

**GARRARD COUNTY FISCAL COURT
REGULAR MEETING
HON. CHRISTOPHER T. ELLEMAN PRESIDING
JANUARY 12, 2026 @ 6:00 PM
15 PUBLIC SQUARE, LANCASTER, KY 40444**

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

Opening prayer by Leonard Harrison.

Opening Pledge of Allegiance led by Russ Clark.

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

IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

IN RE: OLD BUSINESS

None.

IN RE: PLATS

Noe Farm off Ballard Rd and Woodsprings Dr. There are 3 tracts: 4.5 acres, 5 acres and 8.8 acres. It meets all the requirements for the county ordinance. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Barker. All in favor.

IN RE: APPROVE COURT MINUTES

December 29, 2025, minutes were presented. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Preston and seconded by Magistrate Davis. All in favor.

IN RE: APPROVE TRANSFERS

From:

General Fund
01-5001-445-0
Office Supplies

\$697.80

To:

General Fund
01-5001-699-0
Copier Lease

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

911 Billing Services	\$8,113.45
Amazon Capital Services	\$253.72
Blue Moon Restrooms	\$200.00
Boundtree	\$7,095.91
Garrard County Chamber of Commerce	\$2,500.00
Danny's Termite & Pest Control	\$150.00
Docubit	\$70.00
Danville Office Equipment	\$669.67
Danville Office Equipment	\$649.70
Enterprise FM Trust	\$7,311.12
First Southern National Bank	\$200.00
Garrard Quick Lube	\$677.80
Garrard Automotive Inc	\$67.95
Garrard Hardware	\$116.94
Garrard County Sheriff	\$30,333.33
Government Forms and Supplies	\$1,802.62
Highbridge Springs Water Co, Inc.	\$10.00
Jessamine Humane Society	\$7,305.00
Ky Dept Rev	\$2.95
Oracle Elevator Holdco, Inc	\$677.49
Saint Joseph Jessamine	\$347.48
Seybold Electric Contracting LLC	\$555.00
Shelton's Plumbing	\$480.00
Wex Bank General	\$4,715.74
The W.W. Williams Co LLC	\$1,406.00

02 – ROAD FUND

John Deere Financial	\$106.79
Enterprise FM Trust	\$10,340.59
Garrard Automotive Inc	\$357.90
Garrard Hardware	\$1,133.12
Garrard County Fiscal Court	\$803.00
Highbridge Springs Water Co, Inc	\$29.00
Moore's Mobile Service	\$100.00
Stanford Automotive LLC	\$1,006.38
Trevor Creech	\$100.00
Wex Bank Road	\$2,478.53

13 – SOLID WASTE FUND

Enterprise FM Trust	\$5.00
Stanford Tire Center	\$119.95
Wex SW	\$81.99

80 – CSEPP FUND

Danville Office Equipment

\$25.00

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

IN RE: APPROVE LAST MONTH'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

A motion was made to approve the December 2025 financial statement by Magistrate Preston and seconded by Magistrate Davis. All in favor.

IN RE: S & L CONTRACTING

Shaw Evans of S & L Contracting (Signs & Lines) was in attendance. Mr. Shaw's business has reached a need for expansion, and he was debating on moving it to Lincoln County. They do a lot of contract road work with KYTC. He currently has 12 – 14 employees in a season. He spoke with Jeff Vanhook about relocating. The two men met and toured the 11-acre property beside the solar farm on 39 going toward the new high school. Mr. Shaw will be constructing a new 10,000 square-foot building and is looking to expand to about 24 employees this season and maybe 15 every year after that. He is glad to be staying in Garrard County.

IN RE: DAR – 250TH ANNIVERSARY

At the September 29, 2025, meeting, The Governor James Garrard Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) proposed the Garrard County Fiscal Court and Lancaster City Council vote to officially create an America 250th Celebration Commission to celebrate Kentucky, Garrard County, and Lancaster history. They were asking that a committee be formed, consisting of local organizations, businesses, non-profit or government agencies, or individuals interested in sponsoring events anytime through July 2026. They also asked that there be a dedicated webpage to list and describe any local events related to Kentucky, Garrard County, and Lancaster history through July 2026. Cynthia Resor is that commission.

Cynthia Resor, Coordinator of Garrard County/Lancaster KY 250th Celebration, was in attendance. Mrs. Resor's role is to publicize events, with the focus being on local, state and national history. The Chamber of Commerce, DAR and the Garrard County Arts Council are already planning events. If any organization would like to create an event regarding the 250th celebration of the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776, they can contact her. Her email is cynresor@outlook.com and her phone number is (859) 474-1161. The website is <https://teachingwiththemes.com/index.php/garrard-county-lancaster-ky-250-usa/>. The Facebook page is Garrard County Lancaster KY 250 USA.

IN RE: BLUGRASS 911 COMMUNICATIONS

Russ Clark was in attendance. He recently had Homeland Security come in and do a security analysis of the EOC building, plus cyber security and physical security. Overall they scored pretty well but there were a few recommendations, such as perimeter fencing and a gated entry. Homeland Security offers grant options to help cover the costs of the upgrades. Mr. Clark would like permission to be able to

apply for a grant. A motion was made to move forward by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Barker. All in favor.

IN RE: ANIMAL SHELTER

MedVet Lexington would like to sponsor 3 male small/medium dogs (<50 pounds). They are having a wet lab to do endoscope training of foreign bodies in pets. The dogs would be anesthetized and monitored by a credentialed technician. In exchange for allowing the pets to undergo the training procedure, MedVet would like to vaccinate them (Rabies, Distemper/Parvo, Bordatella), and neuter them free of charge. A motion was made to allow by Magistrate Barker and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

IN RE: SET SALARIES FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS FOR THE FOLLOWING TERM

Due to this being an election year, elected officials' salaries for the next term need to be set before May. This includes the Magistrates, the Coroner, the County Attorney, and the Jailer. Magistrate Barker said the Magistrates have not gotten a raise in 20+ years, even though Garrard County's population has increased. After finding the need to discuss further, Magistrate Davis made a motion to readdress setting the salaries at the February meeting. A second was made by Magistrate Barker. All in favor.

IN RE: ANNUAL 1095 FORM FILING

The court needs permission to allow ACA Prime to prepare 2025 Form 1095-B Health Coverage. A motion was made to allow by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

IN RE: OTHER

At the June 9, 2025, court meeting, Kim Hurst from The Jessamine Humane Society spoke about the cat population problem in Garrard County. Last year the Fiscal Court gave \$1,500 toward spaying/neutering and the Jessame Human Society was able to get an equal match. With that, they spayed 21 cats and neutered 84. They also offered a discount rate and got another 84 people who paid. They requested a \$10,000 donation/match for the current fiscal year and anticipate 200 cat neuters and 111 spays.

Garrard County has an Animal Shelter Endowment Fund with The Community Foundation of Louisville that was specifically set up for cats. Judge/Executive Elleman would like a motion to be made to be able to release \$10,000 from the endowment to over the current \$7,305 current charge to the Jessamine Humane Society, with the expectation that the remainder will be spent soon. A motion was made to move forward by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Butner. All in favor.

IN RE: REFLECTION OF 2025

Judge/Executive Elleman spoke of some accomplishments of 2025. We spent over \$700,000 for blacktop, while using FLEX funds from prior years. 27 and 52 were both blacktopped, as well as installation of the RCUT on the north end of the county. The road departments have had 2 mow trims running and the roads are in good shape. The bypass is in the final phase of design. The road

department has new trucks. The financial statement looks good. The sawmill was completed and is up and running. The RGL Agreement is making progress. Occupational tax is continuing to increase. The population is growing.

IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

IN RE: ADJOURN MEETING

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

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Garrard County Judge/Executive