

**Minutes of the April 11, 2022, Daviess County Fiscal Court Meeting
Held at the Daviess County, Kentucky Courthouse
Present elected court officials: Judge/Executive Al Mattingly and County Commissioners
George Wathen, Charlie Castlen, and Mike Koger.**

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.

Judge Mattingly: This is the first time in two years that our courtroom has been open to the general public and I want to welcome you.

April 2022 was proclaimed as Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month.

Court members recognized the Apollo High School Dance Team National Champions and congratulated them on their victory.

By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Minutes of the March 22, 2022 Court Meeting.

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; 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 Wathen, the court considered for approval; Salaries of Specific Elected Officials.

County Treasurer Hendrix: The law in Kentucky states, KRS 64.530, that elected officials cannot increase their own salary so by May 4th of each election year - we only have to do this every four years - fiscal court has to set the salaries of certain elected officials and that would include the county commissioners, the coroner, and the county attorney. Being that this is an election year, we will set those salaries and they cannot change for the four-year term of the official, other than they will receive the annual cost of living allowance that the state sets. January 1, 2023, the commissioner's salary will be at \$60,998.42, the

coroner \$84,218.62, and the county attorney \$40,000. It's important to note that the fiscal court only sets a portion of the county attorney salary and that's the civil portion. This does not include the county attorney from receiving his child support salary, which we also pay but you don't set and some other monies that go through that office, subject to a maximum that the state publishes, but fiscal court doesn't deal with any of that. The commissioners also will receive the \$300 a month allowance for the expenses for serving on boards and other agencies and for whatever travel they're doing outside regular hours and they're also allowed to receive the department of local government training program incentives that are stated on here and that depends on your years of service - there's first year, second year, third year, and it maxes out at the fourth year. On the official copy, I will add the following sentence because I just realized it wasn't covered: KRS 64.185 allows coroners and their deputies to also receive \$300 a month expense allowance, and they will do that. I will add that sentence for the official copy. Again, we only have to do it every four years because we don't know who the new court will be. We're doing it before the primary because that will set a lot of the elections.

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; **Resolution 06-2022** – Utilizing County Funds for the Transportation of Non-Public School Students.

County Treasurer Hendrix: This is a resolution that we do annually. It coincides with us reimbursing the Daviess County School System for non-public school students. The state has a program in place whereby the court is reimbursed for most of the expenses that we pay. In order to get reimbursed, we have to do this resolution, which simply states that fiscal court is paying those expenses, it has paid those expenses in the past, and it intends to pay those expenses in the future.

Judge Mattingly: The total of those expenses have gone down quite a bit since I first became Judge/Executive simply because you have fewer and fewer kids riding the bus.

Mr. Hendrix: The fuel costs that they baked into it originally was about \$4.00. The contract annually is like \$300,000, but our actual expenses the last several years have been in the \$150,000 to \$180,000 range. Now, I suspect it will go up in the next 12 months because of the fuel prices, but you're correct it's less people and the fuel is so low that we've not been spending near as much. Because of that the allocations the state has we've been getting reimbursed almost all of it. Back 10 years ago or so, it was 60 to 70 percent, but it's been 80 to 90 percent in recent years.

Judge Mattingly: This is not just in Daviess County. This is available statewide.

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; Any and All Documents related to the CDBG-CV OASIS Existing Building project including but not limited to the following:

- **Resolution 07-2022** – Revenue
- **Resolution 08-2022** – Cost Overrun
- Legally Binding Agreement
- Professional Service Contract with GRADD

Judge Mattingly: This is the CDBG-CV Grant that we were able to sponsor for OASIS for them to receive their one million dollars to move their location. This just gives the Judge/Executive the ability and permission to sign any and all documents.

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; **Resolution 09-2022** – Road Name Change from Old Hwy 144 to Nannie Belle Loop.

County Engineer Mark Brasher: Per KRS179.330 we've received a petition from the adjoining property owners of Old Highway 144-1. Technically they have to provide enough signatures of proper adjoining property owners of 50% or more. I've reviewed the documents submitted and there are well over 50% of the required signatures. I believe they've met that statutory requirement.

Judge Mattingly: This was initiated by Judge Gene Lanham.

Judge Lanham, being present at this meeting, gave a brief history of why the residents of this area chose the name Nannie Belle Loop. He noted that Ms. Nannie Belle Camp lived along this portion of road and was known for her charity and love of animals. Ms. Camp would often give milk from her goats to neighboring mothers whose babies were unable to drink the mother's breast milk or take other formulas. She happily did so and without charge. For this she is remembered and along with her caring and loving heart for animals the area residents wanted to name this section of road after her in respect and appreciation for all she did in her lifetime. Judge Lanham also indicated that the portion of road is not detected via GPS or Google Maps. To assist people, especially emergency care providers, giving a name to this section of Old Highway 144 will update the GPS and online guided maps and make the addresses much easier to locate. He stated, "On behalf of all the citizens particularly those who live on the soon to be infamous Nanny Belle Loop, we thank you".

Judge Mattingly: It's a good way to maintain that memory and pass on a little bit of history to folks who weren't from up in that area and I appreciate you taking the initiative and it's also an easier way to explain where you live.

Judge Lanham: I did speak with Paul Nave with the emergency 911 department and he assured me that he was not against it and felt this to be a good idea.

Commissioner Castlen asked how long this change will take for all entities to be updated.

Mr. Brasher said he will notify OMPC and local entities will be rapidly updated. As far as Google Maps is concerned, we have no control over when they choose to update their online maps.

Mr. Brasher: Later in tonight's meeting we will be updating and adopting the county road index. Although it was too late for this name change to be included in this update, it will be temporarily changed and as far as the road signs, they will be changed in a couple weeks. In next year's road index update, this information will be included.

Judge Mattingly: As far as the road index goes, the subject road portion is still included, it just does not yet reflect its new name.

Judge Lanham: With respect, we were hoping that the update would include a new layer of blacktop.

Judge Mattingly acknowledged his request.

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 Weaver Consultants Group for Landfill Air Compliance Reporting.

Assistant County Treasurer Jordan Johnson: This proposal is for air quality compliance reporting services that are required for the operation of the West Daviess County Landfill. We issued a request for proposals for this item, and received two responses, the lowest and best evaluated of which is presented here submitted by Weaver Consultants Group in the amount of \$15,200 per year. This firm is also our current Solid Waste consultant engineering firm for the Landfill. These are budgeted mandatory compliance services, the price increase over last year was within our expected range, and there were no exceptions to our scope of services. I would recommend approval.

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; MOA with the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the State Board of Elections to establish an agreement for HAVA Title II Funds for Reimbursement of the Purchase of Voting Equipment.

Mr. Johnson: In November 2021, Fiscal Court purchased voting machines from Harp Enterprises per Bid No. 32-2021 in the amount of \$346,031. This memorandum of agreement is to receive \$142,500 of federal funds from the Title II Help America Vote Act to offset our total cost. These funds were made available to all counties who purchased voting machines in the last year. Legal and I have reviewed the agreement, it is in order, and I would recommend approval.

Commissioner Castlen: Will these dollars wind up in the general fund since they were spent out of the general fund?

Mr. Johnson: Yes.

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; Renew City of Owensboro **Bid #4230** - Bulk Sodium Chloride (Rock Salt).

Mr. Johnson: This is the renewal of the cooperative bid conducted by the City of Owensboro that includes County rates and volumes for rock salt. Our bid rate is \$83.74 per ton (which is up 7.50% from last year's rate of \$77.90 per ton). The City of Owensboro has approved their rate increase, and County Engineer Brasher and Road Department management believe this increase to be reasonable and within our expected range. I would recommend approval.

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; Award the following Bids as recommended:

Mr. Johnson:

26-2022: Bulk 12 Gauge Shotgun Ammunition (Gun Club) to Vance Outdoors, Inc.

This bid is for the provision of bulk 12 gauge shotgun ammunition for the Daviess County Gun Club and includes 175,000 shells in total. We received two bids, ranging from \$52,660 to \$54,827.82, and recommend award to the lowest and best evaluated bid submitted by Vance Outdoors, Inc. for the Winchester ammunition in the amount of \$52,660. This is a standard budgeted restock, the cost will be recouped by ammunition sales, there were no exceptions, and I would recommend approval. We are confident we have ammunition inventory on hand to accommodate shooters until the delivery is received in 6-12 months.

Judge Mattingly: We currently have enough ammo to take us into the start of next year.

Commissioner Wathen: How long will the 175,000 shells last?

Mr. Johnson: We are going through about 150,000 shells per year and that is on the rise. This will likely be about a year's worth.

29-2022: 84" Smooth Drum Roller Rental (Landfill) to Boyd CAT

This bid is for the rental of an 84" smooth drum roller in preparation for the liner installation at the West Daviess County Landfill. The new cell area of the Landfill is down to the sub grade. This roller will be used to compact multiple layers of clay in phases over the next few months in accordance with cell construction regulations. We received four bids, ranging from \$4,050 per month to \$5,000 per month, and recommend award to the lowest and best evaluated bid submitted by Boyd CAT for the CAT CS56 unit in the amount of \$4,050 per month plus the presented delivery and pickup fees. This is a budgeted expense of the cell construction project, there were no exceptions, and I would recommend 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 Castlen, the court considered for approval; Hire Dakota Brown as Animal Control Officer eff. April 12, 2022.

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; Hire Stephen Mayfield as Road Dept. Utility Laborer eff. April 25, 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; **Second Reading KOC 621.21 (2022) 05-2022** – An Ordinance Relating to the Daviess County Road, Bridge and Street System.

County Engineer Mark Brasher: Every year I bring to fiscal court an updated road index that has all of the county maintained roads on it. That is typically updated due to new development or name changes. This road index, the vast majority of it was due to route numbers that were changed from a year or two ago, but I think there was only one new section of roadway that was added and I would recommend approval.

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

First Reading KOC A.100.05 (2022) 06-2022 – Budget Amendment #5.

Treasurer Hendrix: This is budget amendment number five. You've already discussed the CDBG grant for the OASIS property and we did not have that budgeted as we didn't know about it. I've spoken with them. They really believed that we will probably expend this money in this fiscal year so I needed to amend this budget rather than putting it in the new budget that we're working on. This amendment simply adds a million dollars into revenue and a million dollars in the expense to cover that project.

Judge Mattingly: Net effect is zero. OASIS does a wonderful job here in the community and I'm very pleased that they were able to come to fiscal court and we were able to shepherd this CDBG grant through Frankfort and end up getting the money for them. It's going to be a tremendous help.

No Other Business was brought before the Daviess County Fiscal Court.

No Public Comments were received.

Comments by Daviess County Fiscal Court:

Commissioner Wathen: I was talking to one of our volunteer firemen a couple of weeks ago and he said one of the biggest problems they have in the county is when they have an emergency and people don't have their addresses on their house or at the road. If a medical emergency takes place at your home and no address is clearly marked for emergency responders, it takes them longer to get emergency aid to the person in need.

Judge Mattingly: I don't know how we get people to do that, but it's pretty important that people identify their home with their address. I know that there has been a request in the past for people to please clearly mark your mailboxes or clearly mark a sign out in your front yard so that the emergency folks can find you. All we can do is continue to ask people to do that.

Judge Mattingly: This Friday, the courthouse will close at noon for Good Friday.

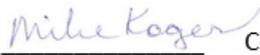
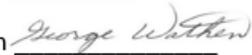
Judge Mattingly: I encourage folks to not wait until the last day of the month to pay for items in the County Clerk's office or you will likely have to wait in long lines. The best time to do your business in that office is just after the first of the month through mid-month.

Judge Mattingly: The next court meeting will be at the regular meeting date and time, April 21 at 5:00 pm. We will finally get back into the normal cycle of having our court meetings on the first and third Thursdays of the month.

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 April 21, 2022.



Jennifer Warren
Daviess County Fiscal Court Clerk