

Minutes
Hardin County Fiscal Court Regular Meeting
August 27, 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 Kenny Muse.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Squire Chris Yates.

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

Approve Hardin County Fiscal Court 8.13.2024 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.

Informational Items

a. Hardin County Farm Bureau Donation Check for Large Animal Disposal – Jason Buckles

b. Property Tax Rates

i. Hardin County Soil Conservation – Vincent Thompson

ii. Lincoln Trail District Health Department – Melissa Phillips

- Minutes Signed

- Tax Rate

iii. Judge Executive proposed tax rate presentation

County Judge/Executive Keith Taul gave a detailed presentation about the 2024 County Property Tax Rates and its impact on the budget.

Public Hearing on 2024 County Property Tax Rates – Conducted by Jenny Oldham, County Attorney. Members of the public were offered the opportunity to comment, but none did.

Department/Office Reports

a. Presentations

i. Coroner – Pat Elmore

ii. Sheriff – John Ward & Teri Bennett

iii. Clerk – Brian D. Smith

b. Written Reports

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

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 2024-173** related to 2024 Property Tax Rates.

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

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.

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve **Treasurer's Financial Report – July 2024.**
- b. Approve **July Payroll with Registers (7.5.24, 7.9.24, 7.19.24).**
- c. Approve **August Claims 8.27.2024.**
- d. Approve **Resolution 2024-167** related to EMS Personnel.
- e. Approve **Resolution 2024-168** related to Finance Personnel.
- f. Approve **Resolution 2024-169** related to Road Personnel.
- g. Approve **Resolution 2024-171** related to E-911 Personnel.
- h. Approve **Resolution 2024-172** related to appointing Viewers for a Road Closing - Portion of Christine Way (undeveloped 60' right right-of-way for Future Street) in Concord Heights, Section 1, Elizabethtown, KY.
- i. Approve **Resolution 2024-174** related to Bid for Online Auction Services for the Surplus Equipment, Vehicles & Other Items.
- j. Approve **Resolution 2024-175** related to Bid for HVAC Replacement at EMS Station #1.
- k. Approve **Resolution 2024-176** related to acknowledge no bids received for the sale of a Surplus 2016 Chevrolet Van Cab & Chassis.
- l. Approve **Resolution 2024-177** related to Financial Transfers.
- m. Approve **Resolution 2024-178** related to Coroner Personnel.
- n. Approve **Resolution 2024-179** related to contract with KY Dept of Transportation CB06 Flex Fund agreement \$383,247 Resurfacing on New Salem Church Road.
- o. Approve **Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes 8.14.2024.**
- p. Approve **Emergency Services Committee Meeting Minutes 8.15.2024.**
- q. Approve **Resources & Community Support Committee Meeting Minutes 8.19.2024.**
- r. Approve **Finance Committee Meeting Minutes 8.20.2024.**

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.

Concluding Comments:

County Attorney Jenny Oldham thanked Fiscal Court providing the funding for security in her office. During a recent incident, Sheriff's Deputy Hawkins was able to secure the staff of the County Attorney's Office and render aid to the victims. Judge Taul interjected to congratulate Attorney Oldham on being named the 2024 Outstanding County Attorney of the Year by the Attorney General's Office.

Squire Yates invited the public to the next meeting of the Emergency Services Committee.

Squire Saltsman added his congratulations to County Attorney Oldham. He also recognized Squire Pennington and Clerk Smith for participating in Skydive for Change by raising money and skydiving for United Way of Central Kentucky.

Squire Whitehead also congratulated Pennington and Smith. She added her accolades to those given to County Attorney Oldham stating that Hardin County was blessed to have her. Squire Whitehead also invited the public to the next meeting of the Resources and Community Support Meeting.

Squire Clem invited the public to attend the next meeting of the Finance Committee. He also reminded the public to not drink and drive nor text and drive.

Squire Pennington congratulated Justin Blair on his new position with the Coroner's Office.

Squire Thompson wanted to emphasize the quality of our County Attorney and how proud he is to be associated with her.

Squire Muse invited the public to the next meeting of the Public Works Committee.

Judge/Executive Taul invited the public to the next Fiscal Court meeting.

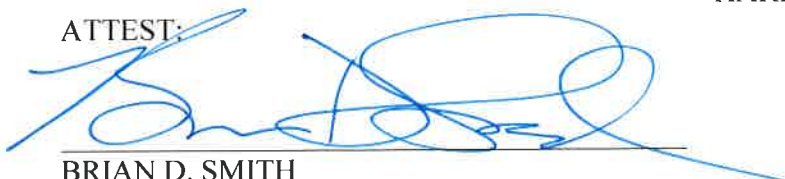
Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Yates and seconded by Squire Whitehead. 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