

**Lewis County Fiscal Court
Regular Meeting
March 14, 2022**

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE LEWIS COUNTY FISCAL COURT, HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN VANCEBURG, KENTUCKY WITH THE HONORABLE CRAIG STANFIELD PRESIDING AND WITH THE FOLLOWING AGISTRATES IN ATTENDANCE:
ESQ. TERRI THOMAS, ESQ. DAVID IERY AND ESQ. WOODY UNDERWOOD, ESQ. CHUCK SWEARINGEN.

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

Woody Underwood offered a prayer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by County Judge Executive Craig Stanfield.

The roll was called with all members were present.

On a motion made by Terri Thomas duly seconded by Chuck Swearingen with all members voting yes to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2022, regular Fiscal Court Meeting.

On a motion made by David Iery duly seconded by Woody Underwood with all members voting yes to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2022, special Fiscal Court Meeting.

RESPONSE FROM THE PUBLIC

Bryan Helphinstine approach Fiscal Court about the Lewis County Detention Center Building. Bryan said that he is affiliated with the Wounded Healers Inc. Bryan said that they are interested in the Jail facility, they would like to turn it into a drug rehab facility.

Marty Strong approach Fiscal Court about our emergency services. Marty said as a Lewis County Fire Fighters he would like to be involved in decision that need to be made.

OLD BUSINESS

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Chuck Swearingen with all members voting to table for a month about the **Garrison Sidewalk Project – TAP Program - Additional Cost.**

NEW BUSINESS

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by David Iery with all members voting yes to approve **Resolution #22-03 Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan.**

On a motion made by Terri Thomas duly seconded by Chuck Swearingen with all members voting yes to approve **Lewis County Clerk's January 2022 Fee Settlement.**

On a motion made by Terri Thomas duly seconded by David Iery with all members voting yes to approve the Contract with **Brewer Lawn Service** to maintain the mowing at the entrance of the Black Oak Industrial Park. \$375.00 for the 2022 mowing season.

On a motion made by Chuck Swearingen duly seconded by Woody Underwood with all members voting yes to acknowledge presentation of the tentative 2022-23 **Lewis County Jail Budget.**

On a motion made by Terri Thomas duly seconded by Chuck Swearingen with all members voting yes to **give the Lewis County Sheriff Office \$50,000.00 to hire a new deputy and for gas because of gas price increase.**

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Terri Thomas with all members voting yes to hire **2 people for seasonal help at Lewis County Solid Waste- Litter Abatement for trash pickup. At an hourly rate of \$12.00 an hour.**

On a motion made by Terri Thomas duly seconded by Woody Underwood with all members voting yes to appoint 4 new members to the **Recreational Park Board.** Following:

Nate Stone 1 year term

Jack Lykins 2 year term

Mary Ann Collins 3 year term

Kaitlin Stewart 4 year term

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Chuck Swearingen with all members voting yes to give **each Magistrate \$150,000 of ARPA money per their district for road projects. Judge Stanfield told the magistrate that they have to present their road project to the Judge Executive office and county road supervisor. Once all the road project were presented the county would follow due process. The total for all projects \$600,000.**

On a motion made by Terri Thomas duly seconded by Woody Underwood with all members voting yes to accept the lowest bid of **Orus Weaver Construction for the Roof on the Senior Center Building. Bids following:**

Orus Weaver Construction \$11,350.00

Grassy Branch LLC \$15,549.00

On a motion made by Chuck Swearingen duly seconded by Terri Thomas with all members voting to table **the website for tourism.**

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by David Iery with all members voting not to taking any action on the **Ebenezer Church.**

On a motion made by Chuck Swearingen duly seconded by David Iery with all members voting yes to **authorize County Judge Executive to negotiate with emergency transportation service provides to temporarily serve Lewis County until a more permanent solution can be made.**

On a motion made by Chuck Swearingen duly seconded by Woody Underwood with all members voting yes to **authorize County Judge Executive to execute mutual aid agreements for emergency transportation services with surrounding agencies to utilize if needed.**

On a motion made by Chuck Swearingen duly seconded by Woody Underwood with all members voting yes to approve **Rusty Dyer as Lewis County Animal Control Office for additional \$15,000 per year.** While a motion was in order Tammy Madison approach the Fiscal Court about her concerns. Tammy Madison is a volunteer at the Lewis County Aniaml Shelter. Tammy ask about the letters that she sent to Judge Stanfield if the court had a copy. Penny presented the court with a copy of Tammy 2 letters. Tammy went on to explain about how many dogs they rescue and have adopted out from our facility. Tammy went on to explain that they give vaccination and supply medicine for these aniamls.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Chuck Swearingen with all members voting yes to approve the **Conflict Waiver with Stites & Harbison PLLC Attorneys on the Opioid Litigation.**

MONTHLY REPORTS

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

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded Terri Thomas with all members voting yes to approve the **Monthly Treasurer's Report** as submitted by Penny Lee, Lewis County Treasurer. See Finance Book #11.

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

Woody Underwood, submitted a Lewis County Road Report.

Terri Thomas, submitted a Lewis County Road Report.

Chuck Swearingen, submitted a Lewis County Road Report.

Scott Bentley, Lewis County Animal Control Officer submitted the monthly Animal Control Report.

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

Rusty Dyer, Lewis County Solid Waste Coordinator, submitted a written monthly report.

Mike Sparks submitted the Lewis County E911 Report.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Chuck Swearingen with all members voting yes to approve the **claims**, for all fund as presented. See Finance Book #11.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Terri Thomas with all members voting yes to approve the **transfers**. See Finance Book #11.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Chuck Swearingen with all members voting yes pursuant to KRS 61-810 (1) (6) to go into closed session discussion of the sale & acquisition of real estate.

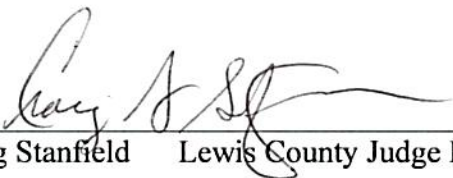
On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by Terri Thomas with all members voting yes to return to open session.

On a motion made by Woody Underwood duly seconded by David Iery with all members voting yes to approve the sale at Tollesboro Industrial Park for \$6500 per acres, approximately 8 acres at the location and also the Black Oak Industrial Park for \$7400 per acres, approximately 11 acres at the location.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular fiscal court meeting will be held on April 11, 2022 at 2:00p.m.

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



Craig Stanfield Lewis County Judge Executive