

**RUSSELL COUNTY FISCAL COURT  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY MARCH 9, 2020  
6:00 P.M.**

The Russell County Fiscal Court held their regular monthly meeting on Monday March 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Russell County Courthouse. Those in attendance were County Judge Executive Gary D. Robertson, Magistrates Terry Waddell, Mickey Garner, Ronald Johnson, Steve Richardson, Larry Holt, County Attorney Kevin Shearer, Attorney Don Byrom and County Treasurer Kim Fenske.

**WELCOME, PLEDGE & OPENING PRAYER:** Judge Robertson welcomed all those present and led everyone in the pledge followed by a prayer by Jailer Dunbar.

**MINUTES:** Judge Robertson presented the minutes from the February 10, 2020 regular meeting. Magistrate Waddell made a motion to approve the minutes with Magistrate Johnson seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**PAY BILLS:** Judge Robertson submitted a list of regular bills to be approved along with a list of bills that came in late. Magistrate Garner made a motion to pay the bills with Magistrate Richardson seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**DETENTION CENTER REPORT:** Jailer Dunbar read the jail report as follows: Nurse Visits \$67.20; Prescription Co-Pay \$300.81; HB 452 \$306.22; State Inmate Housing \$71,047.78; Social Security Payment \$400.00; Work Release (2 checks) \$120.00; Clinton County Inmate Housing \$736.00; Old Bills \$89.40; Booking Fees \$1,324.19; Fee Claim \$471.57; Phone Commission \$3,503.46; Per Diem \$1,621.07; Interest \$83.95; for a total income of \$80,071.65. The expenses were \$155,114.32 which makes a difference of income and expenses (\$75,042.88). The average inmates for the month were 119. There was 149 hours overtime. As of today there are 67 state inmates, 6 from Clinton County and 42 from Russell County for a total of 115 inmates. Magistrate Holt made a motion to accept the detention center report with Magistrate Garner seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**SHERIFF'S REPORT:** Sheriff Polston provided his report for the month of February. He stated there were 41 arrests; 5 mental health transports; 82 court papers served; 39 Criminal Summons; 4,677 court security transport miles. He stated his office had collected a total of \$10,069,174.99 (93.68%) of taxes. Sheriff Polston also stated his office was pursuing a grant for 2 new resource officers for 2 of the elementary schools but they were just in the application process at this time. He also stated his office had only received one bid for the watercraft and it was from Lake Cumberland Marine for \$95,525.00 which was less than the total grant amount of \$96,700.00. He made the recommendation to the court to accept the bid. Magistrate Garner made a motion to accept the bid from Lake Cumberland Marine with Magistrate Waddell seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**TRANSFER \$19,105.00 FROM THE GENERAL TO GRANTS FOR SHERIFF WATERCRAFT GRANT:** Judge Robertson stated in connection with the grant for the sheriff's watercraft we would need to transfer \$19,105.00 from the general fund to the grant fund to pay the down payment on the watercraft. Magistrate Garner made a motion to transfer the funds and pay the down payment for the watercraft with Magistrate Richardson seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**TREASURER'S MONTHLY SETTLEMENT REPORT & MONTHLY AE TRANSFERS:** Treasurer Fenske read the totals of each fund: General \$1,186,433.38; Road \$678,804.65; Jail \$777,630.68; LGEA \$7,583.51; ASAP \$116,591.65; Grants \$0; Tourism \$2,800.33; Dispatch \$160,617.06; Airport \$68,096.00; Airport Project \$10,810.21; DFC \$12,101.21; Airport Board \$43,625.29; ABC \$48,160.42 for a total of \$3,113,254.39. Treasurer Fenske stated all accounts were reconciled and in balance. She also stated the pre-approved monthly AE transfers were included in the packet. Magistrate Richardson made a motion to approve the monthly settlement report and accept the AE transfers with Magistrate Holt seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**1<sup>ST</sup> READING BUDGET AMENDMENT 20-01:** Treasurer Fenske read the ordinance which was for unbudgeted receipts. No vote is required until the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading which will be at the April 9, 2020 meeting.

**KEVIN WILLIAMS:** Judge Robertson stated Mr. Kevin Williams, a Russell County native was here to speak before the court. Mr. Williams came before the court to speak again about his upcoming concert and fundraiser to benefit the Russell County School Resource Center. He stated this would be the 7<sup>th</sup> year for the benefit concert/fundraising event and all proceeds would benefit the children of Russell County. He urged the court and everyone in attendance to make a pledge or perhaps be a sponsor. The concert will take place on March 28, 2020 at 6:00pm at the First Baptist Church in Russell Springs.

**KY DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION:** Kayla Frye from the KY Dept. of Transportation presented the court with Rural Secondary Road Allocation Report for Russell County. Ms. Frye stated the recommended road improvements that would be done by the state are KY379 – for 0.904 miles of asphalt resurfacing, KY 1058 – From Crocus Road to Cape Road for 1.046 miles of asphalt resurfacing, KY 1545 – Bottoms Road for 1.417 miles of asphalt resurfacing and KY 3277 for 1.769 miles of asphalt resurfacing for a total of 5.136 miles of asphalt resurfacing. She also stated the Flex Funds allocated for the county have been set at \$210,208.00. Magistrate Waddell made a motion to accept the improvement recommendations with Magistrate Garner seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**RUSSELL COUNTY JAYCEES:** Judge Robertson stated David Burke and Dustin Adkins were here to speak. Both gentlemen came forward and told the court they had applied for a grant for an ag barn to replace the existing horse barn. They stated this was a matching grant and asked the court if they would be willing to help. They stated both cities had contributed as well. Magistrate Holt made a motion to contribute \$5,000.00 with Magistrate Richardson seconding. The roll call was unanimous. Judge Robertson asked the gentlemen to come back to the court in six months to let us know the progress.

**RUSSELL COUNTY CLERK 2019 AMENDED BUDGET:** Treasurer Fenske stated the clerk had found a typo in her budget that was presented previously and it needed to be corrected. She stated the numbers of the actual budget had not been changed and it was just a correction of the typographical error and the correction had been made. Magistrate Johnson made a motion to accept the amended budget with Magistrate Richardson seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

**ROAD CHANGES:** Judge Robertson stated there were several road changes. Magistrate Holt stated he wanted to take in Ava Lane which is in District 5 into the county road system. He stated it was 0.0572 miles in length and he made a motion to this effect. Magistrate Richardson seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

Magistrate Garner stated he wanted to take in Ballenger Spur Road into the county road system. He stated it was off of Ballenger Road and it is 0.1000 and is in his district 2. He made this in the form of a motion. The motion was seconded by Magistrate Waddell. The roll call was unanimous. Magistrate Garner also stated he had a name change only for existing road W Walters Road to Dalton Lane. He stated this was already in the road system and no addresses were affected. He made the motion to change the road name from W Walters Road to Dalton Lane with Magistrate Waddell seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

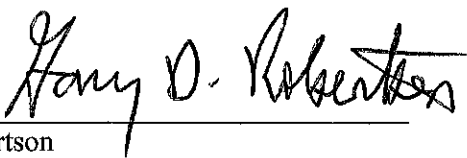
Magistrate Johnson stated he had a road in his district 3 he wanted to take into the county road system. The road name is Amos Moses Lane which is in Jabez. He stated it was 0.5010 mile in length. He made the motion to take the road in and Magistrate Richardson seconded the motion. The roll call was unanimous.

Magistrate Garner stated he had another road in his district 2 he wanted to take into the county road system. He stated the name of the road is K Lane and it was 0.1013 mile in length. He made the motion to take the road in with Magistrate Waddell seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

Judge Robertson stated the alcohol sales were down some from last month. He stated we collected \$6,007.95 in regulatory fees from the prior month and out of that amount the county paid \$1,107.76 to the City of Jamestown for their share of the sales.

**ADJOURN:** Magistrate Holt made a motion to adjourn with Magistrate Richardson seconding. All was in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6.36p.m.



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Gary Robertson  
County Judge Executive



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Kim Fenske  
County Treasurer & Fiscal Court Clerk