

Ballard County Fiscal Court  
August 1, 2023  
5:00 PM

Chip / Nathan

**Welcome:** Todd Cooper, Judge Executive  
**Roll call:** Stonnie Dennis, Jody Brown, Ryan Hedrick. Nathan Whipple, Chip Bisson  
**Prayer:** Ryan Hedrick, Chaplain  
**Pledge:** Todd Cooper

*Motion made by Chip Bisson, by second by Jody Brown, unanimous on vote to approve July 18th, 2023, Fiscal Court Minutes.*

Betty Johnson spoke about Cemetery Restoration in West Kentucky, director of MOUNT Inc. *Motion of Jody Brown second by Ryan Hedrick, unanimous on vote to approve \$2500 of ARPA money for restoration equipment.*

#### **Roads**

There is a grant for \$19,888 with the IDA Board for Lane St. (400 feet) in Wickliffe.

*Motion by Nathan Whipple second Ryan Hedrick unanimous on vote to accept public bids on dirt work for Lane Street project.*

*Motion by Stonnie Dennis second by Nathan Whipple unanimous on vote to approve purchase of Ditcher to attach to Mo-trim for \$13,500. The ditcher is made for one man operation and is 22 weeks out for production.*

*Motion was made by Jody Brown second by Chip Bisson unanimous on vote to purchase laptop with Microsoft not to exceed \$599 to document roads- to record damages for FEMA needs and to be compatible with state.*

Tod also informed the court that he needs to replace two employees.

#### **EMS**

TaLisa Grief reported that MW is going to become an EMT employee.

*Motion by Jody Brown second by Chip Bisson unanimous on vote to hire Heart Savers as the basic EMT training provider and the court will cover \$600.00 in extra costs for First Responders taking the class.*

There was a discussion about an split hvac air unit in Ambulance Base #1 Bay. Two bids were received. The court decided to place the project out to more bidders due the price variance and the discussion will continue after more bids are received.

*Motion to hire full-time paramedic HS with 20 years' experience for \$21.00 an hour made by Jody Brown second by Nathan Whipple, unanimous on vote.*

## EM

The request from FEMA has been accepted in the amount of 1.3 million for Brooking Bridge repair.

## JAIL

Carlisle County will start housing with Ballard County.

## Treasurer

*Motion by Chip Bisson second by Nathan Whipple unanimous on vote, pending audit to pay bills with the addition of Luke's Diesel of Dresden, TN for \$1,025.00.*

*Motion by Ryan Hedrick second by Chip Bisson unanimous on vote, pending audit to approve cash transfers.*

*Motion by Ryan Hedrick second by Chip Bisson unanimous on vote to approve 2023 FY year end and annual report, pending audit.*

Susan Bailey stated the court had received \$313,000 funds from Ky Economic Cabinet in regards to Workforce Grant Resolution 2019-064. The grant is partnership with Phoenix Paper, and the court is a passthrough. *Motion made by Stonnie Dennis second by Chip Bisson and unanimous vote to pay the grant to Phoenix Paper.*

Resolution 2023-08-01-001 is for withdrawal from CD Account #25378 not to exceed \$180,000.00 to pay bills. *Motion to approve Resolution made by Stonnie Dennis second by Chip Bisson, unanimous on vote.*

## County Clerk

*Motion by Jody Brown second by Chip Bisson unanimous on vote to adopt the updated reapportionment Magisterial District Ordinance as adopted by the appointed committee and the new district maps on 1<sup>st</sup> reading.*

*Motion by Chip Bisson second by Ryan Hedrick unanimous on vote to go into Executive Session per KRS 61.810(1) personnel.*

*Motion to exit Executive Session made by Ryan Hedrick second by Stonnie Dennis unanimous on vote.*

No business conducted on motions made during the Executive Session.

*Motion to adjourn made by Chip Bisson second by Jody Brown, unanimous on vote.*

Next meeting August 15, 2023 at 9:00 am.