

**GARRARD COUNTY FISCAL COURT
REGULAR MEETING
HON. CHRISTOPHER T. ELLEMAN PRESIDING
MARCH 30, 2026 @ 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 Willie Skeens.

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

IN RE: LIBERTY TREE

Pam Canter, DAR member, was in attendance. She spoke about the liberty trees that all counties in Kentucky will receive for our 250th anniversary. The Color Guard or ROTC from Garrard County High School, DAR members, and members of the court will be attending a dedication service for planting one of Garrard County's trees. This dedication service will be on Thursday, April 2, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. at the park behind Five Star in Lancaster. The other tree will be planted at Logan Hubble Park.

IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

IN RE: OLD BUSINESS

None.

IN RE: PLATS

Back Creek Rd – Mr. Linville is looking to put in a private road. There will be three one-acre tracts. The plat does not specify the twenty-foot wide, forty-foot easement so Judge/Executive Elleman asked Justin Wilmot to add that to the survey notes. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Preston and seconded by Magistrate Day. All in favor.

IN RE: APPROVE COURT MINUTES

March 9, 2026, minutes were presented. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Barker and seconded by Magistrate Butner. All in favor.

IN RE: APPROVE TRANSFERS

From:		To:
General Fund 01-9200-999-0 Courthouse Reserve	\$6,500.00	General Fund 01-5080-334-0 Courthouse Maint & Repair
General Fund 01-9200-999-0 Courthouse Reserve	\$7,500.00	General Fund 01-5081-333-0 Judicial Maintenance
Road Fund 02-9200-999-0 Reserve For Transfer	\$410.74	Road Fund 02-7700-602-H Roy Walker Davis - Materials

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

IN RE: APPROVE BILLS TO BE PAID

01 – GENERAL FUND

Airgas USA, LLC	\$1,258.49
Animal Care Center	\$115.00
Bluegrass Integrated Communications	\$99.72
Blue Moon Restrooms	\$200.00
Chris Elleman	\$168.30
Chris Davis	\$168.30
City of Lancaster	\$5,000.00
Central Kentucky Sheet Metal, Inc	\$1,015.00
Danny's Termite & Pest Control	\$350.00
Danville Animal Clinic	\$60.00
Docubit	\$154.00
Danville Office Equipment	\$371.39
Dr. Lacy K. Price	\$630.00
Elan Financial Services	\$654.40
Environmental Waste Systems	\$89.00
Ephraim McDowell Regional Hospital	\$60.00
Garrard Automotive Inc	\$38.98
Garrard Co Attorney	\$4,935.80
Glendan Barker	\$168.30
Hoover Fence Co.	\$7,690.49
Jessamine County Detention Center	\$21,820.00
Kentucky Uniform, Inc	\$192.60
Kentucky Jailers Association	\$225.00
KMCA	\$1,975.00
Kentucky State Treasurer	\$1,625.00
Kentucky State Treasurer Department	\$125.00
Lancaster Vet Hospital	\$947.88

Pitney Bowes Bank Inc Purchase Power	\$20.53
Pitney Bowes Global Financial Service	\$169.29
Quill	\$549.65
Rexel	\$2,882.93
Rumpke	\$133.17
Seybold Electric Contracting LLC	\$2,660.28
Upward Prowash LLC	\$6,550.00

02 – ROAD FUND

The Allen Company	\$2,074.00
John Deere Financial	\$362.72
Elan Financial Services	\$91.18
Garrard Automotive Inc	\$407.15
Mago Construction Company LLC	\$1,052.25
Meade Tractor	\$3.67
Performance Feeds, LLC	\$25.00
Rumpke	\$90.00
DMB Contracting, LLC	\$713.56

13 – SOLID WASTE FUND

Elan Financial Services	\$17.81
Lincoln County Fiscal Court	\$37,500.00

86 – ABC FUND

Garrard County Fiscal Court	\$1,967.00
-----------------------------	------------

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

IN RE: APPROVE LAST MONTH'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

None.

IN RE: AFTON COMMUNITY DAYCARE CENTER

No representative attended.

IN RE: HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Sherrie Johnson, President, was in attendance. The Garrard County Historical Society owns the Buford Salter House at 208 Danville St, Lancaster. They do not have income to sustain caring for this property. Mrs. Johnson has applied for a community grant from the City of Lancaster for \$1,400. She is requesting support from the Fiscal Court as well. Judge/Executive Elleman would like for the Fiscal Court to give \$1,000 toward the maintenance of the Salter House. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Barker. All in favor.

IN RE: DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Road: Kenneth Creech was in attendance. They are fixing potholes and running the mow trim. It is currently in the Buckeye area. Mowing should start in a few more weeks. We need to schedule the spring litter clean up with Swartz. They've been looking at next year's blacktop list. Magistrate Barker expressed thanks to the road department for promptly replacing a stop sign that was missing at Polly's Bend and Rogers Rd.

Judge/Executive Elleman would like to purchase a trailer that can haul the skid steer with the F-550 so a CDL is not required to use it. Mr. Creech has found a trailer that may be suitable. They would like permission to purchase a new trailer, up to a cost of \$7,000. A motion was made to allow a purchase by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

EMA: Wanda Shelton was in attendance. The Poor House tower has been fixed, and they are working on the Ballard Rd tower. The EOC tower needs work. On Wednesday, April 1, 2026, they are hosting the area 10 meeting for KYEM Directors. On Thursday they will hold a G557 class for weather related emergencies. Then the following Saturday they will host a HAZMAT IQ class. She has not heard from Fish and Wildlife. She is working with Windstream on changing out the phone system at the EOC to take out unused lines. Judge/Executive Elleman is going to clear out a gravel spot at the EOC to make more parking space for the trailers.

Sheriff: Willie Skeens was in attendance. They've been working on updating their body cameras for deputies. They are looking at a program with AXON that is cloud based. These body cameras have sixty different languages programmed into them that would provide instant translation. They also provide remote access to be able to view in real time in an emergency situation.

EMS: Rebecca Sizemore, Director, and Jeff Ray, new Assistant Director, were in attendance. They are currently fully staffed and will have two Paramedics and six AEMT graduates in July. They currently have three education instructors in training. There is an EMT and AEMT class in progress. There is an opioid related online training class that costs \$450 per person that we could allow them to participate in using opioid funds. They have twenty full-time and ten part-time employees. One of the ambulances is currently being repaired, and we have a couple of back-up trucks that could be repaired or surplused. They've been doing free hands-only and regular CPR classes. They've tried to go to all home sports games. The run volume for the fiscal year is around 2,500; 2,136 of those are 911 calls and 366 have been transfers.

Judge's Office: The budget workshop will be held around mid-April at 9:00 a.m. The trash contract renewal with Rumpke and Rhodus is upcoming before June 30th, and there will be a 109 Board meeting. The Easter event will take place on Saturday, April 4, 2026, at Jaycee's Ballpark. The conference went well. There was a zoom call with KACo regarding the salt bid. The courthouse will be pressure washed on the weekend of April 10th. The Liberty Tree will be dedicated on Thursday at 1:00 p.m. Judge/Executive Elleman would like approval to order a stone plaque to put beside the tree. A motion was made to allow by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Barker. All in favor. The budget preparation is nearing completion.

Animal Control: They will be trapping cats at Cardinal Circle on Tuesday, March 31st, to do the TNR Program and tip their ears. If you do not want your cat trapped, please keep it inside on that day. All cats will be returned to the pickup sites after they are tipped.

A motion was made to accept the department updates by Magistrate Preston and seconded by Magistrate Day. All in favor.

IN RE: ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION

Clerk Seagraves read the Proclamation. Judge/Executive Elleman has proclaimed April 3, 2026, as Arbor Day in Garrard County and urges all citizens to participate in the observance of this day by planting a tree. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

IN RE: CONSERVATION DISTRICT 2026-2027 BUDGET

No member was in attendance. A motion was made to acknowledge receipt of the budget by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Barker. All in favor.

IN RE: CONSERVATION DISTRICT 2026-2027 PLAN OF WORK

No member was in attendance. They are very active in the community and have a lot of events planned. A motion was made to acknowledge receipt of the plan of work by Magistrate Butner and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

IN RE: ENTERPRISE FLEET (ROAD DEPARTMENT)

We have received bids to replace the remaining three trucks at the road department. The bid is with Enterprise Fleet Management for a 2026 Ram 3500 Chassis in the amount of \$86,275.00. There is a price reduction of \$15,000 each, making the monthly lease payment total \$1,457.77 each. We have returned four F-350s back to Enterprise. All current trucks will be a matching fleet. We will not trade in the older F-550's. A motion was made to approve the bid by Magistrate Barker and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

IN RE: GARRARD COUNTY EXTENSION DISTRICT BOARD FY 2026-2027 BUDGET

A motion was made to acknowledge receipt of the budget by Magistrate Butner and seconded by Magistrate Day. 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 Barker.

Hon _____

Garrard County Judge/Executive