

Chip (Whipple)

Ballard County Fiscal Court
June 6, 2023
5:00 PM

Welcome: Todd Cooper, County Judge Executive
Roll Call: Stonnie Dennis, Jody Brown, Chip Bisson, Nathan Whipple, Ryan Hedrick
Prayer: Ryan Hedrick, Chaplin
Pledge: Todd Cooper, County Judge Executive

Motion to approve minutes from May 16, 2023 Fiscal Court Meeting made by Nathan Whipple and second by Chip Bisson, unanimous on vote.

Hannah Chretien – Project Manager
Presented a project update on the West Ky Riverport.

Roads-Tod Vance

Motion made by Nathan Whipple second by Jody Brown, unanimous on vote to approve the DRA CIF Grant Resolution for \$1.6 million to fix county bridge issues.

Tod informed the court the track hoe tracts will need to be changed to metal with rubber boots tracts shortly.

Motion by Chip Bisson second by Nathan Whipple, unanimous on vote to accept gravel quote by Ballard Conservation for \$3.00 ton with county digging and hauling.

Fair Grounds Drive adoption report was postponed for a few months to study.

Jail-Eric Coppess

Stonnie Dennis made a motion second by Ryan Hedrick unanimous on vote to apply HB1 Resolution Video Court Equipment Grant Resolution for \$40,700. HB1 also calls for state inmate cost to increase from \$31.00 to \$35.00.

They have had 4 employees to leave and ask the SH and JM be made Sargent's with a \$1.00 an hour pay increase and TG be made Staff Sargent with a \$1.00 pay increase and SP raised \$0.50 an hour. ***Motion made by Jody Brown second by Ryan Hedrick unanimous on vote to approve promotions and raises effective next pay period.***

EMS

Motion by Jody Brown second by Ryan Hedrick to approve EMT Instructor School for K.S. \$380.00 unanimous on vote.

Motion by Jody Brown second by Chip Bisson, unanimous on vote to modify medic training policy contract to 36 months, after certification.

EM- Travis Holder

I am responding price quote for rescue squad is \$300 a year and ambulance quote is \$800 a year based on call volume. ***Motion by Chip Bisson second by Ryan Hedrick and unanimous on vote to approve quote.***

Sonar Update-

Dual monitors are needed on the boat, another side scan unit (hummingbird) not to exceed \$4000.00 out of the money initially raised for the sonar. ***Motion by Jody Brown second by Chip Bisson and unanimous on vote to approve.***

Treasurer- Susan Bailey

Motion to pay bills made by Stonnie Dennis second by Nathan Whipple and unanimous on vote, pending audit.

Motion to approve Line-Item Transfers made by Jody Brown second by Ryan Hedrick, unanimous on vote to approve, pending audit.

Motion to approve Cash Transfers made by Stonnie Dennis second by Nathan Whipple, unanimous on vote to approve, pending audit.

A request was made to follow KRS45A purchase procurement threshold and move it \$40,000, effective 07/01/2024, policy 9.2 of the county code.

A motion was made by Stonnie Dennis, second by Nathan Whipple unanimous on vote to approve the increase the threshold to \$40,000.

Air Evac employee insurance was discussed. Options of 1 and 3 year, to be billed to the employee thru payroll deductions over 12 pay periods.

Option 5 and 10 year the employee will pay ½ up front and then the other half will be deducted over 12 pay periods. ***Motion by Chip Bisson second by Jody Brown unanimous on vote to approve.***

Motion to approve the 2nd reading of Budget FYE 2023 Amendment #2 made by Chip Bisson second by Jody Brown and unanimous on vote.

County Attorney-Bethany Denton

Terrell Road Update: ***Motion by Stonnie Dennis second by Nathan Whipple, unanimous on vote that after extensive research Terrell Road ends at the private drive of Jackie Terrell. (north end of the drive)***

County Clerk- Katie Mercer

The court discussed redistrict planning committee appointments. ***Motion made by Nathan Whipple second by Stonnie Dennis and unanimous on vote to approve the following members: John Summers, Vernon Golightly, Richard Overby and Katie Mercer (non-voting member).***

Projects and Properties

The custodial contractor has requested to be paid bi-monthly starting July 1, 2023. ***Motion by Stonnie Dennis second by Chip Bisson and unanimous on vote to pay bi-monthly.***
Motion by Chip Bisson second by Ryan Hedrick unanimous on vote to give \$1000 donation to WAVE AG for Farmer Appreciation Day.

Judge Executive- Todd Cooper

Motion by Stonnie Dennis second by Ryan Hedrick unanimous on vote to move the July night meeting to Thursday July 6, 2023 at 5:00 pm.

Todd Cooper will be flying to Washington DC for meetings for the Riverport July 10 and 11th, the cost is \$2,500.00 there is a grant for ½ and asking the Fiscal Court to pay ½. ***Motion by Jody Brown second by Ryan Hedrick and unanimous to approve the full amount if the grant is not approved.***

Motion to enter executive session per KRS 61.810(1) Litigation and Personnel made by Chip Bisson and second by Nathan Whipple, unanimous on vote.

Motion to exit executive session made by Chip Bisson second by Nathan Whipple and unanimous on vote.

No business transacted or motions made during executive session,

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

Next meeting will be June 20, 2023 9:00 AM

