

A regular meeting of the Bracken County Fiscal Court was held on July 22, 2026, for the purpose of transacting any business properly presented by the established agenda.

Presiding: Craig Miller,
Magistrate

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

Absent: Judge Teegarden

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

Upon Motion of Debbie Mayfield, second by Danny Holleran, that the court approve the minutes of the Regular meeting on July 8, 2026.

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

Absent: Judge Teegarden

Road Department Update

Road Supervisor Stacey gave an update. They are still bushhogging. They've done some coal patching and they are still cleaning trees up from the storms. They should have the last one cleaned up today.

Animal Shelter Expansion Update

Magistrate Miller gave an update. They received from the Division of Building Code Enforcements. They reviewed the building plans submitted and last Friday the county got an email that they are approved to start the bidding process. The only thing they needed was a stamped architectural truss drawing, which Magistrate Miller sent to the architect this morning and they also want 1 or 2 handicap parking spots so that will be included on the blueprints as well.

Property Licking Estates surplus

Tabled

Add Change order BTADD to the agenda

Motion for approval made by Heather Brumley, second by Sandy Ruf

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

Absent: Judge Teegarden

BTADD Change order

Mallory Bane addressed the court. This is a change order on the EMS project. The price of the change order has not been finalized yet. They do need an approval today because the project has to be changed out by August 15th. This change order includes a retaining wall and improvements on rear door entrance due to elevation changes. There will also be a waterproof coating over the drywall on one of the bay areas. These items arose during construction and are necessary to complete the project properly. The EMS board has already approved moving forward with these changes, this will be at no cost to Fiscal Court. She respectfully asks the Fiscal Court to authorize the Judge to sign off on the change order once it is complete. Magistrate Miller stated Kristie Dodge with Buffalo Trace had sent an email stating that the EMS board has already approved this and if there are any expenses over what is inside the project amount, they will cover this. They are guesstimating around \$5,000-6,000.

Motion for approval made by Debbie Mayfield, second by John Scott

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

Absent: Judge Teegarden

Jailer Quarterly

Jailer Clos addressed the court. He gave a copy of his report to each court member. On a good note, there were a few checks that came in. On the medical side \$3390.42 and on the housing side \$42,849.00.

Sheriff Quarterly

Sheriff Boody addressed the court. He had a copy of his report in each court member's folder. He invited the court members to ask questions if they had any. He stated they have documented all their calls for the first 6 months of the year and that report is in the court folders as well. Of course, the main concern throughout the community is traffic issues. This continues to be their number 1 complaint throughout the community. Without the community's help, adjusting and using sensible driving behavior, he is not going to be able to make a huge change in that. It takes more manpower than they have. Since January, they have responded to a total of 90 traffic collisions and conducted 93 traffic stops. 24 of those collisions were injury. Magistrate Miller had asked Sheriff Boody about the fatalities that they have had. Sheriff Boody gave a report that broke that down. A basic rundown, since 2015, there have been 21 traffic fatalities in Bracken County. 7 were on the AA Hwy, 5 were on Mary Ingles Hwy and the rest were on various roadways throughout the county. The AA and Mary Ingles Hwy account for 57% of all those fatal crashes. In 60% of those, the crashes occurred in clear and dry driving conditions. So, it appears that driving behavior is more than issue than weather. In his opinion, looking at the volume of traffic, Route 8 is more dangerous.

He went over equipment reports. They received 3 Body Armor vest grants for their 3 certified peace officers that work court security. The others will be bought out of uniform expense. Only certified peace officers can apply for the grant. They received approx. 20 tasers from the Campbell County police department. Campbell County upgraded so Sheriff Boody was able to get their used equipment. This will be able to provide the Jailer and his staff with tasers. Sheriff Boody thanked the Campbell County police department. He also thanked all of his guys and girls for what they do everyday and thanked Fiscal Court for supporting them the way that they do. Magistrate Kelsch asked Sheriff Boody if they were getting any help from KSP? Sheriff Boody stated that they show up from time to time and do what they can. They are severely understaffed and deal with places such as Robertson County, who rely heavily on KSP to respond to the vast majority of their calls. Harrison County, the Sheriff's office there, is lacking as well. They are double Bracken's size so double the call volume. KSP is just spread thin, but they do what they can. Magistrate Miller stated our community has been hit hard with fatalities over the last few years. A lot of people say it's the design of the AA Hwy. Not having 4 lanes on the AA Hwy is a portion of the issue but 60% are in dry conditions. It is their job as elected officials to push our members in the general assembly and other elected officials in Frankfort, people in our Buffalo Trace add district, KACo, District 6. In the next 10-20 years we need to see 4 lanes on the AA Hwy. He thanked Sheriff Boody for putting that together so they could show statistics and facts that people don't know about.

Road Fund Interfund Cash Transfer

Motion for approval made by Sandy Ruf, second by Kevin Jarrells

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

Absent: Judge Teegarden

General Fund Budget Transfers

Motion for approval made by Debbie Msayfield, second by John Scott

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

Absent: Judge Teegarden

Close Federal-CDBG Senior Center bank account ending in 8471 Balance \$0.00

Lois spoke to where they were being moved to. She stated the CDBG fund, the project was completed and this account was set up specifically for that project. This is the same for the Broadband account. This helps with clean record keeping.

Motion for approval made by Debbie Mayfield, second by Heather Brumley

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

Absent: Judge Teegarden

Close Federal-Broadband Assistant bank account ending in 4014 Balance \$0.00

Motion for approval made by Kevin Jarrells, second by John Scott

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

Absent: Judge Teegarden

General Fund Vendor Claims

Motion for approval made by David Kelsch, second by Debbie Mayfield

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

Absent: Judge Teegarden

Road Fund Vendor Claims

Motion for approval made by Danny Holleran, second by Heather Brumley

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

Absent: Judge Teegarden

Jail Fund Vendor Claims

Motion for approval made by Sandy Ruf, second by Kevin Jarrells

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

Absent: Judge Teegarden

Dispatch 911 Fund Vendor Claims

Motion for approval made by David Kelsch, second by Debbie Mayfield

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

Absent: Judge Teegarden

Other Business:

Events- Rock the Block is August 1

St. James Ice Cream Social is this weekend

Motion to adjourn made by Danny Holleran, second by John Scott

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

Absent: Judge Teegarden

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Jennifer Free, Fiscal Court Clerk

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Tina K. Teegarden, Co Judge Executive