

The Fleming County Fiscal Court held the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at the Fleming County Courthouse, 100 Court Square, Flemingsburg, Kentucky. County Judge/ Executive John Sims Jr. called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Roll called by Fiscal Court Clerk Tammy L. Gray as follows: Magistrates present: Taylor Hunt, Richie Kielman, Blake Price, Donnie Fawns and Ray H. Money. Magistrate Kerri Marshall was absent. Also, present was Assistant County Attorney Blaze Tomlin and County Treasurer Miranda Utterback.

A public hearing was held regarding the FY2026-2027 CRA / LGEA fund use. No persons were present for the hearing. No comments made.

Vote Unan.                      Motion: Ray H. Money                      Second: Richie Kielman  
A motion was made to approve today's meeting agenda.

Vote Unan.                      Motion: Taylor Hunt                      Second: Blake Price  
A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes of March 10, 2026.

Vote Unan.                      Motion: Richie Kielman                      Second: Donnie Fawns  
A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes of March 23, 2026.

A Proclamation was signed recognizing April 2026 as Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month. Mandy Ruark, Crisis Intervention Specialist with ION Center was present to accept the Proclamation and detailed the Center's local support programs.

Fleming County Soil Conservation / NRCS annual report of programs, events and support benefitting local farmers and student educational opportunities was given by Chad Howard and Donnie Christman.

Vote Unan.                      Motion: Richie Kielman                      Second: Blake Price  
A motion was made to reappoint Randall Wood to serve another term on the Flemingsburg-Fleming County Recreation Park Board from 5/2/2026 – 5/2/2030.

Vote Una.                      Motion: Ray H. Money                      Second: Richie Kielman  
A motion was made to reappoint Dan Hicks to serve another term on the Western FC Water District Board from 5/1/2026 – 5/1/2030.

Vote Unan.                      Motion: Ray H. Money                      Second: Donnie Fawns  
A motion was made to appoint Ben Moran and Tyler McRoberts each to serve a three years term on the Board of Assessment Appeals from 5/13/2026-5/13/2029.

Discussion was held regarding WFCDW grant applications. Project proposes to replace AC main water distribution line from Ewing to Farview with some outlying areas possibly – this is phase II (Phase I replaced from Ewing to high school in 2017-2020). This project will aid to replace 1960's clay line that is always breaking and hard to repair with more reliant line. At a later date, BTADD will also ask the county to apply for matching funds from GRANT program – which will need to come from the County also. WFWD would be the subrecipient; making the Fiscal Court a pass through on both grants for them. Cost overruns and project costs above the grant funds would be the responsibility of WFWD and they are completely aware of

this. CDBG grant allows WFWD to receive about half of the total project (\$2.6 million estimate) in grant

Vote Unan. Motion: Ray H. Money Second: Richie Kielman  
A motion was made to approve Resolution 26-1447 authorizing applications on behalf of the Western Fleming Co Water District for CDBG funding and GRANT funds for their Phase II water line replacement project.

Vote Unan. Motion: Richie Kielman Second: Taylor Hunt  
A motion was made to approve two renewal contracts with Tri-State Elevators for the courthouse and judicial center as presented.

Vote Unan. Motion: Richie Kielman Second: Ray H. Money  
A motion was made to renew contract with Countryside Industries for dead animal removal services as presented.

Discussion was held regarding the FEMA BRIC Grant Application for a backup generator at the Fleming County EOC. The grant requires and up to a 25% match if the project is awarded. No action taken. Notification was given that applications are due by 4/20/2026. Item was tabled.

Vote Unan. Motion: Taylor Hunt Second: Blake Price  
A motion was made to approve the second reading and passage of Ordinance 26-1442 Budget Amendment as presented.

Vote Unan. Motion: Richie Kielman Second: Ray H. Money  
A motion was made to approve the second reading and passage of Ordinance 26-1446 Budget Amendment as presented.

Vote Unan. Motion: Ray H. Money Second: Blake Price  
A motion was made to approve the month ending and quarterly March 31, 2026 County Treasurer's financial reports as presented: General Fund \$ 974,425.50, Road Fund \$ 38,744.63, Jail Fund \$ 16,143.10, LGEA Fund \$ 318,085.33, Forest Fire Fund \$ 275.56, Opioid Fund \$311,232.88, Dispatch Fund \$ 149,950.93, Clerk's Storage Fund \$ 4,024.20, ABC Funds \$ 58,150.08, Capital Improvement Fund \$ 315,053.09. Total all funds \$ 2,186,085.30.

Vote Unan. Motion: Blake Price Second: Richie Kielman  
A motion was made to approve Budget Transfers Report as presented.

Vote Unan. Motion: Donnie Fawns Second: Blake Price  
A motion was made to approve Cash Transfers as presented.

Vote Unan. Motion: Ray H. Money Second: Donnie Fawns  
A motion was made to approve Claims Reports, Carry In Claims Reports and payments to Napa \$ 190.39 (02-6105-443/455) and Double D Lawncare up to \$ 300.00 ( 01-5080-571, 01-5081-333) for mowing courthouse and judicial center properties.

Vote Unan. Motion: Donnie Fawns Second: Richie Kielman  
A motion was made to approve the March 2026 maintenance reports of the Fleming County Road Department.

County Road Supervisor Anthony Vise announced his retirement date as the end of July 2026.

A Public Bid Opening was held for the 2026 Buffalo Trace Road Commission Thursday, April 2, 2026, 10:00 a.m., Buffalo Trace ADD Offices. All bids were presented and reviewed and prices will be effective April 15, 2025.

Vote Unan. Motion: Taylor Hunt Second: Richie Kielman  
A motion was made to accept the lowest and best bid by a qualified bidder who can provide the best value for services and/or products contingent on location of work, availability of product/services, quality of product and reserve the right to negotiate pricing for Aggregates, Fuel, Bituminous Materials , Chip & Seal, Cold Mix Asphalt, Corrugate Pipe, Paving, Road Salt, Transports.

Vote Unan. Motion: Ray H. Money Second: Donnie Fawns  
A motion was made to give the County Judge/Executive the authority to negotiate pricing to provide services and/or materials for the best value, lowest and best bid by a qualified bidder contingent on location of work, availability of product/services and quality of product(s).

Vote Unan. Motion: Richie Kielman Second: Blake Price  
A motion was made to give the County Judge/Executive the authority to sign any and all documents for materials and services effective April 15, 2026 for vendors providing road department materials/services. Aggregates: Heidelberg, Hinkle , Mountain Materials, Carmeuse, H.G. Mays, Blue Licks Stone, Maysville Materials, Allen Co. Fuel: Bulk Plants, Asphalt: Flemingsburg Materials, Maysville Materials, Freedom Asphalt, Brown Co Construction. Lay/Tack : H. G. Mays, Bituminous Materials: Hudson. Marathon, Cold Mix: Allen Company Pipe: Utility Solutions, Kentucky Contractor Supply, Brown County Rental, AW Graham, Road Salt: Compass Minerals, Morton and Caudill Seed and Asphalt Transport: Mays Transport.

Vote Unan. Motion: Blake Price Second: Richie Kielman  
A motion was made to approve the March 2026 monthly report of the Fleming County Clerk.

Vote Unan. Motion: Donnie Fawns Second: Taylor Hunt  
A motion was made to approve the March 2026 monthly report of the Fleming County Sheriff as presented.

Vote Unan. Motion: Blake Price Second: Donnie Fawns  
A motion was made to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2026 report of the Fleming County Sheriff as presented.

Haley Brown with the Kentucky Career Center, Maysville, came before the Fiscal Court to report of the services available for job seekers, school to work programs, small businesses incentives funding and work experience development opportunities.

Vote Unan.                    Motion: Richie Kielman                    Second: Ray H. Money  
A motion was made to approve to surplus as junk from the Road Department office of Ramey and authorize proper disposal: PC 8CG01910XD and Monitor 1CR01707JD.

Vote Unan.                    Motion: Ray H. Money                    Second: Blake Price  
A motion was made to approve up to \$ 13,000.00 for election workers expense and polling location(s) rent.

Vote Unan.                    Motion: Blake Price                    Second: Donnie Fawns  
A motion was made to approve the Fleming County Jailer's report.

A review was conducted of Nuisance Abatement complaints.

   Motion: Taylor Hunt                    Second: Blake Price  
A motion was made to issue letters of non-compliance on the nuisance abatement complaints on record. Yes: Hunt, Kielman, Price, Fawns No: Money. Motion carries.

Vote Unan.                    Motion: Richie Kielman                    Second: Donnie Fawns  
A motion was made to go into Executive Session citing KRS 61.810)1)(f) to discuss personnel at 9:59 AM.

Vote Unan.                    Motion: Richie Kielman                    Second: Taylor Hunt  
A motion was made to resume in open session at 10:07 AM.

Vote Unan.                    Motion: Blake Price                    Second: Donnie Fawns  
A motion was made to adjourn at 10:08 AM.