

Ballard County Fiscal Court
October 17, 2023
9:00 AM

Nathan Whipple

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

Motion by Nathan Whipple second by Jody Brown and unanimous on vote to approve October 3, 2023 Fiscal Court Minutes.

Motion by Chip Bisson second by Nathan Whipple and unanimous on vote to approve October 9, 2023 Fiscal Court Minutes.

Dr. Brian Parr, Dean of Hudson School of Agriculture, Murray State University spoke about the University's plans to start a School of Veterinary Medicine.

Motion by Nathan Whipple second by Chip Bisson, unanimous on vote to issue a Resolution of Support 2023-10-17-23-01.

Roads-Tod Vance

Gave an update on Mo-Trim.

Sheriff-Ronnie Giles

Gave an update on Tax Collections.

911

Larry Frasier from Carlisle County spoke about a merger of Ballard and Carlisle County 911. A workshop will occur October 30 at 5:00PM to further discuss this opportunity.

Ambulance-Anna Abernathy

Gave the monthly report.

Jail-Eric Coppess

Monthly report given: a low of 91, hi of 101 and average of 95.

Motion by Chip Bisson second by Nathan Whipple and unanimous on vote to raise PG \$1.00/hr. effective 10/9/2023 to supervisor.

Solid Waste-Bryan Fondaw

The tire amnesty program was a success resulting in over 8000 tires being surrendered.

Motion by Chip Bisson second by Ryan Hedrick to hire a PT employee for \$13.00/hr. effective October 7, 2023.

EMA-Travis Holder

The P25 comm installation should be completed by the end of the day.

Motion by Nathan Whipple second by Ryan Hedrick, unanimous on vote to advertise for bids for Brooking Road as soon as contract with FEMA has been signed.

Motion by Nathan Whipple second by Chip Bisson, unanimous on vote to sign a MOU with City of Wickliffe for use of the comm tower site on Fort Jefferson Hill Road.

Animal Control

Monthly report given: 35 calls in September. Animal Control will be discussed in the October 30 workshop at 5:00 PM.

Treasurer- Susan Bailey

Motion by Chip Bisson second by Jody Brown unanimous on vote to approve the monthly and quarterly reports, pending audit.

Motion by Nathan Whipple second by Chip Bisson and unanimous on vote to approve paying bills, pending audit.

Motion by Jody Brown second by Chip Bisson and unanimous on vote to approve cash transfers, pending audit.

County Attorney-Bethany Denton

The Housing Ordinance was discussed allowing up to \$5000 for new improvements to vacant or abandoned properties.

Motion by Stonnie Dennis second by Jody Brown, unanimous on vote to approve the 2nd reading of the amended Chicken House Ordinance, moving setbacks from 1000 feet to 500 feet from a residence and increasing the five (5) barn per farm limit to six (6) .

Projects

Motion by Nathan Whipple second by Jody Brown and unanimous on vote to pay \$400.00 membership fee to KBT (city, county gov't, riverports).

Motion by Stonnie Dennis second by Jody Brown and unanimous on vote to join with McCracken County and Carlisle County Contributing \$2000.00 for cleanout of Mayfield Creek.

The repair for the Courthouse roof and balcony will be postponed until warmer weather. The AOC will contribute funding for this project.

Judge Executive-Todd Cooper

Motion by Chip Bisson second by Nathan Whipple unanimous on vote to give IDA Board \$25,000 of ARPA funds for Resolution 2021-ARPA#24 (permanent supportive housing and improvement to vacant/abandoned properties)

Motion to enter Executive Session per KRS 61.810(1)B.F. made by Nathan Whipple second by Chip Bisson and unanimous on vote.

Motion to exit Executive Session made by Jody Brown second by Chip Bisson unanimous on vote.

No business was transacted or motions made during Executive Session.

Motion by Jody Brown second by Stonnie Dennis to hire SM as a Paramedic. Roll Call vote as follows: Jody Brown-Y, Stonnie Dennis-Y, Ryan Hedrick-N, Chip Bisson-N, Nathan Whipple-N. Motion failed.

Motion to adjourn made by Nathan Whipple second by Jody Brown and unanimous on vote.

There will be a workshop October 30,2023 at 5:00 PM and the next meeting will be Monday November 6, 2023 at 5:00 PM.

