

The regular meeting of the Boyle County Fiscal Court was held on the 28th day of February, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. Members present at the meeting were:



Patty Burke
John Caywood
Donnie Coffman
Jack Hendricks
Dickie Mayes
Phil Sammons
Judge Harold McKinney

Others present at the meeting were County Clerk Trille Bottom, County Treasurer Mary Conley, Jailer Barry Harmon, IT Director Bill Nichols, Solid Waste Director Donna Fechter, Public Works Director Duane Campbell, EMS Director Brad Ellis, Sheriff Derek Robbins, Jacob Pankey, Shannon Greene, Mayor Mike Perros, Gregory Butler, Olivia Prewitt, Ruth Ryan, Jamie Prewitt, Jennifer Kiernan, Beth Marlowe, Lisa Bowman, Ron Scott, Ben Guerrant, Denise Terry, Robby Henson, Rick Serres, John Drake, Brandon Jenkins, and Ben Kleppinger.

Judge McKinney called the meeting to order. Magistrate Caywood gave the invocation.

Olivia Prewitt, Miss Kentucky Teen, led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance. Miss Prewitt is Ruth Ryan's granddaughter. Judge McKinney made the motion to bestow the title of Honorary Magistrate upon Miss Prewitt. Magistrate Sammons seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

Magistrate Sammons made the motion to approve the minutes from the February 14th meeting. Magistrate Mayes seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

Beth Marlowe with Child Development Center introduced Speech Language Pathologist Jennifer Kiernan. Ms. Kiernan works with children experiencing eating and speech problems from birth until five years old in their own homes. After the age of two, they can come to the center and start the programs there.

Ben Guerrant, Director of Senior Citizens Center, discussed the work being done at the Senior Center. The mission of the center is to serve the seniors of Boyle County and help maintain their independence as long as possible. The Senior Adult Program provides activities throughout the week and nutritional meal support. The Adult Day Health Care Program serves special need adults 21 years of age and older. In 2016, over 12,531 meals were served in both programs. The cost of meals for the Senior Program was \$3.43 per meal. With in house food preparation, the food cost has been lowered to \$1.13 per meal. Transportation is provided to the senior citizens of Boyle County free of charge. Last year, 5,156 trips were provided at no cost to the seniors. Mr. Guerrant has been speaking with Jailer Barry Harmon about a program that would allow participants in the IOP program to help raise gardens for the Senior Citizen Center to use.

Robby Henson, with Pioneer Playhouse, discussed the impact that is being made in the community. The Pioneer Playhouse supports the arts and culture in the community. It helps bring in tourism with 70% of its patrons being from outside of the county. Pioneer Playhouse appreciates the advertising support from the Fiscal Court.

Danville Mayor Mike Perros explained the need of hiring a consultant to help with capital improvements for Millennium Park. The study will take ten months to complete. This will allow the citizens of Danville/Boyle County to have a say in what is needed now and in the future. There needs to be a precise plan for growth at Millennium Park. The consultant will help the City and County allocate money for the best possible growth in the park. Things have been added and changed and some of the previous plans can no longer be carried out. The cost of hiring a consultant will cost around \$50,000.00. This is at a negotiated savings of 35%.

Magistrate Sammons asked how much the repairs would cost to upgrade and repair the current needs of the park. Magistrate Hendricks stated there is \$910,000.00 worth of repairs and upgrades to be done according to the board. Magistrate Sammons and Magistrate Hendricks both agree that the repairs need to be done before any hiring and expanding. Magistrate Burke stated that her constituents have informed her that the bathrooms are in disrepair and the park benches are falling apart. The consensus was to take care of the current problems before anything else is done. Magistrate Coffman stated he doesn't feel the need to have someone tell them how to spend money on the park. Magistrate Mayes requested County residents be included in any study done. Magistrate Caywood informed the Court that \$175,000.00 of the upgrade and repair cost is for an amphitheater that may no longer be wanted or needed. Magistrate Caywood stated that a consultant would help with these kinds of things. Judge McKinney thanked the Park Board for all their hard work. The County and City have a wonderful working relationship and the County would like to keep it that way. The problem seems to be a timing issue with the Court.

Solid Waste Director Donna Fechter introduced Greg Butler with Republic Services. Greg Butler discussed the reduction of the Performance Bond from \$1,000,000.00 to \$500,000.00. The bond should be equal to one year of collections. Magistrate Sammons made the motion to approve the lower Performance Bond. Magistrate Hendricks seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

Solid Waste Director Donna Fechter discussed the Perryville Convenient Center Tower estimate in the amount of \$9,532.70. The estimate is basically the same as the Alum Springs Tower. Magistrate Sammons made the motion to approve the estimate. Magistrate Burke seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

Solid Waste Director Donna Fechter explained the Litter Abatement Grant. The grant goes towards a fifteen second cinema advertisement. Magistrate Mayes made the motion to approve the grant. Magistrate Sammons seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

Solid Waste Director Donna Fechter discussed the \$1,125.00 estimate for Alum Springs Convenience Center video equipment. The cameras are motion activated and have night vision. Magistrate Sammons made the motion to approve the video equipment. Magistrate Mayes seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

Public Works Director Duane Campbell discussed the need to repair the fuel line of a dump truck. The cost will be between \$3,500.00 and \$4,000.00. Magistrate Sammons made the motion to approve the repair. Magistrate Mayes seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

Public Works Director Duane Campbell asked the Court for permission to surplus or junk an old plat file cabinet. The cabinet will be declared junk and sold for the metal. Magistrate Caywood made the motion to approve junking the cabinet. Magistrate Sammons seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

EMS Director Brad Ellis discussed the need to re-appropriate the budgeted funds for the new kitchen cabinets to refinish the EMS floors. The cabinets were repaired at no cost. The floor refinishing bid from KB Clean is \$1,124.97. Magistrate Sammons made the motion to approve the re-appropriation of funds. Magistrate Hendricks seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

County Treasurer Mary Conley explained the National Park Service Grant. This is an amendment to extend the grant contract deadline to purchase the Graves property on Whites Road. Magistrate Mayes made the motion to approve the amendment. Magistrate Burke seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

County Treasurer Mary Conley discussed the Budget Meeting Schedule. The only change to the schedule is the March 10th Joint Jail meeting should be March 17th. Magistrate Hendricks made the motion to approve the schedule. Magistrate Mayes seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

Judge McKinney discussed the cable franchise re-negotiation with Charter Communications. Linda K. Ain is a franchise attorney that can help guide the re-negotiation to perhaps get an increased fee. Judge McKinney feels this is a time that retaining outside help would be a positive for the Court. The Judge requested the Court to approve the letter of engagement for Linda K. Ain. Magistrate Sammons made the motion to approve the letter. Magistrate Burke seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

Magistrate Burke discussed the Animal Control Committee report. The old building has been torn down. The Committee members toured the new building. Magistrate Burke made the motion to approve the report. Magistrate Coffman seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor. Magistrate Sammons stated he was informed that there were problems with the new building. Judge McKinney stated he would get County Attorney Richard Campbell involved and report back to the Court.

Magistrate Caywood discussed the EMS Committee report. There are both full time and part time positions available. There was a discussion of the compression of salaries. Magistrate Caywood made the motion to approve the report. Magistrate Sammons seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

Magistrate Sammons discussed the Public Works Committee report. There was discussion of pricing new uniforms. The Tar Lick bridge tonnage has been reduced from 12 tons to 7 tons by the State. Magistrate Sammons made the motion to approve the report. Magistrate Hendricks seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor. Judge McKinney stated that all of the bridges in Boyle County will be inspected by the State and tonnage will have to be posted.

Magistrate Caywood discussed the Sheriff Committee report. The Sheriff's Office responded to 1,400 more calls in 2016 than the year before. It is the Sheriff's Office responsibility to transport jurors to and from court if they have no other transportation. The closing of the Mercer County Comprehensive Care has caused the Boyle County Sheriff's Office to take Mercer County mentally ill residents to Eastern State Hospital (E.S.H.) per a Judge's Order. Magistrate Caywood made the motion to approve the report. Magistrate Sammons seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor. Judge McKinney stated he would explore if the Mercer County Sheriff's Office could transport their mentally ill residents from Comprehensive Care to E.S.H.

Magistrate Coffman discussed the Solid Waste Committee report. Gose Pike Convenience Center has been completed. Tire disposal is now at Alum Springs Convenience Center. Magistrate Coffman made the motion to approve the report. Magistrate Sammons seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

Magistrate Caywood discussed the Personnel Committee report. Management training programs are being reviewed. Magistrate Caywood made the motion to approve the report. Magistrate Mayes seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

Planning and Zoning public hearing will be March 1st at 9:00 a.m.

Jailer Barry Harmon informed the Court that there are currently 370 inmates. The jail is currently using the indoor recreation room for overflow. The recreation room has no restrooms or showers. This is creating a huge security risk. The jail had to move 15 inmates to Casey County Jail until the numbers go down. Shepherd's House is currently helping 18 individuals. There has been a new counselor hired.

Magistrate Caywood urged the Court to go and see the Shepherd's House. He thanked the Sheriff's office for working on putting the drug offenders in jail.

Magistrate Sammons asked why the inmates with minor offenses cannot be home incarcerated. Judge McKinney stated that there are currently no suppliers in this area for home incarceration ankle bracelets.

Magistrate Hendricks thanked the Court for replacing one of Post 18's stolen rifles.

Judge McKinney pointed out the Kentucky Utilities bill for the animal shelter electric is \$1,933.35. The Community Arts annual appropriation of \$15,000.00 needs to be paid.

Magistrate Caywood asked the Court if anything else can be done for relieving the overcrowding of the jail. Judge McKinney stated the Shepherd's House has been opened, 15 inmates were moved to Casey County, and the County Attorney is working with the Judges to get minor offenders out of jail. Magistrate Hendricks endorsed putting restrooms in the jail recreation room as a safety measure.

Magistrate Coffman made the motion to approve the bills, make the transfers, and adjourn. Magistrate Mayes seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

Adjourn,

Harold W. McKinney
County Judge Executive