

**Rockcastle County Fiscal Court
Regular Called Meeting
June 9, 2026**

Judge Holbrook called the meeting to order with the following present: Magistrate Thacker, Magistrate Adams, Magistrate McGuire, Magistrate Denny, and Magistrate Prewitt. Also present: County Attorney Jeremy Rowe, and Fiscal Court Clerk/Treasurer Kelly Ponder.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING MAY 12, 2026-Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to approve minutes as presented.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING MAY 21, 2026-Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve minutes as presented.

ROCKCASTLE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT-Information only. Mark Dyehouse, Apryl Kirby, and Ian Bullock were present at the meeting representing the Rockcastle County Conservation District. Mark Dyehouse informed the Fiscal Court of the various programs that are available to county residents within their agency which include equipment rentals, free soil testing, discounted fruit trees, and the farm cost share programs. He also spoke concerning the scholarship opportunities they offer to two Rockcastle County High School Seniors. Mr. Dyehouse expressed appreciation to the Fiscal Court for continuing to provide the Dead Animal Carcass Removal Program for Rockcastle County farmers and how successful it continues to be. There is a new state cost share program being offered to local farmers for cattle feeders making it more efficient for winter feeding, bringing in over \$300,000.00 in funds to the county.

ROCKCASTLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY-Information only. The Judge wanted to follow up on the organization asking for \$10,000.00 a year placed as a line item in future budgets. The research done looks as if it would be more beneficial for the City of Mt Vernon to offer a budget line item since the building that has been acquired is in the city and any future work on restoration projects will likely be within the city limits. This information was acquired from the USDA. The Judge will follow up with the City of Mt. Vernon as to where they stand.

RALLY RACE-Information only. The Judge informed the court that the rally race would not be taking place inside Rockcastle County this year. It is taking place in the National Forest located in Jackson County.

ROCKCASTLE LITTLE LEAGUE FOOTBALL-CONFERENCE 127 DONATION REQUEST-\$7,000.00- Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate McGuire to donate \$5,000.00 with no ayes, thus the motion dyed. Motion was made by Magistrate Adams and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to donate the \$7,000.00 requested.

BID ADVERTISEMENT FOR EXCAVATION FOR RECREATIONAL COMPLEX-Motion was made by Magistrate Adams and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve as presented. Sealed bids will be accepted until July 14, 2026 at noon, and opened July 14, 2026 at 4:00pm.

FIREWORKS AT INDUSTRIAL PARK FOR THE AMERICA250 CELEBRATION JULY 4, 2026-Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to proceed as presented.

CSEPP STORAGE BUILDING AT 280 SOUTH OLD US 25-Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to approve donating it to the City of Mt. Vernon.

SEALED BIDS FOR CRUSHED LIMESTONE, ASPHALT SURFACE-HOT & COLD MIX, METAL AND DWP CULVERTS, AND ROAD SALT FOR FY26-27-RE-BID DUE TO MISPRINT IN THE SIGNAL-NOW JUNE 18TH, 2026-Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to approve as presented.

KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION GAS TAX SUSPENSION IMPACTS-Information only.

ROAD DEPARTMENT-EQUIPMENT UPDATES-

ROAD GRADER-A quote from Herren of \$8,352.00 is on file to repair the equipment. Motion was made by Magistrate Adams and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve proceeding with repairs.

SOLID WASTE VAN-2017 FORD F350 TRANSIT VAN-Motion was made by Magistrate Adams and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve as presented to surplus the piece of equipment.

MOWING TRACTORS-Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve the purchase of a John Deere Flex Wing Rotary Cutter at a price of \$25,042.76.

ROAD DEPARTMENT-ROAD UPDATES-

Double Yellow Center Lines Requested on the following roads: Cedar Rapids Rd, Doc Adams Rd, and Fort Harrod Way Rd. These are all old state roads that the county has taken over. The cost for this is approximately \$.50 per foot. Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all nays. Motion failed.

SPEED LIMIT DAHLIA LANE-CR-1005B-15MPH – Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded Magistrate Denny, with all voting aye to approve the 15-mph speed limit on Dahlia Lane CR-1005B.

SPEED LIMIT FOGGY HOLLOW-CR-1166-20MPH – Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Adams, with all voting aye to approve the 20-mph speed limit on Foggy Hollow CR-1166.

ICE STORM JANUARY 2026 APPROVAL FROM FEMA – Information only.

ANIMAL SHELTER UPDATE-MAY 2026-Information only. Pre-trial updates were given on the court case involving the animal shelter and David Carpenter by County Attorney Jeremy Rowe.

APPLY FOR SPAY/NEUTER GRANT FY 26-27 – Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to proceed with applying for the Spay/Neuter Grant application for FY 26-27.

LIVINGSTON TRAIL TOWN PROGRAM Report-May 2026-Information only.

LIVINGSTON TRAIL TOWN SUPPORT RENEWAL-Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve as presented.

LIVINGSTON GYM RENTAL-MAY 2026-\$850.00- Information only.

REAPPOINT JASON MEDLEY GYM CARETAKER–Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to approve Jason Medley as Livingston gym caretaker.

ROCKCASTLE COUNTY DEVELOPMENT BOARD PROGRAM SUPPORT-MAY 2026-\$1,155.00-Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to approve as presented.

SOLID WASTE REPORTS-MAY 2026-Motion was made by Magistrate Denny and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve the reports as presented.

QUAIL PARK REPORT-MAY 2026-Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to approve the report as presented.

RESOLUTION PRI FISCAL COURT/RCIDA- Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to authorize Judge Holbrook to sign all letters of support, certifications, acknowledgements and other documents reasonably necessary to evidence the County's support of this project.

TREASURER

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT-June 2026-Motion made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to approve the report as presented.

EMPLOYEES DIRECT DEPOSIT– Motion was made by Magistrate Denny and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to require all employees to sign up for direct deposit.

CLOSE OUT CSEPP CHECKING ACCOUNT- Motion was made by Magistrate Adams and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to close out the CSEPP checking account.

BUDGET TRANSFERS-Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to approve as presented.

CLAIMS-Motion made by Magistrate Denny and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to approve claims as presented.

TRANSFERS-

CASH TRANSFERS

Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to approve cash transfers as follows:

Cash Transfer from Occupational Tax Fund to General Fund in the amount of \$280,000.00

INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Motion was made by Magistrate Denny and seconded by Magistrate Adams to approve Interfund transfers as follows:

Interfund transfer from General Fund to Jail Fund in the amount of \$150,000.00

Interfund Transfer from General Fund to 911 Fund in the amount of \$25,000.00

Interfund Transfer from General Fund to Fairground Fund in the amount of \$5,000.00

\$100,000 remains in General Fund

Interfund Transfer from CSEPP Fund to General Fund in the amount of \$52,691.57 to close out account

CAROL'S CAROLERS— Members of the organization presented the court with a listing of events they are scheduled to be hosting throughout the year. They requested the court give them a donation to fund some of their events. Magistrate Thacker made the motion to donate \$500.00, with 4 nays. The motion died. Judge Holbrook requested that more research be done on the legalities of donating to 501-C organizations with taxpayer's monies. More information will be presented at a future meeting.

Motion was made by Magistrate Denny, seconded by Magistrate Prewitt to adjourn.



Howell Holbrook Jr., County Judge Executive

**Rockcastle County Fiscal Court
Special Called Meeting
June 10, 2026**

Judge Holbrook called the meeting to order with the following present: Magistrate Thacker, Magistrate Adams, Magistrate McGuire, Magistrate Denny and Magistrate Prewitt. Also present: Fiscal Court Clerk/Treasurer/HR Kelly Ponder.

APPROVAL OF EMPLOYEE AND WAGE LISTING FOR FY 26-27—Motion was made by Magistrate Adams, seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve the employee and wage list for FY 26-27 as presented.

TREASURER

SECOND READING PROPOSED BUDGET FY26-27—Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire, seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to approve the second and final reading of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court's FY26-27 Budget.

SECOND READING PROPOSED STANDING ORDERS FY26-27—Motion was made by Magistrate Adams, seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve the second and final reading of the Standing Orders for FY 26-27.

SECOND READING PROPOSED LIABILITIES FY26-27—Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker, seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve the second and final reading of the Liabilities for FY 26-27.

BUDGET TRANSFERS—Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker, seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve as presented.

CLAIMS—No claims presented.

Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker, seconded by Magistrate Adams to adjourn.



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**Rockcastle County Fiscal Court
Special Called Meeting
June 18, 2026**

Judge Holbrook called the meeting to order with the following present: Magistrate Thacker, Magistrate Adams, Magistrate Denny and Magistrate Prewitt. Magistrate McGuire was absent. Also present: County Attorney Jeremy Rowe and Fiscal Court Clerk/Treasurer/HR Kelly Ponder.

OPENING OF SEALED BIDS FOR CRUSHED LIMESTONE, ASPHALT SURFACE-HOT & COLD MIX, METAL AND DWP CULVERTS, AND ROAD SALT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027-

Motion was made by Magistrate Adams, seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to accept Heidelberg Materials as lowest bidder on the different sizes of crushed limestone.

Motion was made by Magistrate Denny, seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to accept ATS Construction as the only bidder for Asphalt Surface. Motion was made by

Magistrate Adams, seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to accept Jones Excavating as the only bidder for Cold Mix. Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker,

seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to accept DAL-RS Inc as the lowest bidder for DWP culverts. Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to approve Morton Salt, Inc as the lowest bidder for Road Salt.

TREASURER

- a. **Budget Transfers**-Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve as presented.

Motion was made by Magistrate Adams, seconded by Magistrate Thacker to adjourn.



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**Rockcastle County Fiscal Court
Special Called Meeting
June 29, 2026**

Judge Holbrook called the meeting to order with the following present: Magistrate Thacker, Magistrate Adams, Magistrate McGuire and Magistrate Prewitt. Magistrate Denny was absent. Also present: County Attorney Jeremy Rowe and Fiscal Court Clerk/Treasurer/HR Kelly Ponder.

BID ADVERTISEMENT FOR 30 ACRES+/- ON RECREATIONAL COMPLEX PROPERTY FOR HAY CUTTING-Motion was made by Magistrate Adams and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve as presented.

EMA STAFF/FEMA DECLARATIONS FROM SALARY TO HOURLY-Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve as presented. David Colson, Deputy EMA staff, will now be paid on an hourly basis rather than a salary basis beginning with the first payroll in July. No more than 18 hours a week is permitted to be worked.

ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT FOR THE LIVINGSTON WATER TANK PROJECT-Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve as presented.

RESOLUTION FOR THE LIVINGSTON WATER TANK PROJECT-Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to approve as presented.

TREASURER

- a. **BUDGET TRANSFERS**-Motion was made by Magistrate Adams and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve as presented.
- b. **CASH TRANSFERS-NONE**
- c. **CLAIMS-NONE**
- d. **ADDITIONAL SIGNER ADDED TO CHECKING ACCOUNTS**-Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve as presented. Vicki Miller will be added as the third signer on checking accounts so that in the event one of the two signers already on the accounts cannot sign, she can.

Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire, seconded by Magistrate Adams to adjourn.


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