Daviess County Fiscal Court Meeting

December 19, 2019 5:00 PM Held at the Daviess 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 in Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.	

Treasurer Hendrix presented the November 2019 Treasurer's Report.

By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for approval; Minutes of the December 5, 2019 Court Meeting.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; all claims for all departments.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Fund Transfers were considered for approval.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Wathen, seconded by Commissioner Koger, the court considered for approval; Purchase, for zero dollars, a Real Estate Option for 221 Allen Street from the Managing Member of 221 Allen, LLC.

This property is located on the corner of 3rd and Allen Streets. The court discussed moving specific court programs to the location and believes it will be of great benefit as it will reduce current judicial center crowding, provide nearby, like-activity business space, and comes with 15 much needed downtown parking places.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for approval; Resolution No. 25-2019: Brookfield Subdivision Street Lighting District.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for approval; Professional Services Contract with Hendy Johnson Vaughn Emery, PSC and Rhoads and Rhoads regarding a Multi-District Lawsuit against Opioid Distributors.

Judge Mattingly noted that opioid drug use has become a national epidemic. He stated, "Both treatment facilities and law enforcement officials report that addicts in Owensboro-Daviess County are choosing methamphetamine over opioids as it is still cheaper and easier to obtain. However, that does not exclude us from having to deal with opioid-related and other drug-related addiction problems. We have been following this for about 6-months and were invited to be a participant in this multi-district lawsuit filed by a group out of Ohio against opioid distributors, not manufacturers."

Commissioner Castlen inquired about costs associated with entering into this contract.

Judge Mattingly stated, "If this lawsuit if found in our favor, we will get a portion of the payout following the attorney fees. If it goes the other way, we will not be out anything."

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Wathen, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Award Bid No. 35-2019: One (1) New Liquid Tank Trailer for Leachate (Landfill) to West-Mark for \$104,224.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Koger, the court considered for approval; Hire Keary Boone as a Heavy Equipment Operator in Dept. of Public Works effective upon successful completion of pre-employment screenings.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Promote Mark Wagner to Public Works Utility Laborer effective 12/23/2019.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Advertise for Heavy Equipment Mechanic.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for approval; Appoint Larry Boswell #31-2019 to the Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission (Served 1.5 terms) Term 12/31/2019 - 12/31/2023.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Koger, the court considered for approval; Appoint Bill Glenn #30-2019 to the Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission Board of Adjustments (Served 1 term) Term 09/01/2019 – 09/01/2022.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Appoint Katie Clark #28-2019 and Debbie Zuerner-Johnson #29-2019 to the Daviess County Extension District Board (Served 1 term ea.) Terms: 12/31/2019 – 12/31/2022.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for approval; Appoint Mark Brasher #38-2019 to the SWQAC and #39-2019 Transportation Advisory Commission (Served 2 terms per board) Terms: 12/31/2019 – 12/31/2023.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for approval; Appoint Jordan Johnson [#1.3.20] to the Ambulance Contracting Authority Board as the Judge/Executive's County Citizen's appointee - Term: 1/1/2020 - 1/1/2024.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for approval; Appoint Chief Deputy Major Barry Smith [#1.2.20] to the Ambulance Contracting Authority Board as the County Sheriff's Office designee - Term: 1/1/2020 - 1/1/2023.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Appoint Fire Chief Jeremy Smith [#1.1.20] to the Ambulance Contracting Authority Board as the County Fire Department designee - Term: 1/1/2020 - 1/1/2022.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

Public Comments:

In light of recent and ongoing development in and around Hayden Road, Keith Johnson of 2625 Hayden Road asked the court for assistance with a perceived neighborhood road hazard regarding a vertical curve (blind curve) next to driveways. He suggested the court consider any and all of the following recommended remedies to reduce said hazard: installing a digital speed reading device and caution signs, flashing indicator signage for approaching vehicles, and an increased law enforcement patrol. He also wants the court to recognize this to be a legitimate safety issue.

Mr. Johnson presented Judge Mattingly photos of the area. Judge Mattingly said, "The county engineer and I will go out very soon and take a look at the location and get back with you to discuss our findings."

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Judge Mattingly announced the following 4th Quarter Employee Anniversary Recognitions: EMA Dir. Andy Ball & Firefighter/EMT Jacob Vanover – 5 years each

Without objection, Judge/Executive Mattingly adjourned the meeting. **SO ORDERED THAT COURT STAND ADJOURNED.**

Judge/Executive: Accommissioner: Longe Wather Commissioner: Mula Kager

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 9th day of January 2020.

Jennifer Warren, Daviess County Fiscal Court Clerk