

**RUSSELL COUNTY FISCAL COURT
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY APRIL 13, 2020
6:00 P.M.**

The Russell County Fiscal Court held their regular monthly meeting on Monday April 13, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via audio conference. Those in attendance at Russell County Courthouse were County Judge Executive Gary D. Robertson, County Attorney Kevin Shearer, Emergency Management Director HM Bottom and County Treasurer Kim Fenske. Those in attendance via audio conference were Magistrates Terry Waddell, Ronald Johnson, Steve Richardson & Larry Holt, Magistrate Garner had difficulty dialing in and was not in attendance on the call.

Judge Robertson opened the meeting and stated we were having our meeting in this capacity due to the COVID 19 pandemic and cited the Governor's mandate and SB150.

ROLL CALL: Treasurer Fenske conducted the roll call.

MINUTES: Judge Robertson asked if the Magistrates had any corrections or additions to the minutes that were presented from the March 9, 2020 regular meeting. Magistrate Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes with Magistrate Richardson seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

PAY BILLS: Judge Robertson stated the list of bills had been provided to each of the Magistrates in their packets. Magistrate Johnson made a motion to pay the bills with Magistrate Waddell seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

RESOLUTION 20-03: Judge Robertson stated the Sheriff's department was applying for a grant for an armored vehicle and they needed this resolution in order to fulfill the grant application. He then read Resolution 20-03. Magistrate Holt made the motion to accept and sign Resolution 20-03 and Magistrate Waddell seconded. The roll call was unanimous.

TREASURER'S MONTHLY & QUARTERLY SETTLEMENT REPORTS & PRE-APPROVED

AE TRANSFERS: Judge Robertson stated all the reports and the AE Transfers were all provided in the packets the Magistrates had received. He stated the AE transfers were already pre-approved but we needed approval on the monthly & quarterly reports. Treasurer Fenske stated all accounts were reconciled, balanced and had been uploaded to the Department for Local Government as required. Magistrate Waddell made a motion to approve the reports and AE transfers with Magistrate Richardson seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

2nd READING BUDGET AMENDMENT 20-01: Treasurer Fenske read the ordinance which was for unbudgeted receipts. Magistrate Johnson made a motion to accept the amendment with Magistrate Richardson seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

OTHER BUSINESS:

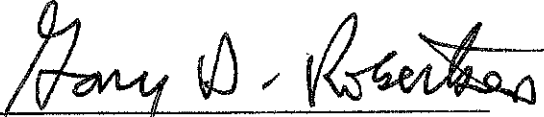
FY 18-19 AUDIT: Judge Robertson stated we had gotten our audit back from the prior fiscal year. He stated the state auditors had done a very thorough job and only had one finding which he really didn't agree with. He commended Treasurer Fenske on a good job. He stated the auditor's remark was that we didn't follow the proper procurement methods in regards to the purchasing of some dense grade aggregate rock. He went on to state we always bid out rock but this specific type of rock is not something the county normally uses and it was not listed on the bid. He said the county had declared a "State of Emergency" and it was during that time the county had to use that specific type of rock and we did exceed the \$20,000.00 threshold. He went on to state that in the situation when a county does declare a state of emergency the bidding requirement is waived and that's why he didn't agree with the state auditor's finding.

TRANSFER \$19,105.00 FROM THE GRANTS FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND FOR SHERIFF

WATERCRAFT GRANT: Judge Robertson stated we had received a reimbursement for the down payment we had made last month in connection with the sheriff's watercraft grant and we would need to transfer \$19,105.00 from the grants fund back to the general fund. Magistrate Richardson made a motion to transfer the with Magistrate Waddell seconding. The roll call was unanimous.

Judge Robertson stated he had one other thing he wanted to bring up. He stated the recycle roll off truck was due to go to the auction in June and under the current circumstances he had concerns we would not get the dollar amount we need. He said he would recommend we not sell it at the auction and keep it and work out the financing over a 5 year period with KACo which holds the current lease. Magistrate Richardson made the motion to accept the Judge's recommendation to not sell the truck at auction and to extend the financing. Magistrate Johnson seconded the motion. The roll call was unanimous.

ADJOURN: Magistrate Richardson made a motion to adjourn with Magistrate Waddell seconding. All was in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.



Gary Robertson
County Judge Executive



Kim Fenske
County Treasurer & Fiscal Court Clerk