fiscal Court for review. The County Sheriff and Clerk both have their own department Admin. Codes that vary from the County's Admin. Code, and therefore were presented for review. After an explanation and discussion, a motion was made by Squire Crutcher seconded by Squire Cherry to accept each department's Admin. Code as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Sheriff Knight asked the Court to accept the Sheriff's Mineral Tax Settlement. After a discussion, a motion was made by Squire Crutcher seconded by Squire Cherry to approve the settlement as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

The Court then reviewed a request from the County Clerk to approve that office's 2024 proposed budget with annual order setting maximum amount for deputies and assistants. Mrs. Faulkner took the time to mention a few changes which include a change in the vehicle computer system causing a shut down in services until January 16, 2024, the plate to customer change, and a fee for owning an electric/hybrid vehicle. A motion was made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Cherry to approve the clerk's proposed budget. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

The Court reviewed a renewal of a franchise agreement with MediaCom. After a discussion, a motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Stewart to give Judge Exec. Imes permission to execute the agreement on behalf of the county to expire in seven years. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

The Court set the 2024 holiday schedule and the 2024 Fiscal Court work/meeting schedule. Motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Crutcher to approve the schedule as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

The Court discussed with Mr. Josh Kerr EMS director the signing of the Emergency Management Performance Grant. After a discussion, a motion made by Squire Crutcher seconded by Squire Rister to approve the signing of the EM Performance contract. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Judge Imes brought to the Court a resolution approval request to discontinue Larry Cherry Lane and Mardis Lane as county roads. All requirements were met to take the roads off the County road system. Motion made by Squire Stewart seconded by Squire Cherry to approve Res. # 23-1220-A as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

The Court reviewed Res. #23-1220-B presented on behalf of the jail. The resolution authorizes the County Judge to execute any documents necessary for House Bill I Jail Arraignment Equipment Phase II grant application for up to \$44,018.00. Motion made by Squire Cherry seconded by Squire Rister to approve the Res. #23-1220-B as presented. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

County Clerk, Antonia Faulkner, read to the Court Res. #23-1220-C supporting MSU, Hutson School of Agriculture funding of a School of Veterinary Medicine for the State of Kentucky. Motion made by Squire Stewart seconded by Squire Rister to approve the resolution as presented. Dr. Bob Jackson president of MSU presented to the Court the background and need for the school, with questions and answers for the Court. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

The Court then reviewed Board appointments. The County's appointments for the Senior Citizens Board will expire Dec 31. Director, Dacia Barger requested that all the County's appointees be reappointed for another year. Motion made by Squire Stewart seconded by Squire Crutcher to approve the reappointment of Warren Hopkins, Charles Nesbitt, Darryel Lee, Shirley Robinson, and Ronald Babb to a expire Dec 31, 2024. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

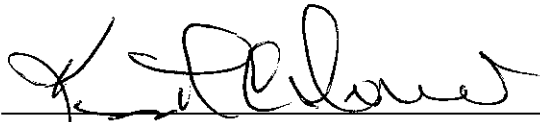
Motion made by Judge Imes seconded by Squire Rister to recess the regular session and enter into executive session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(f) personnel issues. All voted aye and it was so ordered. Motion made by Squire Rister seconded by Squire Crutcher to reenter the regular session of fiscal court. All voted aye and it was so ordered.

Motion made by Judge Imes seconded by Squire Crutcher to approve the personnel changes as presented (see folder page 1 and 2).

Deputy Judge Exec. Mrs. Gina Winchester presented to the Court the Admin/Ordinance Committee report, including discussion of a social media policy to be added to the County's admin. code, a solar energy ordinance under review, and revision of the animal control ordinance.

Justin Tidwell explained to the Court the recent funds received for a litter abatement grant.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Imes', written over a horizontal line.

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of December 2023 by  
Judge Executive, Kenneth C. Imes.