

The Fleming County Fiscal Court held the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at the Fleming County Courthouse, 100 Court Square, Flemingsburg, Kentucky. Magistrate Joe Dunaway Jr. led the opening prayer and County Judge/Executive John Sims Jr. led the Pledge of Allegiance and call to order at 9:00 AM.

Roll called by Fiscal Court Clerk Tammy L. Gray as follows: Magistrates present: Kerri Marshall, Taylor Hunt, Richie Kielman, Joe Dunaway Jr., Donnie Fawns and Ray H. Money. Also present was County Attorney Monica Hill and County Treasurer in Training Miranda Utterback.

Vote Unan. Motion: Joe Dunaway Jr. Second: Donnie Fawns
A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes of February 13, 2024.

Vote Unan. Motion: Kerri Marshall Second: Taylor Hunt
A motion was made to approve the reappointments to the Ambulance District Board as follows: Jan Brown Term 4/4/2024 thorough 4/4/2026 and James Clark 5/13/2024 through 5/13/2026.

Vote Unan. Motion: Ray H. Money Second: Richie Kielman
A motion was made to approve grant application for Dead Animal Removal and appropriate \$ 5,000.00 in the FY2024-2025 budget for grant match funds.

Fleming County Chamber of Commerce Director Crystal Ruark came before the Fiscal Court to give updates on current events, programs, activities and business tours.

Vote Unan. Motion: Donnie Fawns Second: Kerri Marshall
A motion was made to approve the County Treasurer's monthly ending February 29, 2024 financial reports: General Fund \$ 1,163,229.66, Road Fund \$ 251,949.11, Jail Fund \$ 475.46, LGEA Fund \$ 125,942.63, Forest Fire Fund \$1,234.00, CDBG Fund \$ 0.30 cents, Dispatch Fund \$ 264,845.42, Clerk Storage Fund \$ 28,730.86, ARPA Fund \$ 1,130,594.33, Opioid Fund \$ 100,682.21, Capital Improvement Fund \$ 317,443.54. Total all funds \$3,385,127.52.

Vote Unan. Motion: Donnie Fawns Second: Kerri Marshall
A motion was made to approve the Budget Transfers as presented.

Vote Unan. Motion: Richie Kielman Second: Taylor Hunt
A motion was made to approve the Cash Transfers as presented.

Vote Unan. Motion: Ray H. Money Second: Joe Dunaway Jr
A motion was made to approve all claims reports.

Vote Unan. Motion: Richie Kielman Second: Ray H. Money
A motion was made to approve the carry in claims reports and conference mileage to Donnie Fawns \$ 104.92.

The FY2024-2025 Jail Fund Budget was presented and reviewed.

Vote Unan. Motion: Taylor Hunt Second: Donnie Fawns
A motion was made to approve the first reading of Ordinance 24-1398 Budget Amendment as presented.

Vote Unan. Motion: Kerri Marshall Second : Richie Kielman
A motion was made to approve the bond increase to \$ 150,000.00 for M. McElfresh and new bond \$ 1,500,000.00 for Miranda Utterback and give the County Judge/Executive the authority to sign and execute any and all bonds.

Vote Unan. Motion: Ray H. Money Second: Donnie Fawns
A motion was made to approve the February 2024 County Road Maintenance Reports as presented.

County Judge/Executive Sims noted that heavy trucks are causing major roadway damages on Turner Road.

 Motion: Taylor Hunt Second: Kerri Marshall
A motion was made to begin the process to remove Denton Lane from the County Road Maintenance System. No maintenance has been conducted since 2018 and an agreement on file to keep the roadway ungated was not complied with. Voting NO: Magistrate Ray H. Money. Motions Carries.

Vote Unan. Motion: Taylor Hunt Second: Richie Kielman
A motion was made to accept the proposed County Road name changes and new private road names in the Fox Valley Recreation Park as presented.

Vote Unan. Motion: Kerri Marshall Second: Richie Kielman
A motion was made to approve the Fleming County Clerk's month end report of February 2024 as presented.

Vote Unan. Motion: Ray H. Money Second: Donnie Fawns
A motion was made to approve the Fleming County Sheriff's month end report of February 2024 as presented.

Vote Unan. Motion: Richie Kielman Second: Kerri Marshall
A motion was made to approve the Fleming County Sheriff's 2023 fourth quarter report as presented.

The Sheriff's K9 vehicle was damaged in the county parking lot by an identified person that will be criminally charged per Sheriff Smith. An insurance claim will be initiated for the repairs. Sheriff Smith requested additional lighting in the county parking area at the annex building.

Discussion was held regarding current status of the new Fleming County Senior Center. The Fiscal Court was notified that payment to Momentum will be held until required certified payroll documents were submitted according to the contract. A nine-page Punch list was received from Brandstetter Carroll who recently inspected all the work at the new center. Change Order Five is not complete and ready for approval.

Vote Unan. Motion: Donnie Fawns Second: Joe Dunaway Jr.
A motion was made to approve the February 2024 requests for services report from Dispatch Director Charlotte Benton.

Vote Unan. Motion: Donnie Fawns Second: Ray H. Money
A motion was made to approve reinstating Hester Towing and Keaton's Towing into the full wrecker services rotation schedule beginning in June. They will be fill-ins until that time.

Vote Unan. Motion: Taylor Hunt Second: Richie Kielman
A motion was made to approve the jailer's monthly report as presented.

Discussion was held regarding joint county wide cleanup event with the City of Flemingsburg in October. Further advisement is needed from our Solid Waste Coordinator as to how the process would work for the county. Item tabled.

Vote Unan. Motion: Ray H. Money Second: Richie Kielman
A motion was made to approve the expense of retirement lunch and gift for County Treasurer Kathy Dryden for 26 years of service.

The two surplus vehicles will be sold by Chuck Marshall Equipment Auctions the week of April 3, 2024 online.

Discussion was held regarding any process to rid the county of blighted properties. The abatement of nuisances and/or eminent domain statutes may be initiated to help with the issues.

County Road Supervisor Anthony Vise commended our County Treasurer Kathy Dryden and wished her well in her upcoming retirement. All agreed.

Vote Unan. Motion: Kerri Marshall Second: Richie Kielman
A motion was made to adjourn 10:21 AM.