

A regular meeting of the Bracken County Fiscal Court was held Wednesday, May 22, 2013, for the purpose of transacting any business properly presented by the established agenda.

Presiding: Earl Bush
County Judge Executive

Present: Carl Allen, Clark Hennessey, David Kelsch, David Hughes, Scotty Lippert, John Corlis, Doug Smith, and Dennis Jefferson.

Let the Record reflect that the Court members received a copy of the vendor claims to be paid.

Upon Motion of David Kelsch, seconded by Scotty Lippert that the minutes meeting on May 8, 2013 be accepted/approved.

Voting being unanimous.

Floor open to the public to discuss anything other than agenda items

Judge Bush opened the floor to public comments regarding any concerns or issues of others that are not related to any agenda item. He advised that there would be order held in the court. This time would be for public to voice concerns, but no personal attacks would be allowed.

None.

Roads & Projects Updates

*Judge Bush advised that Judicial Center parking lot was paved yesterday and today Jefferson St will be paved. The paving company will then move on the County Roads.

Robertson Co 911 update.

Judge Bush advised that he is waiting to hear from Roberson County Judge Executive and Ky State Police regarding dispatch services. *No Action

Bracken County Water District – KY second Feed to pump station

Judge Bush advised that with no objections from the court this item will be removed from the agenda until the Bracken County Water District moves along further into their project allowing for more information. *No objections from the court.

Augusta Ferry Authority

Skip Miller, of the Augusta Ferry Authority addressed the Fiscal Court requesting a one-time donation of \$10,000 contribution to the Ferry operations. Revenue from the ferry and for operations is going to be used to match a grant for the Ohio ramp project. Ky Dept. of Transportation has committed funds for next year for the Ferry. The Ferry runs 12 hours per day, 7 days per week. The expense for fuel and maintenance is very costly. Many Kentuckians/Bracken County citizens use this as a means of transportation.

Upon Motion of Scotty Lippert, seconded by John Corlis that the court contribute \$10,000 from the General Fund Tourism account. This is contingent upon County Attorney review and approval (as he is absent today).

Vote being unanimous.

Bracken County Road Fund Budget Amendment 2012-13

*Tabled until public hearing on June 12.

Transportation of Non Public Students

*Tabled until audits at schools are complete.

Bracken County Budget FY 2013-14

Tabled until public hearing on June 12

Bids – Hillsdale Culvert/bridge recommendation

Judge Bush advised that there was only one bid received for the project and he is working with the bidder regarding the cost. He recommends that the court table until the next meeting, due to possibly having to reject and rebid. * No objections from the court.

Bracken County Sheriff 2012 Property Tax Settlement

Upon Motion of Dennis Jefferson, seconded by John Corlis that the court accept/approve the following Sheriff’s settlement of 2012 Property Taxes.

Vote being unanimous.

COPS in School Grant – Bracken County Sheriff

Sheriff Niemeier addressed the court regarding the “COPS in School” grant that he is applying for. This will be a 3 year grant that creates a position for a Cop to be in the schools. The schools have agreed to pay the match for 3 years and the county will have to cover the fourth year. The county portion will be approximately \$18,553.50. Sheriff Department will be using this employee as a deputy during the summer months when school is out. Sheriff Niemeier advised that the employee would be aware that the position is only 4 years and if funds do not allow for his position at the end of 4 years the position will dissolve.

There was much discussion regarding School Resource Officers (Cop in School). The newly hired Deputy, Barry Thacker addressed the court regarding the use of School Resource officers in the schools in Menifee County what a positive impact it made.

Upon motion of Clark Hennessey, seconded by David Kelsch that the County commit to the 4th year grant match in the amount of \$18,553.50 (should the department be awarded the grant).

Vote being unanimous.

General Fund Vendor Claims

Upon Motion of David Hughes seconded by Doug Smith that the following General Fund Vendor Claims be approved for payment.

Vote being unanimous.

Road Fund Vendor Claims

Upon motion of David Kelsch seconded by John Corlis that the following Road Fund Vendor Claims be approved for payment.

Vote being unanimous.

Abstain – John Corlis *Due to a payment for Brooksville Farm Supply.

Jail Fund Vendor Claims

Upon Motion of David Kelsch, seconded by Dennis Jefferson that the following Jail Fund Vendor Claims be accepted/approved for payment.

Vote being unanimous.

*Sheriff Niemeier introduced newly hired Deputy Thacker and advised he would be available after the meeting for the court members to speak with.

*Judge Bush advised that Representative Mike Denham has recently had a heart attack and is on the mend. Please keep him and his family in our thoughts and prayers.

*Judge Bush advised that he is advertising for 2 positions for the judicial center, maintenance and janitorial. He and Circuit Clerk, Kathy Free will be doing interviews and have more information for the court at a later date.

Upon motion of John Corlis, seconded by Doug Smith that the May 22, 2013 meeting of the Bracken County Fiscal Court be adjourned.

Vote being unanimous.

S/_____ Tina K. Teegarden, Fiscal Court Clerk

S/_____ Earl Bush, County Judge