

Minutes

Hardin County Fiscal Court Regular Meeting

July 23, 2024 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 Larry Hicks.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Squire Aaron Pennington.

County Judge/Executive Keith Taul made opening comments welcoming those in attendance and previewing the agenda. Judge/Executive Keith Taul asked for a moment of silence and prayer for the remembrance of Deputy Sheriff Billy Edwards and his wife, Kathy Lynn Thompson Edwards.

Approve Hardin County Fiscal Court 7.9.2024 minutes

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

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.

Motion passed.

Department/Office Reports

a. Presentations

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

Hardin County Planning and consultants received a special merit award for Outstanding Comprehensive Plan for public outreach on their Comprehensive Development Guide 2024.

b. Written Reports

- i. Planning – Adam King
- ii. Clerk – Brian D. Smith

Citizen's Concerns or Comments

County Judge/Executive Keith Taul opened the floor for citizen comments. None were offered.

Ordinances/Resolutions/Agreements

- a. Approve Resolution No. 2024-141 related to Reappointment of Dan Feeser to the HCWD #2 Board for a term beginning July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2028

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

Voting:

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

Motion passed.

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Treasurer's Financial Report – June 2024
- b. Approve State Audit Report 2022-2023
- c. Approve Treasurer's Year-End Settlement Report Fiscal Year 2023/2024
- d. Approve June Payroll with Registers (6.7.24, 6.11.24, 6.21.24)
- e. Approve July Claims 7.23.2024, July Library Claims 7.23.2024
- f. Approve **Resolution No. 2024-142** related to Deed of Conveyance for Right-of-Way at Gilead Church Road to the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, Dept of Highways
- g. Approve **Resolution No. 2024-143** related to Road Department Personnel
- h. Approve **Resolution No. 2024-144** Kentucky Ohio River Regional Recreation Authority (KORRA)
- i. Approve **Resolution No. 2024-145** related to MOA with Transportation Cabinet to Resurface Tabbs Hollow Road
- j. Approve **Resolution No. 2024-146** related to Appointment of Whitney Taylor to the HCWD#1 Board to complete a term of July 1, 2024 to August 31, 2024 and for a four-year term beginning September 1, 2024 and ending August 31, 2028
- k. Approve **Resolution No. 2024-148** related to Finance Personnel
- l. Approve **Resolution No. 2024-149** related to 2024 KY Dept of Agriculture Spay/Neuter Grant Application
- m. Approve **Resolution No. 2024-150** related to Financial Transfers
- n. Approve **Resolution No. 2024-151** related to E-911 Copier Lease Agreement
- o. Approve **Resolution No. 2024-152** EMS Fee Schedule
- p. Approve Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes 7.10.2024
- q. Approve Emergency Services Committee Meeting Minutes 7.11.2024
- r. Approve Resources and Community Support Committee Meeting Minutes 7.15.2024
- s. Approve Finance Committee Minutes 7.16.2024

Motion to Approve by Squire Clem 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.

Motion passed.

Concluding Comments were offered by:

County Attorney – I want to express my sympathy to the family of Billy and Kathy Edwards. I started working as a prosecutor in 1997, and Billy was an undercover Drug Task Force Officer. He changed the trajectory of many people's lives and removed tons of narcotics from the streets. When we adjourn today I would ask for a motion to adjourn in honor of Billy's work and his memory.

Magistrate Yates – Reminder of Emergency Services Committee Meeting on Thursday, August 15 at 3:30 pm.

Magistrate Whitehead – I want to commend Josh and his team for the work they do at the Hardin County Fair every year. I want to thank our Sheriff's Department, our EMS, all of our first responders for the work that they do during fair week. I want to thank the fair board and the volunteers for providing another great fair for our community. I want to give a recognition to Brian Smith for winning the Chamber of Commerce Government award. Reminder of Resources and Community Support Meeting on Monday, August 19 at 3:30 pm.

Magistrate Clem – Reminder of Town Hall Forum here at 5:30 pm Tuesday, July 30. Do not drink and drive, and do not text and drive.

Magistrate Thompson – Reinforce the information that the Fourth District Highway Transportation Department will be holding that meeting for consideration of the northeast Glendale Bypass at the East Hardin Middle School on the 30th [of July] between 6 and 8 pm.

Magistrate Hicks – Reminder of the Downtown Elizabethtown Cruise-In this coming Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. They are projecting about 3,000 cars.

Magistrate Muse – Reminder that Vine Grove is having their First Friday event on August 2 at the Optimist Park. Also, the Meade County Fair is this week.

County Judge/Executive Keith Taul – Fiscal Court Meeting is Tuesday, August 13, 2024 at 3:30 pm. Also, this Saturday is a free concert at Fort Knox at 6 pm. It is the Lt. Dan Band benefitting the Gary Sinise Foundation.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Squire Clem in honor of Deputy Sheriff Billy Edwards 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
CLERK, HARDIN COUNTY FISCAL COURT