

**GARRARD COUNTY FISCAL COURT
REGULAR MEETING
HON. CHRISTOPHER T. ELLEMAN PRESIDING
APRIL 24, 2023 @ 4:00 PM
15 PUBLIC SQUARE, LANCASTER, KY 40444**

Meeting was called to order by Judge/Executive, Chris Elleman.

Opening prayer by Leonard Harrison.

Opening Pledge of Allegiance led by Sheriff, Willie Skeens.

MAGISTRATES PRESENT: Glendan Barker, Bobby Preston, Wayne Day, Chris Butner and Chris Davis.

IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENTS

Lynn Gibson with the Garrard County Homeless Coalition was in attendance. Their goal is to provide temporary shelter for those in need in Garrard County. They want to inform the Court of their plans to build a shelter in the city limits of Lancaster. It's an all-metal commercial building structure that measures 50' x 80' and will be located on Stanford St beside the Dollar General. They wanted to provide a copy of the shelter intake policy as well as the rules. The shelter is only available to Garrard County residents for the 90-day program. There is a 4-day exception for those traveling through the County who may have a circumstance warranting a short stay. They will start with 12 beds. They also wanted to inform the court that on April 6, 2023, the Garrard County Homeless Coalition voted to ask the City of Lancaster and the Garrard County Fiscal Court to each appoint a person to their Board of Directors. Judge/Exec Elleman said the Court will speak on it and try to have a recommended name available at the first meeting in May.

IN RE: OLD BUSINESS

None.

IN RE: PLATS

There is a 400-acre property (Miller farm) that will be split up into 10 tracts. An ordinance states that anything over 3 tracts must be voted on by the Court. The regulations have been met. A motion was made to accept the plat by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Barker. All in favor.

IN RE: APPROVE COURT MINUTES

April 10, 2023, minutes were presented. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Preston and seconded by Magistrate Day. All in favor.

April 19, 2023, minutes were presented. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Barker. All in favor.

IN RE: APPROVE TRANSFERS

(01) General Fund 01-5005-5810 Co Attorney Water & Sewer	\$110.00	(01) General Fund 01-5005-3340 Co Attorney Maint & Repairs
(01) General Fund 01-9200-9990 Courthouse Reserve	\$34,665.71	(01) General Fund 01-5065-4460 Election Equipment
(01) General Fund 01-5080-3330 Courthouse Maint Agreement	\$1,020.00	(01) General Fund 01-5080-3340 Courthouse Maint & Repairs
(01) General Fund 01-5101-3140 Contracts W/ Other Counties	\$1,058.87	(01) General Fund 01-5101-5490 Routine Medical
(01) General Fund 01-9200-9990 Courthouse Reserve	\$514.75	(01) General Fund 01-5140-4450 Ambulance Office Supplies
(01) General Fund 01-9200-9990 Courthouse Reserve	\$809.21	(01) General Fund 01-5140-4810 Ambulance Uniforms
(01) General Fund 01-9200-9990 Courthouse Reserve	\$583.04	(01) General Fund 01-5140-5740 Ambulance Training
(01) General Fund 01-9200-9990 Courthouse Reserve	\$150.00	(01) General Fund 01-5140-5810 Ambulance Water & Sewer
(01) General Fund 01-9200-9990 Courthouse Reserve	\$5,952.32	(01) General Fund 01-5140-6990 Ambulance Motor Veh.
(01) General Fund 01-9200-9990 Courthouse Reserve	\$133,595.76	(01) General Fund 01-5140-699A EMS Building
(01) General Fund 01-5080-4110 Courthouse Custodial Supplies	\$200.00	(01) General Fund 01-5201-3460 Pest Control
(01) General Fund 01-5205-4020 Animal Supplies	\$60.00	(01) General Fund 01-5205-3850 Veterinary Services

(01) General Fund 01-5205-4020 Animal Supplies	\$161.64	(01) General Fund 01-5205-5100 Dog Tag Fees
(02) Road Fund 02-9200-9990 Reserve for Transfer	\$493.35	(02) Road Fund 02-7700-602C New Haven
(02) Road Fund 02-9200-9990 Reserve for Transfer	\$92.96	(02) Road Fund 02-7700-602G Lucille Circle

A motion was made to approve the transfers by Magistrate Preston and seconded by Magistrate Butner. All in favor.

IN RE: APPROVE BILLS TO BE PAID

01 – GENERAL FUND

Airgas	\$746.82
Bluegrass Portables	\$180.00
Brandstetter Carroll Inc	\$3,250.00
Butner, Chris	\$195.78
Campbell Co Detention	\$883.50
Casey County Vet Services	\$60.00
Central Kentucky Sheet Metal	\$1,190.00
Central Record	\$58.80
Classy Cleaners	\$3,158.00
Dannys Termite Control	\$200.00
Danville Office Equipment	\$25.00
Elan Financial Services	\$881.73
Environmental Waste Systems	\$79.00
Ephraim McDowell Medical Centre	\$60.00
Galls LLC	\$809.21
Garrard Co Attorney	\$4,935.84
Garrard County Clerk	\$4,068.15
Jessamine Co Detention Center	\$32,064.87
Johnson Controls Fire Protection LP	\$1,344.00
Kentucky Emergency Management Association	\$100.00
Knowink, LLC	\$35,025.00
Kola	\$45.00
LKE Contracting and Handyman Services LLC	\$110.00
National Band and Tag Company	\$161.64
Platinum Educational Group, LLC	\$316.00
Quill Corporation	\$86.98
Rockcastle County Detention Center	\$1,130.20
Shelton, Wanda	\$8.44

02 – ROAD FUND

Garrard County Fiscal Court	\$1,458.18
Mago Construction	\$1,641.60

Powerplan	\$1,088.82
Rumpke	\$842.05
The Allen Company	\$2,210.77
Weldquip, Inc.	\$13.26

80 – CSEPP FUND

Bob Allen	\$212.24
Garrard County Clerk	\$21.00
Halo	\$2,237.64
Masters Telecom	\$32.98
Nixon Power Services	\$774.86

84 – AMERICAN RESCUE FUND

Omni Commercial LLC	\$80,454.55
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A motion was made to approve the bills by Magistrate Preston and seconded by Magistrate Davis. All in favor.

IN RE: APPROVE LAST MONTH’S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

None.

IN RE: GARRARD COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT AUDIT REPORT

Billy C. Doolin, Kathy Simpson and Jamie Barker were in attendance. Their main audit finding is in reference to internal control and segregation of duties. Due to a lack of funding, they cannot provide additional staff. The overall audit report is good. A motion was made to show receipt of the audit report by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Barker. All in favor.

IN RE: SOLID WASTE REPORT

Maxine Rudder with Bluegrass Greensource was in attendance. She presented a report showing what items they were able to keep out of the water due to their Household Hazardous Waste program. This is done annually on the last Saturday in October. Two grants have recently been written. The Household Hazardous Waste Management Grant totals \$29,466.25. The Kentucky Pride Recycling Grants totals \$60,817.00. She also presented reports on what their grants covered from 2010 – 2021 and on the school/library activities that they have taught at.

She spoke on the Free Dump Days that just occurred at Rumpke on April 14th and 15th. She mentioned possibly changing to a voucher system which would allow County residents to sign up for 4 vouchers that enables them to use the dump at any point during the year. This would reduce so much traffic congestion happening during the planned 4 Free Dump Days during the year.

She also mentioned the Waste Tire Grant, which is \$4,000.00 annually. The issue with this program is that storing tires in an uncovered location collects a lot of water, which in turn causes mosquito problems. She mentioned possibly having a voucher system for this as well, rather than waiting to dispose of all the tires at once.

IN RE: DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Animal Control: Brittany Fain was in attendance. They had 2 dogs that were dumped into their donation box after hours. One required a \$600.00 surgery. They were able to raise the funds to pay for that bill. They also had an individual that donated \$1,200.00 to sponsor 20 adoptions.

EMA: Wanda Shelton was in attendance. She mentioned that she is still looking into the grant for the inverters for the traffic lights and a grant for a storm siren for the Paint Lick area. She also gave an update on which storm sirens are having issues.

SIGN LETTER OF INTENT: On April 7, 2023, a semi-truck overturned on 27. There was a diesel fuel leak, but it was contained. This resulted in a 13-hour call. A second incident at Triple T Metals resulted in a 5-hour call. She presented a Letter of Intent for the Judge/Executive to sign to be able to use PECCO, which is a local company. A motion was made to sign the Letter of Intent by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

CSEPP: Jaydan Norris was in attendance. They have received the 2023 Chevy Silverado 3500. Wanda Shelton with EMA is using this vehicle.

EMS: Tim May was in attendance. The building is moving along quickly now. They've had 221 runs this month. Since July 1, 2022, they've had 53 overdoses. The EMT classes that they are teaching in Nicholasville are going well.

Road Department: Kenneth Creech, Foreman, was in attendance. They're still working on ditching and cleaning up the property. They scrapped the metal from the 9 snow plows that was approved at a prior meeting. The mow trim is back up and running.

Clerk's Office: Kevin Montgomery was in attendance. They are currently doing their 2022 audit. They just received the Delinquent Tax Bills from the Sheriff's Office. They are sending out mailers. The Delinquent Tax Sale is set for August 9, 2023. The next election is 22 days away. They've been sending out Absentee Ballots. Early voting is May 11 – 13, 2023.

PRECINCT OFFICER SALARY INCREASE: The Clerk would like to increase the pay for the precinct officers from \$100.00/day up to \$130.00/day, plus \$20.00 for their training. The County has budgeted \$15,000.00 annually for election officers. There are 48 officers, so at \$150.00 per officer we are still within budget for the two elections annually. A motion was made to increase the precinct officer salaries to \$150.00/day by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

Sheriff: Willie Skeens was in attendance. They've been notified that they have received a Highway Safety Grant which covers 100% of overtime funding for concentrating on highway safety. This starts May 15th and will run throughout the remainder of the year. They've also been notified that the FBI has retired every ORI (Agency Operating Number) for every Constable in Kentucky. This prevents Constables from being able to run any information (Driver's License, tags, etc) so they are unable to write citations or make arrests. They are planning a meeting with the Constables on April 27th to discuss further.

K-9 PURCHASE WITH OPIOID FUNDS: The Sheriff would like approval to purchase the K-9 mentioned previously through the Opioid Fund. The dog will be purchased through Southern Coast K-9's out of Florida. The Sheriff will purchase the dog and the County will refund his office for the expense after the beginning of the next budget year in July. A motion was made to reimburse the Sheriff's Office for purchase of the K-9 by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

IN RE: GARRARD COUNTY EXTENSION DISTRICT BOARD FY 23-24 BUDGET

A motion was made to show receipt of the budget by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Barker. All in favor.

IN RE: 1ST READING OF FY 23-24 BUDGET

The budget was discussed in detail at the April 19, 2023, meeting. The total General Fund budget is \$8,105,651.00, the Road Fund is \$2,105,426.00, the LGEA Fund is \$202,000.00, the Solid Waste Fund is \$157,603.00, the Clerk Storage Fee Fund is \$66,000.00, the House Bill 577 Fund is \$133,010.00, the Veteran's Memorial Fund is \$21,691.00, the CSEPP Fund is \$318,600.00, the American Rescue Plan Act is \$1,200,000.00 and the Opioid Fund is \$235,710.00. The total Budget for FY 2023 - 2024 is \$12,545,691.00. A motion to approve was made by Magistrate Barker and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made to enter Executive Session by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Day.

A motion was made to exit Executive Session by Magistrate Preston and seconded by Magistrate Davis.

OTHER:

A motion was made to stripe the road lines at Old Lexington Rd (1,200 ft) by Magistrate Barker and seconded by Magistrate Davis. All in favor.

A motion was made to accept the Standing Orders regarding utilities, debt service and payroll by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Day. All in favor.

IN RE: ADJOURN MEETING

A motion was made to adjourn by Magistrate Butner and seconded by Magistrate Day.

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Garrard County Judge/Executive