A regular meeting of the Bracken County Fiscal Court was held on May 28, 2025, for the purpose of transacting any business properly presented by the established agenda.

Presiding: Tina K. Teegarden,
Judge Executive

Present: Heather Brumley, David Kelsch, Debbie Mayfield, John Scott, Danny Holleran, Sandy Ruf, Craig Miller, Kevin Jarrells

Let the record reflect that the Court Members received a copy of any Transfers and Vendor Claims.

Upon Motion of Danny Holleran, second by Debbie Mayfield, that the court approve the minutes of the regular meeting on May 14, 2025.
Vote being unanimous.

Road Department Update

Road Supervisor Stacey gave an update. They have all the ditches, and culverts cleaned out from the storms. They have been trying to bushhog and mow roads when the weather allows. The bushhog is starting on Belmont Rd today. They have started cleaning up out by the old county barn, cutting down trees in fence line so they won't be involved in the sewer system project, nor the hoop barn project.

Animal Shelter Expansion Update

They are waiting on the rain to do the sewer repair. They need 4 dry days to be able to get that done. All of it has to be left open and inspected before covering back with dirt. Judge Teegarden stated she will keep the court informed as to when that starts.
Tabled

Recycle Trailers

Magistrate Jarrells updated the court on the status of the auction of the recycle trailers. He reached out to Chuck Marshall, he stated if the trailers were brought to him, he would take the pictures, videos, put it on the auction website and put it in the auction magazine. He does charge $25 for each piece of equipment he sells. This is taken out of what it sells for. Judge Teegarden asked if he could provide the court members with a link or something so that they could also post on their social media sites. He stated yes, he will forward that to everyone. Magistrate Kelsch asked if they had to deliver the trailers to him. Magistrate Jarrells stated yes, and the sooner they get there the better as they will go up for the June sale. Magistrate Holleran asked if this was something the solid waste coordinator could do? Judge Teegarden stated yes, she and Magistrate Jarrells had already talked to the solid waste coordinator and the road supervisor to arrange to get them there. Magistrate Miller stated this is cheap considering most places that do things like this charge a percentage. No objections to moving forward with getting the trailers to Chuck Marshall.

Administrative Code-1st Reading

Everything was the same except for these few minor changes that were implemented. Toni Jacobs addressed the court with the changes. She stated there were a few typos that got corrected. Juneteenth was added as a holiday. Lastly, the probationary period for new hires was reduced from 180 to 90 days because that's what was being used all along anyway. Toni and County Attorney Moore were the ones that had met and gone over this. Attorney Moore was out sick for this meeting. Magistrate Mayfield asked if there needed to be anything considered regarding medical cannabis pertaining to employees. Magistrate Miller stated he emailed Rich Ornstein, counsel for KACO but he was on vacation last week, so he had not heard anything back yet. Judge Teegarden stated she is not 100% sure but she believes she heard Judge Sims say they approved that they were not going to allow medical cannabis to use for employees. Magistrate Miller stated the City of Augusta had a reading last week on this, but he is not sure if it was approved or not. Judge Teegarden stated that if this did get implemented it would go in the drug free work place policy section. She stated this could be added at any time so if the court wants to take the time to research, they can do so. Magistrate Ruf stated insurance is something that should be considered. Judge Teegarden stated, something else to think about would be if there were to be an employee that say worked here for 25 years and came down with some kind of

cancer and was prescribed medical cannabis, what would we do? These things are things that need to be looked into. Reach out and see how other counties are handling this. Magistrate Mayfield asked Stacey if all road dept employees are required to have a CDL. Stacey stated yes, all his employees do have their CDL. She stated as the information she read states you can't have a CDL and use medical cannabis at the same time. Judge Teegarden stated there are also dispatchers that work with the CJIS system and there may be FBI requirements there that we don't know about. The court agreed to take time to research before a decision is made on this. Magistrate Miller asked from a law enforcement perspective what this would be. Sheriff Boody stated law enforcement would not be able to be employed and use medical marijuana. Judge Teegarden asked if the Sheriff's association advised them on the possibility of someone being diagnosed with an illness while already employed by the Sheriff. Sheriff Boody stated it may be a matter of finding alternate employment and or alternate duties for them as long as they are prescribed this. If it interferes with them being able to do their job though they would most likely have to be terminated. Magistrate Miller stated he will get with KACO this week. Toni stated she will reach out to some other counties.
A motion for the first reading of the Bracken County Administrative Code was made by Debbie Mayfield, second by John Scott.
Vote being unanimous

County Budget 2nd Reading & Adoption
Tabled
Judge Teegarden advised that DLG just signed off on this, so it need to be advertised and will most likely have the 2nd reading/adoption on June 22, 2025.

4H Garden Club
Collin Jarrell and Molly Jordan came before the court. Collin stated he is interning with the Extension office through UK this summer. One of the things that he has to do is a project focusing on an area of need within the county. He wants to focus on bringing the older and the younger generations together. He would like to have a community garden type of space on the courthouse lawn over by the dispatch office. Since this will be on county grounds they wanted to bring it before the court for approval. It will be a 4x2 raised bed on legs, this will help to not kill the grass because this will be taken down after the summer season. The focus is to do tomatoes and peppers and bring some of the senior citizens over from the senior center to partner with the 4H club so that they can bond, and students can learn some gardening techniques from some of the older citizens of the county. They have talked to Shelia from the senior center, and she said she is more than willing to work with them. The extension office will be purchasing the raised beds. The filler and plants that are going to be put in are being donated by Diamond B Farms.
Magistrate Jarrells told Collin that over in Germantown Park there is a trail there, 4H is welcome to come do anything there as well if they'd like.

Collin also gave an update on the website. He should have a mockup sometime this week or next to look at. He is in the process of getting all the updated info on board members etc. They are looking to August or September before the site goes officially live.

Dispatch Part Time Hire
Judge Teegarden stated there was a part time applicant, and the Supervisor sent this to her to ask for the court's approval. This would be for a part time that needed to do 40 hours of online training to recertify and then they would be a parttime certified that could be used when needed (PRN). The department is short 2 full-timers. The name is Beth Adams, part time dispatch certified.
Motion for approval made by Heather Brumley, second Sandy Ruf
Vote being unanimous.

Jail Fund Interfund Cash Transfer
Motion for approval made by Craig Miller, second by Danny Holleran
Vote being unanimous

Dispatch Fund Interfund Cash Transfer
Motion for approval made by John Scott, second by Kevin Jarrells
Vote being unanimous

General Fund Budget Transfer
Motion for approval made by Danny Holleran, second by Debbie Mayfield
Vote being unanimous

Jail Fund Budget Transfer
Motion for approval made by Sandy Ruf, second by David Kelsch

Vote being unanimous

Dispatch 911 Fund Budget Transfer
Motion for approval made by John Scott, second by Debbie Mayfield
Vote being unanimous

General Fund Vendor Claims
Magistrate Miller asked the interdisciplinary evaluations from attorneys, what do those lead to? Judge Teegarden stated those are for 202A evaluations, court appointed attorneys for those who can't afford them. Its statute related; the court is required to pay them.
Motion for approval made by David Kelsch, second by Danny Holleran
Vote being unanimous

Road Fund Vendor Claims
Motion for approval made by Danny Holleran, second by Sandy Ruf
Vote being unanimous

Jail Fund Vendor Claims
Motion for approval made by John Scoot, second by David Kelsch
Vote being unanimous

Senior Citizens Vendor Claims
Motion for approval made by Craig Miller, second by Kevin Jarrells
Vote being unanimous

Dispatch Fund Vendor Claims
Motion for approval made by Sandy Ruf, second by Kevin Jarrells
Vote being unanimous

Other Business:

Resolution 25-07 HB 9 Grant
This is the HB 9 Grant. It is a grant that is applied for to pay the full matching % of an awarded grant. This is the one that was received for the sidewalks courthouse/City of Brooksville. Judge Teegarden would like approval for the basic resolution allowing her to apply for matching funds for the EMS Grant or any other matches for county grants that are awarded.
Motion for approval made by Heather Brumley, second by John Scott
Vote being unanimous

Reminder that the next court meeting has been moved from the normal schedule on Wednesday, June11th to Monday June 9th at 10:00

Motion to adjourn made by Kevin Jarrells, second by Danny Holleran
Vote being unanimous.

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Jennifer Free, Fiscal Court Clerk Tina K. Teegarden, Co Judge Executive