

**Minutes of the August 15, 2019
Daviness County Fiscal Court Meeting
Held at the Daviness County, Kentucky Courthouse**

**Present elected court officials included
Judge/Executive Al Mattingly and County Commissioners Mike Koger,
George Wathen and Charlie Castlen**

**DOCUMENTS RELATED TO TODAY'S DISCUSSIONS
ARE FILED IN THE CORRESPONDING FISCAL COURT FILE**

The meeting opened with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Minutes of the August 1, 2019 meeting were submitted to fiscal court members for review prior to today's meeting and on a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Castlen with all the Court concurring said Minutes were approved and signed.

By a motion of Commissioner Wathen, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; all Claims for all Departments.

Without further discussion, Judge/Executive Mattingly called for a vote on the motion. All members of the court voted in favor; motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Annual Update to the Daviness County Detention Center's Policies and Procedures Manuals.

Jailer Art Maglinger noted only minor changes, mostly relating to technology updates to this year's manuals.

Without further discussion, Judge/Executive Mattingly called for a vote on the motion. All members of the court voted in favor; motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for approval; Affiliation Agreement with Owensboro Police Department CrimeStoppers, Inc.

Judge Mattingly explained that this agreement adds one dollar to court costs for CrimeStoppers Inc. and annually may be as much as \$3,000. This agreement also requires this group provide the court with an annual report.

Without further discussion, Judge/Executive Mattingly called for a vote on the motion. All members of the court voted in favor; motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for approval; Apply for the 2019 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) for Tasers and related Equipment and Enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Owensboro regarding same.

Without further discussion, Judge/Executive Mattingly called for a vote on the motion. All members of the court voted in favor; motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Wathen, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Award RFQ 006-2019: new RTV500-A for Horse Fork Creek Park to Hagans Outdoor Equipment.

Without further discussion, Judge/Executive Mattingly called for a vote on the motion. All members of the court voted in favor; motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for approval; Hire Brooke Hagan as Receptionist in the Dept. of Administrative Services, effective 8/19/19.

Without further discussion, Judge/Executive Mattingly called for a vote on the motion. All members of the court voted in favor; motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Wathen, seconded by Commissioner Koger, the court considered for approval; Accept the following August 31, 2019 Retirement Resignations:

- Dwane Smeathers: 30 years of service
- Phillip Hodskins: 20 years of service
- Allen Isbill: 27 years of service
- Mary Moss: 24 years of service

Without further discussion, Judge/Executive Mattingly called for a vote on the motion. All members of the court voted in favor; motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Wathen, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for Appointment; Sarah Adkins #25-2019 and Debbie Zuerner-Johnson #26-2019 to the Owensboro-Daviess County Drug/Alcohol Alliance – TERMS: 09/01/2019 – 09/01/2022.

Without further discussion, Judge/Executive Mattingly called for a vote on the motion. All members of the court voted in favor; motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for Appointment; Harini Cardwell #24-2019 to the RiverPark Center – TERM: 09/01/2019 – 09/01/2022. Without further discussion, Judge/Executive Mattingly called for a vote on the motion. All members of the court voted in favor; motion passed.

Consideration for Discussion:

County Treasurer Jim Hendrix presented the **First Reading of KOC A.97 (2019); 14-2019** – An Ordinance Establishing the 2019 Daviess County Tax Rates.

Treasurer Hendrix read the tax rates into the record and added, “All rates are either the same as last year’s or lower.”

As noted, the following bids are being advertised:

- Bid No. 34-2019: One (1) New Bale Processor (Landfill)
- Bid No. 35-2019: One (1) New Tanker for Leachate (Landfill)
- Bid No. 36-2019: Two (2) New Chest Compression Systems (Fire Rescue)
- Bid No. 37-2019: Panther Creek Park Fence System (Parks)

Comments:

County Engineer Mark Brasher noted, “Recently, the bridge over Panther Creek on KY Highway 81 was struck by a truck. The state has surveyed the bridge and due to the extent of the damage have closed the bridge until necessary repairs can be made.”

The court expressed sincere appreciation for Deaconess Hospital’s willingness to enter into an agreement with Daviess County as the community’s Backup Ambulance provider. Together, Judge Mattingly and Jared Florence of Deaconess Hospital officially signed the Backup Ambulance Agreement that was approved at a prior court meeting. Judge Mattingly noted, after attempted negotiations failed with Owensboro Regional Health to enter into a similar agreement, I am pleased that Deaconess stepped up and agreed to enter into this agreement with the county. He further noted, the city and county hold a joint Certificate Of Need (CON) and after receiving (verbal) approval from the City Manager and Mayor, we would be happy to provide that certificate to Deaconess should the unanticipated need arise. He stated, “I absolutely believe and fervently hope to never have to utilize this backup agreement.”

Commissioner Wathen stated, "In the AMR Agreement there is clause which requires a 6-month minimum advanced notice of their desire to terminate the their agreement with the city and county. If that happened, we would begin solicitations for a new provider."

Judge Mattingly agreed and stated, "Just like what happened with Yellow Ambulance. When they provided their termination notice, we immediately began looking for a new provider and since we were able to contract with a new provider within that 6-month window, the backup ambulance agreement that we believed to have with our local hospital was not called into effect."

Commissioner Wathen asked, "I am correct, AMR's agreement does not specify to which hospital patients shall be delivered once they are picked up for emergency transportation?"

Judge Mattingly stated, "You are correct."

Judge Mattingly expressed his sincerest appreciation to all involved in the long process of contracting with a new ambulance service provider and a backup ambulance provider. All court members concurred with this statement.

Judge Mattingly and Mr. Florence agreed that this amicable negotiation process was quick and efficient.

Mr. Florence returned thanks the court for the opportunity to be a part of the community and stated, "We are happy to be here."

Without objection, Judge/Executive Mattingly adjourned the meeting.

SO ORDERED THAT COURT STAND ADJOURNED.

Judge/Executive:  Commissioner: 

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I, duly appointed Clerk of the Daviess County Fiscal Court, do hereby certify that the above Minutes for the corresponding Order Book were approved by the members of the Daviess County Fiscal Court at the regular session of said Court on this 5th day of September 2019.

Jennifer Warren, Daviess County Fiscal Court Clerk