

**GARRARD COUNTY FISCAL COURT
REGULAR MEETING
HON. CHRISTOPHER T. ELLEMAN PRESIDING
SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 @ 4:00 PM
15 PUBLIC SQUARE, LANCASTER, KY 40444**

The meeting was called to order by Judge/Executive Chris Elleman.

Opening prayer by Daryl Hodge.

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

Jeff Deembo with the Garrard County Soil and Water Conservation District was in attendance. He presented information regarding a Garrard County Electronics Recycling Drop-off Day. This will occur on Saturday, October 19, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Soil and Water Conservation Office, 166 Precision Court, Lancaster. Items that will be accepted include televisions and monitors, computers, computer hardware, office equipment, telephones, small appliances and other electronic devices. Items not accepted include smoke detectors, large appliances, lead-acid batteries, alkaline batteries, and light bulbs. Questions can be directed to (859) 792-2620.

Steven Marks with Andy Barr's Office was also in attendance. They will be hosting a Garrard County Constituent Service Night at the Garrard County Courthouse on Tuesday, October 8, 2024, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. They will be assisting individuals with any issues they may be experiencing with federal agencies, including but not limited to the VA, IRS, and Social Security. Mr. Marks is also available at the courthouse on the 2nd Tuesday of every month from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

IN RE: OLD BUSINESS

None.

IN RE: PLATS

Darby Montgomery wishes to split a farm on Mt. Hebron Rd and Thompson Rd into four tracts. All have 150 feet of road frontage. A motion was made to allow by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Davis. All in favor.

Mr. Day wishes to split a lot on Carrie Nation Rd into two tracts. Each will have 50 foot of road frontage. A motion was made to allow by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Butner. All in favor.

IN RE: APPROVE COURT MINUTES

September 9, 2024, minutes were presented. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Day. All in favor.

IN RE: APPROVE TRANSFERS

(01) General Fund 01-9200-999-0 Courthouse Reserve	\$7,000.00	(01) General Fund 01-5001-543-0 Courthouse License (Emails)
(02) Road Fund 02-9200-999-0 Reserve For Transfer	\$1,700.00	(01) General Fund 02-7700-602-T Turkey Foot

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

IN RE: APPROVE BILLS TO BE PAID

01 – GENERAL FUND

Ad-IOS	\$59.99
Airgas USA, LLC	\$1,362.73
Boundtree	\$15,121.08
Central Record	\$44.27
Cindy Wade	\$100.00
Docubit	\$85.00
Danville Office Equipment	\$526.87
Elan Financial Services	\$2,505.80
Environmental Waste Systems	\$79.00
Eso Solutions, Inc	\$2,260.34
Federal Field Services	\$1,490.00
Garrard Co Attorney	\$4,935.84
Holton Howard	\$100.00
Jennifer Seagraves	\$435.30
Jessamine County Detention Center	\$29,104.00
Kentucky Association of Counties	\$375.00
Kentucky Uniform, Inc	\$194.75
Kevin Montgomery	\$100.00
Kentucky Jailers Association	\$175.00
Kenneth McDaniel	\$238.18
Parshva LLC	\$31.01
Penn Care, Inc	\$105.00
Performance Feeds LLC	\$91.97
Pitney Bowes Bank Inc Purchase Power	\$1,009.75
Pitney Bowes Global Financial Services	\$169.29
Quill	\$267.41
Billy Joe Rigsby	\$189.00
Rockcastle County Detention Center	\$424.08

Rumpke	\$129.73
Servpro of Lexington	\$5,678.14
Seybold Electric Contracting LLC	\$1,322.00
Willie Skeens	\$100.00
Stanford Vet Hospital	\$520.00
Stuart Powell	\$2,309.46
USA Signs	\$669.00
Varsity Scoreboards	\$3,185.00
Wear The Word	\$1,400.00
Zoll Medical Corporation	\$398.40

02 – ROAD FUND

The Allen Company	\$3,054.24
John Deere Financial	\$1,074.09
Econ Signs	\$105.28
Elan Financial Services	\$226.70
Garrard Automotive Inc	\$445.17
Industrial Park Distributors	\$73.49
Jimmy McQueens Excavating	\$4,700.00
Meade Tractor	\$7,033.04
Pats Mower	\$96.00
Rumpke	\$90.00
Weldquip	\$111.21
Wilson Equipment Company	\$4,605.18

13 – SOLID WASTE FUND

Lincoln County Fiscal Court	\$37,500.00
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80 – CSEPP FUND

Holland Rmm of Louisville	\$899.72
Masters Telecom	\$15.93
Brian Oakes	\$160.00
Perfection Group Inc	\$3,689.00
The W.W. Williams Co, LLC	\$4,485.03

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

IN RE: APPROVE LAST MONTH'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

None.

IN RE: DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Sheriff: Willie Skeens was in attendance. Tax collections will start tomorrow at their new office at 319 Stanford St. The drive-through should be completed by the end of the week. They are in discussion with the City of Lancaster to split the cost to obtain 4 new FLOCK cameras. These will be placed for

inbound traffic at both ends of 52 at the county line, the Garrard/Lincoln line on 27, and at 39 at the Garrard/Lincoln line on Crab Orchard Rd.

An Encroachment Permit needs to be signed by the Sheriff and the Judge/Executive. A motion was made to allow the signatures by Magistrate Barker and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

Bluegrass 911: Russ Clark was in attendance. In the month of July, they handled 6,623 calls for services; 1,664 were from Garrard County. In the month of August, they handled 6,762 calls; 1,719 were from Garrard County. They sent staff to Russell County after a recent event with a police officer. One of Garrard's dispatchers will be going to Asheville, NC for two weeks to help with hurricane damage. Computers purchased with a grant they received should arrive soon.

EMA/CSEPP: Wanda Shelton was in attendance. On Friday after the hurricane, they had over 35 calls. They are dealing with leaks and mold at the EOC building. There will be a siren test this Saturday. They are still working on river access. They had a Basic Search and Rescue class with 18 participants. On December 7, 2024, there will be an ICS 300 class and on January 11, 2025, there will be an ICS 400 class. The EOC will also be a drop off point for perishable items for North Carolina and Tennessee. CSEPP is still working on progress reports.

Road: Kenneth Creech was in attendance. They are cleaning up trees after the recent hurricane damage. Doty Ln is close to being finished.

Animal Control: Brittany Fain was in attendance. They're still dealing with the dog hoarding case. They had a tree that fell on their outside fence.

Clerk: Kevin Montgomery was in attendance. They are preparing for the upcoming election. October 7, 2024, is the last day to file to register to vote. The Absentee Portal is open through October 22, 2024. Excused voting will be on October 23rd – 25th and 28th – 30th. Early voting is October 31st – November 2nd. He asks that voters read the amendments on the ballot beforehand to speed up the voting process.

EMS: Rebecca Sizemore was in attendance. They had a meeting with the billing company. They're still taking transfers. They have several new medics and the schedule is full. They are also dealing with leaks at the new EMS building.

Judge's Office: The waste tire collection went well.

A motion was made to approve the department updates by Magistrate Preston and seconded by Magistrate Davis.

IN RE: LOGAN HUBBLE PARK

We have received \$20,000.00 from Atmos Energy. Lincoln Co will be using their portion for a new pavilion. Discussion is still underway on what Garrard will use their portion for.

IN RE: DISCRETIONARY FUNDS REQUEST

Funding requests involve 1.5 miles on Old Lexington Rd E and 2.5 miles on Old Railroad Road and the Gillespie Pike Intersection. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Barker and seconded by Magistrate Day. All in favor.

IN RE: COUNTY ROAD REPAIRS

Crawford Asphalt has given a bid on repairing Little Road, Proffitt Lane and Doty Lane right before Old Railroad Grade Road. A motion was made to sign a contract with Crawford Asphalt for the repairs by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

IN RE: 2ND READING OF AMENDED BUILDING CODE ORDINANCE

We are currently under KRC 2015 for the Building Code Ordinance. We need to amend to go under KRC 2018. A motion was made by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Butner. All in favor.

IN RE: 1ST READING OF EPAD ORDINANCE

At the August 26, 2024, court meeting, Chris Jones with PACE financing was in attendance. PACE financing is a funding option for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects on commercial properties. The sole repayment is made via a special assessment added to the property's existing tax bill. By authorizing PACE special assessment requests, local governments are allowing the private property owner to access long-term financing with favorable rates that improves the property's bottom line. A letter from the Garrard County Distilling Co was presented expressing their support for the creation of an Energy Project Assessment District (EPAD) for Garrard County. An EPAD needs to be active before they can seek PACE financing options. Judge/Executive Elleman requested having a meeting with the County Attorney and the County PVA to discuss further.

After meeting with the County Attorney and the County PVA, it appears that the creation of an EPAD does not negatively affect the county. A motion was made to approve the 1st reading of the EPAD Ordinance by Magistrate Butner and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

IN RE: EPAD INTERLOCAL AND PROGRAM AGREEMENT

Will be discussed at the 2nd reading of the EPAD Ordinance.

IN RE: 2ND READING OF BUDGET AMENDMENT

No changes were made to the budget amendment by the Department of Local Government. A motion was made to approve the 2nd reading by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Day. All in favor.

IN RE: OTHER

Judge/Executive Elleman requests adding a KU light at the Veteran's Memorial monument. This light will shine on the flag poles to light up the area and will cost about \$12.00/month. A motion was made to allow by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Butner. All in favor.

The Magistrates thanked the fire departments for helping with the hurricane clean up.

IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

IN RE: ADJOURN MEETING

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

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Garrard County Judge/Executive