

**Minutes
Grant County Fiscal Court
March 23, 2015**

Call to Order

Judge/Executive Stephen Wood called to order the March 23, 2015 Special Called meeting of the Grant County Fiscal Court.

Those in attendance were Judge/Executive Stephen P. Wood; Magistrates Jacquelyn Riley, Bobby Newman, and Shawna Coldiron; Sheriff Chuck Dills; Jailer Chris Hankins; and Deputy Judge/Executive & Fiscal Court Clerk Scott Kimmich.

Citizens in attendance were: Mike Webster and James Kemper.

Review and Approval of the Agenda

Judge Wood advised that inasmuch as this is a Special Called meeting nothing can be added to the agenda and therefore there is no motion to approve required for the court to proceed with the action as outlined on the printed Agenda.

Judge Wood did advise there was an item on the agenda providing for discussion and possible appointment to individuals to boards and commissions. He recognized Deputy Judge Kimmich who advised this item had been placed on the agenda a place holder in case of the need to make an appointment and no such action is necessary at this meeting.

Fiscal Matters

Claims List

Judge Wood presented for the court's approval the claims list dated March 19, 2015 against the General Fund; Road Fund; and Jail Fund.

Magistrate Riley sought confirmation as to the check on the list for Corosoft in the amount of \$1,861.00. Deputy Judge Kimmich that it was with regret that he could not address that particular claim. He will review and report back to the Magistrate.

Magistrate Riley moved approval of the Claims List and Magistrate Newman seconded the motion.

Upon a roll call vote Magistrate Newman voted AYE, Magistrate Coldiron voted AYE, with the exception of those claims due and payable to Owen County Rural Electric, upon which she would like the record to show her present but not voting, Magistrate Riley voted AYE, and Judge Wood voted AYE. Motion carried.

Resolution 15-02(G)

Judge Wood presented Resolution 15-02(G), a resolution approving line item transfers, within funds, to provide for the payment of bills. Magistrate Riley moved approval of the line item transfers and Magistrate Coldiron seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote Magistrate

Newman voted AYE, Magistrate Coldiron voted AYE, Magistrate Riley voted AYE, and Judge Wood voted AYE. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

Second Reading of Ordinance 01-2015-676

Judge Wood asked the clerk to read the summary of Ordinance 01-2015-767 into the record.

Mr. Kimmich read the following summary:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF GRANT, KENTUCKY AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING AND IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2015, IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000,000 (WHICH AMOUNT MAY BE DECREASED AS NECESSARY) TO (I) REFUND IN ADVANCE OF MATURITY THE OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF COUNTY OF GRANT, KENTUCKY GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2010B, THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WERE USED TO REFUND EARLIER SERIES OF OBLIGATIONS ISSUED TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF THE GRANT COUNTY DETENTION FACILITY, AND (II) CONSTRUCT ADDITIONAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE GRANT COUNTY DETENTION FACILITY; APPROVING THE FORM OF BONDS; AUTHORIZING DESIGNATED OFFICERS TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT AND SECURITY OF THE BONDS; CREATING A BOND PAYMENT FUND; AUTHORIZING AN ESCROW TRUST AGREEMENT; MAINTAINING THE HERETOFORE CREATED SINKING FUND; AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE BID OF THE BOND PURCHASER FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE BONDS; AND REPEALING INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES.

Mr. Kimmich reminded the court that this action would provide sufficient funds to provide for the repairs to the county detention center by extending the life of the bonds while maintaining the current projected annualized debt service.

Magistrate Riley moved approval of the ordinance on second reading providing for final passage of the ordinance according to law. Magistrate Newman seconded the motion and there was no further discussion on the motion before the court.

Upon a roll call vote Magistrate Newman voted AYE, Magistrate Coldiron voted AYE, Magistrate Riley voted AYE, and Judge Wood voted AYE. Motion carried unanimously.

Jail Health Services Contract

Judge Wood advised that the Health Services contract is before the court as an agreement must be in place by April 5, 2015, for Southern Health Partners to assume responsibility for health care in the facility. The recommendation of the Jailer having been forwarded to the Magistrates, to accept Option 2 as denoted in a report to the Jailer dated January 7, 2015, at an annual rate of \$367,200 with an understanding that an amendment to deal with mental health services would be required.

Judge Wood recognized James Kemper, a representative of Southern Health Partners who advised he was under the impression the court would adopt Option 1 of the January 7th. which has annualized cost of \$442,200 and provides that the county will be a “pool” where the county would pay \$75,000 for pharmaceuticals, x-rays, and other outside health services. In the event the county does not utilize the full amount, the company would retain 20% of the retained costs and the county would be rebated the difference.

Mr. Kemper said this plan would, in his opinion, best meet the county’s consent decree with the United States Department of Justice. Mr. Kimmich explained that the county jail operations have been under review by the Department of Justice for over 10 years, but that at the present time there is no consent decree in place.

Magistrate Riley confirmed that the county would be responsible for covering all costs in excess of the \$75,000 in the pool costs and was advised that was accurate.

Magistrate Coldiron questioned the Jailer as to what the county’s costs associated with pharmaceuticals and other outside health services have been running on an annualized basis and there was no definitive information available on this amount.

Deputy Judge Kimmich suggested one course of action may be to authorize the County Judge and County Attorney to work with the Jailer in the development of a contract in an amount not to exceed the \$442,200 as outlined in Option 1.

Magistrate Riley moved to authorize the Judge/Executive and County Attorney to work with the Jailer and Southern Health Partners in developing a contract based on the terms outline in Option 2, with an annualized cost of \$367,200 per year. Magistrate Newman seconded the motion and upon a roll call vote Magistrate Newman voted AYE, Magistrate Coldiron voted AYE, Magistrate Riley voted AYE, and Judge Wood voted AYE. Motion carried unanimously.

As a part of the discussion concerning the medical services contact at the jail, Magistrate Riley sought to confirm that the electronic health records system was part of the program for which the county has contracted. Mr. Kemper said Southern Health Partners had evaluated the system the county has installed with the previous health care provider and that the system is not compatible with their system. However, this could be added to Option 2 for an additional \$14,000 plus the monthly maintenance fee which is equivalent to the amount currently being paid.

County Attorney Taylor advised the court that he strongly encouraged the addition of this to the Southern Health Partners contract as electronic records management is essential to the county’s overall efficient delivery of health care, particularly considering the need to recall records for review by state and federal agencies not to mention litigation.

Magistrate Riley moved to add the \$14,000 to the Southern Health Partners contract, Option 2. Magistrate Coldiron seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote Magistrate Newman voted AYE, Magistrate Coldiron voted AYE, Magistrate Riley voted AYE, and Judge Wood voted AYE. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Judge Wood requested a motion to adjourn Fiscal Court to the hour of 7:00 p.m. EST on April 6, 2015, or until the call of the chair. Magistrate Coldiron moved approval of the request and

Magistrate Newman seconded the motion.

The Court adjourned on a voice vote.

Signed:

Stephen P. Wood
Grant County Judge/Executive