

**GARRARD COUNTY FISCAL COURT
REGULAR MEETING
HON. CHRISTOPHER T. ELLEMAN PRESIDING
MAY 11, 2026 @ 6:00 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 Darrick Gilbert.

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

IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

IN RE: OLD BUSINESS

At the April 27, 2026, court meeting, a motion was made to allow the opening of an account for Garrard County Fiscal Court (EMS Grants). Funding is needed to open the account. Each year, the EMS department gets a KBEMS grant for \$10,000.00. Rebecca Sizemore, EMS Director, says all funds are remaining for fiscal year 06/30/2026, as well as \$2,000.00 remaining from fiscal year 06/30/2025. As a result, we would like to transfer \$12,000 from the General Fund to start this new bank account. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Butner. All in favor.

The Rural Heritage Festival turned out well.

IN RE: NEW BUSINESS

Magistrate Day requested the Court to purchase lights for the Road Department vehicles. He said it is dangerous to be out on the roads late at night. Judge/Executive Elleman said he has already spoken with a member of the road crew and given them permission to go ahead and make a purchase of lights.

Judge/Executive Elleman and County Attorney Whitworth are working on writing an Ordinance relating to the Data Centers.

IN RE: PLATS

None.

IN RE: APPROVE COURT MINUTES

April 27, 2026, minutes were presented. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Barker and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

IN RE: APPROVE TRANSFERS

<u>From:</u>		<u>To:</u>
General Fund 01-5001-441-0 Office Machines	\$176.00	General Fund 01-5001-445-0 Office Supplies
General Fund 01-5010-368-0 Co Clerk Tax Bill Preparation	\$608.72	General Fund 01-5010-445-0 Co Clerk Office Supplies
General Fund 01-5065-302-0 Election Advertising	\$70.00	General Fund 01-5065-446-0 Election Equipment
General Fund 01-5080-333-0 Courthouse Maint Agreements	\$359.71	General Fund 01-5080-334-0 Courthouse Maint & Repair
General Fund 01-5135-336-A CSEPP Equipment Maintenance	\$1,068.81	General Fund 01-5135-334-A CSEPP Building Maintenance
General Fund 01-9200-999-0 Courthouse Reserve	\$4,591.69	General Fund 01-5135-334-A CSEPP Building Maintenance
General Fund 01-5140-320-A APAP Billing Fee	\$416.05	General Fund 01-5140-481-0 Ambulance Uniforms
General Fund 01-5140-320-A APAP Billing Fee	\$2,628.06	General Fund 01-5140-574-0 Ambulance Training

General Fund 01-9200-999-0 Courthouse Reserve	\$61.72	General Fund 01-5205-402-0 Animal Supplies
General Fund 01-9200-999-0 Courthouse Reserve	\$1,000.00	General Fund 01-5205-576-0 Dog Warden Travel Expense
Road Fund 02-9200-999-0 Reserve for Transfer	\$5,765.61	Road Fund 02-6105-336-0 Maint & Repairs – Equipment
Road Fund 02-9200-999-0 Reserve for Transfer	\$2,346.48	Road Fund 02-7700-602-M Woodspring
Solid Waste Fund 13-9200-999-0 Reserve for Transfer	\$2,491.00	Solid Waste Fund 13-5212-399-0 Other Contract Services (Litter)
General Fund 01-5140-320-A APAP Billing Fee	\$5,000.00	General Fund 01-5140-446-0 Ambulance Medical Supplies

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

911 Billing Services	\$5,967.89
Amazon Capital Services	\$198.73
Kentucky State Treasurer	\$4,415.00
Binder Lift Inc DBA Phase Int	\$920.00
Central Record	\$842.00
Central Kentucky Sheet Metal, Inc	\$435.00
Danny's Termite & Pest Control	\$250.00
Docubit	\$70.00
Danville Office Equipment	\$531.75
Danville Office Equipment	\$590.53
Danville Office Equipment	\$316.97
Enterprise FM Trust	\$7,405.99
Environmental Waste Systems	\$89.00
Garrard Quick Lube	\$336.88
Garrard Automotive Inc	\$392.96
Garrard Hardware	\$164.98
Garrard County Clerk	\$4,123.05

Garrard County Sheriff	\$30,333.33
Greenscapes	\$1,902.00
Harp Enterprises, Inc.	\$1,683.70
Highbridge Springs Water Co, Inc.	\$38.50
Jones & Bartlett Learning, LLC	\$2,628.06
Kentucky Uniform, Inc	\$416.05
KMCA	\$1,747.19
Knights Technologies	\$99.00
Knowink	\$70.00
Lindsey's Garage Doors	\$400.00
Opengov, Inc.	\$6,944.00
Perfection Group Inc	\$862.00
Quill	\$87.92
Wex Bank General	\$6,397.82
The W.W. Williams Co, LLC	\$4,798.50
Airgas USA, LLC	\$2,087.40
Boundtree	\$4,355.67
Pitney Bowes Bank Inc Purchase Power	\$1,020.86
Stanford Tire Center	\$735.44

02 – ROAD FUND

The Allen Company	\$3,151.04
Amazon Capital Services	\$53.78
Bob Sumerel Tire Company	\$3,312.56
John Deere Financial	\$693.65
Enterprise FM Trust	\$8,444.27
Garrard Automotive Inc	\$1,630.11
Garrard Hardware	\$127.84
Garrard County Fiscal Court	\$2,932.44
Highbridge Springs Water Co, Inc	\$21.00
Mago Construction Company LLC	\$3,285.55
Moore's Mobile Service	\$100.00
Stanford Automotive LLC	\$677.77
Wex Bank Road	\$5,231.20
Stanford Tire Center	\$131.63
Weldquip	\$14.79

13 – SOLID WASTE FUND

Enterprise FM Trust	\$5.00
Swartz Mowing Inc	\$9,991.00
Wex SW	\$169.58

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

IN RE: APPROVE LAST MONTH'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Judge/Executive Elleman went over the balance in each statement fund. A motion was made to approve the April 2026 financial statement by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Day. All in favor.

IN RE: ROGERS ROAD AND SUGAR CREEK ROAD BLACKTOPPING UPDATE (ALLEN COMPANY)

Brandon Saylor, Area Manager of The Allen Company, was in attendance. Sugar Creek Rd from US 27 to Jim Clark Road should be paved starting May 21, 2026. Milling and paving should last about three days, with an additional three days or so for shouldering. Rogers Rd will start afterward with a 1.3-mile section from US 27 to Ridgerunner. Both will be finished ahead of the June 30, 2026, completion schedule. There is also a section of KY 52 (Hensley Ln to Cartersville) that will probably start in July. There is a section of US 27 near Dix River Golf Court that will also be paved prior to June 30, 2026.

IN RE: SOIL CONSERVATION 2025-2026 DISTRICT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Jeff Dembo was in attendance. He said the Soil Conservation District has thirteen expectations that they need to complete each year. Presenting a list of their accomplishments to the Fiscal Court is one of those. He wanted to make note that Sara Vard Von Gruenigan has joined the Board and has been a wonderful asset. They have spent time meeting with Ag Commissioner Jonathan Shell to discuss and plan for assisting and advancing agriculture. Their 2026 academic scholarship will be presented to graduating senior, Maddie Leger. A "Largest Tree Contest" was conducted with ten participants and the Largest Silver Maple in Kentucky was discovered in the Bryantsville area of Garrard County. A motion was made to acknowledge receipt of the accomplishments by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

IN RE: SPRING LITTER CLEAN-UP RECAP

Darrick Gilbert was in attendance. He presented a list of all roads that were recently cleaned by Swartz Mowing for the spring 2026 litter clean-up. The road mileage totaled 86.31 miles, and 401 bags of trash were collected. Cartersville Rd had the most litter with 106 bags collected over a 7.74-mile area.

IN RE: BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT

Tim Scott was in attendance. He stated that a lot of the older buildings cannot meet the new building code requirements. He would like the Fiscal Court to adopt the 2018 International Existing Building Code (IEBC) for older buildings that are being refurbished. Judge/Executive Elleman says this may be able to be attached to our existing Ordinance. This issue will be brought up again at the next Fiscal Court meeting.

IN RE: COUNTY WEBSITE

Crystal Geis with AD-IOS submitted a letter to Judge/Executive Elleman regarding the County website and the need to ensure it meets ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) accessibility standards. Counties and public entities across the country have increasingly faced legal action due to non-compliant websites. The annual cost for implementing and maintaining compliance is \$750.00. A motion was made to approve by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Barker. All in favor.

IN RE: CRA AGREEMENT FOR 2026-2027 BUDGET YEAR

Judge/Executive Elleman requires authorization to sign the County Road Aid Cooperative Program Agreement between the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, Department of

Rural and Municipal Aid, and the Fiscal Court of Garrard County, Kentucky. This agreement provides that 18.3% of revenue resulting from the imposition of motor fuel taxes on taxpayers be set aside for the construction, reconstruction, and maintenance of county roads and bridges. The County's apportionment for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, would be \$915,780.38. This amount is subject to change according to available revenue. The County agrees that 3% be set aside for the emergency fund, which is to be used for emergency roadway and bridge projects designated by the County. A motion was made to allow signing by Magistrate Barker and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

IN RE: CRA RESOLUTION FOR 2026-2027 BUDGET YEAR

The Fiscal Court must pass a Resolution adopting and approving the execution of a County Road Aid Coop Program Contract between the Fiscal Court and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, Department of Rural and Municipal Aid, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026. This accepts all roads and streets referred to therein as part of the County Road System. A motion was made to pass the Resolution by Magistrate Day and seconded by Magistrate Davis. All in favor.

IN RE: CAMP DICK FIRE DEPARTMENT BOARD APPOINTMENT

Judge/Executive Elleman received a letter from Jessica Graham, Secretary of the Camp Dick Fire & Rescue Board. The letter stated that they received a resignation from Chris Shelly, due to increased work commitments. His term was scheduled to conclude in June 2026. Tommy Mitchell has expressed interest in being appointed to fill the vacancy. Mitchell previously served on the Camp Dick Fire & Rescue Board from 2019 - 2022. A motion was made to appoint Tommy Mitchell to the Camp Dick Fire & Rescue Board by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

IN RE: 2026-2027 SALT BIDS

Salt bids have been requested and advertised with The Garrard Central Record for two weeks. Only one bid was submitted via e-mail. Judge/Executive Elleman opened the e-mail bid during the meeting. The bid received was from Morton Salt for \$128.67/ton. A motion was made to approve the salt bid by Magistrate Barker and seconded by Magistrate Day. All in favor.

Judge/Executive Elleman would like to go ahead and order 500 tons of salt after July 1, 2026, to fill up the building. A motion was made to allow by Magistrate Davis and seconded by Magistrate Preston. All in favor.

IN RE: RESCHEDULE MAY 25TH FISCAL COURT MEETING (MEMORIAL DAY)

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. due to the Memorial Day holiday. A motion was made to allow the change by Magistrate Barker and seconded by Magistrate Butner. All in favor.

IN RE: OTHER

A Community Shred Day (document destruction) will take place on Saturday, June 6, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at 102 East Maint St in Stanford, KY (in front of Lincoln County Courthouse).

Staples, fasteners and paperclips CAN be shredded. Binders, binder clips and spiral notebooks CANNOT be shredded.

IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

IN RE: ADJOURN MEETING

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

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Garrard County Judge/Executive