

**RUSSELL COUNTY FISCAL COURT  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY JULY 11, 2022  
5:30 P.M.**

The Russell County Fiscal Court held their regular monthly meeting on Monday July 11, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. Those in attendance were County Judge Executive Gary D. Robertson, Magistrates Terry Waddell, Mickey Garner, Ronald Johnson, Steve Richardson, Larry Holt, County Attorney Kevin Shearer, Attorney Don Byrom and County Treasurer Kim Fenske.

**-WELCOME, PLEDGE & OPENING PRAYER:** Judge Robertson welcomed those present and led everyone in the pledge followed by a prayer by Brother Phillip Miller.

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF THE RUSSELL COUNTY LAKER BASEBALL TEAM:** Judge Robertson asked Coach Rexroat and the members of the team to come forward before the court. They did so and he presented them with a plaque from the Fiscal Court congratulating them on their accomplishment of being the 2022 KHSAA State Runner Up. The presentation was followed with a resounding applause and congratulations from the members and audience.

**MINUTES:** Judge Robertson presented the minutes from the June 13, 2022 regular meeting. Magistrate Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes with Magistrate Garner seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**PAY BILLS:** Judge Robertson submitted a list of regular bills to be approved along with a list of bills that came in late. Magistrate Richardson made a motion to pay the bills with Magistrate Johnson seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**DETENTION CENTER REPORT:** Jailer Dunbar read the jail report as follows: Prescription Co-pay \$227.05; Nurse Visits \$23.60; Social Security \$200.00; Booking Fees \$818.75; Vending Commission \$21.28; Phone Commission \$3,896.72; Administration Fee \$10.00; Reimbursement \$426.30; Per Diem \$2,079.79; Interest \$34.00 for a total income of \$7,737.49. The expenses were \$156,391.24 which makes a difference of income and expenses (\$148,653.75). The average inmates for the month was 108. There was 160 hours overtime. As of today there are 64 state inmates, 3 from Clinton County and 41 from Russell County for a total of 108 inmates. Magistrate Holt made a motion to accept the detention center report with Magistrate Waddell seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**SHERIFF'S REPORT:** Sheriff Polston provided his report for the month of June. He stated there were 452 calls for service; 25 arrests; 15 mental health transports; 11 Criminal Summons; 106 court paper served; 2,631 court security transport miles; and 36 vehicle inspections. Magistrate Johnson made a motion to accept the sheriff's report with Magistrate Richardson seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**TREASURER'S MONTHLY, QUARTERLY & FISCAL YEAR END SETTLEMENT REPORTS & AE TRANSFERS:** Treasurer Fenske read the totals of each fund: General \$1,824,595.70; Road \$308,587.10; Jail \$227,983.64; LGEA \$3,931.49; ASAP \$144,408.81; Grants \$0.00; Emergency Shelter \$4,031.66; Tourism \$20,683.29; Dispatch \$127,959.06; Airport \$81,879.34; Airport Project \$9,613.21; DFC \$12,101.21; Airport Board \$65,830.97; Airport Terminal Project \$0; ABC \$106,165.90; ARPA \$2,495,514.89 for a total of \$5,433,286.27. Treasurer Fenske stated all accounts were reconciled and in balance and all reports had been uploaded to DLG. She also stated the pre-approved monthly AE transfers were included in the packet. Magistrate Garner made a motion to approve the monthly, quarterly & year end settlement reports and accept the AE transfers with Magistrate Richardson seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**AE TRANSFERS APPROVAL FY 22-23:** Judge Robertson stated there were some AE Transfers to approve for the coming fiscal year 22-23. He stated we were allowed now to do that as a blanket transfer for the fiscal year. Treasurer Fenske stated this was allowable per the auditors. Magistrate Waddell made a motion to pre-approve all AE transfers needed throughout fiscal year 22-23 with Magistrate Garner seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**ACCEPT REVERSE SALT AUCTION BID:** Judge Robertson stated we had participated in the KACo reverse salt auction and we had the bids. Treasurer Fenske stated the lowest bid was from Morton Salt, Inc. at \$140.00 per ton delivered. The question was asked if the purchase clause was included this year regarding the 65/35 of projected tonnage

requested to which Treasurer Fenske responded it was not. Magistrate Garner made a motion to accept the bid from Morton Salt, Inc. with Magistrate Waddell seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**TRANSFER \$25,000.00 FROM GENERAL TO TOURISM:** Judge Robertson stated we needed to transfer \$25,000.00 from the General fund to the Tourism fund. He stated this is budgeted money. Magistrate Waddell made a motion to do the transfer with Magistrate Garner seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**TRANSFER \$79,476.00 FROM GENERAL TO 911 DISPATCH:** Judge Robertson asked to transfer \$79,476.00 from General fund to the 911 Dispatch fund as budgeted. Magistrate Richardson made a motion to do the transfer with Magistrate Garner seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**TRANSFER \$379,479.00 FROM GENERAL TO JAIL:** Judge Robertson asked to transfer \$379,479.00 from General fund to Jail fund as budgeted. Magistrate Waddell made a motion to do the transfer with Magistrate Holt seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**TRANSFER \$8,950.00 FROM GENERAL TO LGEA:** Judge Robertson asked to transfer \$8,950.00 from General to LGEA as budgeted for operating expenses. Magistrate Garner made a motion to do the transfer with Magistrate Waddell seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**TRANSFER \$15,000.00 FROM ABC TO 911 DISPATCH:** Judge Robertson stated that we need to transfer \$15,000.00 from the ABC fund to the 911 Dispatch fund. Magistrate Holt made a motion to do the transfer with Magistrate Richardson seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**TRANSFER \$15,000.00 FROM ABC TO JAIL:** Judge Robertson stated that we need to transfer \$15,000.00 from the ABC fund to the Jail fund. Magistrate Waddell made a motion to do the transfer with Magistrate Holt seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**TRANSFER \$15,000.00 FROM GENERAL TO AIRPORT:** Judge Robertson stated that we need to transfer \$15,000.00 from the General fund to the Airport fund. Magistrate Garner made a motion to do the transfer with Magistrate Waddell seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**TRANSFER \$1,500.00 FROM GENERAL TO EMERGENCY SHELTER:** Judge Robertson stated that we need to transfer \$1,500.00 from the General fund to the Emergency Shelter fund. Magistrate Richardson made a motion to do the transfer with Magistrate Holt seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**RUSSELL COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT-DAR PROGRAM:** Jennifer Hardwick with the Conservation District came before the court and thanked the court for the opportunity to speak. She highlighted the many things the district does for the county and asked once again for the fiscal court's matching funds for the dead animal removal grant. Magistrate Johnson made a motion to provide the funds for the grant with Magistrate Richardson seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REPORT FOR FY 21-22:** Treasurer Fenske read the required report of employees hired for the fiscal year 2021-2022. There were a total of 39 persons hired: 13 female; 26 male; 39 white/Caucasian. There were 14 part time: 5 female; 9 male. There were 25 full time: 8 female; 17 male. Magistrate Waddell made a motion to accept the report with Magistrate Garner seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Judge Robertson stated he had received a Road Use & Maintenance & Special Permit Agreement from ENGIE, North America in regards to the Mt. Olive Creek Solar Farm project and he needed to get the court's approval to enter into the agreement. Solly VanMeter from ENGIE came before the court and explained the project was to begin around late August or early September and heavy equipment would be on the roads during the construction period so the agreement was to ensure the roads would be repaired by ENGIE during and at the end of the construction period. Magistrate Garner made a motion to enter into the agreement with Magistrate Holt seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

Judge Robertson stated Emergency Management Director Ashley Coffey wanted to speak to the court about an upcoming grant. Director Coffey came forward and explained there was a grant available for a new Emergency Management vehicle and she would like to apply for it. She stated she needed the courts approval to make the application. Magistrate Johnson made a motion to allow her to apply for the grant with Magistrate Richardson seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

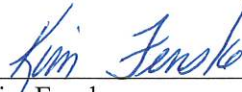
Judge Robertson stated he had received notification from KYTC of the approved roads which would be done by the state District 8 Office. He stated the roads approved were KY 92 – Montpelier Road; KY 1058 Bryan-Jamestown Road and KY 1611 Ono-Eli Road. He also stated the amount of the county's flex funding was \$216,686.00. Magistrate Garner made a motion to accept the roads presented with Magistrate Johnson seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

Judge Robertson stated the alcohol sales were down but that was due to the City of Jamestown taking care of their own sales now. He stated we collected about \$10,235.59 for the month of May sales which were collected in June.

**ADJOURN:** With nothing further to discuss, Magistrate Holt made a motion to adjourn with Magistrate Johnson seconding. All was in favor. The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.



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Gary Robertson  
County Judge Executive



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Kim Fenske  
County Treasurer & Fiscal Court Clerk