

**Rockcastle County Fiscal Court
Regular Called Meeting
August 11, 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: Jailer Nathan Carter, Sheriff Shannon Franklin, County Attorney Jeremy Rowe, and Fiscal Court Clerk/Treasurer/HR Kelly Ponder.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING 7/14/26-Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to approve minutes as presented.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING 7/30/26-Motion was made by Magistrate Denny and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve minutes as presented.

ROCKCASTLE COUNTY DETENTION CENTER-POLICIES AND PROCEDURES-Information only. Jailer Nathan Carter presented each Magistrate with a Policies and Procedures Binder, to take and review before the September Regular Meeting. Jailer Carter noted several changes and updates had been made by his administrative team.

ROCKCASTLE DETENTION CENTER-COMPREHENSIVE CORRECTIONAL CARE-HEALTH CONTRACT RENEWAL-EFFECTIVE 8/1/26-Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to approve the contract renewal.

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT-USDA GRANT APPROVAL PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES-Motion was made by Magistrate Adams and seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve as presented.

911 CONTRACT PROJECT 27-249-\$29,486.00-Motion was made by Magistrate Adams and seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve as presented.

ROCKCASTLE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT 2026 TAX RATES-Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to accept as presented.

REAL PROPERTY-.9%

ROCKCASTLE COUNTY FISCAL COURT PROPERTY 2026 TAX RATES-Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to accept as presented.

REAL PROPERTY-6.0%

TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY-8.20%

INVENTORY-8.20%

MOTOR VEHICLE AND WATERCRAFT-8.20%

HEALTH DEPARTMENT BOARD NOMINATION-Motion was made by Magistrate Denny and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to Nominate Magistrate Thacker to the Health Department Board.

PONGO FIRE DEPARTMENT-VEHICLES

- A. **1995 FORD F80-TO COUNTY TO SURPLUS**-Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve as presented.
- B. **1984 INTERNATIONAL 9V4-REMOVE COUNTY'S NAME**-Motion was made by Magistrate Denny and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve as presented.
- C. **1983 INTERNATIONAL 1954-REMOVE COUNTY'S NAME**-Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to approve as presented.
- D. **1992 INTERNATIONAL 4900-PUT IN COUNTY'S NAME AND PONGO FIRE DEPARTMENT NAME**-Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to approve as presented.

BROWN ROAD AND SCAFFOLD CANE LOOP RD-BRIDGE FUNDS-RESOLUTION-\$47,910.00-(DRAINAGE STRUCTURE REPLACEMENT)-Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve as presented.

BROWN ROAD AND SCAFFOLD CANE LOOP RD-BRIDGE FUNDS-AGREEMENT-\$47,910.00-(DRAINAGE STRUCTURE REPLACEMENT)-Motion was made by Magistrate Denny and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve as presented.

OTTAWA SCHOOL ROAD-BRIDGE FUNDS-RESOLUTION-\$23,780.00-(DRAINAGE STRUCTURE REPLACEMENT)-Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve as presented.

OTTAWA SCHOOL ROAD-BRIDGE FUNDS-AGREEMENT-\$23,780.00-(DRAINAGE STRUCTURE REPLACEMENT)-Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve as presented.

FLEX FUNDING-\$147,403.00-RESURFACE KY 1617 FROM JUDGE THACKER RD 1.544 MILES NORTH TO ROCKCASTLE COUNTY LINE. RESURFACE KY 1326 FROM PURRIGSBY ROAD 1.509 TO 800' WEST OF KY 461.-Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to approve as presented.

MT. VERNON FUEL CENTER PROPERTY-STILL UNDER NEGOTIATIONS-Information only.

ROAD DEPARTMENT-NEW GARAGE CONSTRUCTION UPDATE-Information only. Plans have been submitted. Ready to dig footers for foundation.

RALLY RACE-NEW HOPE TOWER ROAD-Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve as presented. The Rally Race will use New Hope Tower Road on 9/14/26 from 9-4 for vehicle testing as they prepare for their upcoming national event.

ROAD DEPARTMENT-EQUIPMENT UPDATES

- a. **ROAD GRADER**-1 Road Grader down. Backhoe Boom is broken. Massey Ferguson Tractor is down.
- b. **LESLIE COUNTY PUBLIC AUCTION-DUMP TRUCK**-Motion was made by Magistrate Denny and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve bidding up to \$10,000.00 online.
- c. **LESLIE COUNTY PUBLIC AUCTION-TRACTOR-E SERIES**-The Judge asked the court if they were interested in bidding on the tractor. The Magistrates decided to pass on bidding on the tractor.

ROAD DEPARTMENT-ROAD UPDATES

- a. **WOLFE CREEK BRIDGE UPDATE**-Information only. Foundations have eroded out. State will close the bridge. Division of Water is working on the specifics on project for repair to re-open.
- b. **HAMMONDS FORK ROAD-CULVERT REPLACEMENT**-Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve Jones Excavating for culvert replacement. Blue Jay Loop-25ft underground has to be changed out.

RECREATION COMPLEX GRADING BID PACKET-Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve as presented.

ANIMAL SHELTER UPDATE-JULY 2026-Information only.

LIVINGSTON HOMECOMING DONATION 2026-Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve a donation of \$1000.00.

LIVINGSTON TRAIL TOWN PROGRAM REPORT-JULY 2026-Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to approve as presented.

LIVINGSTON GYM RENTAL-JULY 2026-\$325.00- Information only.

ROCKCASTLE COUNTY DEVELOPMENT BOARD PROGRAM SUPPORT JULY 2026- No report was received; therefore, no payment issued on the claims list.

RIVER SWEEP NEW DATE SET FOR 9/19/26- Information only.

SOLID WASTE APPLICATION-NEW HIRE-Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve the hiring of James Lane for the Solid Waste Department.

SOLID WASTE-2027 LITTER ABATEMENT GRANT-Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to approve as presented.

OPENING OF BIDS FOR SOLID WASTE GRANT FOR FORKLIFT-Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve the lowest bid of \$43,522.80 by MH Equipment. Two bids were received, the first opened was from Bailey Equipment for a Caterpillar Forklift in the amount of \$50,949.30. The second one opened was from MH Equipment for a Hyster Forklift in the amount of \$43,522.80.

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

**Rockcastle County Fiscal Court
Special Called Meeting
August 24, 2026**

Judge Holbrook called the meeting to order with the following present: Magistrate Thacker, Magistrate McGuire, Magistrate Denny and Magistrate Prewitt. Magistrate Adams was absent. Also present: County Attorney Jeremy Rowe, Stacy Richards, representing the Sheriff's Office and Vickie Miller.

WOLF CREEK BRIDGE – Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt, seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to accept the estimate of \$18,000 from Hopkins Concrete to repair Wolf Creek Bridge as a temporary measure.

ROAD DEPARTMENT SUPERVISOR – Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt, seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve Judge Holbrook's appointment of William Denny as Road Supervisor effective September 1, 2026. Magistrate Denny is resigning his magistrate position as of midnight on August 31, 2026.

FISCAL COURT CLERK POSITION – Motion was made by Magistrate Denny, seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve the hiring of Pcyton Bowman for the position of Fiscal Court Clerk.

LIBRARY TAX RATES – Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire, seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to accept the Library's tax rates as presented:

Real Property 7.8%
Tangible Personal Property 11%
Inventory 11%
Motor Vehicle & Watercraft 1.7%

DOOR ACCESS CONTROL FOR COURTHOUSE – Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire, seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve the proposal and the first payment of half, \$1796.64, from Silent Guard to update the Courthouse Door Access Control system.

ACTING TREASURER POSITION – Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker, seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve Vickie Miller as acting treasurer at \$27 per hour until the position is filled and trained.

CLAIMS- Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to approve all claims presented

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


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

RCIDA FINANCIAL STMT ENDING 7/31/26 -Information only.

RCIDA DIRECTOR'S MINUTES 7/8/26 -Information only.

EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL 10/1/26-90 DEGREES BENEFITS/ENTRUST-Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve the renewal Option 1 with a 0.84% increase, maximum out of pocket being \$677,355.48. The new amount per employee per month will be \$907.73, with the County paying \$829.32 and the Employee paying \$78.41. The county will keep the employee portion the same.

2026-2027 PAY SCALE UPDATE APPROVAL-Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to approve updates as presented.

TREASURER

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

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

CLAIMS-Motion made by Magistrate Denny and seconded by Magistrate McGuire 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 a Cash Transfer from Occupational Tax Account to General Fund in the amount of \$50,000.00.

INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to approve Interfund Transfers as follows:

Interfund transfer from 911 Fund to General Fund-\$1224.00-AOC Lease went to wrong account from the State.

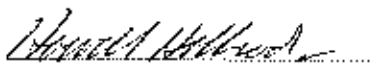
Interfund Transfer from General Fund to Jail Fund in the amount of \$25,000.00

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

MORATORIUM ON THE CONSTRUCTION, DEVELOPMENT, AND OPERATION OF DATA CENTERS-

Information only. County Attorney Jeremy Rowe presented the Magistrates with a draft to review.

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



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