# $\overline{ORDERS}$ $\}$ Christian County Fiscal Court

24th Day of June 2025

The Fiscal Court in and for Christian County met for a regular meeting at 8:30 a.m. at the Christian County Courthouse and the following proceedings were had. Present and presiding was Honorable Jerry Gilliam, County Judge/Executive. The following lady and gentlemen, Justices in Commission, were present:

Magaline Ferguson
Josh Turner
George Barnett
J.E. Pryor

Rich Liebe Phillip Peterson Russ Guffey John Bruce

Also, presents were Duncan Cavanah Asst. County Attorney, Melinda Humphries County Clerk, John Quarles Major, Adam Smith Jailer, and Natalie Pyle County Treasurer.

### PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Esquire Barnett offer the invocation. Jerry Gilliam County Judge/Executive, then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Barnett, it is hereby ordered to approve the minutes of June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025, and dispense with the reading.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

## **APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES:**

Upon motion of Esquire Ferguson, seconded by Esquire Pryor, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the General Fund through June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

Upon motion of Esquire Bruce, seconded by Esquire Turner, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the Road and Bridge Fund through June 24th, 2025.

Upon motion of Esquire Turner, seconded by Esquire Bruce, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditure for the County Jail Fund through June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025, and to include authorized overtime for May 2025, as well as authorized regular time and overtime for June 2025.

May 2025 Authorized Overtime

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
Audrey Hargrove	6.5	\$187.53
TOTAL	6.5	\$187.53

June 2025 Regular Time

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
John Hurt	1.0	\$19.23
Ronnie Maynard	4.0	\$76.92
TOTAL	5.0	\$96.15

June 2025 Authorized Overtime

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
John Hurt	2.0	\$57.70
Ronnie Maynard	5.0	\$144.25
TOTAL	7.0	\$201.95

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

Upon motion of Esquire Pryor, seconded by Esquire Ferguson, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the L.G.E.A. Fund through June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Turner, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the E911 Fund through June 24th, 2025.

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

Upon motion of Esquire Bruce, seconded by Esquire Guffey, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditure for the Health Insurance Fund through June 24th, 2025.

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson,	, seconded by Esquire Barnett, it is hereby ordered
to approve the expenditures for the Clerk	Storage Fee Fund through June 24th, 2025.

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Tu	rner, George
Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John B	ruce.

## TREASURER REPORT:

Upon motion of Esquire Barnett, seconded by Esquire Peterson, it is hereby ordered to approve the Budget Transfer effective May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025, subject to audit.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Ferguson, it is hereby ordered to approve the Cash Investment Report dated May 31st, 2025, subject to audit.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

Upon motion of Esquire Bruce, seconded by Esquire Pryor, it is hereby ordered to approve the Budget Revenue and Expense Statement July 1, 2024, through May 31, 2025, subject to audit.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey, and John Bruce.

#### **COMMISSION & BOARD REPORTS:**

## **Animal Shelter Monthly Report**

Melisssa Goff the Director of the Christian County Animal Shelter gave her monthly report for May 2025.

Christian County Emergency Management Director, Randy Graham shared updates on the current FEMA process relating to Christian County's recent flood and tornado damages. Currently about 404 have registered for assistance and over 3 million dollars has been issued by FEMA for repairs. The FEMA application process has been extended to July 24th, 2025, and if individuals need assistance with registration, they can call 270-887-6253.

county has experienced in recent months.
Esquire Barnett mentioned a rate increase from the Christian County Water District and the rate increase should be finalized in the next few months.
Esquire Ferguson thanked all those involved in the Chamber of Commerce 136 <sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner.
CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:
Diane Turner presented Christian County Jailer, Adam Smith the Pennyrile RC&D/Jeffers Bend Community Service Award to the Christian County Jail for providing labor and equipment support in work at Jeffers Bend in the Botanical Garden, the Children Garden, mowing, clean-up after the flood, help with grilling the pork chops, and much more.
Gwenda Motley of The Divine 9 and Friends of Hopkinsville wanted to thank Esquire Ferguson and Esquire Pryor as well as Fiscal Court for their support of the recent Junetcenth celebration in our community.
Oak Grove Mayor Jackie Oliver wanted to share that her community will be hosting its Kentucky Bands, Bourbon and Wine Festival from 3pm-9pm on July 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2025, at the Oak Grove War Memorial Walking Trail in Oak Grove and many upcoming events at the Oak Grove Casino.
OLD BUSINESS:
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance 2025-05, Amendment to Ordinance 00-6 Transient Room Tax
Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Bruce, it is hereby ordered to approve the 2 <sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance 2025-05 relating to the amendment of Ordinance 2000-06 which previously amended Ordinance 1984-07 to impose and collect a 3% Transient Room Tax: authorizing the imposition of a 1% special Transient Room Tax relating to fine arts facilities in Christian County.

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George

Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

Esquire Guffey thanked all the volunteers and the Christian County Road Department employees for their clean-up efforts after of the recent flood and tornado damages our

## 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2025-06, Special Purpose Vehicles (SPV)

Upon motion of Esquire Pryor, seconded by Esquire Bruce, it is hereby ordered to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance 2025-06 relating to Street-Legal Special Purpose Vehicles which allows the operation of street-legal special purpose vehicles on specified highways within the jurisdictional boundaries of Christian County in accordance with 2025 Ky. Acts ch. 89 and this ordinance.

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

# Approval of Change Order for Sheriff Evidence Building-Gutters

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Ferguson, it is hereby ordered to approve the change order from WW Building Inc., for left guards on gutters for the Christian County Sheriff Evidence Building in the amount of \$1,050.00.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

## Approval of the Administrative Code

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Ferguson it is hereby ordered to approve the adoption of the revised Christian County Administrative Code dated June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

## Approval of Payroll Schedule 2025-26

Upon motion of Esquire Barnett, seconded by Esquire Peterson it is hereby ordered to approve the payroll schedule of salaries, effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

# Approval of Resolution No. 2025-09, Lease Approval for Sheriff Vehicles

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Liebe, it is hereby ordered to approve the adoption of Resolution No. 2025-09. A resolution approving a lease for the financing of a project; providing for the payment and security of the lease; authorizing the execution of various documents related to such lease; and making certain designations regarding such lease.

# Approval of Resolution No. 2025-10, Airport Deed Easement

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Bruce it is hereby ordered to approve the adoption of Resolution No. 2025-10. A resolution authorizing the conveyance of its interest in a portion of the property described in Resolution No. 2022-34. Christian County, Kentucky and the City of Hopkinsville, Kentucky are joint owners in fee simple of tracts of land more fully described in Deed Book 367, page 56 of record in the Office of the Christian County Clerk. Christian County, Kentucky, wishes to transfer by deed to the Hopkinsville-Christian County Airport Board, a governmental agency.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

# Approval of Resolution No. 2025-11, County Attorney Fees Collected

Upon motion of Esquire Guffey, seconded by Esquire Peterson, it is hereby ordered to approve the adoption of Resolution No. 2025-11. A resolution authorizing that fees collected for the delinquent tax commissions received pursuant to KRS 134.545; administrative fees collected pursuant to KRS 186.574 (6)(c); and administrative fees received from the County Attorney Insurance Monitoring Program or related diversion programs approved by the court shall be retained by the County Attorney's Office, including administrative expenses, as defined in KRS 134.545.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

## Approval of the Order of Allowance to Assessment Board of Appeals

Upon motion of Esquire Barnett, seconded by Esquire Ferguson it is hereby ordered to approve the Order of Allowance to the Board of Assessment Appeals. This order by the court is that the members of the Board of Assessment and the County Clerk be allowed the amounts as listed below for their services in hearing appeals and reviewing tax assessments for the year 2025.

2025 Allowance to the Board of Assessment Appeals

BOARD MEMBERS	DAY(S) SERVED	RATE PER DAY	TOTAL COMPENSATION	STATE SHARE (ONE-HALF)
Steve Wade	1.0	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$50.00
Ben Payne	1.0	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$50.00
Melinda Humphries	1.0	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$50.00
TOTAL	1.0		\$300.00	\$150.00

## Approval of the Declared Surplus-Sheriff Department

Upon motion of Esquire Turner, seconded by Esquire Liebe it is hereby ordered to approve the Declared Trade-In Vehicle Surplus List for June 2025.

June 2025 Declared Trade-In Surplus

YEAR/MAKE	VIN	MILEAGE	
2019 Silverado LTZ	3GCUYGED4KG141442	109,937	
2016 Tahoe	1GNSKFEC7GR117581	86,009	
2017 Tahoe	1GNSKFEC1HR214664	91,876	
2018 Suburban	1GNSKHKC5JR100723	130,019	
2019 Tahoe	1GNSKDEC8KR242327	133,689	

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

## Approval of Road Department Bids-Petroleum

Upon motion of Esquire Guffey, seconded by Esquire Liebe it is hereby ordered to approve the Petroleum Bid to Max Arnold & Sons, LLC for the Christian County Road Department for Fiscal Year 2025-26.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

## Approval of Road Department Bids-Road Materials

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Peterson it is hereby ordered to approve the Road Material Bid to Rogers Group for the Christian County Road Department for Fiscal Year 2025-26.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Licbe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

## Approval of Road Department Bids-Road Tiles

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Turner it is hereby ordered to approve the Road Tile Bids to Hogan & Stone Wholesale, Inc. & Energy Culvert Company for the Christian County Road Department for Fiscal Year 2025-26.

## PERSONNEL:

County Judge/ExecutiveSheriff's DepartmentCounty AttorneyCounty ClerkCounty TreasurerCounty Road DepartmentCounty Jail
None Presented
None Presented
None Presented
None Presented
None Presented
None Presented

#### **Animal Shelter**

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Guffey, and upon recommendation of Melissa Goff, Christian County Animal Shelter Director, it is here ordered to promote Destini Pointer from co-op to part-time Shelter Attendant position effective as of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, with no probationary period, hourly rate of \$12.00 per hour at 96 hour per month.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

#### **Animal Shelter**

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Barnett, and upon recommendation of Melissa Goff, Christian County Animal Shelter Director, it is here ordered to remove Macy Bush's probationary period effective July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

## **Animal Shelter**

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Pryor, and upon recommendation of Melissa Goff, Christian County Animal Shelter Director, it is here ordered to hire Tre'Lasjah Bailey as a Co-op Student at \$8.00 an hour for 24 hours per pay period with a 90-day probation period effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

#### **Animal Shelter**

Upon motion of Esquire Ferguson, seconded by Esquire Turner, and upon recommendation of Melissa Goff, Christian County Animal Shelter Director, it is here ordered to hire Maddison Goery part-time Shelter Attendant at \$12.00 an hour for 96 hours per month with a 90-day probation period effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

#### **Animal Shelter**

Upon motion of Esquire Ferguson, seconded by Esquire Peterson, and upon recommendation of Melissa Goff, Christian County Animal Shelter Director, it is here ordered to promote Madison Toledo-Garcia from part-time Shelter Attendant to full-time Shelter Attendant/Receptionist with an annual salary of \$26,000.16 with probation period 90-days effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Jerry Gilliam, County Judge/Executive, announced the next regular meeting will be at the Christian County Courthouse on Tuesday, July 8th, 2025, at 8:30 a.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Upon motion of Esquire Ferguson, seconded by Esquire Peterson, it is hereby ordered to adjourn at 9:22 a.m.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Phillip Peterson, Russ Guffey and John Bruce.

CHRISTIAN COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE