

**GARRARD COUNTY FISCAL COURT
REGULAR MEETING
HON. CHRISTOPHER T. ELLEMAN PRESIDING
DECEMBER 29, 2025 @ 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 Willie Skeens.

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

IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mike Powers, a Tanyard Branch resident, was in attendance. He was asking for an update on the issue they presented at the November 10, 2025, meeting regarding the Benny Swope property. Judge/Executive Elleman said he has spoken to Freddie Green regarding his easement, but the court will not be involved in that civil matter.

Jerry Ensor was also in attendance. He said the haul trucks are bypassing the section of Tanyard Branch Rd between Hawk's Nest and Whitney Ln and the road is starting to crack. He was concerned about the project. Judge/Executive Elleman said no construction can be done without court approval. Mr. Ensor is concerned with the trucks driving through the yards on the turns on Whitney Ln.

Judge/Executive Elleman said he would meet with Mr. Powers tomorrow morning to map out the path that the trucks are travelling on. Mr. Powers also mentioned that he thought work should be done fairly on each half of the road from the middle line.

IN RE: OLD BUSINESS

Work has been done at the Garrard County Attorney's Office. Tiles in the courtroom ceiling have been replaced. The last Enterprise road truck will be delivered this week. Salt has been delivered. The Net Profits letters are being prepared. FLEX money has been received, as well as two quarterly franchise bills from Rumpke. Flag poles are in for the Veteran's Memorial. There was a 3.1 magnitude earthquake on Sunday.

IN RE: PLATS

None.

IN RE: APPROVE COURT MINUTES

December 8, 2025, minutes were presented. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Barker and seconded by Magistrate Day. All in favor.

IN RE: APPROVE TRANSFERS

From:

To:

General Fund 01-9200-999-0 Courthouse Reserve	\$200.00	General Fund 01-5001-104-0 Finance Officer
General Fund 01-9200-999-0 Courthouse Reserve	\$200.00	General Fund 01-5001-142-0 Occupational Tax Administrator
General Fund 01-9200-999-0 Courthouse Reserve	\$200.00	General Fund 01-5040-102-0 County Treasurer Salary
General Fund 01-9200-999-0 Courthouse Reserve	\$200.00	General Fund 01-5081-175-0 Judicial Custodial
General Fund 01-9200-9990 Courthouse Reserve	\$200.00	General Fund 01-5135-107-0 DES Director Salary
General Fund 01-9200-9990 Courthouse Reserve	\$200.00	General Fund 01-5140-107-0 Ambulance Supervisor
General Fund 01-9200-999-0 Courthouse Reserve	\$4,000.00	General Fund 01-5140-137-0 Ambulance Salaries
General Fund 01-9200-999-0 Courthouse Reserve	\$200.00	General Fund 01-5205-102-0 Dog Warden Salary
General Fund 01-9200-999-0 Courthouse Reserve	\$200.00	General Fund 01-5205-103-0 Dog Warden Deputy Salary

General Fund 01-5001-106-0 Co Judge/Exec Office Staff	\$15,750.00	General Fund 01-5135-107-0 DES Director Salary
General Fund 01-9200-999-0 Courthouse Reserve	\$4,500.00	General Fund 01-5015-507-0 Sheriff Contributions
General Fund 01-9200-9990 Courthouse Reserve	\$5,000.00	General Fund 01-5001-445-0 Office Supplies
General Fund 01-5135-334-A CSEPP Building Maintenance	\$438.00	Solid Waste Fund 01-5135-322-A CSEPP Dispatch
General Fund 01-5140-320-A APAP Billing Fee	\$200.00	General Fund 01-5140-574-0 Ambulance Training
Road Fund 02-9200-999-0 Reserve For Transfer	\$200.00	Road Fund 02-6103-102-0 Road Engineer Salary
General Fund 01-5140-320-A APAP Billing Fee	\$10,000.00	Solid Waste Fund 01-5140-340-0 EMS Vehicle Maintenance

A motion was made to approve the transfers by Magistrate Day 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	\$1,375.68
Bluegrass 911 Central Communications	\$4,288.00
Bound Tree	\$3,819.15
Central Record	\$156.75
Central Kentucky Sheet Metal, Inc	\$9,210.00
Danny's Termite & Pest Control	\$350.00
Docubit	\$70.00
Danville Office Equipment	\$1,196.13
Elan Financial Services	\$1,560.83
Environmental Waste Systems	\$89.00

Garrard Automotive Inc	\$137.94
Garrard Co Attorney	\$4,935.80
Greenscapes	\$2,355.40
Jessamine County Detention Center	\$42,676.64
Justin Wilmot	\$5,000.00
Kentucky Uniform, Inc	\$797.80
Performance Feeds LLC	\$21.98
Pitney Bowes Bank Inc Purchase Power	\$1,088.30
Pitney Bowes Global Financial Services	\$169.29
Protech IT Solutions	\$1,663.35
Quill	\$196.53
Rockcastle County Detention Center	\$247.38
Rumpke	\$133.17
Seybold Electric Contracting LLC	\$2,458.00
Sutton Pharmacy	\$5,885.00
Wilson Construction	\$5,315.00
Zoll Medical Corporation	\$1,349.00
Jessamine Humane Society	\$2,320.00
Johnson Controls Fire Protection	\$4,929.44
Nicely Drywall Inc	\$550.00
Sullivan's Diesel LLC	\$13,506.84

02 – ROAD FUND

The Allen Company	\$2,955.37
Bob Sumerel Tire Company	\$3,159.76
John Deere Financial	\$817.56
Elan Financial Services	\$219.57
Garrard Hardware	\$111.45
Garrard County Clerk	\$46.00
Performance Feeds LLC	\$46.90
Rumpke	\$90.00
Stanford Builders Supply	\$35.70
Weldquip	\$105.77
The Allen Company	\$414.42
Stanford Tire Center	\$105.00

13 – SOLID WASTE FUND

Elan Financial Services	\$17.81
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79 – VETERANS MEMORIAL FUND

Collins Flags	\$2,098.47
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80 – CSEPP FUND

Garrard County Fiscal Court	\$620.91
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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: CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Fiscal Court has chosen to go with the Platinum sponsorship of \$2,500.00 annually to support the Garrard County Chamber of Commerce. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

IN RE: KCJEA (JUDGE ASSOCIATION) COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM

At the November 24, 2025, meeting, Judge/Executive Elleman said that the KCJEA will be implementing a new program consisting of \$1,000 donations back to all 120 counties over a 4-year period. This year Garrard County was chosen. He has decided to award The Garrard County Community Food Bank and The Garrard County Ministerial Association with donations of \$500.00 each. Both organizations are located in Garrard County as non-profit organizations and are registered as 501(c)(3). Checks should be received at the February Judge's Conference.

IN RE: GARRARD COUNTY COURTHOUSE 2026 HOLIDAYS SCHEDULE

The Garrard Fiscal Court will follow the state holiday schedule due to the shutdown of the Clerk's Office and PVA when the state is closed.

- Monday, January 19, 2026 – Martin Luther King Jr's Birthday
- Friday, April 3, 2026 – One half day – Good Friday
- Monday, May 25, 2026 – Memorial Day
- Friday, June 19, 2026 – Juneteenth
- Friday, July 3, 2026 – Independence Day
- Monday, September 7, 2026 – Labor Day
- Wednesday, November 11, 2026 – Veterans Day
- Thursday & Friday, November 26-27, 2026 – Thanksgiving
- Thursday & Friday, December 24-25, 2026 – Christmas
- Thursday & Friday, December 31, 2026 – January 1, 2027 – New Year's

A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Barker and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

IN RE: CCBIP AGREEMENT (OLD RAILROAD GRADE ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT)

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet has prepared an Agreement whereby the Cabinet will provide up to \$503,839.00 in reimbursable state funds to Garrard County to repair/replace Bridge No. 040C00009N on Old Railroad Grade Road (CR 1104). The County will pass a resolution authorizing the Judge Executive to sign this Agreement on behalf of the County. A motion was made to enter into the Agreement by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Davis. All in favor.

IN RE: CCBIP RESOLUTION (OLD RAILROAD GRADE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT)

A Resolution was presented adopting and approving the execution of a Memorandum of Agreement between the Garrard County Fiscal Court and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, Department of Highways in the amount of \$503,839.00 for the Old Railroad Grade Road Bridge No. 040C00009N (CR 1104). The Judge/Executive of the County is hereby authorized and directed to sign said Agreement as set forth on behalf of the Fiscal Court of Garrard County. A motion was made to allow signing by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Butner. All in favor.

IN RE: COUNTY CLERK

Clerk Kevin Montgomery was in attendance.

- 2026 CLERK BUDGET**

Delinquent taxes have been increased for calendar year 2026, as well as Chattel Mortgages. Total anticipated receipts are \$5,973,115 and anticipated expenditures are \$5,762,607. This leaves excess fees in the amount of \$210,508. A motion was made to approve the budget by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Day. All in favor.

- 2026 MAXIMUM SALARIES**

Pursuant to KRS 64.530(3), "The fiscal court shall fix annually the maximum amount, including fringe benefits, which the officer may expend for deputies and assistants....". The fiscal court of Garrard County in compliance with state law hereby sets the maximum amount which the Clerk of Garrard County may expend from fees during calendar year 2026 at \$300,000.00 for deputies, assistants and other employees. The maximum amount as set includes all amounts paid from fees for: full time salaries and wages and health insurance. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Butner. All in favor.

- 2026 CLERK BONDS**

The Clerk carries a \$100,000 bond with Public Entity Insurance that is effective in September. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Davis. All in favor.

IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

IN RE: ADJOURN MEETING

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

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Garrard County Judge/Executive