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CHRISTIAN COUNTY FISCAL COURT

14th Day of July 2026

The Fiscal Court in and for Christian County met for a regular called meeting at 8:30 a.m. at the Christian County Courthouse and the following proceedings were had. Present and presiding was Honorable Jerry Gilliam, County Judge/Executive. The following lady and gentlemen, Justices in Commission, were present:

Magaline Ferguson	Rich Liebe
Josh Turner	Phillip Peterson
George Barnett	Russ Guffey
J.E. Pryor	John Bruce

Also, presents were Lincoln Foster County Attorney, Melinda Humphries County Clerk, Tyler DeArmond Sheriff, Adam Smith Jailer, and Natalie Pyle County Treasurer.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Esquire Pryor offered the invocation. Jerry Gilliam, County Judge/Executive, then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Bruce, it is hereby ordered to approve the minutes of June 23rd, 2026, and dispense with the reading.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES:

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Peterson, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the General Fund through July 14th, 2026.

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

Upon motion of Esquire Bruce, seconded by Esquire Pryor, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the Road and Bridge Fund through July 14th, 2026.

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

Upon motion of Esquire Turner, seconded by Esquire Guffey, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditure for the County Jail Fund through July 14th, 2026, and to include authorized regular time and authorized overtime for June 2026.

June 2026 Authorized Regular Time

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
Franklin Blick	12.0	\$300.12
Jake DeLillo	2.5	\$48.08
Aaron Flowers	2.0	\$40.00
Christina Joiner	6.0	\$115.38
Alyssa Montanez	4.0	\$76.92
Matt Newby	3.0	\$60.00
TOTAL	29.5	\$640.50

June 2026 Authorized Overtime

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
Franklin Blick	21.0	\$787.92
Whitney Brooks	1.5	\$43.28
Tim Crutchfield	9.0	\$283.50
Aaron Flowers	12.0	\$360.00
Jacob Grace	1.0	\$28.85
Kimberly Hobson	8.0	\$249.12
John Hurt	13.5	\$405.00
Christina Joiner	2.0	\$57.70
Gabriela Lassalle	2.5	\$72.13
Ryan Lopez	30.5	\$915.00
Kyle Miller	4.0	\$120.00
Susan Mollohan	2.0	\$76.78
Alyssa Montanez	5.5	\$158.68
Matt Newby	4.0	\$120.00
Billy Over	28.0	\$1,008.00
Jessica Ricketts	17.75	\$512.09
Bryan Rives	5.0	\$202.60
Noah Rollock	2.0	\$57.70
TOTAL	169.25	\$5,458.35

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

Upon motion of Esquire Ferguson, seconded by Esquire Turner, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the L.G.E.A. Fund through July 14th, 2026.

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

Upon motion of Esquire Turner, seconded by Esquire Barnett, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the Opioid Settlement Fund through July 14th, 2026.

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Ferguson, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the E911 Fund through July 14th, 2026.

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

Upon motion of Esquire Bruce, seconded by Esquire Guffey, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the Health Insurance Fund through July 14th, 2026.

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

Upon motion of Esquire Pryor, seconded by Esquire Guffey, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the General Fund through July 14th, 2026.

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

Upon motion of Esquire Ferguson, seconded by Esquire Peterson, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the Clerk Storage Fee Fund through July 14th, 2026.

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

TREASURER REPORT:

Upon motion of Esquire Bruce, seconded by Esquire Barnett, it is hereby ordered to approve the Cash Transfer dated June 14th, 2026, subject to audit.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Bruce, it is hereby ordered to approve the Budget Transfer dated July 9th, 2026, subject to audit.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

COMMISSION & BOARD REPORTS:

Esquire Bruce mentioned there were local legislators at the recent Airport Board meeting. The guests were surprised at how much traffic flowed through the airport. He also mentioned attending the BBQ 50 years Fundraiser for the Museum.

Esquire Guffey congratulated the first-ever recipients of the Hopkinsville Small Business Opportunity Grant. First place (\$7,500): Kristen Smith, owner of Bluegrass Bowls and second place (\$2,500): Jeremy Mathis, owner of The Wood Shed. The program received an incredible response, with 35 local businesses applying during its first grant cycle.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:

Diane Turner shared information about an upcoming free event at Jeffers Bend Environmental Center. The Fourth Annual Hummingbird Festival will take place at Jeffers Bend on Saturday, August 22nd, 2026, from 9am-noon. There will be several activities, such as a poster contest, banding of hummingbirds and much more. Donations will be accepted for refreshments.

Nancy Bullard of Bell Station Road shared her concerns about remaining trash bins of GFL in and around Bell Station Rd. She believes the trash bins have been waiting to be removed for over two weeks, and this is causing a very unpleasant smell. County Judge Executive shared that GFL has said they will be working to get the remaining trash bins over the next two weeks. Esquire Pryor mentioned he just received a text message that GFL was currently picking up trash bins on Elmo Rd.

Blake James, representative and owner of Impact Waste, shared some updates and answered a few questions. He mentioned that the company is around 98% complete on dropping off trash bins to new customers.

NEW BUSINESS:**Approval of ADA Improvements from PADD Reimbursement**

Upon motion of Esquire Guffey, seconded by Esquire Peterson, it is hereby ordered to approve Pennyrile Area Development reimbursement in the amount of \$30,000.00 for the Hopkinsville-Christian County Public Library ADA improvements project #22-013.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

Approval of MOA for PADD FY 26/27

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Ferguson, it is hereby ordered to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Christian County Fiscal Court and Pennyrite Area Development when the County has a need to conduct community development planning activities and initiatives to enhance the quality of life of its citizens.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

Adoption of Resolution 2026-14, Vision Zero Safety Initiative

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Bruce, it is hereby ordered to approve the adoption of Resolution 2026-14. A resolution for the Vision Zero Safety Initiative. Vision Zero is a traffic safety initiative that aims to reduce traffic deaths to zero and provides a system-based approach that focuses on the built environment and policies that influence behavior.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

Approval of Coal Creek Road LARP Project Agreement and the Adoption of Resolution 2026-15, Coal Creek Rd. LARP Resurfacing Project

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Barnett, it is hereby ordered to approve the Coal Creek Road LARP Project Agreement between Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, Department of Highways and the County of Christian for the resurface of Coal Creek Road in Christian County and the approve the adoption of Resolution 2026-15. A resolution for the Coal Creek Road resurfacing project, extending from mile point 6.00 to KY 800 for approximately 5.753 miles.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

Approval of CDS Reimbursement for TerraFlex Subscription

Upon motion of Esquire Barnett, seconded by Esquire Peterson it is hereby ordered to approve the reimbursement for Trimble TerraFlex subscription of \$520.00 to Community & Development Services.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

Approval of Spay and Neuter Grant-Kentucky Department of Agriculture

Upon motion of Esquire Guffey, seconded by Esquire Turner it is hereby ordered to approve the 2026 Grant Application for the Spay/Neuter Kentucky Program through the Kentucky Department of Agricultural, effective to July 15, 2026.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

Approval of Order of Allowance to Assessment Board of Appeals

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Peterson it is hereby ordered to approve the Order of Allowance to the Board of Assessment Appeals. This order by the court is that the members of the Board of Assessment and the County Clerk be allowed the amounts as listed below for their services in hearing appeals and reviewing tax assessments for the year 2026.

2026 Allowance to the Board of Assessment Appeals

BOARD MEMBERS	DAY(S) SERVED	RATE PER DAY	TOTAL COMPENSATION	STATE SHARE (ONE- HALF)
Benjamin Payne	2.0	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$100.00
Bri Smith	2.0	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$100.00
Karen Chiles	2.0	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$100.00
Melinda Humphries	2.0	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$100.00
TOTAL	2.0		\$800.00	\$400.00

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

Approval of Crime stoppers Agreement FY 26-27

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Peterson it is hereby ordered to approve the agreement between the Hopkinsville Christian County Crime Stoppers and Christian County Fiscal Court on behalf of the Hopkinsville Police Department, as authorized by KRS 431.597(2).

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

Approval of Incentive-J.E. Pryor

Upon motion of Esquire Barnett, seconded by Esquire Liebe it is hereby ordered to approve the incentive payment of \$5,445.28 to Esquire J.E. Pryor for the completion of his 40-hour training unit for the calendar year 2026.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

Abstain: Esquire J.E. Pryor

PERSONNEL:

Sheriff's Department-	None Presented
County Attorney-	None Presented
County Clerk-	None Presented
County Treasurer-	None Presented
County Road Department-	None Presented
County Jail-	None Presented

County Judge Executive

Upon motion of Esquire Bruce, seconded by Esquire Guffey, and upon recommendation of Jerry Gilliam, Christian County Judge Executive, it is hereby ordered to hire Layton Lindsey as a co-op student, effective July 15th, 2026, with a 90-day probationary period at an hourly rate of \$12.00 for 96 hours per month.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

Animal Shelter

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Barnett, and upon recommendation of Sherry Viall, Christian County Animal Shelter Director, it is hereby ordered to promote Leigh Anne Gentry from a part-time animal care assistant to a fulltime animal care technician, effective July 16th, 2026, with a pay rate of \$31,2000.00 annually.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Jerry Gilliam, County Judge/Executive, announced a regular called meeting will be at the Christian County Courthouse on Tuesday July 28th, 2026, at 8:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Ferguson, it is hereby ordered to adjourn at 8:58 a.m.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, Phillip Peterson, and John Bruce.


CHRISTIAN COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE
JERRY GILLIAM