

**FRANKLIN COUNTY FISCAL COURT
VIDEO TELECONFERENCE
SEPTEMBER 10, 2025 5:00 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING**

Franklin County Fiscal Court met on Wednesday, September 10, 2025. The meeting was streamed live by Frankfort Plant Board, cable channel 10, Franklin County Fiscal Court's Official Facebook page, www.facebook.com/fcfcky, and Franklin County Fiscal Court's Official YouTube channel, www.tinyurl.com/fcfcky. The meeting was made available for video teleconference (VTC) participation with the primary location and public observation area in the Fiscal Court Conference Room located at 321 West Main Street.

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. with Judge Michael Mueller presiding. The following members of the Fiscal Court were present: Squire Sherry Sebastian, Squire J.W. Blackburn, Squire Kelly Dycus, Squire Mike Harrod, Squire Richard Tanner, and Squire Eric Whisman. County Attorney Max Comley was in attendance.

Following roll call, a motion by Squire Sebastian, seconded by Squire Blackburn, for approval of minutes from public hearing of August 27, 2025. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Harrod, and Judge Mueller. Squire Dycus, Tanner, and Whisman abstained. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Sebastian, seconded by Squire Harrod, for authorization for approval of amended minutes from the regular meeting of August 27, 2025. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, and Judge Mueller. Voting in opposition of the motion was Squire Whisman. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Dycus, seconded by Squire Blackburn, for authorization to receive the Elkhorn Water District Independent Auditor's Report for Years Ended December 31, 2024, and 2023. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Sebastian, seconded by Squire Tanner, for authorization to table till next meeting for the approval of Change Order #1 to Codell Construction on bid Package Blue Sky Electric regarding the Lakeview Park Project Phase 1. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Harrod, seconded by Squire Tanner, for authorization to approve Change Order from Stephens Home Improvement for Pole Barn. Voting in favor of the motion were Squire Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Sebastian, seconded by Squire Harrod, for authorization to award a bid to Landmark Sprinkler, best bidder, for Franklin County Clerk's Office Fire Panel Upgrade. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Dycus, seconded by Squire Sebastian, for authorization to approve a Resolution #33-2025 authorizing FEMA/KYEM to designate Erin McCauley/ER Assist as the Applicant's Agent relating to DR4860 (Feb 2025 and DR4864 (April 2025 Flood) on behalf of

Franklin County Fiscal Court. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Dycus, seconded by Squire Whisman, for authorization to approve a Resolution #34-2025 to Apply for Government Resources Accelerating Needed Transformation (GRANT) program funds for the County's participation in the Natural Resources Conservation Service's (NRCS) Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Recovery Buyout Program. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Harrod, seconded by Squire Blackburn, for authorization to approve a Resolution #35-2025 authorizing the filing of an application to The Kentucky Association of Counties Insurance Grant Program for The Franklin County Fire Department and designating the County Judge/Executive to execute all documents pertaining to this grant. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Harrod, seconded by Squire Sebastian, for authorization to approve a Resolution #36-2025 authorizing the filing of an application to Kentucky Fire Commission, Thermal Imaging Camera Grant for the Franklin County Fire Department and designating the County Judge/Executive to execute all documents pertaining to this grant. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Harrod, seconded by Squire Blackburn, for authorization to award a bid to Varitech Inc, sole bidder, for Fire Department Generator. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Sebastian, seconded by Squire Dycus, for authorization to approve the agreement with Benefit Insurance Marketing Inc dba Bim Group, a Kentucky Corporation and Franklin County Fiscal Court. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Sebastian, seconded by Squire Harrod, for authorization to receive Treasurer's Report. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

No motion was offered to deny a claim and bills were ordered to be paid.

Motion by Squire Harrod, seconded by Squire Sebastian, for authorization to go into closed session, per KRS 61.810 (1), (F), discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Sebastian, seconded by Squire Blackburn, for authorization to return to open session. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Dycus, seconded by Squire Harrod, for authorization to hire Lewis Wray as a light equipment operator/driver. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Harrod, seconded by Squire Tanner, for authorization to adjourn. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed. (Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.)

Michael Mueller
County Judge/Executive

Kim Cox
Fiscal Court Clerk