

Ballard County Fiscal Court
December 3, 2024
5:00PM

Whip / Chip

Welcome: Todd Cooper, Judge Executive

Roll Call: Ryan Hedrick, Jody Brown, Stonnie Dennis, Nathan Whipple, Chip Bisson

Prayer: Ryan Hedrick, Chaplain

Pledge: Todd Cooper

Motion to approve the November 19, 2024 Fiscal Court Minutes as presented and to foregoing the public reading made by Chip Bisson second by Nathan Whipple and unanimous on vote.

Road

Allen Damron came before the court to request that a non-named private road be adopted into the county road system. He gave a brief history, and the Court's wishes are to do some research to see if there were ever any records filed that indicate that it was taken care of by the County.

Motion by Stonnie Dennis second by Nathan Whipple and unanimous on vote to approve paying Jim Smith Construction invoice Draw #2 for \$317,000 for Brooking Road after the engineer approves the work completed.

EMS

Motion to give an in-kind donation to Mount, Inc of the 2006 Ford Ambulance VIN ending 5634 (surplus property) made by Stonnie Dennis second by Chip Bisson and unanimous on vote.

Jail

Request from Jailer Eric Coppess to promote 2 PT employees to fill 2 vacant FT Positions. ***Motion by Chip Bisson second by Nathan Whipple and unanimous on vote to promote AB and JW to Full-Time positions based on the current pay-scale effective 12.3.2024.***

Motion to sell surplus property 1 residential (non-working) washing machine and a 2007 Ford Explorer VIN Ending 5569 made by Chip Bisson second by Nathan Whipple and unanimous on vote.

OEM

An update on the helipad was given by Travis Holder. A base coat of asphalt has been laid an additional cap will be placed in 2025. The pad will be ready to receive helicopters in the near future. A grant application to Southern Foundation for Lighting was submitted today.

Motion by Chip Bisson second by Ryan Hedrick and unanimous on vote to make a COLA adjustment for the OEM director effective 12.1.2024. The COLA was stopped in 2018.

Treasurer

Motion made by Jody Brown second by Nathan Whipple and unanimous on vote to approve the 2nd Reading of Budget Amendment #1.

Motion made by Chip Bisson, second by Ryan Hedrick and unanimous on vote to pay bills, pending audit.

Motion to approve Cash Transfers made by Jody Brown second by Nathan Whipple and unanimous on vote, pending audit.

Motion by Chip Bisson second by Ryan Hedrick and unanimous on vote to pay bank note of \$207,111.23 retro-active 12.2.2024.

Motion by Ryan Hedrick second by Nathan Whipple and unanimous on vote to pre-approve paying Court Credit Card Visa Bill, pending audit.

County Attorney

Bethany Denton gave an update on Richardson Road ROW. After much discussion with T-Mobile, it has been determined that the new lines would be buried, and T-Mobile would be fully responsible for returning the land as it was when the project was complete. ***Motion by Nathan Whipple, second by Jody Brown unanimous on vote to allow Bethany Denton to prepare a MOU for this work.***

An update from Lifeline was presented to the Court.

The Ballard 4-H counsel presented the court with a certificate of appreciation for leadership contribution. The Ballard 4-H counsel is also starting a River County leadership program for High School Juniors.

Project Graduation presented a request for funding. Lindsay researched and stated she could not find where the Court has helped with funding. More research will be conducted to determine if the Court has helped fund the program in the past.

The court was presented a copy of the list of Medical Marijuana distribution sites in the Purchase area. Three will be in Paducah and one will be located in Mayfield.

Motion by Nathan Whipple second by Ryan Hedrick and unanimous on vote to adjourn.