## Minutes of the April 23, 2020 Daviess County Fiscal Court Meeting 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

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

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The meeting opened in Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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Following the CDC's recommendations, tonight's meeting has been limited to court elected officials and specific personnel but has been made available to view live on the county's Facebook page. For public participation in this meeting, citizens were instructed to either text in their questions to the County Attorney (cell number was provided), or post them to the live stream on Facebook.

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County Treasurer Jim Hendrix presented the Treasurer's Report for March 2020.

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Judge Mattingly presented the Daviess County Extension Office's 2020/2021 Budget.

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By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Minutes of the April 2, 2020 Court Meeting.

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

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By a motion of Commissioner Wathen, 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.

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Currently, as no definitive end date can be confirmed for this unprecedented viral pandemic, the court pulled the following item from tonight's agenda: *Consideration for Approval; Contract with Stuart Snow for the 2020 Fireworks Display at Panther Creek Park.* Judge Mattingly stated, "I spoke with Mr. Snow

today about the uncertainty of the event and he agreed to postpone the court's decision on this contract." The court mentioned revisiting the contract later this summer.

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By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for approval; Agreements with Ricky Moore Trucking, LLC for Transit Vehicle & Material Handler Lease Agreements and Henderson Transfer Station Operation Agreement.

Commissioner Castlen asked if these agreements should be approved separately. County Attorney Porter said that it was okay to do so.

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By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for approval; Transit Vehicle and Material Handler Lease Agreements with Ricky Moore Trucking, LLC. **The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.** 

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By a motion of Commissioner Wathen, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Material Handler Lease Agreement with Ricky Moore Trucking, LLC.

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

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By a motion of Commissioner Wathen, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Extension of the Contract with Ricky Moore Trucking, LLC.

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

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By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Operations Contract with Ricky Moore Trucking, LLC to Operate the Henderson Transfer Station.

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

Treasurer Hendrix stated, "This has very little impact on the longevity of our landfill but has a great impact on our cash flow. Instead of having to raise the rates on our current customers (rates that have not been increased since 2011), coupled with other similar contracts, will continue to help the county generate the cash flow needed to pay for solid waste capital needs and expenses."

Commissioner Wathen added, "Because we purchased a number of acres of land next to the landfill, we have at least 100 years or more of life left on the landfill."

Judge Mattingly stated, "None of us will be here but I am willing to bet that sometime in the next 100 years, the landfill will be turned into a mining site for people wanting to reclaim stuff that has been buried."

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By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for approval; 2-year Lease Agreement with Matt Boarman regarding Little Hurricane Boat Ramp.

Judge Mattingly stated, "Mr. Boarman came to us a little over a year ago wanting to move a boat dock he has on the Ohio River and moor it to the Little Hurricane boat ramp. I asked County Attorney Porter to draft a lease agreement that basically states that Mr. Boarman may moor his dock to the Little Hurricane boat ramp and have the ability to use the parking, the picnic area, and the property but he must leave it as is, keep it open and accessible to the general public. In turn, he agrees to take care of the property, mow it, and keep it maintained. This is county taxpayer-owned property so we cannot give it to a private business to profit off of our taxpayers and not allow them to use it. Everyone should be able to go about their business as usual, and whatever Mr. Boarman would sell and/or provide over and above those uses I just named, he certainly has the right to collect money for gasoline people buy and if he has a little store on his boat ramp then he has the right to charge for those items. If he does anything other than that, he must obtain court approval. He cannot modify the property and start digging into the bank nor shall he construct a building on the property without written approval from this court. This agreement works out well for both parties as currently, the parks and road departments care for this property, the ramp, and surrounding land by mowing the grass and clearing mud and debris following the natural rise and fall of water levels. And that is all he does, he takes over the maintenance and we allow him to moor his dock. Taxpayer dollars are saved and we are able to accommodate his need to moor his boat dock. I think it is a good deal and if he wants to do more, he must develop a plan and that plan must be approved by the court."

County Attorney Porter stated, "And in those 2-years we may develop a Request For Proposals (RFP) for (the use of) that property."

Judge Mattingly agreed and stated, "In this, we really aren't giving him exclusive use of the property, if we wish to do more than that, we would submit to the public RFPs."

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

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Without a motion, the court considered for approval; Per **Bid No. 28-2019**, Purchase One (1) MEC 300E, ATA Machine with Transformer from Howell Shooting Supplies, Inc. for \$3,288.55. *(See the May 7, 2020 meeting for official approval.)* 

Purchasing Agent Jordan Johnson stated, "We have two trap fields at the Daviess County Gun Club, only one of which is currently equipped from our initial equipment order from **Bid No. 28-2019**. We are recommending purchasing an additional ATA machine from this bid pricing schedule for \$3,288.55."

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

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By a motion of Commissioner Wathen, seconded by Commissioner Koger, the court considered for approval; Declare and Dispose by Scrapping Surplus Equipment & Vehicles.

Mr. Johnson stated, "The items presented on this schedule are no longer operable and are obsolete. Per our administrative code, we must declare surplus any item in order to dispose of it through any method of disposition. We anticipate that we will receive more from scrapping these items now rather than storing them for several years waiting for an auction."

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

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By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Koger, the court considered for approval; Award the following:

- RFQ No. 02-2020: One (1) New 72" Zero Turn Mower to Hagan Outdoor Equipment for \$12,105
- **RFQ No. 03-2020:** Target Thrower Carts & Release Packages to Howell Shooting Supplies, Inc. for \$4,300.40
- Bid No. 07-2020: New Target Throwing Machines to Howell Shooting Supplies, Inc. for \$24,128

Mr. Johnson stated, "Bid No. 03-2020 includes carts and release packages for the equipment listed in Bid No. 07-2020. Since the grant accompanying Bid 07-2020 was restrictive on the equipment to be included, these items must be purchased separately, and are required to operate and transport that equipment. I recommend the lowest and best-evaluated quote of Howell Shooting Supplies, Inc. for \$4,300.40."

Mr. Johnson added, "Bid No. 07-2020 is to further equip the Daviess County Gun Club with units to meet demand, allowing us to accommodate two additional stations for large events and take advantage of a 50% NRA grant. It should be noted, that the grant dictated the equipment list presented on the evaluation report. The only submitted bid was from Howell Shooting Supplies, Inc. in the amount of \$24,128. There was a minor exception where the vendor included an additional inverter amp that is standard with the order. This has no impact on the grant."

Judge Mattingly is excited about the current and future growth of the Gun Club. He noted that high school trap shooting tournaments are being scheduled and a large number of out-of-county enthusiasts are enjoying the club and telling their friends about the expanding facility.

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

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By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for approval; Release the following Surety Bonds:

- Whispering Meadows, Section 4, Unit 1
- Brookfield Subdivision, Unit 1

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

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By a motion of Commissioner Wathen, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Promote Ron Whitworth to Transfer Station Heavy Equipment Operator.

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

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By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Koger, the court considered for approval; Promote Colton Lanham to Road Department Heavy Equipment Operator.

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

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By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for approval; Hire Kealie Johnson as Henderson Transfer Station Scale House Operator.

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

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By a motion of Commissioner Wathen, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Hire the following Seasonal (Summer) Interns upon successful completion of pre-employment screenings:

**Engineering Dept.:** Dylan Payne, Jayden Bickett, & Warren Goetz

Road Dept.: Christian Leigh, Quantavius Young, Christian Scrivner, Nathan Lanham & J.R. Goetz

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

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By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Koger, the court considered for approval; Reappoint Chuck Coffman to the DC-SWEEP Board - TERM: 5/1/2020 – 5/1/2023 #5.1.20. The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

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By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Reappoint Sharron Sullivan to the Greenwood Cemetery Board - TERM: 4/19/2020 - 4/19/2023 #4.2.20.post

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

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**First Reading of KOC B.50 (2020)**; *06-2020* – An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020A.

## **Comments:**

Treasurer Hendrix stated, "This is to allow the court to place debt in order to pay for the telecommunications system, which will be built over the next 2 - 2 ½ years. As the court has decided to

finance up to \$6 million to pay for this system. The way the bond council wrote the document, they give the court room to go up to \$5.5 million for related and unknown expenses. The current ordinance assumes \$5 million but we still have time to determine what, if any, unknown expenses may exist and whether we will need that additional \$500,000. If approved, this ordinance fulfills all legal requirements to place the debt as a GO Bond. However, as bank debt is so favorable right now, coupled with our plan to pay the debt off within 10 years or less, bond council plans on doing a competitive bank issue and weigh that against a bond issue. Whichever issuance is most financially favorable to the county, is the one that will be selected."

Commissioner Wathen asked, "If we do a bank debt, will that change our flexibility of the bond as far as the term?"

Mr. Hendrix replied, "No, as the term will be incorporated into the issuance regardless of method."

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Commissioner Wathen commented, "I serve on the COVID-19 Green River Area Response Fund Committee. The community has been very generous as we have received \$685,000 in pledges from 95 organizations and individuals. It feels good to know so many are willing and committed to help others in our community. The committee has funded 23 grants totaling \$141,000. One of the grant recipients is the Senior Center. Weekly, before the shutdown, they reported serving 180 seniors in the center's cafeteria, 80 in the Whitesville center, and 650 for the Meals-On-Wheels program. Today, their numbers have vastly changed now serving 450 seniors from the center, 120 from Whitesville, and 2,035 Meals-On-Wheels participants." Commissioner Wathen shall provide committee updates when available.

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## First Quarter 2020 Employee Anniversaries:

James Drury (SW) – 20 years Bruce Williams (Parks) – 20 years Dee Ann Bryenton (Coroners) – 10 years Ron Whitworth, Jr. (SW) – 5 years Misty Payne (Animal Control) – 5 years Jerry Ambs (Maint.) – 5 years James McIntyre (Road) – 5 years William Wilson (Road) – 5 years

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

Judge/Executive:

Commissioner:

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Commissioner:

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 May 7, 2020.

Jenifer Warren

Jennifer Warren, Daviess County Fiscal Court Clerk