Jody / Nathan

Ballard County Fiscal Court
July 7, 2026
5:00 PM

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 to approve the June 16, 2026 Fiscal Court minutes as presented and to forego the public reading made by Jody Brown second by Nathan Whipple, and unanimous vote.

Bids

Two bids were received for Medical Services for the Jail for FYE 2027.
3C $148,884.00 yr
Southern Health Partners, Inc $175,510.00 yr
Motion made by Stonnie Dennis, seconded by Ryan Hedrick and unanimous vote to accept the contract bid from 3C, unanimous vote approves.
One bid was received for Food Services for the Jail FYE 2027.
Motion to accept the bid from Kelwell as a one-year extension to the current contract to end June 30, 2027.

Road

An invoice has come due for the Morning Meadows Bridge Project from Jim Smith Construction for $357,207.68. It was the recommendation that there be an approval to draw up to $358,000 from the CD Account to pay this invoice and reimburse the CD when the BCIPP Grant funds are received for the project. Judge Cooper asked the court to allow the use of some of the funds to pay Jim Smith for paving Davis Road, which is a $180,000 LARP grant that will be reimbursed by KYTC as well.
Motion to approve Resolution 2026-07-07-001 for the MOU to withdraw up to $358,000.00 from CD#****, made by Jody Brown and seconded by Stonnie Dennis; unanimous vote to approve.***

Motion to increase road employee JS $1.00 an hour retro to June 28, 2026, because JS received a CDL endorsement on his drivers license, made by Nathan Whipple, seconded by Jody Brown, and unanimous vote to approve the raise.

There have been several community calls after the storms regarding issues needing resolution. The road department is aware and is working as diligently as possible to remedy them.

Jail

Motion to approve the KYTC Jail Staff/ Workers contract FYE 2027 for $62,000.00 made by Chip Bisson, seconded by Nathan Whipple, and a unanimous vote approves.

Treasurer

Motion to pay bills, including (road)Jim Smith Construction $357,207.68, pending audit made by Chip Bisson and a second from Nathan Whipple, motion passes with unanimous vote.

Motion to approve Cash Transfers, pending audit made by Nathan Whipple, seconded by Chip Bisson, and unanimous vote to approve.

Motion to pay non-standing ACH's, pending audit made by Nathan Whipple, seconded by Jody Brown, and a unanimous vote approves.

Motion to approve the second reading of FYE 2026 Budget Amendment 2 retro to June 28, 2026, made by Ryan Hedrick and seconded by Nathan Whipple; a unanimous vote carries the motion.

Projects and Properties

The senior citizens center has requested a funding contribution from the Fiscal Court. The FC wants some additional information from the senior center before making a decision. This will be discussed at a later date.

There was an update provided to the Court for the Opioid Money that has been awarded. An update was also provided from LifeLine who has received a significant amount of opioid money from the county. Judge Executive, Todd Cooper gave an update on Data Centers. There was also a press release presented on the US 51 Cairo Bridge Closure.

Magistrate Ryan Hedrick asked if there were any updates on the Robey Road and Mosstown Road projects. It was said that it may be September for Mosstown, but no update for Robey.

Executive Session

Motion to enter Executive Session made by Jody Brown, seconded by Nathan Whipple, and a unanimous vote to enter.
Motion to exit Executive Session made by Jody Brown, seconded by Nathan Whipple, and unanimous vote to exit.
There was no business transacted nor motions made while in Executive Session.

Motion to reinstate LR and MQ 7.6.2026 at pay rate and same duties assigned as when they were terminated, based on the Circuit Court decision to dismiss the charges against each, pending a background check, made by Jody Brown and seconded by Ryan Hedrick, unanimous vote passes the motion. There will be a discussion about accrued sick time and vacation time available to each.

Motion to adjourn made by Jody Brown seconded by Ryan Hedrick and unanimous vote to adjourn.