

GALLATIN COUNTY FISCAL COURT
January 13, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Gallatin County Fiscal Court was called to order by Judge Ryan Morris on January 13, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Gallatin County Extension Office Annex, Warsaw, Kentucky. The meeting was also streamed on Facebook Live. Magistrate present was Donnie Sullivan. Ethan Moore and M. J Haddix joined by video conference. Joel Shinkle was absent due to illness. County Attorney John G. Wright was also present. Everyone stood and recited the pledge of allegiance.

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes from the Special ARPA Meeting of December 9, 2021 was made by M.J Haddix and seconded by Donnie Sullivan. All ayes. Motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting of December 9, 2021 was made by Donnie Sullivan and seconded by Ethan Moore. All ayes.

Recognition of Audience: All pertained to the Planning and Zoning matter. They will be called on at that time.

Approval of Agenda: Judge Morris presented the meeting agenda for approval. Ethan Moore moved to approve the agenda. M.J Haddix seconded. All ayes.

Monthly Bills: Monthly bills were presented for approval to pay. Donnie Sullivan made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Ethan Moore seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

December 2021 Financial Reporting

1. Treasurer Report – Treasurer Lesa Bullard presented the Fund Cash Statement Summary for the month ending December 31, 2021. M. J Haddix made a motion to approve the report and Donnie Sullivan seconded the motion. All ayes.
2. Budget Transfers – Donnie Sullivan made a motion to approve the budget transfers. Ethan Moore seconded. All ayes.
3. Interfund Cash Transfers – M.J Haddix made a motion to approve the interfund cash transfers. Donnie Sullivan seconded. All ayes.
4. Quarterly – The quarterly report for the 2nd quarter is in balance and uploaded to DLG. Ethan Moore made a motion to approve the quarterly report and Donnie Sullivan seconded. All ayes.

OLD BUSINESS

SPEEDWAY BOULEVARD

Speedway Boulevard is not a county road and therefore county dollars cannot be spent on it. A road can be taken in to the county road system and taken back out again. County Attorney Wright said this should not be done lightly. Judge Morris made a motion to table the matter until next month when all magistrates could be present. Ethan Moore seconded. All ayes.

KNOX LILLARD UPDATE

Knox Lillard is now a very high traffic road. It is in need of some repairs. The Judge is working with the Governor's office to get some emergency funding for repairs, fix the slide, permanent shoulderering and possibly striping.

NEW BUSINESS

SHERIFF DEPUTY INTRODUCTION

Captain Brent McDonald introduced new officer Theodore Oldendick. Officer Oldendick will report to the academy on Sunday February 6, 2022.

SCHOOL BOARD PROCLAMATION

County Attorney Wright read the School Board Proclamation honoring the school board, teachers, administrators, bus drivers, cafeteria workers, and custodians. Judge Morris signed the proclamation.

DUKE ENERGY EASEMENT FAIRGROUNDS

Duke Energy has asked for permission to check the fairgrounds property for their lines. They will meet with Judge Morris next Tuesday to discuss.

EMT/PARAMEDIC EDUCATION WORKFORCE READY PROGRAM

Judge Morris reached out to JCC and asked about bringing a course to Gallatin County. The next course will begin in August. Judge Morris, Heather Yocum (JCC) and Kaycee Thompson (GCHS) will meet to begin promoting the program to Gallatin County students.

CAC FINANCIAL AUDIT

Donnie Sullivan made a motion to accept the CAC Financial Audit for fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. Motion seconded by Ethan Moore. All ayes.

PLANNING & ZONING DIRECTOR FACTS & FINDINGS

Judge Morris explained the Findings of Fact and Recommendation, Map Amendment Highways 35 & 465.

Wayne Scudder represents the property owners and buyers. He doesn't believe the commission gave them a chance.

Melanie Banks wants Fiscal Court to vote yes to the zone change. She believes it is not fair to send it back to Planning and Zoning as they will do the same thing next time.

Close public comments.

Magistrate comments:

Magistrate Haddix stated that he believes there is confusion on the board as to what they are supposed to do. He believes the board got too focused on the truck stop instead of the zone change.

County Attorney Wright stated that it is important that the process works and the commission must build the case of why the decision was made.

Magistrate Moore made a motion to send the issue back to the commission for further review. Motion was seconded by Judge Morris. Magistrates Sullivan and Moore and Judge Morris voted

yes. Magistrate Haddix abstained. Motion passed. The next Planning and Zoning meeting will be held February 1, 2022.

COMMENTS

Judge Morris state that the Health Department will begin COVID testing next Tuesday, January 18th from 9am – 11 am.

Magistrate Haddix asked about the Senior Citizen bus. It has been repaired and the bill has been paid.

With no further business before the court, Ethan Moore made a motion to adjourn. M.J Haddix seconded his motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Tracy Miles
Gallatin County Fiscal Court Clerk