Minutes of the September 7, 2023, Daviess County Fiscal Court Meeting
Held at the Daviess County, Kentucky Courthouse
Present elected court officials: Judge/Executive Charlie Castlen and County Commissioners
Janie Marksberry, Christopher Castlen, and Larry Conder

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 by Judge Executive Charlie Castlen

1. Consideration for Presentation:

A. Proclaim the month of September 2023 as National Recovery Month. Commissioner Marksberry read the proclamation to the court. Dr. Wanda Figueroa informed the court that River Valley Behavior Health has received two major grants. One grant was from the Commonwealth in the amount of \$600,000.00 for a new recovery center called "The Gathering Place". There will be a grand opening on September 27, 2023 at noon. The other grant was a Federal grant in the amount of 2.6 million dollars to create a family center to help pregnant or post-partum women with substance abuse disorders. Dr. Figueroa thanked the Court for the proclamation.

2. Consideration for Approval:

- A. By a motion of Commissioner Conder, seconded by Commissioner Marksberry, the court considered for approval; Minutes of the August 24, 2023, Daviess County Fiscal Court Meeting.

 The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.
- **B.** By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Conder, 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.

C. By a motion of Commissioner Marksberry, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Memorandum of Agreement with Owensboro Community and Technical College, Mercy Ambulance of Evansville, Inc. d/b/a American Medical Response and the City of Owensboro for a Paramedic Program.

Daviess County Fire Department Battalion Chief Jake Cox: Explained the agreement in detail. The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

D. By a motion of Commissioner Conder, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; **Award RFQ No. 2324-21: Yellow Creek Park Inclusive Swing Set (Parks)**. *County Treasurer Johnson*: He recommended pursuing the lowest and best-evaluated quote submitted by

Miracle of Kentucky & Tennessee in the amount of \$15,992.74. He recommended approval.

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

E. By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Marksberry, the court considered for approval; Litter Abatement Program (Trash for Cash) 2024 Grant Agreement.

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

F. By a motion of Commissioner Conder, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; **East County Commissioner's Annual Incentive Payment for CY 2023.**

County Treasurer Johnson: Upon completing 40 hours of training, per KRS 64.5275(6), Fiscal Court must pay the incentive payment directed by a letter from the Department for Local Government (DLG). I would recommend approval.

The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor (except for Commissioner Marksberry who abstained), said motion passed.

G. By a motion of Commissioner Marksberry, seconded by Commissioner Conder, the court considered for approval; Appoint Dr. Cindy Wolfe (Dr. Nikki Curtis S4T) to the Daviess County Animal Control Commission (4-year term.) effective 8/8/2023 through 8/7/2027.

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

- H. By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Larry, the court considered for approval; Amend the Appointment of Lisa Fulkerson (Approved 8/24/2023) to the Daviess County Animal Control Commission (4-year term.) from the term ending of 8/8/2027 to 8/7/2027. The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.
- I. By a motion of Commissioner Marksberry, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Amend the Appointment of Kevin Dorth (Approved 8/24/2023) to the Daviess County Public Library Board (4-year term.) from the term ending of 9/4/2027 to 9/13/2027.

 The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.
- J. By a motion of Commissioner Conder, seconded by Commissioner Marksberry, the court considered for approval; Hire Mia Elliott as Animal Control Attendant effective September 11, 2023. The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.
- K. By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Marksberry, the court considered for approval; Hire Kimberly Matthews as Animal Control Veterinary Technician effective September 18, 2023.

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

3. Consideration for Discussion:

- A. No other business was brought before the Daviess County Fiscal Court
- **B. No Public Comments**

C. Comments by Daviess County Fiscal Court

Commissioner Conder: Asked County Engineer Brasher about the issue with parking across the street from Trunnell's Farm Market and being able to walk across US 431 safely.

County Engineer Brasher: Recommended contacting the District Office of the Highway Department at 270-824-7080 and consulting with a Traffic Engineer.

Commissioner Conder: Announced that the Daviess County Fire Department is having its golf scramble for the Christmas Wish program on September 8, 2023.

Commissioner Marksberry: Mentioned the Safe Haven Baby Box at the Fire Station on 9th Street. Commented on how the Rooster Breakfast was standing-room only. Announced the 5th Annual Whitesville Cruise-in Car Show is on September 9, 2023 at the Whitesville City Park from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. County Judge/Executive Castlen: The Fiscal Court meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 21st has been rescheduled to Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 5 p.m. Announced Owensboro Regional Recovery (ORR) Recovery Celebration & Alumni Day is on September 16, 2023 at Ben Hawes State Park from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Congratulated Ebelhar Farms for receiving the First Legacy Farm Award from Kentucky Farm Bureau.

4. Adjournment

Without objection, Judge/Executive Castlen adjourned the meeting.

SO ORDERED THAT COURT STAND ADJOURNED.

Judge-Executive Charlie Castlen

Commissioner Christopher Castlen

Commissioner Janie Marksberry

Commissioner Larry Conder

I, duly appointed Daviess County Fiscal Court Clerk Brooke M. Hagan, hereby certify that the above corresponding Order Book minutes were approved by the court on September 19, 2023.

Brooke M. Hagan

Daviess County Fiscal Court Clerk