

**POWELL COUNTY FISCAL COURT  
REGULAR CALLED MEETING  
OCTOBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2015  
6:00 p.m.**

**A G E N D A**

- I. Call Meeting To Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Public Comments
- IV. Clerk's Report of Last Meeting
- V. Bills Submitted for Payment
- VI. Approval Treasurer's Financial Statement
- VII. Approval Treasurer's Transfers/Amendments

- UPDATES/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Board Appointments
- Eva Mae White
- Patty Brown
- Senior Citizens County Contribution
- County Contribution to Department's

- XI. Other

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Present: James Anderson - County Judge Executive  
Connie Crabtree - Fiscal Court Clerk  
Robert King - County Attorney  
Steve Asbury – Emergency Management Director  
Danny Rogers – Powell County Sheriff

Judge Anderson called this meeting to Order.

Judge Anderson asked the Clerk to call roll for Magistrates in Attendance:

**Magistrate Donna Gabbard – Present  
Magistrate Keith Hall – Present  
Magistrate Mike Lockard – Present  
Magistrate Kenneth Rice – Present  
Magistrate Timmy Tipton – Present**

No public comments for this meeting.

Meeting began with approving the Clerk's reports for the September 2015 meetings.

A motion was made by Magistrate Kenneth Rice and then was seconded by Magistrate Mike Lockard to approve the Clerk's report for the regular called meeting dated September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

**Motion passes unanimously  
6-0**

A motion was made by Magistrate Mike Lockard and then was seconded by Magistrate Keith Hall to approve the Clerk's report for the special meeting dated September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

**Motion passes unanimously  
6-0**

A motion was made by Magistrate Donna Gabbard and then was seconded by Judge Anderson to approve the lease payment to Holbrook for the tractor.

**Motion passes unanimously  
6-0**

No objections in paying all the bills submitted for payment.

The Financial Statement was presented to the Magistrates for their review.

The Cash Statement was presented to the Magistrates for their review.

Motion by Magistrate Kenneth Rice and then was seconded by Magistrate Donna Gabbard to approve all of the Treasurers transfers as presented.

**Motion passes unanimously**

**6-0**

Updated and Acknowledgements was next on the agenda.

Steve Asbury, one of our new employees that will be involved in Emergency Management and CSEPP gave the court members an update on what he's been doing on his first week on the job. He covered some things he would like to accomplish during his new roles. Mr. Asbury told court members that the Search and Rescue Team was very active and he kept in good contact with Powell County Search and Rescue Chief Mike Sparks. He also let the court members know that the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 9:05 they would be testing the warning sirens in the county. Mr. Asbury thanked the court for hiring him and that he looked forward to working with them in the future.

Following Mr. Asbury Judge Anderson gave an update to those present on some things that had resulted from the September 26<sup>th</sup> special meeting. During this meeting the court voted to allow the Judge to move some employees and titles around. This was done to address several issues such as, a couple of employees who had left and not been replaced, clean up some of the salary lines we get reimbursed on and hopefully allow us to strengthen other areas that weren't getting enough attention. Judge Anderson also told those present that no one was terminated and the ones that were moved were not moved for disciplinary reasons or because of job performance, but to hopefully be able to put strengths to use in areas we need to improve on. Judge Anderson said he would like to thank the employees for going along with the changes and also thanked the court for approving his proposals he felt it will facilitate many positive's and that it has allowed us to place additional resources in to our emergency services and on top of that we added services while cutting cost.

Next Judge Anderson updated the court on some road related updates.

The first was that we had finally gotten the approval letter from the state on our emergency culverts replacements for Popular Bluff and Upper Cane Creek Road. He also made them aware that the three bridges that have been submitted to be replaced on the 80/20 bridge program had been awarded as well. This is allowing us to replace bridges on Millstone, Fife Lick and Popular Bluff. Also the court was made aware that King-Crete had finally got started on driving the steel to correct our road slips from this past winter.

The Court was made aware that Mr. Combs had agreed to give the County a quick claim deed for Echo Hollow Road.

Before the Court moved on to New Business Magistrate Mike Lockard ask about the status of hiring someone to help out part-time in the County Attorney's office. Judge Anderson asked the court to revisit the budget to see if they had any suggestions on how to allow the County Attorney to hire this part time person.

The Court now moved on to New Business:

First item to address was two (2) board appointments.

The first appointment was to the Pine Ridge Industrial Authority. Judge Anderson moved to re-appoint Steve Hale to this board.

A motion was made by Magistrate Donna Gabbard and then was seconded by Magistrate Keith hall to approve this appointment.

**Motion passes unanimously**

**6-0**

Next board appointment was to the Powell County Health Department. Judge Anderson moved to re-appoint Jim Dennis to this board.

A motion was made by Judge Anderson and then was seconded by Magistrate Donna Gabbard to approve this appointment.

**Motion passes unanimously**

**6-0**

Next Eva Mae White was on the agenda but was unable to attend this meeting. She was coming to the meeting to discuss with the Court about getting a humidifier installed in the building where the voting machines are stored.

Judge Anderson told court members that County Clerk Rhonda Barnett was getting an estimate on the voting machines so that we could insure them.

**No Action taken**

Patty Brown was also on the agenda but was unable to attend.

Next item on the agenda was the approval for the Senior Citizens county contribution payment for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

A motion was made by Judge Anderson and then was seconded by Magistrate Donna Gabbard to allow this payment to be made to then Powell County Senior Citizens.

**Motion passes unanimously**

**6-0**

A county contribution to departments was the next item discussed with the court. Judge Anderson told court members that over the past several months he had heard that several individuals said that they have been told by a member of the Sheriff's Department that the reason why there isn't more Sheriff's Deputies available is because the Fiscal Court and he are not willing to give that department enough funds. Judge Anderson told court member's that he felt this was unfair and that the community and that department was unaware of how much we actually put into that department even though it was outside of our control. To give a better understanding how much the county actually contributes Judge Anderson gave court members a spread sheet breaking down the amounts of each expense. This number's totaled \$241,510.94 which doesn't include any rent, utilities, insurance deductibles, communication equipment or payroll which is also provided for that department.

Judge Anderson said he hopes this will clear up the lack of knowledge of how much the Fiscal Court puts into this department and let everyone know just how much support the Fiscal Court gives.

Next item to address was complaints from Happy Top Road (Eddie Ridge Road) residents in regards to trucking traffic. There have been several calls about dump trucks and tractor trailers causing safety concerns over the last several months. There was some discussion as it relates to the issues involved with this traffic and the court agreed to investigate the issue to see how best to respond to this issue.

The last item on the agenda was a request from Kenny Strange to have Christian Drive turned back into a private drive. Mr. Strange provided a list of all the land owners that own property on that road.

A motion was made by Magistrate Kenneth Rice and then was seconded by Magistrate Mike Lockard to proceed with the process upon his request.

**Motion passes unanimously**

**6-0**

A motion was made by Magistrate Mike Lockard and then was seconded by Magistrate Donna Gabbard to go into close session 61.815 paragraph F. (employee appointment.)

**Motion passes unanimously**

**6-0**

A motion was made by Magistrate Mike Lockard and then was seconded by Magistrate Kenneth Rice to come back into session.

**Motion passes unanimously**

**6-0**

#### **No Action taken in Closed Session**

Judge Anderson told the ones present that Road Foreman Charles Brooks would be retiring from the Powell County Road Department. The court now would have to look into replacing his position.

A motion was made by Magistrate Donna Gabbard and then was seconded by Magistrate Kenneth Rice to appoint Gary West as the new Road Foreman.

**Motion passes unanimously**

**6-0**

**Judge asked the Clerk to call roll:**

**Magistrate Donna Gabbard – Aye**

**Magistrate Keith Hall –Aye**

**Magistrate Mike Lockard – Aye**

**Magistrate Kenneth Rice – Aye**

**Magistrate Timmy Tipton – Aye**

**Judge James Anderson – Aye**

Judge said he would like to thank Mr. Brooks for his years of service with the county.

A motion was made by Magistrate Kenneth Rice and then was seconded by Magistrate Keith Hall to adjourn this regular called meeting.

**Motion passes unanimously**

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**James Anderson**

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**Donna Gabbard**

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**Keith Hall**

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**Mike Lockard**

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**Kenneth Rice**

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**Timmy Tipton**