

Ballard County Fiscal Court
June 3, 2025
5:00 PM

Ryan Chip

Welcome: Todd Cooper, Judge Executive

Roll Call: Ryan Hedrick, Jody Brown, Stonnie Dennis, Nathan Whipple, Chip Bisson

Prayer: Ryan Hedrick, Chaplain

Pledge: Todd Cooper

Motion made by Jody Brown second by Chip Bisson and unanimous on vote to approve the May 20, 2025 Fiscal Court Minutes as presented and to forego the public reading.

Road

The Brooking Road Loan CD withdrawal resolution was presented but will be further discussed at the June 17, 2025 Meeting.

911/Dispatch

Larry Fraser was present to give an update. There was an issue with 911 service coming from Verizon in LaCenter. Both Verizon and BRTC had modules down that were preventing this service to work, it has been resolved and is functioning properly.

Locally all work has been completed to allow 911 calls to go directly to dispatch, however Central KY 911 Network says they are 30 to 60 days out for things to be ready on their side. The new projected date is by August 2025.

Detention Center/Jail

Ballard County Jailer, Eric Coppess has decided to not renew the Inmate Contract to House Carlisle County Prisoners. He gave one incident of an issue with an inmate who should have been taken to a mental health facility but was brought to the Jail instead, he stated that it was not a good working environment to house Carlisle County Inmates. There is currently an at-will contract with Graves County and he feels he can fill

the beds with inmates from Graves County. This discussion will be continued at the June 17, 2025 meeting.

The 2026 FYE Policy and Procedure Manual needs approved. Jailer, Eric Coppess presented a change to Appendix M with all other parts of the manual remaining the same from the last approved manual 2024 FYE. ***Motion by Nathan Whipple second by Chip Bisson and unanimous on vote to approve the 2026 FYE Policy and Procedure Manual with the change to Appendix M.***

EMS

It was reported to the Court that the time frame to collect from Paul Holt for breach of contract for paramedic school has passed.

Animal Control

Animal Control is down to one officer. There was a discussion of adding pay for each county pick-up but no action was taken at this time. ***Motion made by Jody Brown second by Chip Bisson unanimous on vote to give Animal Control a COLA increase of \$100 a month, increasing pay from \$400 to \$500 a month.***

Treasurer

Motion made by Ryan Hedrick second by Chip Bisson and unanimous on vote to pay bills, pending audit.

Motion made by Jody Brown second by Ryan Hedrick and unanimous on vote to approve Cash Transfers, pending audit.

Motion by Chip Bisson second by Jody Brown and unanimous on vote to approve the 2nd Reading of the 2026 FYE Budget.

Motion by Nathan Whipple second by Ryan Hedrick and unanimous on vote to approve FYE 2025 Budget Amendment #2.

County Attorney

The MOU with T-Mobile will be addressed at a later Court date as T-Mobile has had staffing changes and a completely new team will be working this.

The County Attorney was granted permission by verbal agreement to allow the new Assistant County Attorney's salary to remain what the previous one was set.

Human Resources

There was a new job description presented for the Pay Roll Coordinator, this will be further discussed at the next meeting.

Motion to adjourn made by Nathan Whipple second by Ryan Hedrick and unanimous on vote.