

**Rockcastle County Fiscal Court  
Special Called Meeting  
May 6, 2025**

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, Ronnie Bradley, representing the Sheriff's Department and Fiscal Court Clerk/Treasurer Kelly Ponder.

**PROPOSED BUDGET CHANGES 2025-2026-** Motion made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve the 2025-2026 budget changes as presented.

**PROPOSED BUDGET 2025-2026 FIRST READING-** Motion made by Magistrate Denny and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to approve the first reading of the 2025-2026 budget.

**PROPOSED STANDING ORDERS 2025-2026 FIRST READING-** Motion made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve the 2025-2026 standing orders first reading as presented.

**PROPOSED LIABILITES 2025-2026 FIRST READING-** Motion made by Magistrate Adams and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve the 2025-2026 proposed liabilities first reading as presented.

**LARKSPUR LANE SPEED LIMIT-** Motion made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve a 10 mile an hour speed limit for Larkspur Lane.

**BREEZY HOLLOW LANE SPEED LIMIT-** Motion made by Magistrate Denny and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to approve a 15 mile an hour speed limit on Breezy Hollow Lane.

**LIVINGSTON CITY HISTORY MUSEUM-** Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to approve the back room of the City of Livingston to house the history museum. Any renovations to the room that may be needed will have to be done by the City of Livingston, not the County.

**LIVINGSTON SCHOOL RENTAL-TUESDAYS-COMMUNITY KIDS ACTIVITIES-** Information Only. The Judge corrected the agenda that the Livingston Gym was requested, not the Livingston School. A Livingston community member wants to host activities for kids on Tuesdays and have the gym open for kids in the area. A vote will be taken at the next regular meeting.

**TRACTOR PURCHASE-** Motion was made by Magistrate Denny and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve the purchase of a 1987 Ford Tractor from Burkholder Tractor & Equipment LLC in the amount of \$29,900.00 with a shipping cost of approximately \$1200.00, making it a total cost of \$31,100.00.

**60 DAY PAYROLL CHECK CASHING POLICY-** Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to approve requiring a 60 day payroll check cashing policy for county employees. A payroll check was recently presented dated 11/22/23 that had not been cashed.

Auditors advised the county to re-issue the net check to the employee. To try to prohibit this from happening in the future and to have a more compliant bank reconciling method, this policy was voted in.

**60 DAY PAYROLL CHECK CASHING POLICY ADDED TO THE EMPLOYEE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE-** Motion was made by Magistrate Adams and seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve adding the 60 day payroll check cashing policy to the employee administrative code. The administrative code was revised 5/6/25 to reflect this addition.

#### **TREASURER**

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

**CASH TRANSFERS-**Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve cash transfers as follows:

Cash Transfer from the Occupational Tax Fund to the General Fund in the amount of \$245,000.00.

Interfund Transfer from the General Fund to the Jail Fund in the amount of \$125,000.00

Interfund Transfer from the General Fund to the LGEA Fund in the amount of \$20,000.00

Interfund Transfer from the General Fund to the 911 Fund in the amount of \$50,000.00

\$50,000.00 to remain in the General Fund

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

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

  
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Howell Holbrook Jr., County Judge Executive

**Rockcastle County Fiscal Court**  
**Regular Called Meeting**  
**May 13, 2025**

Judge Holbrook called the meeting to order with the following present: Magistrate Thacker, Magistrate Adams, Magistrate McGuire, Magistrate Denny and Magistrate Prewitt. Also present: Assistant County Attorney William Leger, Ronnie Bradley, representing the Sheriff's department, Jailer Nathan Carter, Fiscal Court Clerk/ Treasurer Kelly Ponder.

**CRA AND LGEA PUBLIC HEARING**-The public hearing for the CRA and LGEA proposed use was held from 3:30pm to 4:00pm on Tuesday May 13, 2025. In attendance were Howell Holbrook and Michael McGuire. No one from the general public attended.

**CENTER FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT CHECK PRESENTATION-LIVINGSTON FIBER PROJECT**-Lonnie Lawson, CEO of the Center of Rural Development presented the Fiscal Court with a \$100,000.00 check for the Last Mile Broadband Assistance Program Grant. The grant will service families in the Livingston area with internet access. Keith Gabbard, a representative from PRTC also spoke about the projects both past and present taking place to help underserved areas with internet.

**ROCKCASTLE DEVELOPMENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE (QUESTIONS & ANSWERS)**-Kathy Robinson, chairman of the Rockcastle Development Board came to speak to the fiscal court about the role the group plays in the county. Robinson explained that Lynn Tatum is the project coordinator. She focuses on beautification projects for the cities within the county. She partners with cities to try to help obtain grants, help with clean-up and beautification of city parks, and preserving historic areas in the county.

**ROCKCASTLE DEVELOPMENT BOARD PROGRAM SUPPORT-\$1515.00**-Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve as presented.

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING APRIL 8, 2025** – Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve the minutes as presented.

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING APRIL 21, 2025**-Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to approve the minutes as presented.

**SHERIFF DEPARTMENT-2017 FORD TAURUS DONATION**-Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to approve accepting the donation.

**AOC REIMBURSEMENT FORM FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY, 1 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026**-Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve as presented.

**EOC WINDSTREAM AGREEMENT**-Motion was made by Magistrate Adams and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to approve the agreement as presented.

**2025 BOONE FOREST RALLY RACE-8/9/25-SAME ROADS AS 2024**- Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve as presented.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT BID ADVERTISEMENT FOR ANNUAL ROAD ITEMS-**Motion was made by Magistrate Adams and seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve as presented.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT-EQUIPMENT UPDATES-INFORMATION ONLY-** The tractor that was approved for purchase in the last special meeting will soon be shipped from Pennsylvania. 3 tractors are currently in use for mowing around the county. Bluegrass International still has a truck that still has some warranty issues.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT-ROAD UPDATES-INFORMATION ONLY-**Marler Hollow Rd is now open. Hammonds Ford Rd is expected to be reopened in approximately 1-2 weeks.

**ROCKCASTLE SENIOR CITIZENS ROOF REPAIR RE-VISIT-** Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Thacker with all voting aye to approve a quote from Tony Barnes in the amount of \$3500.00 for labor and materials to repair the roof.

**ANIMAL SHELTER UPDATE-APRIL 2025-INFORMATION ONLY**

**CITY OF LIVINGSTON OFFICE RENTAL FOR CITY POLICE-(AMERICAN WATER OLD OFFICE)-** Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to approve the city renting the space for \$200.00 a month. Assistant County Attorney William Leger said they would work on a new lease agreement for this transaction.

**LIVINGSTON TRAIL TOWN SUPPORT-MARCH AND APRIL 2025-INFORMATION ONLY**

**LIVINGSTON GYM RENTAL-APRIL 2025-\$675.00-Information Only.**

**LIVINGSTON GYM RENTAL ON TUESDAYS-NO CHARGE-YOUTH ACTIVITIES-**Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate Adams with all voting aye to approve as presented.

**SOLID WASTE REPORTS APRIL- 2025-**Motion was made by Magistrate Adams and seconded by Magistrate Denny with all voting aye to approve the reports as presented.

**FY 25-26 KY PRIDE FUND-HHW GRANT CONTRACT-**Motion was made by Magistrate Adams and seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve the grant contract as presented.

**FY 25-26-WASTE TIRE GRANT AGREEMENT-**Motion was made by Magistrate Thacker and seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve the grant agreement as presented.

**QUAIL PARK REPORT APRIL 2025-**Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve the report as presented.

**ADMINISTRATIVE CODE-NEW COPY WITH ADDITIONS APPROVED LAST MEETING-INFORMATION ONLY-**Judge Holbrook presented magistrates with a copy of the Rockcastle County Administrative Code and asked that they review it in the weeks to come. It will be on the agenda for the July 2025 regular meeting.

**TREASURER**

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

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

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

**TRANSFERS-NO TRANSFERS**

**CLOSED SESSION-** Motion was made by Magistrate McGuire and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to enter into closed session. Motion was made by Magistrate Denny and seconded by Magistrate Prewitt with all voting aye to enter into open session.

**HEALTH INSURANCE-** Motion was made by Magistrate Prewitt and seconded by Magistrate McGuire with all voting aye to approve the motion of the termination of one employee from 90 Degrees Benefits Insurance, enrolling that one employee into the Anthem BCBS Insurance plan, and for the Fiscal Court to cover the cost of the additional premium per month of \$558.74, and to cover in full the \$2500.00 out of pocket amounts through the end of 2025 for the Anthem Coverage. Total Amended Amount: \$4,469.92 + \$2500.00 = \$6969.92. This was done at the advice of our insurance advisors to avoid a forecasted bill of over \$250,000.00 that a certain medical facility would not negotiate, and in essence the county would be left to pay the \$250,000.00 bill out of pocket.

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



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