



## Fiscal Court Meeting Minutes

April 18, 2016

7:00 P.M.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Judge/Executive Stephen Wood called to order the April 18<sup>th</sup>. 2016 meeting of the Grant County Fiscal Court and called upon Pastor Doug Miller of Crittenden Baptist Church for the invocation before the Judge led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendees: Judge/Executive Stephen Wood; Magistrates Jacquelyn Riley, Shawna Coldiron, and Bobby Newman; Deputy Judge/Fiscal Court Clerk Scott Kimmich.

Guests: Jailer Chris Hankins, Missy Preston, Chief Deputy Jailer Lisa Muentrup, Deputy Jailer James Dressman, Deputy Sheriff Mike Webster, Howard Chipman, Cindy Chipman, and William Adkins.

### **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Judge Wood requested a motion for approval of the amended agenda by the court. Magistrate Coldiron moved approval and Magistrate Riley seconded the motion. There being no discussion on the motion Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll whereupon all members presented voted in the affirmative.

### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Judge Wood presented for approval the minutes of the meeting held April 4, 2016.

Magistrate Newman moved approval and Magistrate Coldiron seconded the motion. There being no discussion on the motion Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll whereupon all members presented voted in the affirmative.

Judge Wood presented for approval the minutes of the Special Called Meeting held on April 7, 2016.

Magistrate Coldiron moved approval and Magistrate Riley seconded the motion. There being no discussion on the motion Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll whereupon all members presented voted in the affirmative.

### **FISCAL MATTERS:**

#### **Line Item Transfers**

Judge Wood presented for approval the transfers among line items to provide for payment of the claims as presented.

Magistrate Riley moved approval and Magistrate Coldiron seconded the motion. There being no discussion on the motion Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll whereupon all members presented voted in the affirmative.

#### Claims List

Judge Wood presented for approval the claims against the General, Jail, and Road funds dated April 18, 2016.

Magistrate Coldiron moved approval and Magistrate Riley seconded the motion for approval.

Magistrate Coldiron questioned the costs on the Aramark claim and was advised by Judge Wood the amount for food service would be reduced as soon as the kitchen is complete, which should be within 2 or three weeks.

There being no discussion on the motion Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll whereupon all members presented voted in the affirmative with Mrs. Coldiron asking that the record reflect her present but not voting on all claims related to Owen Electric.

#### Voided Checks

Judge Wood presented for the court's approval the request of the County Treasurer to proceed in voiding check 13566 drawn on the Jail Fund and to void check 22630 in the amount of \$25.00 drawn on the General Fund as both checks have been outstanding for 90 days.

Magistrate Coldiron moved approval and Magistrate Newman seconded the motion. There being no discussion on the motion Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll whereupon all members presented voted in the affirmative.

#### Cash Position Report

Judge Wood presented for the acknowledgement of the court the Treasurer's Monthly Cash Position Report.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Judge Wood presented for acknowledgement the Budget Preparation Meeting Schedule and direction to the Fiscal Court Clerk to notify all parties of the impending meeting schedule.

Magistrate Riley moved approval and Magistrate Coldiron seconded the motion. There being no discussion on the motion Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll whereupon all members presented voted in the affirmative.

Judge Wood presented for court approval the recommendation of the 109 Board and Grant County Solid Waste Manager, Bryan Miles, to proceed in awarding the bid for hazardous household waste to Environmental Enterprises, Inc. and acknowledgement that this firm was the only one to make a submission.

Magistrate Riley moved approval and Magistrate Newman seconded the motion. There being no

discussion on the motion Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll whereupon all members presented voted in the affirmative.

#### Executive Order 16-

Judge Wood presented an Executive Order of the Grant County Judge/Executive reappointing Scott Lahner and Kenneth Stone to the Grant County 109 Board with the commencement of said term to be retroactive to 2 December 2015 and to expire on 31 December 2019.

Magistrate Newman moved approval and Magistrate Coldiron seconded the motion. There being no discussion on the motion Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll whereupon all members presented voted in the affirmative.

#### Proclamation

Judge Wood presented Proclamation of the Grant County Fiscal Court in acknowledgement of the tireless efforts of Cheryl Clemons in recognition to her retirement from the Grant County Library and declaring the week of April 25<sup>th</sup> to be Cheryl Clemons Week in Grant County.

Judge Wood recommended that the county notify the Northern KY Area Development District that the county does not intend to apply for a Community Development Block Grant for the Grant County Career Advancement Center. Judge Wood advised his recommendation is based solely on the financial condition of the county has his belief that the county is not in a position to provide match for grants of \$230,000 or to seek long term financing of the project.

Magistrate Riley echoed the Judge's sentiment and said she remains committed to the goals of the center and the efforts being put forth, her decision on this is strictly from a financial standpoint.

Magistrate Coldiron moved approval and Magistrate Newman seconded the motion. There being no discussion on the motion Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll whereupon all members presented voted in the affirmative.

#### **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS; IF ANY:**

##### Resolution 16-04

Judge Wood presented for acknowledgement of the Grant County Fiscal Court of a formal request authorizing and directing that County Judge/Executive Stephen P. Wood be and is hereby authorized to enter into a letter of engagement for independent legal counsel in the case of Lula See & Jason Hankins, et.al. vs Grant County Fiscal Court.

Magistrate Coldiron moved approval and Magistrate Newman seconded the motion. There being no further discussion on the motion Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll whereupon all members presented voted in the affirmative

#### **First Reading of Ordinance 04-2016-690**

Judge Wood presented for first reading, Ordinance 04-2016-690.

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE FISCAL COURT OF THE COUNTY OF GRANT, KENTUCKY, DIRECTING THE CREATION OF A PART TIME POSITION, REPORTING TO THE COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE AND FISCAL COURT, IN THE SAME FASHION AS THE COUNTY TREASURER. THE POSITION SHALL BE ENTITLED COUNTY AUDITOR AND HIS/HER RESPONSIBILITIES SHALL BE TO ASSIST THE FISCAL COURT IN THE OVERSIGHT OF THE FISCAL AFFAIRS OF THE GRANT COUNTY DETENTION CENTER.**

**First Reading of Ordinance 04-2016-691**

Judge Wood presented for first reading, Ordinance 04-2016-691.

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE GRANT COUNTY FISCAL COURT DIRECTING THE COUNTY JAILER TO COLLECT MEDICAL COPAYMENTS FROM INMATES LOGDGED IN THE GRANT COUNTY DETENTION CENTER AND TO REMIT FUNDS FORTHWITH TO THE GRANT COUNTY TREASURER TO OFFSET THE COST OF MEDICAL SERVICES RENDERED INMATES AT THE GRANT COUNTY DETENTION CENTER.**

**OLD BUSINESS, IF ANY:**

Employee Health Insurance-

Judge Wood advised as follow-up to the caucus meeting held in March, the recommendation of the administration will be to maintain the same health coverage for employees as last year acknowledging the fact the Northern Kentucky Public Employee Health Insurance Board, working with Sherill Morgan Associates and Med Ben have shopped the market based on the loss ratio established for the consortium and recommended a rate increase of 6%. It should be noted that the County is part of the NKPEHIB and that to remove ourselves from the consortium would result in a significant financial risk as the county and participating members have established a reserve to fund the self insurance program that was created and that in the event Grant County would remove itself from the consortium they would lose that portion of the reserve that has been built over the last two years.

A lengthy discussion ensued in which there were those present who stated they were not pleased with the county insurance, specifically the requirement for preauthorization of certain services. Sheriff Dills informed the court there had been a time when the county assisted in meeting the deductible to keep the cost to the employees as low as possible.

Deputy Judge Kimmich explained the consortium the county is part of for health insurance and advised that to pull out of the consortium would cost the county several hundred thousand dollars that have already been paid into the reserve fund as the program is a self insurance pool and a reserve requirement is in place. Kimmich acknowledged that there are administrative fees being paid to Sherill Morgan and Associates to administer the program on behalf of the participants.

No vote was required.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: IF ANY:**

Judge Wood advised there would be no Executive Session.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE/DEPARTMENTAL REPORTING:**

There were no administrative reports.

#### **JUDGE EXECUTIVE/S REPORT:**

Judge/Executive Stephen Wood expressed his sympathy to the family of Jonesville Fire Chief Chase Duvall and asked everyone to keep County Attorney Joe Taylor and his family in their prayers on the loss of his father Les Taylor.

Sheriff Dills announced to the court the birth of a daughter to County Clerk Tabatha Clemons earlier today.

#### **CITIZEN'S ADDRESS**

Missy Preston explained the medical billing process at the detention center and said she felt the new ordinance was unnecessary.

Mr. Howard Chipman challenged Judge Wood's letter to the editor concerning the finances and operation of the jail. He also questioned personnel actions taken and was advised that based on pending litigation no one on the court could respond.

Mr. James Dressman, an employee of the jail offered similar comments as it relates to his opposition of the actions of the court concerning personnel at the detention center.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Judge Wood announced he would entertain a motion to adjourn until the hour of 7:00 p.m., Monday May 2, 2016.

Magistrate Riley moved adjournment and Magistrate Cordiron seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned on a voice vote.