

Minutes of the May 22, 2024, 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 (via Video)

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 Commissioner Marksberry.

1. Consideration for Presentation:

A. Treasurer's Report for April, 2024.

County Treasurer Jordan Johnson: As of April 30, 2024, the total cash balance was \$72,931,525 for all funds (minus operating reserve and restricted funds) cash for General Fund operations was \$29,056,997. He stated the report was normal, expected, explainable, and all departmental activity was within expected ranges to date.

2. Consideration for Approval:

A. By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Marksberry, the court considered for approval; **Minutes of the May 9, 2024, 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 Marksberry, 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.**

C. By a motion of Commissioner Marksberry, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; **Fund Transfers.**
County Treasurer Johnson: Transfer funds occurred annually from the Solid Waste Operating Fund to the Closure and Post-Closure fund to cover future expenditures related to the closure of the West Daviess County Landfill which were required by State Law. For each ton of material that went into the contained Landfill, the Court would transfer \$1.00 to the Closure Fund and \$0.25 to the Post-Closure Fund, minus any interest earned by the respective funds for the range. The request was to transfer \$60,867 from the Solid Waste Operating Fund to the Solid Waste Closure Fund. He recommended approval.
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; **2024/2025 Roadway Resurfacing List.**
County Engineer Mark Brasher: The Daviess County Public Works recommendation for roadway surfacing for Fiscal Year 2024/2025 were as follows: East District had a total of 7.513 miles (46%),

Central District had a total of 3.944 miles (19%), and West District had a total of 7.219 miles (35%). Total roadway surfacing for all districts was 18.676 miles.

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; **Sheriff's Quietus for 2023 Tax Settlements.**

County Treasurer Johnson: The Sheriff's Quietus for 2023 Real Estate/Tangible, Telecommunications, Franchise, Distilled Spirits, Bank Shares, Limestone Sand & Gravel (LSG), and Fire Districts tax settlements was reconciled and were in agreement with Fiscal Court records. He recommended approval.

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

F. By a motion of Commissioner Marksberry, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; **Memorandum of Agreement between the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, and the Daviess County Detention Center for Roadside Inmate Work Crews.**

County Treasurer Johnson: Agreement with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet for roadside inmate work crews from the Daviess County Detention Center for the contract period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026. The contract was in the total amount of \$203,000, with the State reimbursing \$5.00 per day per inmate for meals while performing road maintenance, \$30.00 per hour for the officer providing inmate supervision, and mileage at the State per diem rate for the vehicle transporting inmates. He recommended approval.

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

G. By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Marksberry, the court considered for approval; **Memorandum of Agreement between the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, Department of Corrections and Local County Detention Centers for Substance Abuse and Addiction Treatment.**

County Treasurer Johnson: Agreement for the Daviess County Detention Center to receive reimbursement and support for inmates in their Substance Abuse Treatment Program (SAP) and Pretrial Substance Abuse Treatment Program (PSAP) for the contract period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026. He recommended approval.

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 Marksberry, the court considered for approval; **Memorandum of Agreement between the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, Department of Corrections and Multi Kentucky County & Regional Jails for Program Facilitator Services.**

County Treasurer Johnson: Agreement between the Department of Corrections and the Daviess County Detention Center for authorized program incentive for the contract period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026. Department of Corrections would provide funding for program facilitator services and evidence-based programs that the Detention Center and other jails currently provide to inmates. He recommended approval.

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; **Joint Funding Agreement between the U.S. Geological Survey, OKI Water Science Center, the U. S. Department of the Interior and Daviess County Fiscal Court for Water Resource Investigations.**

County Treasurer Johnson: Agreement for the County's portion of the annual costs of the digital river gauge installed on the Ohio River by the Owensboro Riverport in the amount of \$2,000 per year. Per the Emergency Management Agency, it allows government agencies to make more informed decisions about risk-based policies and actions to mitigate dangers posed by floods and droughts. The annual costs would be shared equally between the Owensboro Riverport, the City of Owensboro, and the County of Daviess and the agreement was unchanged from the prior year. He recommended approval. The vote was called and with all present members voting in favor, **said motion passed.**

J. By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Marksberry, the court considered for approval; **Kentucky Pride Fund Household Hazardous Waste Management Grant Agreement for Fiscal Year 2024/2025.**

Director of Legislative Services David Smith: Stated the Grant Agreement was a result of the County applying for the Kentucky Pride Fund Household Hazardous Waste Management Grant that was approved back in February. Noted that it was a \$28,000 grant that would help fund the Tox Away Day event that will occur sometime in October.

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

K. By a motion of Commissioner Marksberry, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; **Kentucky Pride Fund Composting Grant Agreement for Fiscal Year 2024/2025.**

Director of Legislative Services Smith: Stated that Grant Agreement was a result of the County applying for the Kentucky Pride Fund Composting Grant That was approved back in February. The agreement would pay for a new loader at the composting facility.

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

L. By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Marksberry, the court considered for approval; **Lease Amendment with Western Kentucky University for WKU-O Facility.**

County Treasurer Johnson: The amendment was for the lease of office space to Fiscal Court departments for the duration of the Courthouse renovation project at the WKU-O facility. The County would only pay for the months in which it occupied the space, affording flexibility in scheduling since the project dates, including initial demolition, were unknown. The cost was \$2,712 for each month the County occupies the approximate 4,400 square foot of office space at WKU-O. He recommended approval.

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

M. By a motion of Commissioner Marksberry, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; **Contract with Daviess County Public Schools for the Transportation of Non-Public School Students.**

County Treasurer Johnson: Daviess County Public School System invoices Daviess County Fiscal Court to provide bus transportation for non-public school students in the County per KRS 158.115. The State will reimburse the County once all costs have been reconciled and billed accordingly. The contract was for the Fiscal Year 2024/2025. He recommended approval.

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

N. By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Marksberry, the court considered for approval; **Contract with Ricky Moore Trucking, LLC for City of Henderson Transfer Station Operations and Hauling.**

Director of Legislative Services Smith: Noted that back in April the Court awarded the RFP for operating the Henderson Transfer Station and Hauling the trash from there to Ricky Moore Trucking. Noted that the contract was very similar to the original contract back in 2015 with some added specific language.

There was a requirement added that all tarps would be checked before leaving Henderson and it would be required to put a sticker on the back of the truck with the County phone number to help assist with any complaints on trash flying out.

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

O. By a motion of Commissioner Conder, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; **Reject Bid No. 2324-45: One (1) New Class A Fire Engine (Fire Rescue – St. Joseph).**

Staff Accountant Kandace Sturgeon: Recommended rejection of all bids received. Upon review by the St. Joseph Volunteer Fire Department, the units' delivery dates were deemed unacceptable as the department needed a replacement unit as soon as possible. A new bid document was issued as it was believed that units with earlier delivery dates have become or soon would become available.

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

P. By a motion of Commissioner Marksberry, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; **Declare the following as Surplus Inventory and Transfer as follows: 1997 International 4900 Series Pumper to City of Scottsville, KY.**

County Treasurer Johnson: The Stanley Volunteer Fire Department, Bid No. 2324-35, approved in Fiscal Court on December 21, 2023, was no longer being utilized in the County volunteer fleet. The City of Scottsville, KY reached out to Fire Chief Jeremy Smith to evaluate the unit for their new substation for their volunteer system. They offered Daviess County Fiscal Court \$40,000 for consideration of the transfer. Pricing of similar units were researched and it was found that their offer was fair and acceptable, with it being unlikely that a bid process or surplus auction would yield a better price. He recommended declaring the unit surplus and, in accordance with KRS 67.0802(4), dispose of the unit by method of transfer to another government agency with consideration.

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

Q. By a motion of Commissioner Conder, seconded by Commissioner Marksberry, the court considered for approval; **Accept the Resignation of Firefighter Andrew Wilson effective 5/21/2024.**

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

R. By a motion of Commissioner Marksberry, seconded by Commissioner Castlen, the court considered for approval; **Hire the following as Seasonal Park Attendants effective Upon Successful Completion of Pre-employment Screenings: Whitnee L. Rice, Gregory A. Weise, Dalton Reece Gillihan, and Ryan M. Ward.**

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

S. By a motion of Commissioner Castlen, seconded by Commissioner Marksberry, the court considered for approval; **Reappoint Greg Floyd (S1T) to the Daviess County Convention & Visitor's Bureau (CVB) Board (3-year term.) Effective 7/1/2024 through 6/30/2027.**

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 were made.

C. Comments by Daviess County Fiscal Court.

Commissioner Conder: Stated that we live in a great Country.

Commissioner Castlen: Announced that the Free Tire Collection event would begin on May 23, 2024 and advised the public to bring old tires to the State Highway Garage located at 2973 Fairview Drive. He wished the graduating seniors of the school year the best of luck on their endeavors and thanked all the teachers and school staff that made the year possible. He made a special thank you to his wife, Stacy Castlen, who will retire at the end of the school year.

Judge/Executive Castlen: Thanked those who had participated in the Cash for Trash Program for the time period of May 7, 2024 to May 20, 2024. The non-profits who participated were: Crosspointe Baptist Church, Saving Paws Animal Rescue of KY (SPARKY), Green River Area Down Syndrome Assoc., Meadowlands Elementary School, and Grace Reformed Baptist Church. They covered 30 miles, bringing in up to 249 bags equaling over 1,600 pounds of trash. For the year so far, 204 miles have been covered, bringing in a total of 1,597 bags, with a total weigh of 5.32 tons. He also mentioned that the litter artwork by the third graders from Deer Park Elementary School could be found on the first floor of the Courthouse. He also announced that Daviess County Parks and Recreation would open the spray parks for the summer at the County's various parks on May 24, 2024. For Memorial Day, he encouraged the public to attend one of the Memorial Day events over the weekend as a way of showing appreciation to those who have passed away. He mentioned that Dr. Dhiren Haria had a Cricket tournament and Kite Festival at Panther Creek Park on May 18, 2024. He thanked Dr. Haria for educating him on the game of cricket.

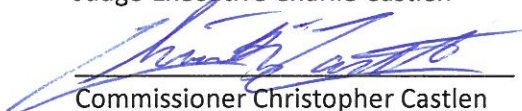
4. Adjournment

Without objection, Judge/Executive Castlen adjourned the May 22, 2024 meeting.

SO ORDERED THAT COURT STAND ADJOURNED.



Judge-Executive Charlie Castlen



Commissioner Christopher Castlen

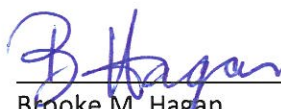


Commissioner Janie Marksberry



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 June 6, 2024.



Brooke M. Hagan
Daviess County Fiscal Court Clerk