

**GARRARD COUNTY FISCAL COURT
REGULAR MEETING
HON. CHRISTOPHER T. ELLEMAN PRESIDING
JANUARY 27, 2026 @ 4:00 PM
15 PUBLIC SQUARE, LANCASTER, KY 40444**

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

Opening prayer by Glendan Barker.

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

Terry Lunsford from Jessamine County was in attendance. He was inquiring about Polly's Bend Road and Buck Winchester's farm. He wants to buy a 40-foot strip of property at the gate that is approximately 100 acres. Concern was expressed regarding an easement that Mr. Lunsford would need to cross the Blakeman and Winchester properties. He will be consulting with Justin Wilmot regarding the survey of the land. There needs to be a written easement in place to protect Mr. Lunsford.

IN RE: OLD BUSINESS

The Old Crace Farm has been repurchased by Mr. Hawley. He is planning to develop the property. Judge/Executive Elleman presented a letter regarding the Garrard County Subdivision Regulations Ordinance which requires all developers to post a roadway completion bond before any development is permitted. The developer must construct the roadway in accordance with County specifications, including installation of the approved road base and asphalt base, before any building permits are issued. Inspections by the Road Foreman are required at each phase. Once a subdivision reaches seventy-five (75%) build-out, a final inspection is performed to search for any necessary repairs prior to the placement of the final blacktop surface. The roadway bond serves as a financial guarantee that all work is completed correctly, and this allows the roadway to be eligible for adoption into the Garrard County Road Plan upon completion. The Allen Company has estimated that the cost of the final asphalt surface of the Hawley proposed subdivision, including anticipated repairs to the base coat, will be approximately \$100,000. The Garrard County Fiscal Court has required the Hawley's to post a roadway completion bond in that amount to ensure completion of the roadway.

IN RE: PLATS

Roger Ayres, subdivision on Sugar Creek. Mr. Ayres has purchased the left side of the road. All entries are coming in off Sugar Creek Road. The lots are all over 1-acre and have the 150-foot right-of-

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

IN RE: APPROVE COURT MINUTES

January 12, 2026, minutes were presented. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Barker and seconded by Magistrate Davis. All in favor.

IN RE: APPROVE TRANSFERS

From:		To:
General Fund	\$10,000.00	General Fund
01-5140-320-A		01-5140-340-0
APAP Billing Fee		EMS Vehicle Maintenance

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

AD-IOS	\$59.99
Airgas USA, LLC	\$1,431.75
Blade Software Solutions	\$3,000.00
Blue Moon Restrooms	\$200.00
CASA of Lexington	\$5,000.00
Central Kentucky Service Co	\$5,120.00
Danville Office Equipment	\$572.42
Elan Financial Services	\$1,267.84
Environmental Waste Systems	\$89.00
Garrard Co Attorney	\$4,935.80
Greenscapes	\$295.00
Harp Enterprises, Inc.	\$1,683.70
Jessamine County Detention Center	\$26,802.31
Kentucky Association of Counties	\$101.80
Kentucky County Judge Executive Assoc	\$1,580.00
Kentucky Jailers Association	\$175.00
KMCA	\$120.00
NueSynergy	\$150.00
Performance Feeds LLC	\$32.97
Pitney Bowes Bank Inc Purchase Power	\$1,043.46
Quill	\$301.64
Rumpke	\$133.17
Skinner Auto and Towing	\$8,122.77
Xtreme Xteriors	\$275.00

02 – ROAD FUND

The Allen Company	\$4,056.29
Dukes A&W Enterprises	\$1,214.00
Econo Signs	\$150.16
Elan Financial Services	\$5,105.86
Meade Tractor	\$244.42
Rumpke	\$90.00
Skinner Auto and Towing	\$374.00
Weldquip	\$280.11

13 – SOLID WASTE FUND

Darrick Gilbert	\$100.00
Elan Financial Services	\$17.81

79 – VETERANS MEMORIAL FUND

Rexel	\$1,708.72
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A motion was made to approve the bills by Magistrate Barker and seconded by Magistrate Day. All in favor.

IN RE: APPROVE LAST MONTH'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

None.

IN RE: RGL UPDATE

Jeff Vanhook was in attendance. He mentioned having the closing for the property purchased by Shaw Evans for S & L Contracting (Signs & Lines). The Lancaster/Garrard IDA is in a better position now to go after grant dollars. They will start marketing the 53-acre Noe property due to the bypass. They will be staying in front of legislature this budget session. They'll be seeking funding for the 150-water commission, which is probably a \$65,000,000 project. The 300,000 gallons of water sold by Garrard County to Crab Orchard can still be sold at a mark up, but will be taken through the 150-corridor.

IN RE: DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Judge/Executive Elleman received a letter from the survey company, DLZ, which is starting surveys on the south side of Lancaster for the bypass. Occupational tax forms are being prepared. We had 400 new accounts. Magistrate Day, Judge/Executive Elleman and KYTC Kelly Baker met at the end of 954 in Berea regarding trucks that are getting stuck. The Jail Budget will be on the next month's agenda. Judge/Executive Elleman met with Tanyard Branch residents. For 2026 there will be town hall meetings. The road department, Judge/Executive Elleman, and the Magistrates have been working extremely hard to remove the snow and ice from the recent storm. The courthouse was closed on January 26th and there are 1-hr delays planned. We received \$10,000 from the animal endowment for the spay/neuter program for cats.

IN RE: OLD RAILROAD GRADE ROAD BRIDGE

Cammlie Ford was in attendance. Mr. Ford presented an engineering services proposal for the bridge replacement at Old Railroad Grade. The estimated engineering proposal is \$28,700. We have to get a permit from Division of Water and it will be run in the newspaper for two weeks. The Division of Water should take 30-45 days. They are hoping to bid in April or May and start construction on the project in June. Magistrate Davis made a motion to have Cammlie Ford oversee the project. A second was made by Magistrate Barker. All in favor.

IN RE: GARRARD SANITATION DISTRICT 2026 BUDGET

The 2026 estimate for income is \$85,690.33 and the estimated expenses are \$44,459.00. A motion was made to acknowledge receipt of the budget by Magistrate Butner and seconded by Magistrate Day. All in favor.

IN RE: LOGAN HUBBLE PARK

Judge/Executive Elleman presented a letter from the Energy and Environment Cabinet Department for Environmental Protection. The purpose of this letter is to summarize the settlement offer presented to Lincoln County and Garrard County by the Division of Enforcement (DENF). DENF wants a Corrective Action Plan, developed by an engineer licensed to practice in Kentucky, that details how the dam will be brought into compliance. Whenever the dam was constructed at Logan Hubble, permission was not given to put a blacktop road over it. There were two drain tiles put in without permission, so they changed the structure of it. The dam is, therefore, not in compliance. Optic Engineering will draw up a proposal for Garrard and Lincoln Counties, providing a hydrologic and hydraulic analysis. A motion is needed to allow Optic Engineering to speak with the State on behalf of Garrard and Lincoln Counties. A motion was made by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Barker. All in favor.

IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

Judge/Executive Elleman needed a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss ongoing litigation. A motion was made by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Day.

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

No action was taken.

IN RE: ADJOURN MEETING

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

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Garrard County Judge/Executive