

Regular Term, Tuesday Day, 3rd Day of September 20 24

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At a regular meeting of the Simpson County Fiscal Court held in the Courtroom of the Simpson County Historic Courthouse, Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 8:30 AM

Present: Honorable Mason Barnes, Judge/Executive
Honorable Jeffrey Burr, West Magistrate
Honorable Marty Chandler, East Magistrate
Honorable Scott Poston, North Magistrate
Honorable Myron Thurman, South Magistrate
Honorable Sam Phillips, County Attorney
Nicole Law, Treasurer
Pam Rohrs, Fiscal Court Clerk

County Judge Executive Mason Barnes called the fiscal court meeting to order and led in prayer followed by the pledge to the American flag.

Motion by Chandler Second by Thurman Yes-All
Accept and approve the 2023 County Tax Settlement of just over \$1.8 million reflecting approximately 98% collection as presented by Jada Freeman, Simpson County Sheriff's Administrative Executive Assistant and authorize signature of County Judge Executive on any necessary documents associated with this presentation.

Attorney Amanda East accompanied by her client, Jeff Collins, owner of L&W Properties, General Partnership, addressed Fiscal Court regarding a rezone request of 10.393 acres of land located along Witt Road (KY-2593) and Cal Harris Road (CR-1209) in Simpson County from Agricultural (AG) to Heavy Industrial (I-2). It was noted that this parcel is adjacent to Mr. Collins's property in Tennessee. This rezone request had initially been presented at the July 16, 2024 Fiscal Court meeting but was withdrawn for vote at that time due to water retention concerns in that area by some magistrates until Fiscal Court had the opportunity to review the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and Approval and Recommendation of Zone Change by Franklin-Simpson County Planning & Zoning Commission hearing which had recommended this zone change following the June 4th Planning & Zoning Commission hearing. Following that opportunity for Fiscal Court to consider that information, Ordinance No. 920.125 was then presented for first reading at the August 6, 2024 Fiscal Court meeting but was denied a first reading following a motion by Magistrate Chandler and second by Judge Executive Barnes with no votes cast by Magistrates Burr, Poston and Thurman at that Simpson County Fiscal Court meeting. According to this discussion, concerns had grown following a marketing rendering creating a mistaken perception of the development plan. After this point was made and this discussion concluded, Fiscal Court then proceeded with a vote to consider this rezone request.

Motion by Thurman Second by Poston Yes-Thurman, Poston, Burr, Chandler & Barnes
Approve first reading of Zone Change Ordinance No. 920.125 relating to a zoning map amendment pertaining to 10.393 acres of land located along Witt Road (KY-2593) and Cal Harris Road (CR-1209) in Simpson County which is to be rezoned from AG (Agricultural) to I-2 (Heavy Industrial) as requested by L&W Properties, GP pursuant to the recommendation of the Franklin-Simpson Planning & Zoning Commission after a public hearing on June 4, 2024.

Motion Burr Second by Poston Yes-All
Acknowledge receipt of the 2024 Simpson County Extension District Board's compensating tax rates of Real Property at 1.6, Personal Property at 2.59 and Motor Vehicle at 2.0.

Motion by Chandler Second by Thurman Yes-Chandler, Burr, Thurman & Barnes Abstain-Poston
Approve minutes of the August 20th regular fiscal court meeting.

Motion by Chandler Second by Burr Yes-Chandler, Burr, Poston, Thurman & Barnes
Approve second reading and final passage of FY24/25 Budget Ordinance No. 220.258, Amendment No.1 in the amount of \$271,257.60.

Motion by Thurman Second by Chandler Yes-All
Approve Resolution No. 2024-09-03EMP-FSFR addressing hourly pay increases, effective August 25, 2024, for Luke Adams and Mason Miller due to their level 2 swift-water training certification.

Motion by Chandler Second by Poston Yes-All
Approve the reappointment of Bobby Groves to a three-year term as a county appointee to the Franklin-Simpson Inspector Appeals Board from September 1, 2024 - August 31, 2027, following his one-year appointment when the board was established September 5, 2023.

Motion by Burr Second by Chandler Yes-All
Approve Resolution No. 2024-09-03RBG Drainage and enter into Agreement with Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Department of Rural and Municipal Aid for FY25 80/20 Bridge Fund of \$80,000 for Drainage Structure Replacement on Robey-Bethel Grove Road (CR-1300) authorizing signature of Judge Executive Barnes as needed and authorize advertising for bids for this replacement.

Motion by Poston Second by Burr Yes-All
Approve budget transfers.
\$15,256.63 01-5081-521 (JC P/C&L Insurance) from 01-9100-521(P/C&L Insurance)
\$9,000.00 02-6105-592 (truck maint/rep) from 02-6105-723B (vehicles pickups)
\$4,000.00 01-5015-573 (telephone) from 01-5015-319 (software)

Motion by Poston Second by Thurman Yes-All
Approve cash transfer of \$9,880.59 from Federal Grant Fund (HIDTA) to General Fund.

Motion by Thurman Second by Burr Yes-All
Approve bills and claims as presented.

Aaron and Jordan Talley	01-5070-567	182.23
Alpha Pest Management	01-5120-334A	155.00
Alpha Pest Management	01-5120-334B	50.00
Alpha Pest Management	01-5120-586	80.00
APB Consulting	03-5101-411	480.00
ASHI	01-5015-569	184.56
AT&T Mobility	01-5115-573	132.05
AT&T Mobility	01-9100-573	39.82
AT&T Mobility	01-5120-573	50.13
AT&T Mobility	01-5091-573	50.13
AT&T Mobility	01-5015-573	1599.10
AT&T Mobility	01-5135-573	89.95
AT&T Mobility	02-6005-573	39.82
Amazon Capital	03-5101-334	115.99
Amazon Capital	01-5001-445	93.82
Amazon Capital	01-5160-435	40.48
Amazon Capital	01-5135-703A	139.98
Amazon Capital	01-5160-445A	189.93
Amazon Capital	01-5135-592	186.99

ORDERS

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Anderson Manufacturing	01-5015-562	850.00
April Pearson	01-5070-348	794.00
Atmos Energy	01-5020-578	68.66
Atmos Energy	01-5120-578B	68.66
Austin Johnson	01-5010-576	333.23
Barren County Business	01-5010-445	18.46
Bowen Tire	02-6105-479	62.50
Cincinnati Life Insurance	Payroll	332.47
Cintas	02-6105-447	53.37
City of Franklin	01-5020-578	44.85
CLM Port A Potty	01-5085-334	105.00
Colonial Life Insurance	Payroll	5781.49
Crocker & Crocker	01-5070-567	138.55
Department of Revenue	Payroll	190.47
Diamond Screw	02-6105-588	31.35
Division of Child Support	Payroll	161.54
Dylan Wallace	01-5120-574	90.62
Eaton Collision	01-5015-340	3174.43
Econo Signs	02-6105-469	3034.02
Electric Plant Board	01-5160-578	310.83
Electronic Lighting Technologies	01-5015-340	220.00
Embry's Garage	01-5120-336	5696.52
Fire & Specialty Equipment	01-5120-336	212.92
Franklin Simpson Industrial Authority	01-5075-348	194523.77
Gall's	01-5015-481	655.49
Glasgow HVAC	01-5081-334A	280.00
Global Dust Control	01-5010-411	52.50
Global Dust Control	01-5081-411A	47.50
Global Dust Control	01-5081-411B	15.50
Global Dust Control	01-5080-411	174.30
Grainger	03-5101-334	203.76
Hagen & Stone	02-6105-447	447.25
Hagen & Stone	02-6105-457	1185.00
Hardtime Products	03-5101-411	222.40
Heidelberg Materials	04-6105-409	2066.63
Hillcrest Credit Agency	03-5101-315	13.60
Holiday Inn Owensboro	01-5135-569	462.87
Human Rights Commission	01-5340-507	6000.00
IRS	Payroll	62879.96
Jack's Mowing	01-5081-742	225.00
KACo Benefits Group	Payroll	66819.93
Keilwell Food Management	03-5101-425	23985.49
Kentucky Deferred Compensation	Payroll	7720.00
Kentucky Emergency Services Conference	01-5135-569	500.00
Kenway	03-5101-411	3268.97
Leach & Cummins	01-5301-332	326.00
Lekesha Matthews	01-5070-567	153.23
Mark's Plumbing	03-5101-334	551.48
Marsh USA LLC	01-9100-521	46245.10
Michigan State Disbursement Unit	Payroll	262.76
Mission Communications	01-5081-334A	347.40
National Pen Co	01-5015-445	1800.90
Never Enough Custom	01-5015-340	120.00
Nixon Power Services	03-5101-334	4488.76
Oaktree Awards	01-5015-445	28.00
Pitney Bowes Global Financial	01-5001-445	164.55
Pitney Bowes Global Financial	01-5015-445	171.99
PTS of America	01-5015-577	4355.00
Quality Car Care	01-5120-446	100.00
Quill	01-5001-445	77.98
Robert Y Link	01-5070-332	1417.50
Simpson Co Employee Benefits Acct	Payroll	3026.34
Simpson Co Gross Payroll - General	Payroll	230055.96
Simpson Co Gross Payroll - Road	Payroll	23987.77
Simpson Co Gross Payroll - Jail	Payroll	134524.72
Simpson County Sheriff	01-5115-723	27000.00
Simpson County Tire	01-5015-340	273.92
Simpson County Tire	01-5160-340	149.24
Simpson County Water District	01-5120-578C	78.88
South Central KY Drug Task Force	01-5160-548	5000.00
Tennessee Child Support	Payroll	470.30
The Fix it Foundation	01-5205-403	1180.17
Traugher Mechanical	02-6105-447	210.06
Truck Tops Etc	01-5015-340	1000.00
Turney's Heating & Cooling	01-5080-334	270.00
US Bank Equipment Finance	01-5070-564	126.38
Valley Ridge Concrete	02-8003-730B	2640.00
Verizon	01-5160-578	653.14
Vestis	03-5101-334	84.05

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Wal-Mart	01-5120-446	230.49
West Payment Center	01-5015-445	274.16
Wex Bank	01-5015-429	6228.33
Wex Bank	01-5135-429	169.74
Wex Bank	01-5080-429	26.66
Wex Bank	01-5020-429	28.11
Wex Bank	01-5115-429	255.27
Wex Bank	01-5160-429	604.04
Wex Bank	02-6105-455	3449.23
Wex Bank	03-5101-429	2265.97
Wholesale Supply	01-5080-431	219.74
Wholesale Supply	01-5081-742	410.35
William W Lawrence, Trustee	Payroll	1312.00
Windoware Inc	01-5085-334	14724.00
WRECC	01-5120-578C	85.36
WRECC	01-9100-578	161.10
Yokely Machine	02-6105-588	445.30
Yokely Machine	02-8003-730B	412.08

Judge Barnes reported that FY23 audit report is on the portal for review. It was a good audit but with the usual segregation of duties comments when the number of staff members can never seem to satisfy the auditors' standard. County Clerk Building Design Team and Sunbelt Construction met with county officials last week to discuss the beginning of the County Clerk/PVA building construction. It was reported that the electrical main distribution panel has a 35-week lead time. That is what can hold up progress the most but does not necessarily have to go in until later in the construction. This panel is to be ordered. The bar joist and deck are about a three-month lead time. Ground-breaking is projected to take place in mid to late October. Judge Barnes reminded folks that the annual Franklin car show is scheduled for Saturday, September 21st.

A special-called fiscal court meeting will be held Monday, September 9 at 8:30 AM to consider bids which are due by September 6th for the Neely Road culvert replacement and award the bid for this project. Neely Road had to be closed due to it collapsing at the culvert.

Magistrate Chandler commended the Public Works Department for their response in removing a tree from across a road when he'd received a call from a constituent. He also recognized and thanked F-S Fire Rescue for about a 14-hour day recently on the scene of a grain dryer fire at the elevator near the intersection of East Washington and Railroad streets. Chief Leslie Goodrum expressed appreciation to all county and city departments that help by blocking streets and keeping firefighters hydrated as they remained on scene throughout the 100-degree day along with EMS on standby for rehab for firefighters. Auburn Fire Department brought their 105-foot aerial which was helpful to have the greater extension beyond F-S Fire Rescue's 75-foot aerial truck. Judge Barnes passed along a message of appreciation from grain elevator owner, Randy Mann. Magistrate Chandler encouraged the jailer and emergency management to have an emergency evacuation plan for the jail particularly considering this recent event.

Regarding the dry conditions, while a burn ban has not been imposed at this time, Chief Goodrum encouraged citizens to use extreme caution, inform Dispatch at 270.782.2010 if you plan to burn, stay with the burn, have a water source or a means of extinguishing a fire, burn only natural vegetation and if burning within the city limits, call Fire Department at 270.586.7174 for a burn permit.

Motion by Poston Second by Chandler Yes-All
Authorize advertising for bids for the Robey-Bethel Grove Road (CR-1300) drainage structure replacement with bids due by 10:00 AM Friday, September 27, 2024.

Motion by Chandler Second by Burr Yes-All
Go into Executive Session pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1) (c) discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency (f) discussions which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee. (9:25 AM)

Motion by Chandler Second by Burr Yes-All
Come out of closed session. (10:00 AM)

Motion by Chandler Second by Poston Yes-All
Approve Resolution No. 2024-09-03EMP-MAINT to hire Paul Kelley as Simpson County Facilities Maintenance Supervisor effective September 18, 2024.

Motion by Burr Second by Poston Yes-All
Adjourn. (10:00 AM)


COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE

See Attachment File September 3, 2024