Lewis County Fiscal Court Regular Meeting July 14, 2025

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE LEWIS COUNTY FISCAL COURT, HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN VANCEBURG, KENTUCKY WITH THE HONORABLE GEORGE SPARKS PRESIDING AND WITH THE FOLLOWING MAGISTRATES IN ATTENDANCE: ESQ. JOHNNY OSBORNE, ESQ. JOEY MCCANN AND ESQ. WOODY UNDERWOOD, ESQ. MARK HORSLEY.

Johnny Bivens, Lewis County Sheriff, called the meeting to order.

Kevin Cornette offered a prayer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by County Judge Executive George Sparks.

The roll was called with all members were present.

On a motion made by Joey McCann duly seconded by Johnny Osborne with all members voting yes to approve the minutes of the **June 9**, **2025**, Regular Fiscal Court Meeting.

On a motion made by Mark Horsley duly seconded by Woody Underwood with all members voting yes to approve the minutes of the **June 25, 2025**, Special Fiscal Court Meeting.

RESPONSE FROM THE PUBLIC

NONE

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

On a motion made by Mark Horsley duly seconded by Judge Executive George Sparks with all members voting yes to accept the lowest bid for **Utility and Environmental Concepts** for the Camp Dix VFD Renovation Project that were submitted to Buffalo Trace Area Development. This grant is pass-thru only. Bids Following:

Utility and Environmental Concepts LLC \$1,100,000.00 CRP Construction LLC \$1,505,342.00

On a motion made by Mark Horsley duly seconded by Woody Underwood will all members voting yes to approve to Solicit and Procure an engineer for the **ARC Port Planning Project.**

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Joey McCann will all members voting yes to approve Judge Executive George Sparks entering into agreement on behalf of the County for land options for the **ARC Port Planning Project.**

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Mark Horsley will all members voting yes to approve Judge Executive George Sparks to sign documentation for the full applicant process on the ARC Port Planning Project.

On a motion made by Mark Horsley duly seconded by Johnny Osborne with all members voting yes to approve Animal Control Euthanasia agreement between Lewis County Fiscal Court and Colonial Heights Veterinary Clinic if needed.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Joey McCann with all members voting yes to table **Interlocal Agreement with Greenup County Tourism.** Judge Executive George Sparks will reach out to Judge Executive Bobby Hall for more information.

On a motion made by Mark Horsley duly seconded by Joey McCann with all members voting yes to approve Resolution #25-11 Recreational Park Board Members with City of Vanceburg.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Joey McCann with all members voting yes to appoint Les Wilson to the Recreational Park Board for a 4 year term.

On a motion made by Mark Horsley duly seconded by Joey McCann with all members voting yes to reappoint **Nate Stone** to the Recreational Park Board for a 4 year term.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Johnny Osborne with all members voting yes to reappoint **Mary Ann Collins** to the Recreational Park Board for a 4 year term.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Mark Horsley with all members voting yes to approve Resolution #25-12 County Priority Projects Program (CPPP) Funding (FD14)/Agreement.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Joey McCann with all members voting yes to approve 2024-2025 Annual Treasurer's Settlement.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Mark Horsley with all members voting yes to approve advertising the financial pages of the audit in lieu of the full settlement.

County Attorney Ben Harrison presented the County Attorney Office Financial Report

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Mark Horsley with all members voting yes to advertise for bids on the **2025-2026 Blacktop Projects**.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Johnny Osborne with all members voting yes to approve **Gary Crawford** as a Certified Electrical Inspector.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Mark Horsley with all members voting yes pursuant KRS 61.810 section (1) subsection (C) to go into closed session to discuss Pending Litigation and pursuant KRS 61.810 section (1) subsection (F) to go into closed session to discuss which might lead to appointment, discipline or dismissal of an employee and pursuant KRS 61.810 section (1) subsection (B) to go into closed session to discuss sale of real estate.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Joey McCann with all members voting yes to return to open session.

On a motion made by Mark Horsley duly seconded by Woody Underwood with all members voting yes to move forward with the lawsuit in Patricia McClurg case pursuant KRS 61.810 section (1) subsection (C) Pending Litigation.

On a motion made by Mark Horsley duly seconded by Johnny Osborne with all members voting **No Action** on KRS 61.810 section (1) subsection (F) discussion which might lead to appointment, discipline or dismissal of an employee

On a motion made by Johnny Osborne duly seconded by Joey McCann with all members voting yes to sell partial acreage of the Industrial Park in Tollesboro that is next to Ribolt Fabrication for economic development price per acre 10,000.00. Authorizing the County Judge Executive to negotiate with potential buyer with stipulation that the potential buyer fixes an access road at no cost to the county and create jobs. Pursuant KRS 61.810 section (1) subsection (B) Sale of Real Estate.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Johnny Bivens, Lewis County Deputy Sheriff presented the monthly Sheriff's Report.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Joey McCann with all members voting yes to approve the **Jail Quarterly Activity Report.**

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded Mark Horsley with all members voting yes to approve the **Monthly Treasurer's Report** as submitted by Penny Lee, Lewis County Treasurer. See Finance Book #15.

David Goodwin, Lewis County Road Supervisor submitted the monthly Road Department Report.

Missy Kennard, Lewis County Animal Control Officer submitted the monthly Animal Control

Dennis Brown, Emergency Management Director submitted a written monthly report.

Roger Lewis, Solid Waste Coordinator submitted a written monthly report.

Lewis County 911, submitted a written report.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Johnny Osborne with all members voting yes to approve the **claims**, for all fund as presented. See Finance Book #15.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Mark Horsley with all members voting yes to approve the **transfers**. See Finance Book #15.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular fiscal court meeting will be held on August 11, 2025, at 3:00p.m.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Joey McCann with all members voting yes to adjourn.

George Sparks Lewis County Judge Executive