9th Day of September 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

Rich Liebe

Josh Turner

George Barnett

Russ Guffey

J.E. Pryor

John Bruce

Not Present: Phillip Peterson

Also, presents were Lincoln Foster County Attorney, Melinda Humphries County Clerk, James Dragoo Administrative Lt., Adam Smith Jailer, and Natalie Pyle County Treasurer.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon motion of Esquire Bruce, seconded by Esquire Guffey, it is hereby ordered to approve the minutes of August 26th, 2025, and dispense with the reading.

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

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Bruce, it is hereby ordered to approve the amended minutes of June 24th, 2025, and dispense with the reading.

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

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES:

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Barnett, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the General Fund through September 9th, 2025.

All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, 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 September 9th, 2025.

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

Upon motion of Esquire Turner, seconded by Esquire Pryor, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditure for the County Jail Fund through September 9th, 2025, and to include authorized regular time for August 2025 and authorized overtime for July & August 2025.

July 2025 Authorized Overtime

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
Kimberly Hobson	24.00	\$757.36
TOTAL	24.00	\$747.36

August 2025 Authorized Regular Time

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
David Clark	3.5	\$70.00
Carly Alverio	3.0	\$60.00
TOTAL	6.5	\$130.00

August 2025 Authorized Overtime

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS, WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
Jayden Ralston	6	\$173.10
Kyle Miller	7	\$210.00
Ronnie Maynard	5	\$150.00
Donald Muldrow	15.5	\$465.00
Peter Kohler	3.5	\$105.00
Bradley Daniel	12	\$360.00
Kip Darnell	9	\$270.00
Russell Guffey	4.5	\$135.00
Franklin Blick	9.75	\$365.82
Matthew Wynne	4	\$120.00
Matthew Newby	5	\$150.00
Adam Plock	10	\$311.40
TOTAL	91.25	\$2815.32

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

Upon motion of Esquire Ferguson, seconded by Esquire Guffey, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the L.G.E.A. Fund through September 9th, 2025.

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

Upon motion of Esquire Turner, seconded by Esquire Liebe, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the E911 Fund through September 9th, 2025.

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

Upon motion of Esquire Guffey, seconded by Esquire Bruce, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the Health Insurance Fund through September 9 th , 2025.
All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, and John Bruce.
Upon motion of Esquire Ferguson, seconded by Esquire Guffey, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the American Rescue Fund through September 9 th , 2025.
All voting aye by roll call: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Rich Liebe, Russ Guffey, and John Bruce.
TREASURER REPORT:
NONE
COMMISSION & BOARD REPORTS:
Carter Hendricks, Executive Director of the Southwestern Kentucky Economic Development Council presented Fiscal Court with several updates regarding economic development projects in Christian Co., Todd Co., and Trigg Co.
Esquire Ferguson mentioned that at Virginia Street Baptist Church the Focus Group will meet from 6pm-8pm. She also encouraged people to go online to Visit Hopkinsville to view upcoming events in our community.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:

Dianc Croney-Turner shared information about the Naturefest at Jeffers Bend on September 20th, 2025, from 1pm-5pm. She encouraged people to attend and that volunteers are still needed.

Esquire Bruce announced that the Hopkinsville-Christian County Airport received a clean audit, and the fencing project will start soon. He also shared that the Crofton Fish Fry will be September 19th, 2025.

Tiffany Luna, Hopkinsville-Christian County Public Library Director shared that the grand re-opening of the library's 2nd floor will be September 25, 2025, from 4:30-6pm. She also shared the return of the Renaissance Faire on Saturday September 27, 2025, from noon-6pm. The Faire will include local food vendors, live music, and crafts.

A gentleman spoke about possible grant opportunities available to help save the Weber Building.

Alissa Keller, Executive Director of the Museums of Historic Hopkinsville- Christian County shared that repairs to the Woody Winfree Transportation Museum are underway. She also shared that the 2nd Annual Museum Gala: Juleps, Jockeys, & Jazz will be Saturday September 20, 2025.

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

Esquire Liebe exited Fiscal Court at 9:25am

PERSONNEL:

County Judge Executive-	None Presented
Sheriff's Department-	None Presented
County Attorney-	None Presented
County Clerk-	None Presented
County Treasurer-	None Presented
Animal Shelter-	None Presented
County Road Department-	None Presented

Jail

Upon motion of Esquire Guffey, seconded by Esquire Turner, and upon recommendation of Adam Smith, Christian County Jailer, it is here ordered to remove Brandon Jacobs off 90-day probationary period effective September 16th, 2025.

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

Jail

Upon motion of Esquire Guffey, seconded by Esquire Pryor, and upon recommendation of Adam Smith, Christian County Jailer, it is here ordered to remove Emilio Arispe off 90-day probationary period effective September 16th, 2025.

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

Jail

Upon motion of Esquire Pryor, seconded by Esquire Barnett, and upon recommendation of Adam Smith, Christian County Jailer, it is here ordered to hire Mandy Howard as Fulltime Deputy Jailer, with a starting salary of \$55,000.00, effective September 16th, 2025

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

Jail

Upon motion of Esquire Turner, seconded by Esquire Barnett, and upon recommendation of Adam Smith, Christian County Jailer, it is here ordered to hire Authur Perkins as Fulltime Deputy Jailer, with a starting salary of \$40,000.08 with a 90-day probation period, effective September 16th, 2025.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, Josh Turner, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, 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, September 23rd, 2025, at 8:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Upon motion of Esquire Ferguson, seconded by Esquire Guffey, it is hereby ordered to adjourn at 9:31 a.m.

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

CHRISTIAN COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE JERRY GILLIAM