

## **Minutes**

### **Hardin County Fiscal Court Regular Meeting**

**June 27, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.**

County Judge/Executive Keith Taul called the meeting to order and requested a roll call vote.

Answering:

Squire Fred Clem, Jr.: here; Squire Larry Hicks: here; Squire Kenny Muse: here; Squire Aaron Pennington: here; Squire Kenny Saltsman: here; Squire EG Thompson: here; Squire Patsy Whitehead: here; Squire Chris Yates: here; County Judge/Executive Keith Taul: here.

The Invocation was given by Squire EG Thompson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Squire Larry Hicks.

County Judge/Executive Keith Taul made opening comments welcoming those in attendance and previewing the agenda.

### **Approve Hardin County Fiscal Court 6.13.2023 minutes**

- a. Approve Hardin County Fiscal Court Special Called Meeting 6.20.2023 minutes
- b. Approve Hardin County Fiscal Court Special Called Meeting 6.21.2023 minutes

Motion to Approve by Squire Pennington and seconded by Squire Yates.

Voting:

Squire Fred Clem, Jr.: yes; Squire Larry Hicks: yes; Squire Kenny Muse: yes; Squire Aaron Pennington: yes; Squire Kenny Saltsman: yes; Squire EG Thompson: yes; Squire Patsy Whitehead: yes; Squire Chris Yates: yes; County Judge/Executive Keith Taul: yes.

### **Informational Items**

- a. **Executive Order No. 2023-008**, Appointment of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for Town Hall Forums.

### **Department/Office Reports**

#### **a. Presentations**

- i. Coroner - Pat Elmore
- ii. County Clerk - Brian D. Smith

#### **b. Written Reports**

- i. EMS - Mark Peterson
- ii. 911 - Mike Leo
- iii. Detention Center - Josh Lindblom
- iv. Planning - Adam King

County Judge Executive Keith Taul opened the floor for citizen comments.

Paul Fiepke of Elizabethtown spoke in favor of the zone change that would be voted on, stating that the land is well suited for industrial.

Steve Meredith of White Mills spoke in opposition to the zone change stating that his family has owned farmland in the county for over 60 years.

Hardin County Schools Superintendent Terry Morgan of Rineyville spoke in favor of the proposed zone change in the face of unprecedented growth in our community.

David Broderick of Bowling Green, an attorney representing landowners, spoke in favor of following the staff recommendation in denying the zone change request.

Ernest Hammons of Cecilia spoke of his family connection to the community as land owners. He asked that fiscal court be mindful of their decision and its impact on property values.

Jesse Turner of Elizabethtown spoke in opposition to the zone change because it didn't meet the standards under the comprehensive plan.

Christa Shouse of Rineyville spoke in favor of the zone change. She said she believes in her role with United Way that increased community giving will result and benefit their mission.

Rebecca Smith of Cecilia said she lives within one mile of the proposed zone change and spoke in opposition of the zone change.

Rick Ferrera of St. Paul, Minnesota spoke in favor of the zone change because it will lead to improved infrastructure and property rights.

Paul Brantingham of Elizabethtown spoke in opposition to the zone change. He's a member of the Lincoln Trail Home Builders Association and wants the area to remain residential.

## **Ordinances/Resolutions/Agreements**

### **a. Map Amendment Request**

**i. Resolution No. 2023-138** related to Zoning Map Amendment  
Motion to Approve by Squire Clem and seconded by Squire Hicks.

Squire Clem stated that this wasn't an easy task with hours of study and review. He said he made his decision with the best interest of the county in mind. He said the decision made by Planning and Zoning and the existing zoning were appropriate and would uphold their decision.

Squire Whitehead said that the court was tasked with reviewing the decision. She said according to the comprehensive plan, that the change wasn't appropriate.

Voting:

Squire Fred Clem, Jr.: yes; Squire Larry Hicks: yes; Squire Kenny Muse: no; Squire Aaron Pennington: no; Squire Kenny Saltsman: no; Squire EG Thompson: no; Squire Patsy Whitehead: yes; Squire Chris Yates: no; County Judge/Executive Keith Taul: yes.  
Motion did not pass.

ii. First Reading of **Ordinance No.334, Series 2023**, Amending Ordinance No. 269, Series 2009, Establishing the Zoning Map of Unincorporated Hardin County.

Motion to approve by Squire Saltsman and second by Squire Yates.

Voting:

Squire Fred Clem, Jr.: no; Squire Larry Hicks: yes; Squire Kenny Muse: yes; Squire Aaron Pennington: yes; Squire Kenny Saltsman: yes; Squire EG Thompson: yes; Squire Patsy Whitehead: no; Squire Chris Yates: yes; County Judge/Executive Keith Taul: no.

b. **Resolution No. 2023-139** related to County Administrative Code

Motion to Approve by Squire Whitehead and seconded by Squire Clem.

Voting:

Squire Fred Clem, Jr.: yes; Squire Larry Hicks: yes; Squire Kenny Muse: yes; Squire Aaron Pennington: yes; Squire Kenny Saltsman: yes; Squire EG Thompson: yes; Squire Patsy Whitehead: yes; Squire Chris Yates: yes; County Judge/Executive Keith Taul: yes.

### **Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve Treasurer's Financial Report.
- b. Approve Payrolls dated 5.09.2023, 05.12.2023, 05.26.2023 with payroll registers.
- c. Approve June Claims.
- d. Approve **Resolution No. 2023-128** related to Agreement between Hardin County and HCEC-TV for FY 2023/2024.
- e. Approve **Resolution No. 2023-129** related to Irvington Gas Company - Propane Bulk System Lease Agreement (Hardin County 911 Cell Site of 6300 Valley Creek Road, Elizabethtown).
- f. Approve **Resolution No. 2023-130** related to Irvington Gas Company - Propane Bulk System Lease Agreement (Hardin County 911 Cell Site of 1650 W. Lincoln Trail Blvd, Radcliff).
- g. Approve **Resolution No. 2023.131** related to financial transfers.
- h. Approve **Resolution No. 2023-132** related to reappointment of Robert Krausman to the Hardin County Board of Adjustments for a 4-year term beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2027.
- i. Approve **Resolution No. 2023-133** related to finance personnel.
- j. Approve **Resolution No. 2023-134** related to Buildings & Grounds personnel.
- k. Approve **Resolution No. 2023-135** related to EMS personnel.
- l. Approve **Resolution No. 2023-136** related to Finance Department Job Description Revisions.
- m. Approve **Resolution No. 2023-137** related to EMS personnel.
- n. Approve **Resolution 2023-140** related to FY 23/24 KY Dept of Agriculture Spay/Neuter Grant Application.
- o. Approve **Resolution 2023-141** related to service agreement with Park Place Technologies per Contract for IT server and service.
- p. Approve **Resources and Community Support Committee Minutes 06.22.2023**.

Motion to Approve by Squire Clem and seconded by Squire Thompson.

**Voting:**

Squire Fred Clem, Jr.: yes; Squire Larry Hicks: yes; Squire Kenny Muse: yes; Squire Aaron Pennington: yes; Squire Kenny Saltsman: yes; Squire EG Thompson: yes; Squire Patsy Whitehead: yes; Squire Chris Yates: yes; County Judge/Executive Keith Taul: yes.

**Concluding Comments were offered by:**

Squire Chris Yates congratulated North Hardin High School senior Jabari Rasheed for making his debut on the Louisville FC soccer team and scholarship to the University of Kentucky.

Squire Kenny Saltsman also congratulated Rasheed and attended the debut game.

Squire Patsy Whitehead reminded the public of the time change for the Resources and Community Support Committee.

Squire Fred Clem, Jr., reminded the public of the upcoming Finance Committee meeting. He encouraged the public to not text and drive nor drink and drive.

Squire Aaron Pennington reminded the public of the upcoming Emergency Services Committee.

Squire Larry Hicks expressed his disappointment in the vote on Resolution No. 2023-138.

Squire Kenny Muse encouraged attendance at Vine Grove's First Friday on July 7, 2023.

County Judge/Executive Taul reminded the public of the July Fiscal Court schedule and that the government building would be closed on July 4, 2023.

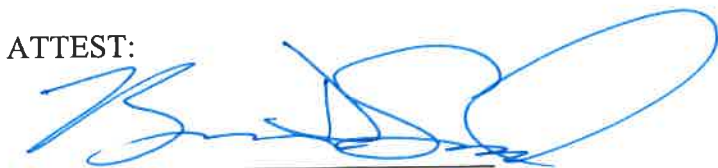
**Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn by Squire Yates and seconded by Squire Thompson. Court was adjourned without objection, County Judge/Executive Keith Taul presiding.



Keith L. Taul  
Hardin County Judge/Executive

ATTEST:



Brian D. Smith  
Hardin County Clerk