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Ballard County Fiscal Court
April 15, 2025
9:00 AM

Welcome: Todd Cooper, Judge Executive
Roll Call: Jody Brown, Nathan Whipple, Chip Bisson
Prayer: Todd Cooper
Pledge: Todd Cooper

Motion by Jody Brown second by Chip Bisson and unanimous on vote to approve the April 1, 2025 minutes as presented and to forego the public reading of the minutes.

Bids

Solid Waste

Newton bid was \$235 per haul and \$60/Ton

GFL bid was 148 per haul and \$38/Ton

Motion by Chip Bisson and second by Nathan Whipple unanimous on vote to accept GFL's bid.

Court House HVAC

Murtco \$3380 per year

Triangle \$2742 per year

Motion made by Jody Brown second by Nathan Whipple to accept the higher bid from Murtco as they know the system, unanimous on vote.

Road

Motion by Nathan Whipple second by Chip Bisson and unanimous on vote to enter a Resolution with KYTC for the 2026 County Road Aid.

Tod and Travis reported on the condition of the buildings on the property of interest on Lake Drive in Barlow. Tod gave his monthly report on progress of the department.

Sheriff

Tax bills will be turned over to the County Clerk's Office on April 16, 2025. Ronnie gave an update on the FLOCK cameras. Pilot program with 7 cameras will begin in June or July. Pilot program is 60 days. His department will be able to fund part of them and will contact the individual cities to help with the cost. He will keep at least 3 cameras at a cost of \$3000 per camera per year.

Jail

Eric Coppess presented the Jail report. The average population for the month was 98, 52 bookings with 43 releases. Housing income was\$ 71191 and MRT income was \$22000.

Dispatch/911

Calls are not being routed directly to River County 911 yet but hopefully it will be soon that the line will go directly to dispatch in Carlisle.

Pager tests are not happening with any consistency. Todd will step down from the 911 Board the Court will appoint a new member. Chip Bisson will become the new member of the 911 Board.

Ambulance

A written report was presented by Anna Abernathy. Collections were approximately \$13,000 for the month of March.

Motion by Chip Bisson second by Nathan Whipple and unanimous on vote to promote TB from PT to FT at pay scale rate.

Motion by Nathan Whipple second by Jody Brown and unanimous on vote to approve the increase in pay for MW for becoming a Certified Paramedic upon receiving the certificate.

EMA

Travis Holder asked the court to inspect road issues/washouts due to the recent storms and tornado. If there is a road that has been washed out or needs a new culvert, etc. please notify Travis or Judge Executive's office.

Judge Clymer sent a letter of accolades for the first responders in the response to the incident involving the death of Lee Chandler in the floodwaters.

Animal Control

A draft lease was presented for the Animal Shelter. April's Grooming is being sold. The Shelter will be changing owners and names.

Solid Waste

Bryan presented his monthly report. During Free Week there was 60T collected. A load of cardboard was sold, waiting on that check approximately \$2000, and intake was \$6849.

Any resident with tornado damage for 30 days the center will intake any construction material.

Five (5) certified letters went out to home owners that need property clean-up. Three properties have made some progress 1 will get another letter and the 5th will move forward with criminal summons.

Treasurer

Motion by Nathan Whipple second by Chip Bisson and unanimous on vote to approve the monthly report, pending audit.

Motion by Chip Bisson second by Jody Brown to pay bills with the addition of \$195417.63 from the Road Fund to Jim Smith for Brooking Road Bridge Project, unanimous on vote to approve, pending audit

Motion made by Nathan Whipple second by Chip Bisson and unanimous on vote to approve cash transfers, pending audit.

Insurance quote was presented for worker's comp and health insurance.

County Attorney

An update was given on the J.M. Hunt Medical Clinic Property, where Dr. Butler's office is currently.

County Clerk

Delinquent tax bills will be received.

Projects and Properties

The Court decided to keep the two current electrical inspectors and not add Greg Hobgood.

Clayton Mitchell from Global Life wants to come during open enrollment.

Todd Cooper presented to the court a time limit for presentations of 5 mins and a time limit for discussions of 2 mins to be implemented in the Fiscal Court Meetings. *Motion made by Nathan Whipple second by Chip Bisson to adopt this policy.*

Maupins Recycling uses the scale at the recycling center. Discussion about charging Maupins to continue this. This was supposed to be a temporary arrangement. Bryan will do some research on a fair price to charge and will present at the next meeting.

Motion to adjourn made by Nathan Whipple second by Chip Bisson, unanimous on vote.