

Grant County Fiscal Court Minutes of November 21, 2016

The Grant County Fiscal Court met in Regular Session on Monday, November 21st 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at the Grant County Courthouse in Williamstown, Kentucky 41097, with Jacquelyn Riley, Magistrate 1st District, present; Shawna Coldiron, Magistrate 2nd District, Present; Bobby Newman, Magistrate 3rd District, Present; Joe Taylor, County Attorney, Hon. Stephen P. Wood, County Judge/Executive, Present and Presiding and R. Scott Kimmich, Deputy Judge/Executive and Fiscal Court Clerk.

CALL TO ORDER:

Judge/Executive Stephen Wood called the meeting to order and advised that Charles Courtney, Pastor of Potters House, Williamstown, was not present and that Deputy Scott Kimmich would offer the invocation after which Judge Wood led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Judge Wood presented the agenda for the approval of the court. Magistrate Coldiron moved approval and Magistrate Newman seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion, 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 of the court the minutes of the meeting held November 7, 2016. Magistrate Riley moved approval noting that changes had been submitted by Magistrate Coldiron. Magistrate Coldiron seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion, Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll whereupon all members presented voted in the affirmative.

FISCAL MATTERS:

Judge Wood presented for the court's approval those transfers sufficient for payment of the claims against the General, Road, and Jail Funds. Magistrate Riley moved approval of the transfers and Magistrate seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll whereupon all members present voted in the affirmative.

Judge Wood presented for the court's approval the claims list dated November 21, 2016 against the General, Road, and Jail Funds. Magistrate Newman moved approval of the claims and Magistrate Riley seconded the motion. Magistrate Coldiron also stated she was pleased to see that the KACO loan borrowed at the beginning of the year had been presented for repayment.

There being no further discussion Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll whereupon all members present voted in the affirmative; with Magistrate Coldiron requesting the record show that she was present but not voting on those claims payable to Owen Electric.

Judge Wood presented for the Court's approval the claims paid to poll workers. Magistrate Riley moved approval and Magistrate Coldiron seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion, Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll, whereupon all members present voted in the affirmative.

Judge Wood presented for the court's approval the request of the County Treasurer to provide for the transfer of funds in the amount of \$223,000.00 between the General and Jail Funds to provide for the payment of contractual obligations of Southern Health Partners and to provide for the payment of payroll pending receipt of incoming state funds. Magistrate Coldiron moved approval of the request and Magistrate Newman seconded the motions.

There being no further discussion, Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll, whereupon all members present voted in the affirmative.

Judge Wood presented for the court's approval the recommendation of the County Treasurer to void a check in the amount of \$8,169.82 made payable to St. Elizabeth Physicians as there was an error in preparation of the check. Magistrate Coldiron moved approval and Magistrate Newman seconded the motion. The question was presented as to whether the appropriate checks have been provided and it was advised this has taken place.

There being no further discussion, Judge Wood directed the clerk to call the roll, whereupon all members present voted in the affirmative.

EXECUTIVE ORDERS:

Executive Order No. 16-30 (No Action is requested)

Judge Wood provided notification of the court that he had, acting pursuant to the Grant County Administrative Code and County Personnel Policies, did take action to close the County Courthouse at 12:00 Noon on November 8, 2016, as State and Federal offices were closed for the Presidential Election. Those employees in "field positions" who were unable to close their offices will be granted 4 hours of "Special Leave" to be granted at the discretion of the supervisor and reported to the Judge/Executive's office on a case by case basis for the maintenance of accurate payroll records.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Judge Wood presented for Second Reading of Ordinance 10-2016-700 and requested the clerk to report.

The clerk presented the Ordinance by title and summary.

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE GRANT COUNTY FISCAL COURT
AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE
FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE MEMORANDUM OF
UNDERSTANDING BY AND BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF GRANT,
KENTUCKY AND THE CITIES OF CORINTH, CRITTENDEN, DRY
RIDGE, AND WILLIAMSTOWN AND THE COMMONWEALTH OF
KENTUCKY, JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY CABINET, KENTUCKY
STATE POLICE, TO PROVIDE FOR 911 SERVICES IN GRANT
COUNTY, KENTUCKY AND REPEALING THE APPROPRIATE
PROVISIONS OF ANY ORDINANCES PREVIOUSLY APPROVED.**

Magistrate Newman said that there is no legal responsibility of the Fiscal Court to provide 911 services in the county and he wanted to see a proposal where all parties are sharing in the funding before he would be willing to vote for the agreement.

Deputy Judge Kimmich explained this is a continuation of the current agreement with the exception of the cost for services from the state and that for the state to continue all the cities and the county have to be parties to the agreement.

Magistrate Coldiron said she is confused by the way the request is worded and does not want to take action to bind the court to a set revenue stream for the future at the present time.

Judge Wood explained that this is a stop gap measure for the county to continue the current level of services and that this agreement has been pending with the county and cities since July and passage of the agreement and payment of the bill to the state is essential.

Magistrate Riley questioned whether there has been a reply from the state as to how a formula was arrived to increase the funding.

Deputy Judge Kimmich advised there had been no formal response but that the informal response had been that the county was originally billed for the cost of the two lowest paid dispatchers at the center and that the current amount provided for a blended rate using the salaries and all associated benefits with those positions including soft costs such as furniture and fixtures as established through a cost allocation plan adopted by the state but not shared with the county at the present time.

Sheriff Dills confirmed Deputy Kimmich's reporting of how the costs had been derived.

Magistrate Riley said that she was not in favor of adopting a piece mill approach to funding public safety and that the fire dues has proven insufficient to provide services as had the 911 fees and that the county needs to look at a more comprehensive approach to funding.

Magistrate Newman said that he was not questioning the need for 911, just questioning the mechanism before the court and the process that is being proposed.

Magistrate Riley requested the matter be tabled until December 5, 2016, and Judge Wood advised that hearing no objection he would carry the matter forward to December 5, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.

Judge Wood presented for a Second Reading, Ordinance No. 11-2016-701 and asked the clerk to report.

The Clerk presented the Ordinance by Title and Summary.

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE GRANT COUNTY FISCAL COURT
PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE CODIFICATION OF
THOSE ORDINANCES APPROVED IN 2015.**

Magistrate Coldiron moved approval of the Ordinance on Second Reading and final passage and Magistrate Newman seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion, Judge Wood directed the Clerk to call the roll whereupon all members present voted in the affirmative.

Judge Wood advised the Second Reading of Ordinance No. 11-2016-702 has been removed from the agenda and will be reported for action at a later date.

Judge Wood Presented for First Reading, Ordinance No. 11-2016-703 and asked the clerk to report.

The Clerk reported the Ordinance by Title and Summary.

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE FISCAL COURT OF THE COUNTY OF
GRANT, KENTUCKY, AMENDING THE EXISTING TEXT OF THE
COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN
RECREATIONAL USES AS CONDITIONAL USES IN A A-1 ZONE.**

NEW BUSINESS:

Judge Wood presented for Fiscal Court approval a template for an Application for Funding to be submitted by any and all agencies requesting funding by the Grant County

Fiscal Court to be implemented immediately and used as a component part of the budget planning process moving forward.

Magistrate Riley said she was glad to see the form developed and looked forward to having it put into place.

Motion to approve the form was made by Magistrate Newman and seconded by Magistrate Coldiron.

There being no further discussion, Judge Wood directed the Clerk to call the roll, whereupon all members present voted in the affirmative.

OLD BUSINESS, IF ANY:

Judge Wood advised there was no old business to bring before the court.

JUDGE EXECUTIVE'S REPORT:

Judge Wood reported on the conditions of the jail, advising things are moving well and that it is expected we could see a return of state inmates to the facility within two weeks. There will be meetings held soon to advance the health services and food services contracts.

Judge Wood stated that the issue of 911 had been sufficiently reviewed earlier in the meeting.

CITIZEN'S ADDRESS:

Tabatha Clemons, Grant County Clerk, addressed the court regarding the possibility of building a handicap accessible ramp for her office. She has met with the Judge/Executive and is bringing her concerns to the Fiscal Court. The building is accessible in the back for handicapped persons but Ms. Clemons feels that it is still dangerous as people have to cross traffic to access the back door.

ADJOURNMENT:

Judge Wood advised he would entertain a motion to adjourn until Monday, December 5th, 2016, or until the Call of the Chair.

There being no further discussion, Judge Wood directed the Clerk to call the roll, whereupon all members present voted in the affirmative.

Stephen P. Wood
County Judge/Executive