

ORDERS

Regular Term, Tuesday Day, 5th Day of November 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, November 5, 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
Sydney Downey, Fiscal Court Clerk

County Judge Executive Mason Barnes called the fiscal court meeting to order with prayer, followed by the pledge to the American flag.

Kim Roberts, the director of Franklin Simpson Renaissance thanked the Fiscal Court for allowing them to proceed with the permanent lighting system at the courthouse. For the first time in over fifteen years the courthouse will shine brighter than it's ever been this Christmas. The official lighting ceremony will be held at Small Town Christmas, December 7th around 6:30 p.m. after the parade. Roberts let Fiscal Court, and the public know that the project was funded by Renaissance at no cost to the community, and thanked Thurman Electric for donating their time with the project. Renaissance will maintain the lights and determine the holidays and events they will light courthouse. Holidays that have been designated right now and have been written into their bylaws are as follows: Christmas, Valentines Day, Easter, Independence Day, Summer Vibes Music Fest, Homecoming, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Boo Fest, Halloween, and Veterans Day. It was stated the only people that have access to lights are the Renaissance Director, President of the Renaissance Board, and a few workers with Thurman Electric to help with potential troubleshooting issues. Lights can only be operated using an iPhone device or manually unplugging cords.

Thurman showed the court the lightbulbs used over the years to light the courthouse, with the oldest dating back to the 50's/60's. He stated he would be taking the bulbs to the Historic Center to be displayed for everyone who is interested in how the bulbs used for Christmas have evolved over the years.

Motion by Chandler Second by Poston Yes-All
Appoint Sydney Downey as Fiscal Court Clerk

Motion by Burr Second by Thurman Yes-All
Approve the minutes of the October 15th regular fiscal court meeting.

Motion by Chandler Second by Thurman Yes-All
Approve updated Estoppel Agreement, a legal document ensuring that a TIF District will never be implemented within the 450-acre Henderson Industrial Park and authorize the signature of Judge Executive Barnes with this document also requiring the signature of Mayor Larry Dixon. After the last Fiscal Court meeting, they wanted to add the words: together with its affiliates, successors and assigns. County Attorney Sam Phillips suggested approval was necessary due to some language change. The agreement remains the same, just clarifies who it applies to.

Motion by Thurman Second by Burr Yes-All
Approve Engineering Agreement for County Clerk/PVA Building and authorize the County Judge to sign off on it. The county will have to pay for costs outside of the contract due to the need of soil, materials, footers, concrete, steel, and other areas that need to be tested by a licensed professional engineer. The construction company cannot call the engineer, the court must approve the engineer and give them the authority to do the testing. ACES submitted a quote and has done many projects for the county with the lowest and best bid.

Motion by Poston Second by Thurman Yes-Poston, Thurman, Burr, Chandler, & Barnes
Approve first reading Ordinance No. 530.62 Cedar Bluff Rd to reduce the speed limit to forty-five miles per hour.

Motion by Thurman Second by Poston Yes-All
Add additional items for Surplus Auction list: Jail 2014 TX Gator (1M04X2XDLEM091426), Sheriff unit 1 2011 Dodge Ram Pickup with 120,000 miles, Sheriff unit 18 2016 Dodge Ram Pickup with 123,000 miles, and Sheriff unit 19 2017 Dodge Pickup with 113,414 miles.

Motion by Burr Second by Chandler Yes-All
Approve authorization for the sheriff to explore avenues to sell surplus cages and lights for specific vehicles no longer being used by the sheriff department.

Motion by Thurman Second by Poston Yes-All
Approve Employee Resolution No. 2024-11-05FSFR authorizing temporary firefighters at an hourly pay rate, effective November 5, 2024, through June 30, 2025.

Motion by Chandler Second by Thurman Yes-All
Approve Employee Resolution No. 2024-11-05EMP-Admin1, authorizing a merit pay increase effective October 25, 2024.

Motion by Poston Second by Chandler Yes-All
Approve Employee Resolution No. 2024-11-05EMP-Admin2, authorizing a merit pay increase effective October 25, 2024.

Motion by Thurman Second by Burr Yes-All
Approve Employee Resolution No. 2024-11-05EMP-Admin3, authorizing the hiring of an Administrative Assistance in the County Judge Executive's office, with an effective start date of November 18, 2024.

Motion by Poston Second by Chandler Yes-All
Approve budget transfer.
\$107.30 01-5010-336 (county clerk equipment maint /rep) from 01-5010-368 (county clerk tax bill preparation)

Motion by Burr Second by Chandler Yes-All
Approve cash transfer of \$4,739.78 from Federal Frant Fund to General Fund.

Motion by Chandler Second by Poston Yes-All
Approve bills and claims as presented.

AT&T Mobility	01-5115-573	50.17
AT&T Mobility	01-9100-573	132.05
AT&T Mobility	01-5120-573	39.82
AT&T Mobility	01-5091-573	50.17
AT&T Mobility	02-6005-573	39.82
AT&T Mobility	01-5135-573	89.99
AT&T Mobility	01-5015-573	1623.51
Active 911	01-5120-703	330.75
Alpha Pest Management	01-5120-334A	155.00

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Alpha Pest Management	01-5120-334B	50.00
Alpha Pest Management	01-5120-586	80.00
Amazon Capital	03-5101-703	24.59
Amazon Capital	01-5085-725	199.99
Amazon Capital	01-5070-445	53.56
Amazon Capital	01-5080-447	16.62
Amazon Capital	03-5101-334	199.94
April Pearson	01-5070-348	556.00
Atmos Energy	01-5120-578B	69.90
Atmos Energy	01-5020-578	68.66
Atmos Energy	03-5101-578	770.82
Austin Johnson	01-5010-576	18.06
Barren County Business	01-5010-445	212.36
Barren County Business	01-5010-411	2.50
Bowling Green Hydraulics	02-6105-588	721.74
Brandon Hulse	03-5101-429	48.80
Brent Deweese	03-9100-569	1660.30
Brittany Atkins	01-5010-411	30.00
CED	03-5101-334	150.90
Chad Moody	01-5015-340	53.95
Cincinnati Life Insurance	Payroll	332.47
Cintas	02-6105-447	61.82
City of Franklin	Payroll	11574.06
City of Franklin	01-5205-578	128.17
City of Franklin	01-9100-578	27.29
City of Franklin	02-6005-578	34.67
City of Franklin	01-5020-578	44.85
CLM Port A Potty	01-5085-334	105.00
Colonial Life Insurance	Payroll	5665.34
Comprehensive Correctional Care	03-9100-569	169.77
Department of Revenue	Payroll	190.47
Dezign LLC	01-5070-319	700.00
Division of Child Support	Payroll	69.23
Eaton Towing	01-5015-340	360.00
Electric Plant Board	01-5010-578	833.99
Electric Plant Board	01-5081-578A	3497.78
Electric Plant Board	01-5081-578B	199.30
Electric Plant Board	01-9100-578	1534.44
Electric Plant Board	01-5120-578A	761.29
Electric Plant Board	01-5120-578B	105.47
Electric Plant Board	01-5205-578	419.86
Electric Plant Board	01-5160-578	219.43
Electric Plant Board	75-5145-578	194.80
Electric Plant Board	02-6005-578	146.73
Electric Plant Board	03-5101-578	7511.28
Electric Plant Board	01-5020-578	124.28
Estep Window Cleaning	01-5010-411	75.00
Evapar	01-5080-334	600.00
F-S Renaissance	01-5435-348	3750.00
Gall's	01-5015-435	596.69
Gall's	01-5015-481	1041.89
Gerald Printing	01-5120-481	287.40
Global Dust Control	01-5080-411	174.30
Global Dust Control	01-5010-411	52.50
Global Dust Control	01-5081-411A	47.50
Global Dust Control	01-5081-411B	15.50
Greene Military	01-5015-481	1614.00
Government Utilities Tech Service	01-5010-368	3857.30
Government Utilities Tech Service	01-5015-563	753.56
Gragg Johnson	03-5101-576	15.00
Greenleaf Environmental	01-5020-308	32.08
Harp Enterprises	01-5065-565	534.00
Hill Manufacturing	03-5101-411	214.23
HM US Services LLC	02-6105-409	5611.70
Hunt Ford	01-5015-340	168.00
IRS	Payroll	59182.63
Jack Bottom Mowing	01-5081-742	300.00
Jones Partners LLC	01-5070-567	20.23
KACo Benefits Group	Payroll	64414.33
KACo Workers Compensation	01-5015-209A	3854.00
KACo Workers Compensation	01-5015-209B	5067.00
KACo Workers Compensation	01-5115-209	150.00
KACo Workers Compensation	01-5120-209	5979.00
KACo Workers Compensation	02-9400-209	822.00
Kayleigh Higdon	01-5010-411	30.00
Kelwell Food Management	03-5101-425	24141.60
Kentucky Assoc of Chiefs of Police	01-5160-551	100.00

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Kentucky Deferred Compensation	Payroll	7910.00
Kentucky Firefighters Association	01-5120-574	100.00
Kentucky Retirement Systems	Payroll	120823.63
Kentucky Retirement Systems	01-5015-205	949.04
Kentucky Retirement Systems	03-9400-202	59.13
Kentucky Revenue	Payroll	8033.13
Kentucky State Treasurer	01-5120-513	293.00
Kenway	03-5101-411	4136.26
Kevin Gilbert	01-5020-576	108.90
Kyle Hinton	01-5120-574	75.33
Lacy Utley	01-5010-411	30.00
Laser Copy Technologies	01-5160-564	220.00
Lee's Mowers	02-6105-479	490.00
Leslie Goodrum	01-5120-336	73.85
Leslie Goodrum	01-5120-334A	12.83
Leslie Goodrum	01-5120-481	162.37
Lowe's	03-5101-334	512.61
Mac's Restaurant	03-5101-336	106.37
Marco Technologies	01-5015-564	97.63
Marco Technologies	01-5120-588A	32.00
Marco Technologies	01-5001-564	107.31
Marco Technologies	03-5101-564	8.05
Marla Fuller	01-5010-411	30.00
Matt Freeman	01-5015-435	20.00
McKinley Willis	01-5010-411	15.00
Megan Smith	01-5010-411	30.00
Michael Peters	03-5101-576	50.48
Napa Auto	01-5015-340	230.64
Nelson Slaughter	01-5120-595	31.79
PTS of America	01-5015-577	4075.50
Patrick Crafton	01-5020-569	217.80
Patrick Crafton	01-5020-576	108.90
Pitney Bowes Global Financial	01-5010-445	165.33
Pitney Bowes Purchase Power	01-5010-563	1015.00
Postmaster	01-5070-563	58.08
Premier Truck Service	01-5120-336	5119.45
PTS of America	01-5015-577	4075.50
Pye Barker	03-5101-334	175.00
Quality Care Products	01-5120-446	89.00
Robert Y Link, Attn	01-5070-332	945.00
Rubber & Gasket	02-6105-588	148.55
Sarah Tuck	01-5070-567	53.07
Scotty's Contracting & Stone	02-6105-446	884.86
Service Auto	01-5160-340	57.94
Simply Secured	01-5080-334	16210.00
Simpson Co Employee Benefit Acct	Payroll	33177.64
Simpson Co Gross Payroll - General	Payroll	243471.90
Simpson Co Gross Payroll - Road	Payroll	26802.43
Simpson Co Gross Payroll - Jail	Payroll	129873.65
Simpson County Board of Education	01-5076-596	100000.00
Simpson County Tax Administrator	Payroll	15333.39
Simpson County Tire	01-5135-592	446.31
Simpson County Water District	01-5120-578C	118.32
South Central Ky Firefighters Assoc	01-5120-574	200.00
Southern States	01-5080-408	894.00
Staples Business	01-5080-445	222.10
Stonies Auto LLC	01-5015-340	801.00
Tammy McMillin	01-5010-411	30.00
Tekisha Hogan	03-5101-576	43.24
Tennessee Child Support	Payroll	470.30
Tracking Solutions	03-5101-398	1605.00
Traughber Mechanical	01-5120-336	562.65
Tri State International	02-6105-592	435.99
Turney's Heating & Cooling	03-5101-334	280.00
US Bank St Paul	01-7100-607	39885.00
Underground Vault & Storage	01-5160-445A	30.00
Underground Vault & Storage	03-5101-445	32.00
United Tactical Systems LLC	03-9100-569	1647.00
Verizon	01-5080-573	41.47
Verizon	02-6005-573	95.04
Vestis	03-5101-334	84.05
VF Imagewear	01-5080-481	64.29
Vital Signs	01-5120-336	975.00
Vital Signs	01-5070-348	40.00
Wal-Mart	01-5120-446	185.52
Wal-Mart	01-5015-445	181.49
Waterman Building Services	01-5080-334	417.00

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Waterman Building Services	01-5085-334	288.00
West Payment Center	01-5015-445	307.06
Wex Bank	01-5015-429	5631.78
Wex Bank	01-5135-429	97.34
Wex Bank	01-5080-429	25.17
Wex Bank	01-5115-429	295.11
Wex Bank	01-5160-429	519.29
Wex Bank	02-6105-455	3415.32
Wex Bank	03-5101-429	1833.40
Wholesale Supply	01-5010-334	16.71
Wholesale Supply	01-5080-334	35.23
Wicked Wrench	02-6105-592	929.98
William W Lawrence, Trustee	Payroll	1312.00
WRECC	01-5120-578C	129.19
WRECC	01-9100-578	127.82
Wright Implement	02-6105-588	431.48

County Clerk Austin Johnson couldn't give a report due to Election Day, but shared with Judge Barnes during the three day early voting opportunity 3,662 people exercised their right to vote and expected a good turnout for Election Day as well. It was stated you had until 6:00 p.m. that evening to vote and could do so at any of the participating locations: First United Methodist Church, Ag Building, Salmons General Baptist Church, Simpson Elementary, and Zion Lutheran Church.

Construction on the County Clerk & PVA Office has begun, targeted completion date is July 2025.

Judge Barnes discussed the authorization of the purchase of a new camera system around the square. They have already been installed and caught the children who vandalized the Renaissance fall pumpkin display. Judge Barnes made the public aware that the cameras are in multiple angles of the courthouse and picture quality is very clear.

Motion by Chandler Second by Thurman Yes-All
 Authorize the court to purchase a microchip reader box up to \$1,000 for the animal shelter, to be located at the Sheriff's Office. Ruth Garriott expressed to Judge Barnes, residents would be able to take a lost animal to the box to check if it is microchipped and who they belong to; without having to call the shelter or animal control as often.

Magistrate Myron Thurman thanked the Fire Department for helping to water the track for the FFA benefit tractor pull and encouraged everyone to go vote.

Magistrate Jeffery Burr informed the public the elevator at the Goodnight Library is currently out of service, staff will assist anyone that needs anything from upper levels that are unable to take the stairs. The elevator will not be back in service in time for the Lion King Jr. Musical. Work on the elevator is projected to start in the new year. Burr also thanked the Fire Chief Leslie Goodrum for their response time to calls they have received from farmers about field and combine fires during the drier weather.

Magistrate Marty Chandler asked for an update on the status of the Sheriff's Office new radios. OEM Director Robert Palmer stated that the city police received theirs last Friday, sheriff office should get new portables today, if not by the end of the week. It was also stated that for over a year now when they get a new vehicle, they have been putting the new radios in as well. The state is still in the process of getting region 1 setup, causing delays in other regions due to additional equipment that wasn't planned and who is going to maintain it. Palmer told Magistrate Chandler he can give him contact information for his connection at Motorola and state police. Judge Barnes suggested Palmer reach out to KSP and expressed the court would like for them to come and discuss the hold up to everyone at our November 19th meeting.

Chandler also expressed discussions have taken place about the speed limit on Gold City Road. Suggestions for cutting a hill down or putting up speed limit signs have been made aware at the state level and could take two to three years for something to be decided. He does want the community to be aware that the speed limit is 55 miles per hour, regardless of no sign being posted.

Public Works Director Bobby Groves reported that the company that is wanting to put fiber line down I-65 are requesting permits to go under county roads. He and the county Attorney Sam Phillips discussed it briefly but now the company is wanting to put their bid out in December and is currently working on a package for it. Groves reached out to Warren County to see how they handle their permits. In response, they told him they ask for the plans, the process they are going to go through, and require some type of guaranteed letter that they will repair any damage they cause. Warren County doesn't require a bond, unlike Simpson County. Groves suggest letting them know if they fill out a permit that whoever is awarded the contract must come to fiscal court or send some type of notice detailing the project, regarding traffic control, plans, and repairing any damage to the original condition. Phillips requested to reach back out to Warren County and get a copy of their requirements.

Building Inspector Jonathon Chandler reported he has sent demolition orders to two properties. If the property owners do not take care of it, by ordinance and international property maintenance code they can have those properties destroyed at the expense of the county or hiring someone else to do it. The deadline for the property owners to act is quickly approaching and then it's in the hands of the court to file a lien. Chandler goes in front of the code enforcement board November 19th and will present everything to them. The court will have to decide if they want the Public Works department to handle it or hire an outside entity. He also stated that these properties are burned out structures that are past repairing. Chandler agreed that he doesn't mind coming to the court first before he proceeds with any demolition to county property, he doesn't go out looking for these properties until he gets a complaint.

Maintenance Facilities Manager Paul Kelley informed the court when Thurman Electric was working on the lights, they noticed the weathervane was sagging and the wood that was holding it up had rotten. Randy Yokley is replacing the old rotten wood with a metal structure that will last for years and lift it higher some.

Motion by Chandler Second by Burr Yes-All
 Go into Executive Session pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1) (g) discussions between a public agency and a representative of a business entity and discussions concerning a specific proposal, if open discussions would jeopardize the siting, retention, expansion, or upgrading of the business. (9:08 AM)

Motion by Chandler Second by Burr Yes-All
 Come out of closed session. (10:15 AM)

Motion by Chandler Second by Burr Yes-All
 Adjourn. (10:15 AM)