## HOPKINS COUNTY FISCAL COURT REGULAR MEETING GOVERNMENT CENTER January 4, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Hopkins County Fiscal Court was held at Hopkins County Government Center and was called to order by Hopkins County Judge Executive, Donald E. Carroll. Invocation was given by Rev. Roy Ellis. Roll call was taken and a quorum was established with all Magistrates being present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** December 14, 2010 minutes - Motion by Magistrate Larry Wilson and seconded by Magistrate Groves to approve the December 14, 2010 minutes. Motion carried.

December 29, 2010 minutes – Motion by Magistrate Groves and seconded by Magistrate Welch to approve the December 29, 2010 minutes. Motion carried.

**REPORT OF COUNTY ATTORNEY:** County Attorney Todd P'Pool handed out "Your Duty under the Law" that was published by Attorney General's Office to the newly elected Magistrates.

**REPORT OF COUNTY CLERK:** 2011 Fee Account Budget Estimate. Motion to approve the 2011 Fee Account Budget Estimate by Magistrate Larry Wilson and seconded by Magistrate Toney. Motion carried.

**REPORT OF SHERIFF:** Nothing to report.

**REPORT OF JAILER:** Nothing to report.

## REPORT OF TREASURER:

A) Payment of Claims: General Fund in the amount of \$18,935.10; Jail Fund \$20185.42; Total 39120.52. Motion by Magistrate Welch and seconded by Magistrate Groves to approve the Payment of Claims. Motion carried.

B) Treasurer's Report – Motion to approve December's Treasurer's Report by Magistrate Welch Seconded by Magistrate Toney. Motion carried.

**Department Reports:** Jeff Browning – Road Department has started the clearing of Caney Creek. This project is being funded by the NRCS.

Report of Magistrates/Committee: Magistrate Welch stated that a meeting should be set concerning the landfill situation and a Host Agreement. Judge Carroll stated that he does have a contract that the Landfill has sent to the County.

**Old Business**: Genealogical Society Request for \$2400.00. The County does have approximately \$500.00 in the Community Service Funds. Motion by Magistrate Welch and seconded by Magistrate Toney to give the sum of \$500.00 to the Hopkins County Genealogical Society. Motion carried.

## **New Business:**

- A) Appoint Jarrett Brown to Hopkins County Joint Planning Commission. Motion by Magistrate Larry Wilson and seconded by Magistrate Maurice Wilson to approve the appointment of Jarrett Brown. Motion carried.
- B) Approve Bonds for County Officials. Motion to approve the Bonds for County Officials Magistrate Toney would like to table this to a later time so the County can confirm if the bonds are necessary. Treasurer had stated the bonds only cost \$15.00 per magistrate. Magistrate Toney would like to suspend that motion. Motion to approve the bonds by Magistrate Groves and seconded by Magistrate Toney. Motion carried.
- C) Hiring of all County Employees. Motion to approve by Magistrate Larry Wilson and seconded by Magistrate Groves. Magistrate Roberts made a motion to amend the motion to hire all employees with the exception of the rehiring of the Community Service Director. Magistrate Roberts stated that two unseated Magistrates made this motion in the last court meeting and this created a new position with new job duties and responsibilities. This motion was seconded by Magistrate Toney. Judge Carroll stated that Jon Garrett has already been hired by the County. Magistrate Roberts stated that the Job Duties were just provided to him and he wanted to make sure that we are not duplicating jobs. Magistrate Roberts stated that Jon Garrett was well qualified for the job. Magistrate Beshears asked if the Court can change the job description for Community Service Director. County Attorney Todd P'Pool answered yes.

Motion to amend the motion to hire all employees with the exception of Jon Garrett by roll call vote:

No	Mag. Welch
No	Mag. Groves
Yes	Mag. Toney
No	Mag, Larry Wilson
Yes	Mag. Roberts
No with explanation Jon Garrett was well qualified.	Mag. Beshears
No	Mag. Maurice Wilson
	Judge Carroll

Motion failed.

Motion to hire all county employees by Magistrate Larry Wilson and seconded by Magistrate Groves. Vote to approve was 6-1 with Magistrate Toney having the only descending vote. Motion carried.

- D) Judge Carroll gave all Magistrates approval to perform weddings.
- E) Motion to reduce the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Magistrate Salary by 50% by Magistrate Toney. County Attorney Todd P'Pool stated he will research that issue. Question by Magistrate Welch and asked if Magistrate Toney could give that money to Charity. Magistrate Toney stated that will not save the County money and his purpose of doing this is to save money to the County. Magistrate Toney stated that if he could not do it legally he would write a check back to the County each month.

**Announcements:** A) Proclamation Madisonville Regional Postsecondary Education Center.

- B) Proclamation Martin Luther King
- C) Service Pins to the following County Employees:
  - Jonathan Barnes Sheriff 5 years
  - Troy Darnell Public Works 5 years
  - James Babb Public Works 5 years
  - Cathy Wells Clerk's Office 15 years
  - Karol Welch Magistrate 25 years

Grievances from citizens: None

Adjournment: Motion by Magistrate Larry Wilson and seconded by

Magistrate Toney to adjourn. Motion carried.

Donald E. Carroll

HOPKINS COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE

Close of Court - January 4, 2011

The foregoing minutes were presented by Fiscal Court Reporter Kim Blue, corrected where necessary, and signed by the presiding Judge with the approval of the Magistrates present.

DEVRA STECKER

HOPKINS COUNTY COURT CLERK