A special meeting of the Bracken County Fiscal Court was held Friday March 21,2025, for the purpose of transacting any business properly presented by the established agenda.

Presiding: Tina K. Teegarden,
Judge Executive

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

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

Upon Motion of Debbie Mayfield, second by John Scott, that the court approve the minutes of the March 12, 2025, meeting.

Road Department Update
Road Supervisor Stacey Florer gave an update. They have been coal patching potholes, cleaning out culverts and ditch lines. They have started working on some gravel roads that need repaired. They received the John Deere tractor Tuesday afternoon. It is inside the barn if anyone would like to look at it. Magistrate Kelsch asked if they have come in and given a little training on it yet. Stacey stated no, but they should be coming in within the next week or so.

Animal Shelter Expansion
Tabled

County Website-Codification cost etc.
Collin Jarrell came back before the court to go over some of the questions that came up at the last meeting where he presented 2 county website vendors. To answer the first question, yes, the URL will stay the same. Next, Revise has been in business for over 20 years, and they don't seem to be going anywhere. He stated it will take Revise about 4-6 months to get everything up and running. They did state that the payment could be delayed until the next budget year, they would go ahead and design it and make sure it was what the county was looking for and then in the next budget year the county would start paying on it. In each magistrates' folders there is a sales agreement that the Judge could enter and get this going. He also checked into the codification and found that it is a lot larger project than he anticipated. So, this would mean that it could not be done at the same time as the website. This could be something that could possibly be looked at down the road once the website is up and running. It looks to be in the $20,000-30,000 range for codification costs. He recommends going with Revise so that they can go ahead and start building the website. There are 2 different payment schedules. The first option would be for the first-year testing, design, template, editing, etc. it would be $9,100. This includes the $2,300 for maintenance this first year and then it would be $2,300 a year thereafter. There is a 2nd payment schedule that would be a 5-year payment plan. This offers flexible payments where year 1-5 it would be $3,660 and years 6+ would be $2,300. This makes it a little easier on the budget so that so much is not coming out initially. Collin recommends going with Revise as they are the cheaper option, and they have been very responsive to him. Magistrate Ruf asked if this is the company that Maysville has. Collin stated yes. Mason County, Maysville City and Maysville Tourism all use Revise. Judge Teegarden clarified that if they went with option 1 it would be $2,300 a year after this first year, this would just be the maintenance agreement. Collin stated that would also include a free redesign in year 4. Magistrate Mayfield clarified the initial contract is 5 years. Collin confirmed. Magistrate Miller asked about the options and add ons. Collin stated there are add ons listed for additional costs, he does not think any of them would be needed in our county right now. Magistrate Ruf asked about the fillable forms' app, Collin stated right now it is just a link to a pdf to print and fill out, that add on would be for an actual fillable form that goes through electronically. Magistrate Miller recommends using the 5-year agreement plan. Magistrate Holleran asked if the payments start once the county website is completed? Collin stated that if the Judge signs the agreement today, they will go ahead and start building the website and then once July hits the county would start making payments and then a few weeks later it would go into motion.

Magistrate Miller made a motion allow the Judge to accept the contract for Revise and move forward with the new county website proposal and to select option 2 for paying the cost over a 5 year term, Second by Debbie Mayfield
Vote being unanimous.
Absent: Heather Brumley

Jailer Transmission

Jailer Clos came before the court to present his budget for the Fiscal year 25-26. He stated there are a couple small changes. He added a computer to his budget. When he first came into office Mason County donated a computer to him that they were phasing out and that is what he's been using, it's about 15-20 years old. Last fall he had to get a new printer, and the computer is too old to even recognize the printer. He got a price on a split cage to put into the current pickup truck that he has, labor and installation would be $2,400 and that would be a one time install. This would allow him to transport different types of prisoners together. Those were the only 2 big budget changes, but they will both go away next year. As far as expenditures on his budget. He had a copy in all the magistrates' folders. Things that are in his control are less than 50% so that's good. His biggest concern is routine medical, they are about 83% expenditures on that and within the last 2 weeks he gotten about $18,000 in medical bills. They have all been sent off for repricing. There is one thing that he was going to add to the vehicle maintenance account for the new budget, but it is not going to last that long. He stated the silver vehicle he has; the transmission is going out of it. The front end has already been rebuilt on it, the engine is great on it but to get a Jasper with a 3-year warranty and installation is $5,600. This can't wait until July. Magistrate Miller asked which vehicle this is. Jailer Clos stated it is the 2016 explorer, Magistrate Kelsch asked how many miles are on it. Jailer Clos stated it has about 140,000 miles on it. He stated he would not be thinking of replacing the transmission if he was planning on replacing this vehicle anytime soon. He stated if he gets a new transmission on this vehicle, for his use, Jailer wise, this vehicle should last him another 6-8 years. Magistrate Kelsch asked where he got this bid. Jailer Clos stated at Andy's repair shop on Bladeston here in Bracken County. Magistrate Kelsch asked if he would get a quote from another place as well. He suggested calling Staggs in Mason County. Jailer Clos asked if the court would give him a not to exceed so he can proceed once he calls around. Judge recommended giving a not to exceed $5,600 so he can get this going without having to wait until April 9th at the next Fiscal Court meeting.
Magistrate Ruf made a motion to approve a not to exceed $5,600 on the transmission, Kevin Jarrells second it.
Vote being unanimous.
Absent: Heather Brumley

Jailer Budget FY 25-26

He stated he did not put the 2.9% CPI increase in the budget for his deputies, they are going to get their increase, but he did not need to raise the budget. His budget went up and there was a slight increase on the training incentive but other than that and the computer and the cage, there were no other changes. Judge Teegarden stated that the treasurer let them know that there was an increase on the revenue side of about $300.
Motion to approve and set the Jailer budget was made by John Scott, second by Debbie Mayfield
Vote being unanimous.
Absent: Heather Brumley

Set Jailer Salary

Motion to set Bracken County Jailer Salary for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 at $59,276 was made by Craig Miller, second by Sandy Ruf
Vote being unanimous.
Absent: Heather Brumley

Resolution 25-02 Hazardous Household Waste

This is where the county joins with the Bracken County Soil Conservation and Solid Waste Coordinator. This is a resolution to allow Meghanne to apply for this grant on the county's behalf with a joint partner of soil conservation for the upcoming year. This resolution is giving the Judge permission to sign off on so Meghanne can apply.
Motion for approval made by David Kelsch, second by John Scott.
Vote being unanimous.
Absent: Heather Brumley

Shredding
Meghanne with Soil Conservation has reached out about document destruction. They have covered it in the past, but the grant has run out, so they were seeing if the county wanted to go in half and half to provide this. She had given some numbers out to go off. For example, 850lbs is what was done in 2023 and it cost $1,350. In 2022 there was a considerably larger amount, but some was covered with grant funds, and it was $1,200. Would the court be interested in doing that this year? Judge Teegarden asked the court if they wanted her to meet with Meghanne and come up with ways they could do this partnership. The cost usually depends on the amount per pound that is shredded. In 2019 the Fiscal Court paid about $300 which was the overage on what the grant did not cover. This time none of that is being covered by a grant. Magistrate Miller stated that the shredding process is very beneficial to a lot of people. It's a minimal expense if we are going to partner with them. County Attorney Moore stated for informational purposes she has been looking into hiring a shredding company to come in and get rid of documents in her office and it's extremely expensive. This is just for individuals and not for businesses. Magistrate Kelsch asked where this would be done at. Judge Teegarden stated she was not 100% sure but it is usually over at the school where the hazardous household waste drive is done.
Motion for approval made by Craig Miller, second by Debbie Mayfield
Vote being unanimous
Absent: Heather Brumley

Resolution 25-03 Crumb Rubber tire derived products
BTADD sent a resolution that is coming out of the division of solid waste alongside the hazardous household grant. It is a crumb rubber tire derived product grant. This will allow the county to look at possibly getting some picnic tables or benches for the horse trails or out in the county in areas as recreational items.
Motion for approval made by Debbie Mayfield, second by John Scott
Vote being unanimous.
Absent: Heather Brumley

Dispatch Hire
Supervisor Tanisha Stitt sent an application and asked if the court would approve a part time hire of Shayla Conley. She will be hired as certified part time to work as needed.
Motion for approval made by John Scott, second by Sandy Rug
Vote being unanimous.
Absent: Heather Brumley

General Fund Budget Transfer
Motion for approval made by Sandy Ruf, second by John Scott
Vote being unanimous
Absent: Heather Brumley

General Fund Interfund Cash Transfer
Motion for approval made by John Scott, second by Sandy Ruf
Vote being unanimous.
Absent: Heather Brumley

General Fund Vendor Claims
Motion for approval made by Kevin Jarrells, second by John Scott
Vote being unanimous
Absent: Heather Brumley

Road Fund Vendor Claims
Motion for approval made by Danny Holleran, second by Debbie Mayfield
Vote being unanimous.
Absent: Heather Brumley

Jail Fund Vendor Claims
Motion for approval made by David Kelsch, second by Sandy Ruf
Vote being unanimous.
Absent: Heather Brumley

Dispatch 911 Fund Vendor Claims
Motion for approval made by John Scott, second by Craig Miller
Vote being unanimous.
Absent: Heather Brumley

Federal Fund Vendor Claims
Motion for approval made by Debbie Mayfield, second by John Scott
Vote being unanimous.
Absent: Heather Brumley

Other Business:
Magistrate Holleran asked Sheriff Boody if he had gotten all the radios that he was supposed to be getting. Sheriff Boody stated he did receive the 2 additional radios he had not originally received. Judge Teegarden asked if there was one that was under warranty that they were waiting on to come in. Sheriff Boody stated yes, there were some issues with that and stated he was not going into details, but they got it all worked out.

Magistrate Jarrells stated he gets a lot of phone calls and complaints about garbage and such sitting in people's yards. Is there anything that they can do about that. County Attorney Moore stated there is a Nuisance Ordinance and you can call into the solid waste coordinator to have that investigated and prosecuted if they meet the requirements under the nuisance ordinance. He stated a lot of these people have already done that, is there anything that they can tighten up to go through this process any quicker? He has about 6 or 7 people that have called him and they are trying to sell their houses. Attorney Moore stated that until the solid waste position is filled, she's going to have to say no. He stated these people have called the courthouse, they've called him, they've gone above, and they're still not getting a lot done. She stated the ordinance requires a certain process and timeline for the process, there's no way to speed that process up. Judge Teegarden stated she would like a list of names that state they have called and made a complaint and nothing has been done. Magistrate Jarrells stated a lot of the people would like to remain anonymous because of their neighbors. Attorney Moore stated the unfortunate reality of it is what one person looks at and sees in a yard may not be the same thing someone else sees so it could be that some of these complaints are just not rising to the level of the ordinance. Magistrate Jarrells stated he will just tell the individuals to call up here and speak to the Judges office.

Magistrate Miller stated the Kentucky Magistrates conference is next week. There is a KMCA shoe drive that will be going on if anyone would like to bring a new pair of shoes. Last year they were able to give 800-1000 pairs to one school district in the commonwealth.

Also, he mentioned last week that there was a resurfacing job on the AA from the Mason County Line to Route 19. The bid was awarded so that project will be getting started and should be done by fall. Magistrate Ruf stated it is sad that Route 8 has 8-inch-deep potholes in spots and the AA is not that bad. That money would have been better spent fixing from the damn up to Iler Rd. People are tearing their cars up and almost wrecking to keep from hitting these potholes and nothing is being done. Magistrate Miller stated the most important thing is to tell the county constituents to keep calling District 6. It seems like it's never ending, and it is terrible, this is an ongoing problem.

Magistrate Kelsch stated he was out by the animal shelter and was looking at the recycling bins. He would like to have the court decide whether they want to keep those or sell them. Their doing nothing but decreasing in value sitting there with the tires dry rotting. He believes they would be better off to sell them. Judge Teegarden stated she was going to make one phone call to see if any decisions have been made regarding the previous recycling program. It will be the decision of the court. Magistrate Kelsch mentioned possibly going through Chuck Marshall, a nationwide auctioneer, taking them there and letting him sell them. Magistrate Miller suggested putting it on the agenda for next meeting, so all the magistrates have time to go look at the bins. Judge Teegarden stated they are going to have to be moved before the concrete is poured for the hoop barn. Magistrate Kelsch asked if there are any other counties that still use those. Judge Teegarden stated Robertson County still uses them. Magistrate Kelsch stated we could reach out to them to see if they wanted them. Judge Teegarden stated she has had people in the county reach out interested in them if the county ever decided to get rid of them so if they were auctioned, she knows they would get bought.

Motion to adjourn made by Danny Holleran, second by Kevin Jarrells
Vote being unanimous.
Absent: Heather Brumley

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