

Fiscal Court Meeting December 12, 2016

Approved
1/9/2017

1. Monkey Bluff Road and Deer Farm Road. These two roads have been requested by Riverbend Estates to be established onto county maintenance. A water line is proposed to also be established. These roads have been viewed by the road viewers. They agreed that the two roads do need attention. Magistrate J. V. Groce stated that the road was far from being up to county standards. Scott with the land association asks the court how to get the roads up to county standards. Motion was made by J.V. Groce to table until the January 9, 2017 meeting, seconded by Edward Anderson, "All Voting Aye". Motion carried.
2. County Attorney Lindsey Bell presented 3 new petitions to establish county road.: Close a portion of Dug Road. Motion to except petition by Thomas Brown, seconded by Earl Branham. "All voting Aye". Motion carried.
3. Petition was presented to establish Saban Lane. Motion to except petition by J. v. Groce, seconded by Edward Anderson. " All Voting Aye" Motion carried.
4. Petition was presented to establish Irby Cemetery Road. Motion to except Petition by Edward Anderson, seconded by Thomas Brown. " All voting Aye" . Motion carried.
5. Court approved minutes from the November 14, 2016 meeting. Motion by J. v. Groce, seconded by Earl Branham. " All voting Aye". Motion carried.
6. Visitors Jailer Jr. Smith presented the Jailers November report. Total of 57 runs with 43 runs to Adair Co., KY. 1- Taylor Co., KY. 1- Wayne Co KY, 2- Grayson Co. KY. 1- Hart Co. KY, 1- Barren Co. KY. 2- Jackson Co TN, 1- Posey Co IN, 2- Clinton Co KY 2- Robinson Co TN, 1- Pulaski Co. KY, 1- Tom Rivers NJ, for a total of 5,867 miles. As of December 1 we have 28 in Adair and 1- Taylor Co. During the month of November 3 with House arrest, for a total of 38 days. Saving the count \$1,064.00.
7. Visitor Road Foremen Ricky Melton 2001 Ford F250 that was purchased from G & G Auto. It has a busted transmission. jumping out of 4th gear. Melton has been talking to Kevin Summers in Adair Co., KY. \$3,099.00 to rework transmission with 18 month warranty, or 18,000 miles. Looking on internet but prizes is higher. Motion to have Kevin Summer to fix transmission by Earl Branham, Seconded by Edward Anderson, "All Voting Aye". Motion carried.
8. Visitor Greg Cary, EMS, we received a siren back on 2015 to go to the State Park. Paper work has been turned in. Email started we are scheduled to move and put in on Davidson Road. Once installed the county will get reimbursed.
9. Visitor Sara Huckelby presented the court with the Sheriff's Office quarterly report of 2016 amended budget, and Annual Settlement for 2017. Motion to approve amended budget by Thomas Brown, seconded by Earl Branham. "All Voting Aye" Motion carried.
10. Sara Huckelby presented Annual Settlement for 2017, Motion by Edward Anderson, seconded by Thomas Brown, "All voting Aye" Motion carried.
11. Court approved the maximum salary amount of \$230,000.00 for deputies & assistants. Motion by Thomas Brown, seconded by J. v. Groce. "All Voting Aye" Motion carried.
12. Court approved sheriff budget with State advancement of \$60,000.00 for 2017 Motion by Thomas Brown, seconded by J. V. Groce. "All Voting Aye". Motion carried.
13. Visitor Elijah Wilson with Partners in Pride and the Cumberland county Chamber of Commerce addressed the court concerning walking trail connecting with down town Burkesville. Mr. Wilson asks the court for a letter of support to go with application. ARC letter. The hope and dream is become a trail town. We are a tourist destination and to grow on that idea, because tourism is our bread and butter. Motion by Thomas Brown, Seconded by Edward Anderson. "All Voting Aye" Motion carried.

14. Visitor Amy Morgan with Partners with Pride addressed the court concerning \$4,500.00 from the court to improve the courthouse grounds. May explain, in order to get the grant money you need a plan of action and be ready to activate. The committee would like to see improvements to the courthouse courtyard. We have been working with Todd Davidson, who has designed the landscaping. We are hoping that the fiscal court could find the money to do the landscaping. Approximate amount needed would be \$4,800.00 per Judge Phelps. Count Treasurer Stacey Thrasher stated, I think it's a good idea, but this is something this year that's not in our budget, and we have had a great increase in our jail fund and I feel like this is something we would need to postpone for a while due to the increase in the jail fund. Magistrate Thomas Brown asks if the court could take the funds out of their allotments. Judge Phelps and Treasurer Thrasher stated that the money can't come from transportation that it will need to come from the general fund.

Magistrate Brown stated that people come to him all the time complaining on the condition of the courthouse. Magistrate J. V. Groce also stated, it's a good idea to improve the courthouse, but the funding is the problem, and the general fund is well spent according to the county treasurer. Judge Phelps stated we now have a cash transfer for \$45,000.00, and I know it needs to be done but we need to be careful all the way around with all our expenditures, but look at the entire picture. We know we are always going to have expenses. When we can do things to broaden our tax base and create growth. We had gentlemen here a minute ago and talked about people wanting to build homes so they can get waterline. When people start dropping quarter million dollar homes up and down this river that broadens our tax base. We need to start looking at the overall picture. When you have the ability to adopt policies, we need to look a little further down the road, and quit worrying about the money and take chances. A couple years ago I proposed for the county to participate in county flood insurance. It was shot down for the second time. Judge Hicks tried the same thing. We are 1 of 4 counties' that does not participate. Banks and insurance companies have explained this. The river is an asset. We have slammed the door twice. We have people that want to build homes up & down the river, and they can't even get a moorage because of this. So I'm just saying when we have an opportunity to look at the bigger picture to generate more money, instead of squeezing and chocking everything to death and complaining that we don't have money. When the tax base in PVA gets bigger our general fund get bigger. That's all I have to say about that. Magistrate J. V. Groce replied building on the river; I have no problem with that. We have guidelines to go by for putting county roads on maintenance. Phelps stated that the road was up to guidelines and I'm not just talking about this one situation. What can we do to get people to come here and live here build homes here, spend money here? It's not about squeezing to death what we have. Magistrate Earl Branham stated the reason that was put into place, was that people was taking a dozer and making a path up and down hollers and they expected is to take it over by rocking and putting tiles in. This county was spending lots of money. Judge Phelps said I know the landscaping is not in the budget this year but I think we need to make it a priority to try and get it next year's budget. I know I got off on a tangent. Magistrate Brown asks if we could do something tonight to get it on the budget for 2017. Thomas Brown made the motion to add the landscaping to the 2017 budget. Magistrate Earl Branham stated that Treasurer Thrasher will put it in if she can. Judge Phelps stated that the budget has to be recommended by the Judge. Magistrate Brown stated to spend it on the courthouse and not on the road equipment. Treasurer Stacey Thrasher started to comment on the landscaping when Judge Phelps stopped her and stated, you're not a voting member of this court and I would appreciate is you would keep your comments to yourself. Phelps ordered Sheriff's deputy Parker Hickman to escort

- Treasurer Thrasher back to her Office, and now lets the five of us talk. Judge Phelps stated that he has a motion, can I get a second. Motion died due to a lack to get a second.
15. Court approved first reading of amendment #2016/17-05. Motion by Thomas Brown, seconded by Edward Anderson. "All Voting Aye" Motion carried.
 16. Court approved final adoption of Amendment #2016/17-04. Motion by Earl Branham, seconded by Thomas Brown. "All Voting Aye". Motion carried.
 17. Court approved Cumberland county Clerk's 2017 budget. Motion by J. V. Groce, seconded by Earl Branham, "All voting Aye" Motion carried.
 18. Court approved Cumberland co. Clerks Annual Order setting Maximum amount for deputies and assistants. Motion by Earl Branham, seconded by Edward Anderson. "All Voting Aye" Motion carried.
 19. Judge Phelps stated that the Adair Co. Attorney was preparing a contract with our fiscal court if needed. Things seem better at the shelter. The property has been appraised, and we should expect a \$1,000.00 charge for cat cages on our next invoice from the Clinton co fiscal court.
 20. Judge Phelps asks the magistrates is they wanted the 2 acres behind Ester House to be appraised, just in case anyone is interested in purchasing the property. Judge has had 3 inquires about property. Magistrate J. V. Groce stated that they should just set on it for a while, because the county may need that property at some point. Magistrate Edward Anderson stated that it would be just like other property that has been sold; we would never have anything to show for it. Magistrate Earl Branham said, if a good business comes in and wants it, then we'll talk about it. Motion to table until January meeting by Thomas Brown, seconded by Edward Anderson. "All Voting Aye" Motion carried.
 21. Judge Phelps said that he has spoken with Adair co Jailer, and he wants to raise the amount of housing prisoners to \$31.00 per day to be the same as state prisoners.
 22. Court approved to pay out of LGEA Fund \$3,500.00 after 60 days(if the repeaters work good), Motion by Edward Anderson, seconded by Thomas Brown. "All voting Aye" Motion carried.
 23. Court approved to get bailer with recycling grant, from Planet Recycling for \$17,658.00. Motion by Thomas Brown, seconded by Edward Anderson. "All Voting Aye" Motion carried.
 24. Court approved for the Judge to advertise for bids on large shedder for the recycling center. Motion to take bids by Thomas Brown, seconded by Edward Anderson. "All Voting Aye" Motion carried.
 25. Court approved cash transfer of \$45,000.00 from General fund to Jail Fund, and \$7,856.81 from General to Grant Fund Motion by Earl Branham, seconded by Thomas Brown. "All Voting Aye". Motion carried.
 26. Court approved budget transfers Motion by J. V. Groce, seconded by Edward Anderson, "All Voting Aye". Motion carried.
 27. Court approved warrants Motion by Earl Branham, seconded by J. V. Groce. "All Voting Aye" motion carried.
 28. Judge Phelps comments that the court has taken in \$4,000.00 on licenses and fees for ABC licenses, but most are for ½ year.
 29. Court approved a request from the Cumberland Co Water District to increase the pay of its treasurer and one commissioner. Motion by Thomas Brown, seconded by Edward Anderson. "All Voting Aye" Motion carried.
 30. Judge Phelps said that Nell Anderson has requested a water line extension on Goose Creek. Ms. Anderson has given Phelps a list of around six homes that would take waters meters. He will present them to the water Company.
 31. The court approved ownership of a portion of Old Hwy 61 North with a motion by Thomas Brown, seconded by Edward Anderson. "All Voting Aye" Motion carried.

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32. Court approved the discretionary road fund list and amount of \$266,499.00. Motion by Thomas Brown, seconded by J. v. Groce. "All Voting Aye" Motion carried.
33. Meeting adjourned motion by Edward Anderson, seconded by Earl Branham. "All Voting Aye" Motion carried.

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