

**GARRARD COUNTY FISCAL COURT  
REGULAR MEETING  
HON. CHRISTOPHER T. ELLEMAN PRESIDING  
OCTOBER 28, 2024 @ 4:00 PM  
15 PUBLIC SQUARE, LANCASTER, KY 40444**

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

Opening prayer by J.T. Prewitt.

Opening Pledge of Allegiance led by Wanda Shelton.

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

**IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**IN RE: OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**IN RE: PLATS**

None.

**IN RE: APPROVE COURT MINUTES**

October 14, 2024, minutes were presented. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Davis. All in favor.

**IN RE: APPROVE TRANSFERS**

General Fund 01-5065-302-0 Election Advertising	\$20.00	General Fund 01-5065-446-0 Election Equipment
General Fund 01-5140-699-0 Ambulance Motor Vehicle	599.83	General Fund 01-5140-574-0 Ambulance Training

General Fund 01-9400-208-0 Unemployment Insurance	\$5,246.66	General Fund 01-9400-209-0 Workmans Compensation
Road Fund 02-6105-336-0 Maint & Repairs - Equipment	\$1,339.96	Road Fund 02-6105-340-0 Maint & Repairs – Vehicle
Road Fund 02-9200-999-0 Reserve for Transfer	\$15,000.00	Road Fund 02-6105-336-0 Maint & Repairs - Equipment
Road Fund 02-9200-999-0 Reserve For Transfer	\$55.63	Road Fund 02-7700-602-J Lease – Red Gate Rd
Road Fund 02-9200-999-0 Reserve For Transfer	\$998.29	Road Fund 02-7700-602-T Turkey Foot

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**

Acid Remap LLC	\$750.00
Ad-IOS	\$59.99
Airgas USA, LLC	\$1,479.86
Boundtree	\$6,828.59
Docubit	\$140.00
Elan Financial Services	\$4,219.01
Environmental Waste Systems	\$79.00
Kentucky State Treasurer	\$728.00
Garrard Co Attorney	\$4,935.84
Jessamine County Humane Society, Inc	\$420.00
Jessamine County Detention Center	\$12,503.20
Kentucky Association of Counties	\$4,892.00
Knowink	\$20.00
Nuesynergy	\$150.00
Pitney Bowes Bank Inc Purchase Power	\$1,088.14
Quill	\$148.96
Garrard County Road Fund	\$1,783.01
Robert Bray	\$320.00
Seybold Electric Contracting LLC	\$1,750.00
Staples	\$244.07

Tim Scott	\$210.72
USAA – PIP Claims Department	\$596.75
Wellcare Healthcare MCHMO	\$536.81
Zoll Medical Corporation	\$2,443.76

**02 – ROAD FUND**

The Allen Company	\$2,081.12
Bobcat Enterprises	\$429.03
Elan Financial Services	\$987.46
Margaret Drew	\$998.29
Stanford Tire Center	\$373.72

**80 – CSEPP FUND**

Garrard County Fiscal Court	\$2,451.53
Grainger	\$361.29
Holland Rmm of Louisville	\$1,311.86
Masters Telecom	\$16.00
The W.W. Williams Co, LLC	\$1,982.00

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

**IN RE: APPROVE LAST MONTH’S FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

None.

**IN RE: BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT**

None.

**IN RE: SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

Billy C. Doolin, Kathy Simpson, Scott Barnes and Jamie Barker were in attendance. Mr. Doolin presented a check for \$5,000.00 for dead animal disposal. He reported that they got 16,310 lbs of recyclables at the Garrard County Electronics Recycling Drop-off Day. One item that was received has a cost associated with disposal. The cost is approximately \$1,980.00. He asked if the Fiscal Court would be willing to pay half of that cost since it was a benefit to the county. An official invoice will be sent to the county. A motion was made to pay half of the cost by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Day. All in favor.

**IN RE: TURKEY FOOT ROAD**

David Greenlee was in attendance. Turkey Foot Ridge Road was set up as a non-taxing special district. The District is governed by a Board of Directors. They did not anticipate bringing the road up to county standards. Rather, they created a maintenance fund that is a part of the Garrard County Fiscal Court Road Fund budget. Each lot pays \$200.00/annually on their tax bills. Mr. Greenlee asked if the

annual fee could be changed and based on lot values. As the Fiscal Court is only a pass-through agency, Judge Elleman responded that the fee change would need to be done by the Board of Directors of the Turkey Foot Ridge Road Assessment District.

Mr. Greenlee also asked if the District could contract with the county to provide maintenance on the road and the county would be reimbursed for their cost. Judge Elleman said he will look further into the legal issues, since it is a private road.

## **IN RE: DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

Garrard County Schools: Kalem Grasham was in attendance. He expressed appreciation to the Garrard County Sheriff's Office for their prompt action on a recent issue. He also gave an update on the athletic facilities at the Garrard County High School complex.

Sheriff: Willie Skeens was in attendance. They've been doing construction at the new office location and the drive through is now operational. The Coroner has also set up an office there. Mr. Skeens inquired into the ABC License tax. There is an 80% / 20% split between the Sheriff and the County. A payment will be made to the Sheriff's Office following the end of the current quarter.

Garrard County Clerk: Early voting is October 31<sup>st</sup> – November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

EMS: Rebecca Sizemore was in attendance. She has just hired Peyton Keene as an Assistant Director. Several employees are in advanced training classes. They have repairs needed at the new building. They are going to be doing some outside training exercises.

Mrs. Sizemore is requesting permission from the Court to host an EMT class starting November 12<sup>th</sup>. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

Animal Control: Brittany Fain was in attendance. The shelter is full of dogs. They've taken in two recent neglect cases. Lancaster has a very bad cat problem.

If Garrard County Fiscal Court will participate, Jessamine County Humane Society will match a \$1,500.00 contribution toward the Trap, Neuter, Release (TNR) Program. A motion was made by Magistrate Butner to partner with Jessamine County Humane Society for \$1,500.00. The motion was seconded by Magistrate Davis. All in favor.

Bluegrass 911: Russ Clark was in attendance. The dispatchers are back from Asheville, NC.

Road: Doty Lane is nearly completed. The mow trim is still running.

PVA: Brian Swinney was in attendance. He thanked the Fiscal Court with their help on the Eagle View software. They are still looking forward to repairs to their building.

EMA/CSEPP: Wanda Shelton was in attendance. The Kirksville siren has been moved. Siren testing will be at noon on Saturday. The EOC roof has been fixed again. The lease agreement has been sent on the Ky River Ramp. KUDU is currently paying rent on several towers, but the business is changing hands in January. A new contract will need to be written up. There have been a few training courses at the EOC. They had one recent successful search and rescue.

Garrard County Health Department: Jay Smith was in attendance. He thanked Brittany Fain with the animal shelter for her help in quarantining animals. They are hosting a literacy night at LES tonight. On Tuesday there will be a Trunk-or-Treat event at the Senior Citizens Center from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. On Thursday, there will be a drive through event for the HANDS families. On November 7<sup>th</sup>, they will do a college career fair at GCHS. Renee Davis is also retiring.

Judge's Office: Hwy 52 is back in the budget for blacktopping the Garrard County side. Construction has started at the sawmill on Doty Lane. The KACo Conference is November 13<sup>th</sup> – November 15<sup>th</sup>. We will participate in Trick-or-Treating on Thursday. The Veteran's Day lunch will be on November 7<sup>th</sup> at The Grand Theater. A meeting will take place to discuss health insurance. The GOP Fish Fry went well. The blood drive is November 5<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. The Courthouse will be closed on November 5<sup>th</sup> and November 11<sup>th</sup>.

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

#### **IN RE: COUNTY LITTER CLEAN-UP**

102 miles of county roadways are set to be cleaned up. A motion was made to support the cleanup by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Davis. All in favor.

#### **IN RE: CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

A bid was presented from Upward Prolights, LLC in the amount of \$3,900.00 to provide/service the Christmas lights at the courthouse. Since this supports the city as well, a request will be made to see if the city will contribute. A motion was made by Magistrate Davis to go up to \$3,900.00. The motion was seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

#### **IN RE: BLACKTOP UPDATE**

A list of roads was presented that need blacktop updates. These were split between Discretionary Funds, Flex Funds, and County Road Aid.

#### **IN RE: US HWY 27 AND ROGERS ROAD INTERSECTION UPDATE**

The state put out bids, and accepted one from The Allen Company, for the RCUT. A town hall will take place to discuss the matter at Bill's Restaurant.

#### **IN RE: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULE**

The courthouse will be closed on Veteran's Day, November 11<sup>th</sup>. A motion was made by Magistrate Barker to move the next court meeting to Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Magistrate Butner. All in favor.

#### **IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**IN RE: ADJOURN MEETING**

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

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**Garrard County Judge/Executive**