

**FRANKLIN COUNTY FISCAL COURT
VIDEO TELECONFERENCE
MARCH 25, 2026, 5:00 P.M.
SPECIAL MEETING**

Franklin County Fiscal Court met on Wednesday, March 25, 2026. 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 5:04 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.

Work Session:

- Public Comments (*We are unable to take any public comments regarding the approval or disapproval of planning and zoning zone changes.)
- Josephine Sculpture Park
- Road Department Update
- Judges Report

The voting meeting was called to order at 7:20 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 Harrod, for authorization to approval of minutes from the special meeting of March 4, 2026. 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 receive the County Clerk's 2025 Excess Fees. 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 the 2026-2027 Proposed Jail Budget. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Blackburn, seconded by Squire Dycus, for authorization to receive the Capital Community Economic/Industrial Authority Inc., Develop Frankfort Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. 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 award a bid to Greg Helton, best bidder, for appraisal technical review services for Franklin County's Natural

Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Home Buyout Program, contingent upon submission of proof of SAM.gov compliance within 15 days or the County Judge has the authority to extend a deadline if requested. 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 approve a Resolution #12-2026 to apply for a Second Chance Act addressing the needs of incarcerated parents and their minor children grant with the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to serve as recipient with the Wanda Joyce Robinson Foundation, Thorn Hill Education Center, and The National Center for Families Learning as Subrecipients. 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 Tanner, for authorization to approve a Resolution #13-2026 of the Fiscal Court of the County of Franklin, Kentucky ("COUNTY") authorizing, approving, and directing the execution of the necessary documentation for the County to Participate in the National Opioid Litigation's Settlement with Six Remnant Defendants Settlement and approval of Remnant Defendants Settlement Plan. 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 promotion of Adam Haymond from Maintenance Technician to Assistant Director of Maintenance. 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 #14-2026 authorizing the allocation of FEMA proceeds to payroll for the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Blackburn, seconded by Squire Harrod, for authorization to authorize the Treasurer to open the following certificate of deposit of \$1,250,000 with the best rate on behalf of the Fiscal Court to improve investment earnings. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Dycus, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed.

Motion by Squire Blackburn, seconded by Squire Harrod, for authorization to authorize the Treasurer to open the following certificate of deposit of \$2,100,000 with the best rate on behalf of the Fiscal Court to improve investment earnings. 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 receive Treasurer's Report. 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 approve Budget Transfers for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. 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 approve Cash Transfers for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. 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 Sebastian, seconded by Squire Harrod, for authorization to go into closed session, per KRS 61.810 (1), (c), discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency. 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 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 Harrod, seconded by Squire Dycus, for authorization to adjourn. Voting in favor of the motion were Squires Sebastian, Blackburn, Harrod, Tanner, Whisman, and Judge Mueller. Motion passed. (Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.)

Michael Mueller
County Judge/Executive

Kim Cox
Fiscal Court Clerk