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Term, Tuesday Day 27th Day of, May 20 25

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Somerset, KY - Courthouse

Pulaski County Fiscal Court met in a regular called meeting at 10am Tuesday, May 27th, 2025 with Marshall Todd presiding. The following Magistrates present:

Turpen Wilson Ranshaw Strunk Wheeldon

(1.) Motion made by Magistrate Wheeldon and seconded by Magistrate Wilson to approve the previous meeting minutes from May 13th, 2025. Motion carried.

(2.) Motion made by Magistrate Ranshaw and seconded by Magistrate Wheeldon to approve all bids opened at last meeting. Motion carried.

(3.) Motion made by Magistrate Ranshaw and seconded by Magistrate Strunk to re-bid concrete and sign supplies. The court did not receive any bids for these items. Motion carried.

(4) Motion made by Magistrate Wheeldon and seconded by Magistrate Ranshaw to purchase two backhoes. Motion carried

(5.) Motion made by Magistrate Wilson and seconded by Magistrate Strunk to hire Jacqueline Vaught as a seasonal employee at Pulaski Co. Park. Motion carried.

(6.) Motion made by Magistrate Wheeldon and seconded by Magistrate Strunk to allow the clean-up of 41 Mark Street and 358 Prather Road. Motion carried.

(7.) Motion made by Magistrate Ranshaw and seconded by Magistrate Strunk to allow the Detention Center to purchase additional generators with donated funds. These generators will be made available for public use under a user agreement in case of emergency. Motion carried.

(8.) Motion made by Magistrate Ranshaw and seconded by Magistrate Wilson to advertise to hire two full time dispatchers at 911. Motion carried.

(9.) Motion made by Magistrate Ranshaw and seconded by Magistrate Wheeldon to approve the road list. Motion carried.

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(10.) Motion made by Magistrate Ranshaw and seconded by Magistrate Turpen to approve the Treasurer's bank reconciliations. Motion carried.

(11.) Motion made by Magistrate Strunk and seconded by Magistrate Wheeldon to approve the 1st amendment of the budget for the fiscal year 2025-2026. Motion carried.

(12.) Motion made by Magistrate Ranshaw and seconded by Magistrate Strunk to transfer \$500,000.00 to the road dept.

(13.) Motion made by Magistrate Wilson and seconded by Magistrate Strunk to adjourn. Motion carried.

\*Chris Mason - EOM Director, The May 16, 2025 tornado was confirmed as an EF4. This storm was the biggest weather event the National Weather Service in Jackson, KY has ever tracked. FEMA is present in our area and is providing resources and assessing damages. Supplies are being made available in various locations around the county as well as ongoing debris clean-up efforts. Congressman Hal Rogers will be setting up a table at the Center for Rural Development to meet with citizens. Vital Statistics will have a table set up at the Center for Rural Development to assist any citizen who lost identifying documents during the storm.

(\*Joseph Martin - FEMA Rep, also present)

\*\*Anthony McCullum - Jailer, thanked employees and inmates for all their efforts after the storm. Jailers from surrounding counties in the state also offered their inmate labor to assist our area with debris clean-up.

\*\*\*Bobby Jones - Sheriff, Thanked his deputies and staff for their efforts during and after the storm.

\*\*\*\*Beverly Haynes - 911 Director, on the night of the storm the 911 Dispatch Center answered 402 calls. On a regular night the average number would have been 30-50 calls. Beverly thanked her staff for their efforts.

\*\*\*\*\*Brenda Russell - God's Food Pantry, after such a severe weather event the decision has been made to establish a bank account for financial donations. This will be the Somerset-Pulaski County Emergency Response Fund. This is a joint effort with Pulaski County Fiscal Court.