

**Minutes of the June 15, 2021, Daviess County Fiscal Court Meeting
Held at the Daviess County, Kentucky Courthouse**

**Present elected officials: Judge/Executive Al Mattingly, County Commissioners
Charlie Castlen and Mike Koger. Commissioner George Wathen attended via Zoom.**

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

Attendance Update:

Live streaming from the Daviess County Fiscal Court's Facebook Live page will continue to be available for court meetings. Starting today, court meetings shall also allow for a limited number of public attendees. In order to attend, a seat reservation is requested and may be arranged any weekday between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm by contacting the Daviess Co. Fiscal Court office at 270-685-8424. This attendance update is subject to change.

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

The court recognized DCHS student Hope Ramming and OCHS student Hunter Wimsatt for Perfect ACT Scores.

Commissioner Castlen read the June 26 – July 2, 2021, Amateur Radio Operators Week Proclamation.

Treasurer Hendrix presented the Treasurer Report for May 2021.

By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Minutes of the June 3, 2021, Court Meeting.

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; 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; Budget Transfers for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021.

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; Allocate to the Bluegrass Music Hall of Fame & Museum a one-time payment of \$25,000 to offset expenses for ROMP 2021 Security Services.

Judge Mattingly: We were asked to financially assist with security services at this year's ROMP Festival.

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; Order of Allowance to the Board of Assessment Appeals.

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; Contract with Stuart Snow to provide a Supervised Public Fireworks Display.

Assistant County Treasurer Jordan Johnson: This service agreement is for Stuart Snow to provide a supervised public fireworks display on Sept. 4, 2021 for \$8,500.

Judge Mattingly: It was reported recently in the newspaper that this event was planned for Horse Fork Creek Park, but actually, it will be held at Panther Creek Park.

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; Agreement for Purchase and Use of Sports Equipment with the City of Owensboro, Owensboro Health and Global Spectrum.

Judge Mattingly: Owensboro Health has agreed to pay \$300,000, and the city and county will each pay \$150,000. The county will also provide some off-site storage.

David Smith: Paducah, Kentucky has been highly successful in increasing tourism dollars during winter time by installation of a sports floor in their convention center and hosting numerous sporting events. We are trying to do the same thing here and hope to see our winter hotel bookings, local restaurants sales, and retail shopping increase during the typically slower winter months.

Convention Center General Manager Laura Alexander: This is obviously a great thing for the community. The floor will arrive and be installed in early fall of 2021. We have already been working to get tournaments booked.

Judge Mattingly thanked all who have been involved with this project.

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; Award the following Annual bids:

Mr. Johnson: For **Bulk Sodium Chloride - Rock Salt** the court shall piggyback off of the **City of Owensboro's Bid #4230: to Compass Minerals**; Delivered for \$481.86 per ton or picked-up for \$77.90 per ton.

- **10-2021: Ready-Mix Concrete to Meuth Construction Supply, Inc.** per Rates Schedule.

Mr. Johnson: Daviess County Fiscal Court received three (3) bids for the provision of ready-mix concrete, fibrous concrete reinforcement, and excavatable flowable fill. Meuth Construction Supply, Inc. is the lowest and best evaluated bid, having minor exceptions to the bid specifications, which included a \$10 per truck environmental fee and a \$100 small load fee (for orders under 3 yards).

- **11-2021: Coated Corrugated Culvert Pipe to Hagan and Stone Wholesale, Inc.** per Rates Schedule.

Mr. Johnson: We received one bid for the provision of coated corrugated culvert pipe. Hagan & Stone Wholesale, Inc. is the only bid submitted, having minor exceptions to the bid specifications, which included 12-inch to 30-inch measurements will be polymer-coated, 36-inches and above will be bituminous coated, and alternative pricing was provided for aluminized pipe for all measurements. Hagan and Stone Wholesale, Inc. is our current vendor, and pipe pricing is comparable to prior years.

Mr. Johnson: Since culvert pipe is bid on a scheduled pricing basis with estimated measurements, we updated the schedule this year to more accurately reflect the trend of items ordered. This means that a side-by-side comparison of rates will be available the next time this contract is bid. The Road Department has \$200,000 budgeted for pipe and sees no issues operating within that budget with these rates.

- **12-2021: Crushed Limestone to Yager Materials** per Rates Schedule.

Mr. Johnson: We received one bid for the provision of limestone, river gravel, and sand. Yager Materials is the only bid submitted, having no exceptions to the bid specifications.

- **13-2021: Tire Repair & Maintenance Services to Best One Tire** per Rates Schedule.

Mr. Johnson: We received two bids for the provision of inspections, scheduled maintenance, and repairs for all 5th wheel road tractor tires in the Solid Waste Department. Best One Tire is the lowest and best evaluated bid, having no exceptions to the bid specifications.

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; Renew the following Annual Bids for the contract period extending from July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022:

Mr. Johnson: We analyze past trends in these service contracts to see if we would be best served by re-bidding or by renewing bids. Of these renewals, we anticipate no significant savings would be achieved by re-bidding.

Second time renewals:

- 15-2019: Bulk Delivered Fuels to Valor Oil per Rates Schedule
- 16-2019: Recycling Services to Dahl and Groezinger per Rates Schedule
- 26-2019: Concrete Crushing Services to Complete Demolition for \$3.75 per ton

First time renewals:

- 08-2020: Pavement Striping to Reynolds Sealing and Striping for \$0.310 per ton
- 14-2020: County Uniforms to Unifirst per Rates Schedule.
- 17-2020: Janitorial Services for Co. Admin. Facilities to Purus Clean for \$4,850 per month
- 18-2020: Janitorial Services for Morton J. Holbrook Judicial Center to Purus Clean for \$4,375 per mo.
- 19-2020: Janitorial Services for Robert M. Kirtley Judicial Annex to Purus Clean for \$600 per month.
- 20-2020: Fire Rescue Uniforms to Siegels Uniforms per Rates Schedule.
- 21-2020: Wood Grinding Services to O'Bryan Grain Farms for \$14.93 per ton.

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; Transfer Kandace Sturgeon to the Department of Public Works as Administrative Assistant effective June 28, 2021.

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; Hire Alfred Wayne McPherson and Trionna L. Greer as Panther Creek Park Seasonal Attendants eff. upon successful completion of pre-employment screening.

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; Reappoint David Johnson (S1T) to the RWRA Board #7.1.2021 - TERM: 7/1/2021 – 7/1/2025.

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; **Second Reading of KOC A.100 (2021) 05-2021** – An Ordinance Relating to the 2021/2022 Daviess County Budget.

Treasurer Hendrix: This is a \$98,874,570 budget and includes \$19,701,100 we received from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) fund that we have implemented and are waiting to see how to spend.

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

No other business was considered.

Public Comments:

Zak Ferrell requested the court keep the Panther Creek Park Fire Tower and as soon as possible re-open it to the public.

Judge Mattingly: This year, an engineering study will be conducted to determine the safety of the tower and whether or not to re-open it to the public.

David Smith: Joey Kirby posted to Facebook that he supports Mr. Ferrell's request to save the tower.

Comments by Daviess County Fiscal Court:

Judge Mattingly: The purpose of the noon, 6/30/2021, court meeting, is to consider for approval, all remaining Budget Transfers.

Judge Mattingly: This Saturday, June 19, will be a celebration of Juneteenth at Kendall-Perkins Park. The community is invited to attend. It's a collaboration between the Owensboro Black Expo and the Owensboro Human Relations Commission and it celebrates the imagination of those who had been enslaved. It was first celebrated in Texas on June 19, 1965.

Judge Mattingly: Recently, many people have called to ask questions regarding the prospects of an "Outer Loop". We didn't inform the public about it because there's really not a lot to inform yet. We are close to the beginning of a process and there's nothing to tell people. As soon as we have information to share, we will share it with the public. The question that came to me was, "Are you in favor of it?" I said, "In favor of what?" The location has not even been discussed. I cannot be in favor of something that is still so premature. Commissioner Castlen serves on the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) with other members representing the Chamber, EDC, economic development, engineers, and city and county law enforcement and fire and rescue. The Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is made up of the Mayor, 2nd Dist. Chief Engineer Deneatra Henderson,

and myself. I serve as chair of the MPO and TAC makes transportation recommendations to us. Nine times out ten, we do not turn down their recommendations because it's a community recommendation. An Outer Loop has been talked about for many years and the state has agreed to pay for a study. Tom Lovett of GRADD said it best by saying, "It's like baking a cake. We are not even sure we are going to bake a cake, but we want to make sure that, if we do, we have all of the ingredients before we start". We have opened the book and are now starting to talk about it. I understand that there are currently 3 routes being looked at with the farthest one about 40 miles in length with multiple segments. In the future, I will try to better inform the public of information related to the Outer Loop. There is a planned public zoom meeting tonight for the public to talk about the idea, but right now, folks, it's way too soon to get worried or upset about this issue. Any information the court has will be posted on our Facebook page.

Judge Mattingly: Until we get into the (COVID) Green Zone, meaning that we have less than one case of COVID per day, we will continue to allow a limited number of people to attend Daviess County Fiscal Court meetings. We are currently seeing a small trend going back up. We have been seeing about 2.8 cases per day, but now that is up to about 5 cases per day. I believe Daviess County, over the past four days has about 12-13 cases.


Without objection, Judge/Executive Mattingly adjourned the meeting.

SO ORDERED THAT COURT STAND ADJOURNED.

Judge-Executive Al Mattingly  Commissioner Charlie Castlen 

Commissioner Mike Koger  Commissioner George Wathen 

I, duly appointed Daviess County Fiscal Court Clerk Jennifer Warren, hereby certify that the above corresponding Order Book minutes were approved by the court on July 1, 2021.



Jennifer Warren

Daviess County Fiscal Court Clerk