Minutes of the May 19, 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.

County Treasurer Jim Hendrix presented the Treasurer's Report for April 2022.

Treasurer Hendrix: We have two escrow accounts associated with the Solid Waste Fund - Closure and Post Closure Accounts. We are required to escrow those for when we're finished with the landfill so that we can close it off. Those funds total approximately \$8 million. The General Fund is up because of the way the tax revenues come in. We primarily collect the majority of the tax revenue in November and December, so we would be at a high point as far as cash. We also have some ARPA funds in there.

Judge Mattingly: \$10 million of those ARPA funds will be used for broadband and those services should be up and running within 18 to 24 months.

By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; Minutes of the May 5, 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 Castlen, the court considered for approval; Daviess County Fiscal Court Salary Schedule.

Treasurer Hendrix: This is an annual practice to approve the salary schedule for each fiscal year.

Judge Mattingly: I would note that the minimum wage that the county pays even our part-time employees now is at \$12/hour. We raised that several years ago in an effort to recruit more folks to work part-time at the Parks Department. I suspect that the next court will be required to increase that because it seems that even at that, taking it from \$7.25 to \$12, we continually have issues.

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

The court welcomed the Sister City Olomouc, Czech Republic Delegation to the community. The delegation included Olomouc Mayor Miroslav Žbánek, Dept. of Foreign Relations and Delegation Translator Zdendka Popliska, Dept. of Transportation and Area Development Marek Cerny, Chief of Regional Paramedics Dr. Ivo Mares, City Planning and Construction Architect Michal Glacintov, and Dist. Chamber of Commerce Dir. Radim Kašpar.

Olomouc Mayor Žbánek expressed gratitude to the Owensboro community for the reciprocal support the two cities share. He also thanked the USA for their ongoing support of their neighboring Ukrainian countrymen during the Russian invasion.

By a motion of Commissioner Koger, seconded by Commissioner Wathen, the court considered for approval; **Resolution 12-2022** – Authorizing Application of Greenbelt Extension Recreational Trails Projects (RTP) Grant.

Judge Mattingly: This authorizes us to apply for a RTP grant, which, if awarded will be used to extend the Greenbelt beginning close to the hospital near Daniel's Lane and take it to Reid Road. This is a competitive grant.

Judge Mattingly: Our online Greenbelt trail map has been taken down to be updated. That map will be back online in a few weeks.

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; **Resolution 13-2022** –Application for and Administration of a Kentucky Office of Homeland Security (KOHS) Project FY 2022 – Detention Center Computer Backup Drives.

Judge Mattingly: If awarded, this grant will be used for computer backup equipment, which will help protect the jail from malware attacks.

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; Parks Special Event Rental Agreement with the Bluegrass Music Hall of Fame and Museum for the River of Music Party (ROMP) 2022 Festival.

Judge Mattingly: This is the annual ROMP Agreement, which allows the Bluegrass Music Hall of Fame and Museum to host ROMP at Yellow Creek Park.

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; Contract with Special Inspection Services, LLC for CQA Services for Subtitle D Landfill Cell Construction.

David Smith: This is a quality control contract relating to the construction of our new landfill cell. We have to have an independent third party come in and verify that we are doing everything according to state regulations. They will be doing density tests on the clay layers and testing the gravel placement.

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; **Change Order #01** for All County Right-of-Way Mowing Bid Agreements.

Assistant County Treasurer Jordan Johnson: We have seven bid contracts that cover approximately 478 miles of right-of-way mowing in Daviess County. These were last bid in 2020 for the calendar year 2021 and were awarded to the only participant, B. J. Ward LLC. We renewed the bid rates for calendar year 2022, and in light of the rising fuel and material costs over the last year, B. J. Ward LLC has requested a 10% price increase for all sections for the remainder of this year, which would result in our total annual cost for three cycles of mowing going from \$118,224/year to \$130,046.40/year (\$11,822.40 increase). After reviewing the fuel adjustments that the state has made to their current mowing agreements and the CPI of fuel over the last year, Road Department Management feels this request is well within reason. The change order is allowable for section 3.15 of our bid contract. Legal and myself have reviewed it. It is in order. I 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; Hire Ashton Chapman as Road Dept. Mechanic eff. May 23, 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 Koger, the court considered for approval; Promote Jeff Martin to Solid Waste Heavy Equipment Operator eff. May 20, 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; Hire James Sterling as Administration Courier/Service Tech eff. upon completion of preemployment screening.

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; Hire Ethan Pierce and Preston Smith as Parks Seasonal Park Attendants eff. upon 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 Wathen, the court considered for approval; Hire Gavin Sanders as Fire Dept. Intern eff. upon completion of pre-employment screening. The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, said motion passed.

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 June 2, 2022.

Jennifer Warren

Daviess County Fiscal Court Clerk