

ORDERS

CHRISTIAN COUNTY FISCAL COURT

26th Day of May 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
J.E. Pryor	Russ Guffey
	John Bruce
Absent:	George Barnett

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon motion of Esquire Guffey, seconded by Esquire Peterson, it is hereby ordered to approve the minutes of May 12th, 2026, and dispense with the reading.

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

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES:

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Ferguson, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the General Fund through May 26th, 2026.

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, 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 May 26th, 2026.

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

Upon motion of Esquire Turner, seconded by Esquire Pryor, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditure for the County Jail Fund through May 26th, 2026, and to include authorized regular time for April 2026. And authorized overtime for March 2026, April 2026, and May 2026.

March 2026 Authorized Overtime

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
Brandon Jacobs	5.0	\$144.25
TOTAL	5.0	\$144.25

April 2026 Authorized Regular Time

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
John Hurt	8.0	\$160.00
TOTAL	8.0	\$160.00

April 2026 Authorized Overtime

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
Franklin Blick	1.25	\$46.90
Cindy Ellis	4.0	\$129.80
Alton Gray	4.0	\$115.40
John Hurt	11.5	\$345.00
Brandon Jacobs	16.0	\$461.60
TOTAL	36.75	\$1098.70

May 2026 Authorized Overtime

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
Franklin Blick	4.0	\$150.08
Brandon Jacobs	12.0	\$346.20
Danielle Smith	1.0	\$30.00
TOTAL	17.0	\$526.28

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

Upon motion of Esquire Bruce, seconded by Esquire Ferguson, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the L.G.E.A. Fund through May 26th, 2026.

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

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Guffey, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the E911 Fund through May 26th, 2026.

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

Upon motion of Esquire Bruce, seconded by Esquire Turner, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the Health Insurance Fund through May 26th, 2026.

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

Upon motion of Esquire Pryor, seconded by Esquire Peterson, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the General Obligation Fund through May 26th, 2026.

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

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Bruce, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the Clerk Storage Fee Fund through May 26th, 2026.

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

TREASURER REPORT:

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Ferguson, it is hereby ordered to approve the Cash Transfer dated May 26th, 2026, subject to audit.

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

Upon motion of Esquire Bruce, seconded by Esquire Peterson, it is hereby ordered to approve the Budget Transfer dated April 14th and April 28th, 2026, subject to audit.

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

Upon motion of Esquire Guffey, seconded by Esquire Ferguson, it is hereby ordered to approve the Budget Revenue & Expense Statement dated July 1, 2025, through April 30th, 2026, as well as the Cash and Investment Report dated April 30th, 2026, both subject to audit.

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

COMMISSION & BOARD REPORTS:

Christian County Animal Shelter Director, Sherry Viall gave the Christian County Animal Shelter Monthly Report for the month of April 2026.

Esquire Ferguson encourages people to visit the website visithopkinsville.com for upcoming events in our county.

Esquire Bruce mentioned attending the Crofton Memorial Day services at the North Christian Veterans Memorial Park located on U.S. 41 in downtown Crofton, as well as the Tennessee Wings of Liberty Museum, which honors the legacy of Ft. Campbell's elite units.

Esquire Guffey congratulated the 2026 local graduates, as well as mentioning the success of the Spring into Summer event, Week of the Eagles and Take Kids Fishing Day.

Esquire Liebe shared he attended, along with community members at Riverside Cemetery of Monday for a Memorial Day Service hosted by The Hopkinsville VFW Post 1913 honoring service members who died in the line of duty.

Esquire Turner mentioned the passing of Sherri Guinn and mentioned his appreciation for her 31 years of service to the Christian County Jail.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:

NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:**Approval of Animal Shelter Receiving Fees**

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Peterson, it is hereby ordered to approve the policy update for the Christian County Animal Shelter Owner Surrender Fees.

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

Approval of Household Hazardous Waste Grant Agreement

Upon motion of Esquire Turner, seconded by Esquire Guffey, it is hereby ordered to approve the 2026-2027 Kentucky Division of Waste Management Household Hazardous Waste Management Grant Program authorized under KRS 224.43-505(4).

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

Approval of County Trash Franchise Bid Agreement

Upon motion of Esquire Turner, seconded by Esquire Pryor, it is hereby ordered to approve and award the bid for trash pickup in the unincorporate portion of the areas of Christian County to Impact Waste and to proceed with the drafting of a franchise agreement with same.

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

Approval of Waste Tire Grant

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Turner, it is hereby ordered to approve the \$4,000 Waste Tire Grant to help counties pay for the disposal or recycling of waste tires. Funding for this grant comes from the Waste Tire Trust Fund established in KRS 224.50-880.

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

Adoption of Resolution 2026-12, Tower Lease Agreement

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Liebe, it is hereby ordered to approve the adoption of Resolution 2026-12, Tower Lease Agreement. This is a Resolution of the Christian County Fiscal Court approving a site license agreement with TOWERCO 2013, LLC for the collocation of county microwave equipment at site KY0091 and authorizing the County Judge Executive to execute the agreement on behalf of the county.

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

PERSONNEL:

County Judge Executive -	None Presented
Sheriff's Department-	None Presented
County Attorney-	None Presented
County Clerk-	None Presented
County Treasurer-	None Presented
Animal Shelter-	None Presented
County Road Department-	None Presented

Jail

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Peterson, and upon recommendation of Adam Smith, Christian County Jailer, it is hereby ordered to promote Debra Ayers to Sergeant effective May 26th, 2026. Her rate of pay will be \$49,324.64 annually

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

Upon motion of Esquire Turner, seconded by Esquire Pryor, and upon recommendation of Adam Smith, Christian County Jailer, it is hereby ordered to remove Jessica Ricketts for 90-day probationary period effective June 1st, 2026.

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

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Bruce, and upon recommendation of Adam Smith, Christian County Jailer, it is hereby ordered to remove Tabitha Newton for 90-day probationary period effective June 1st, 2026.

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

Jail

Upon motion of Esquire Guffey, seconded by Esquire Pryor, and upon recommendation of Adam Smith, Christian County Jailer, it is hereby ordered to hire Tracy Brown as a full-time Deputy Jailer, effective June 1st, 2026, with a 90-day probationary period. Her rate of pay will be \$40,000.08 annually.

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

Jail

Upon motion of Esquire Turner, seconded by Esquire Peterson, and upon recommendation of Adam Smith, Christian County Jailer, it is hereby ordered to hire Joe Judy as a full-time Deputy Jailer, effective June 1st, 2026, with a 90-day probationary period. His rate of pay will be \$40,000.08 annually.

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

Jail

Upon motion of Esquire Guffey, seconded by Esquire Bruce, and upon recommendation of Adam Smith, Christian County Jailer, it is hereby ordered to hire Cory Chapman as a full-time Deputy Jailer, effective June 1st, 2026, with a 90-day probationary period. His rate of pay will be \$40,000.08 annually.

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

Jail

Upon motion of Esquire Pryor, seconded by Esquire Turner, and upon recommendation of Adam Smith, Christian County Jailer, it is hereby ordered to hire Natalie Eakin as a full-time Deputy Jailer, effective June 1st, 2026, with a 90-day probationary period. Her rate of pay will be \$40,000.08 annually.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, 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 June 9th, 2026, at 8:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Ferguson, it is hereby ordered to adjourn at 9:09 a.m.

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



CHRISTIAN COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE
JERRY GILLIAM