

**ORDERS** } CHRISTIAN COUNTY FISCAL COURT

29<sup>th</sup> Day of January 2026

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The Fiscal Court in and for Christian County met for a special called meeting at 1:00 p.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
	Phillip Peterson
George Barnett	Russ Guffey
J.E. Pryor	John Bruce
Absent	Josh Turner

Also, presents were Lincoln Foster County Attorney, Melinda Humphries County Clerk, Tyler DeArmond Sheriff, Adam Smith Jailer, and Natalie Pyle County Treasurer.

**PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Liebe, it is hereby ordered to approve the minutes of January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026, and dispense with the reading.

All voting aye by voice vote: Esquires - Magaline Ferguson, George Barnett, J.E. Pryor, Phillip Peterson, Rich Liebe, 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 January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

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

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Upon motion of Esquire Bruce, seconded by Esquire Peterson, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the Road and Bridge Fund through January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026, and include authorized overtime hours for January 23, 24, & 25, 2026.

January 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026 Authorized Overtime for removing snow from county roads.

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
Calvin Barnett	11.0	\$392.92
Mike Burkhead	11.0	\$392.92
Shane Gillingham	11.0	\$280.50
Hank Hendon	11.0	\$380.71
Steven Hoover	11.0	\$392.92
William Long	11.0	\$337.48
Jason Moore	11.0	\$401.94
David Roberts	11.0	\$392.92
Eliseo Rubio	11.0	\$300.63
Donnie Snead	11.0	\$380.71
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>132.0</b>	<b>\$3653.65</b>

Paul Finley worked 11.0 Hours

Scott Fincham worked 11.0 Hours

January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026, Authorized Overtime for removing snow from county roads.

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
Calvin Barnett	10.0	\$476.20
Mike Burkhead	10.0	\$476.20
Shane Gillingham	10.0	\$340.00
Hank Hendon	10.0	\$461.40
Steven Hoover	10.0	\$476.20
William Long	10.0	\$409.00
Jason Moore	10.0	\$487.20
David Roberts	10.0	\$476.20
Eliseo Rubio	10.0	\$364.40
Donnie Snead	10.0	\$461.40
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>120.0</b>	<b>\$4428.20</b>

Paul Finley worked 10.0 Hours

Scott Fincham worked 10.0 Hours

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

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Guffey, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditure for the County Jail Fund through January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026, and to include authorized regular time and overtime for December 2025 and January 2026.

## December 2025 Authorized Regular Time

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
Billy Over	7.5	\$180.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>\$180.00</b>

## December 2025 Authorized Overtime

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
John Hurt	8.0	\$240.00
Billy Over	5.5	\$198.00
Jeremy Rains	8.0	\$240.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>\$678.00</b>

## January 2026 Authorized Regular Time

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
Franklin Blick	8.0	\$200.08
Ryan Lopez	5.0	\$100.00
Matt Newby	3.0	\$60.00
Noah Rollock	1.5	\$28.85
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17.5</b>	<b>\$388.93</b>

## January 2026 Authorized Overtime

EMPLOYEE NAME	OVERTIME HRS. WORKED	AMOUNT PAID
Franklin Blick	17.75	\$655.98
Curtis Follett	8.0	\$230.80
Caleb Hargrove	12.0	\$435.48
Donald Muldrow	8.0	\$240.00
Matt Newby	4.0	\$120.00
Billy Over	21.0	\$756.00
Noah Rollock	5.0	\$144.25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>75.75</b>	<b>\$2,592.51</b>

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

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Upon motion of Esquire Bruce, seconded by Esquire Barnett, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the L.G.E.A. Fund through January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

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

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Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Pryor, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the E911 Fund through January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

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

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Upon motion of Esquire Ferguson, seconded by Esquire Bruce, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the Health Insurance Fund through January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

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

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Upon motion of Esquire Guffey, seconded by Esquire Peterson, it is hereby ordered to approve the expenditures for the Clerk Storage Fee Fund through January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

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

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**TREASURER REPORT:**

Upon motion of Esquire Barnett, seconded by Esquire Peterson, it is hereby ordered to approve the Cash and Investment Report dated December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025, subject to audit.

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

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Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Ferguson, it is hereby ordered to approve the Cash Transfer dated January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026, subject to audit.

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

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Upon motion of Esquire Guffey, seconded by Esquire Bruce, it is hereby ordered to approve the Budget Transfers dated December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025, subject to audit.

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

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Upon motion of Esquire Barnett, seconded by Esquire Ferguson, it is hereby ordered to approve the Revenue and Expense Statement dated July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, through December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025, subject to audit.

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

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**COMMISSION & BOARD REPORTS:**

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Barnett, it is hereby ordered to approve the quarterly Jail report for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

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

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Deneatra Henderson, Chief District Engineer for the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet District 2 visited Fiscal Court to give an update on the current state road conditions and explained the district's response due to the recent snow/ice storm.

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Esquire Pryor provided a flyer and shared that there will be a Fish Fry Fundraiser on Friday March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026, from 5pm-7:30pm at the War Memorial Building. All proceeds will go to the Herndon & Lafayette Volunteer Fire Departments.

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Christian County Emergency Management Director, Randy Graham shared with Fiscal Court that the recent snow/ice storm wasn't typical. He explained how the storm included layers of snow, freezing rain and multiple layers of sleet, along with days of freezing temperatures that caused everything to freeze solid. Unfortunately, this combination caused roads to be extremely dangerous.

Esquire Peterson shared information regarding the new addition of the E911 Off-Site Backup Center.

**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:**

NONE

**OLD BUSINESS:**

NONE

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Approval of Christian County Road Program**

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Bruce, it is hereby ordered to approve the Christian County Road Program 2026 prepared, Pennyriple Area Development District by Magisterial Districts.

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

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**Approval of MOU for Mountain Bike Training and Skills Park**

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Barnett, it is hereby ordered to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Commonwealth of Kentucky by and through the Finance and Administration Cabinet on behalf of the Tourism, Art & Heritage Cabinet, Kentucky Department of Parks and the Christian County Fiscal Court regarding the construction of a Mountain Bike Training and Skills Park within the Pennyriple Forest State Resort Park.

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

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**Approval of EDF Grant Agreement for Grupo**

Upon motion of Esquire Guffey, seconded by Esquire Barnett, it is hereby ordered to approve the Economic Development Fund Grant Agreement between the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, the County of Christian, Kentucky and Grupo Antolin Kentucky, Inc. The purpose of this Grant Agreement is to help encourage, promote and support economic development in Kentucky by undertaking and financing economic development fund projects.

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

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**Approval of the Reimbursement for GPS Renewal for CDS**

Upon motion of Esquire Liebe, seconded by Esquire Peterson, it is hereby ordered to approve the FieldPoint RTX Subscription Renewal Reimbursement for \$1250.00 to Community & Development Services.

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

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**Approval of the Reimbursement for ECC Off-Site Backup Center**

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Guffey, it is hereby ordered to approve the reimbursement of \$58,282.00 from the E911 Fund for an Off-Site Backup Center at the Hopkinsville Fire Station #5

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

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**Approval of Hopkinsville-Christian County Ambulance Service Grant**

Upon motion of Esquire Peterson, seconded by Esquire Bruce, it is hereby ordered to approve the County Government Application for the Kentucky Ambulance Block Grant Program for Fiscal Year July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027.

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

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**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 Peterson, seconded by Esquire Pryor, and upon recommendation of Adam Smith, Christian County Jailer, it is hereby ordered to hire Jeremy Reed a full-time Deputy Jailer, retro-active to January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026, with a 90-day probation period and a salary of \$40,000.08.

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

**Jail**

Upon motion of Esquire Guffey, seconded by Esquire Bruce, and upon recommendation of Adam Smith, Christian County Jailer, it is hereby ordered to remove Curtis Follett from his probation period effective February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026.

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

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Jerry Gilliam, County Judge/Executive, announced a special called meeting will be at the Christian County Courthouse on Tuesday February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 8:30 a.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Upon motion of Esquire Ferguson, seconded by Esquire Peterson, it is hereby ordered to adjourn at 2:00 p.m.

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

  
 CHRISTIAN COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE  
 JERRY GILLIAM