



DISTRICT 4 UPDATE

MARK A. HORSLEY

Friends and Neighbors of District 4,

As we move into the fall season and the days grow shorter Lewis County's future continues to be bright. The funding that Lewis County recently received for broadband expansion is a very big deal to the people of Lewis County. The goal of this grant is to provide reliable, quality internet access to every home in the county. This is not merely an expansion of a DSL, phone line-based system. It will be a robust fiber optic system that transmits data at a much better quality, faster rate, and virtually unlimited capacity. Some residents already have this service in place and have been pleased with the service. Back in August, Judge George Sparks, Magistrate Johnny Osborne and I attended the Governor's Local Issues Conference in Louisville. During this conference we attended several training sessions, met with many other elected officials and Area Development District staff regarding several topics.

There were many discussions centered around broadband internet. During one session the elected officials of Boone County announced that they had implemented fiber optic internet to every home in the county. Boone County

claimed that each home had a minimum internet speed of 1 Gbps. Keep in mind that 1 Gbps is equal to 1000 Mbps. We are grateful that Lewis County was selected as a recipient of this grant and we appreciate the state elected officials who made this possible. I would also like to personally thank the taxpayers, for we are the reason the state is able to fund these programs. Quality, dependable, broadband internet is critical to employment, education, business, and future growth of Lewis County. Cellular service, or the lack thereof, has been a hot topic in the county for several years. A fiber optic broadband network is the backbone of the cellular network. Simply installing additional cellular towers or antennas would be a worthless venture without accessibility to the fiber optic network. We are in no position to make any promises regarding the future of cellular coverage but we will soon have the broadband internet available to cellular providers. As soon as the new broadband system is implemented, I can ensure the people of the county that I will be on the heels of the cellular providers advocating the expansion of cellular coverage.

The county roads crews have been busy and will

soon free up some resources as the mowing season comes to an end. I have been advocating the purchase of a new attachment for the road department that would decrease the amount of gravel purchased by the county each year. Known as a "dri-veway reconditioner" or "land plane" this piece of equipment connects to the 3-point hitch of a tractor or compact track loader and utilizes scarifiers that break the surface of the road up in an effort to dig out potholes and recover gravel that is embedded below the surface. The land plane then direct gravel across the roadway to smooth out the driving surface. The attachment requires very little user input allowing operators with minimal experience to properly operate. The sides of the attachment are enclosed to eliminate gravel getting pushed off the roadway. Several other county road departments, land owners, and contractors have been using this type of equipment for years with great success. This equipment is not expensive and will decrease the amount of gravel we are required to purchase.

I count it as a privilege to serve as Magistrate of District 4. I plan to continue to work hard and maintain an open line of communication with the people of District 4 and Lewis County. If anyone would like to get in touch with any questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to call me at 606-922-6506.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Fentanyl, the most deadly drug in the country, is getting riskier. The opioid is increasingly being used in cases across the nation in conjunction with xylazine, a strong tranquilizer. Diverse drugs have been cut with tranquilizers so that dealers could increase their supply and profits. For a while, the elephant tranquilizer Car-fentanil caused a stir in the drug world. Another tranquilizer that has recently been discovered in drugs is xylazine, but it has not yet received approval for use in humans. It is referred to as "tranq," "tranq dope," and "zombie drug."

Xylazine makes the already risky drug crisis even more perilous. It is alarming that xylazine results in severe wounds that spread and deteriorate quickly. These wounds can nonetheless occur regardless of how the medication is applied. It is crucial to seek medical care because it can be very diffi-

cult for these wounds to heal on their own. These wounds have been seen in people who smoke, snort, or inject drugs, and it is known that they occur in these individuals. Even worse, if the wounds are not treated, eschar, a dead tissue that is scaly and uncomfortable, can result in amputation. Fentanyl and Xylazine are killing people and raising the overdose rate. There are a lot of unanswered questions regarding its usage's effects because it is so new. Don't wait to seek help if you or a loved one are using drugs and you believe xylazine has been added to them.

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Treasures by Wilma Erwin

Recently I have been concerned about all the alcohol use fads being promoted. It seems even the news channels encourage a drink to unwind, a drink in each special dish you make and a drink for any reason under the sun.

Adding to the deception that fad alcohol use will not addict is the television shows lies. They show women needing drinks as much as men, that homes being bought need to be in a location near the bars and that every home needs at least one alcohol bar.

After over forty years in the people business I've learned by experience the hurt and destruction that comes from alcohol and drug use. I've picked up pieces of people and families and in many cases found that missing pieces kept the life's puzzle from being put completely together again.

Then, I was sent this song, "Wine into Water" from T. Graham Brown. He witnesses at the beginning of the song that he helped write it because he was struggling with alcoholism. The song is written to The Lord. Here are the begin-

ning lyrics:

You've heard a multitude of prayers on my behalf

I pray one more is not too much to ask

I've tried to fight this battle by myself

But it's a war that I can't win without your help

Tonight I'm as low as any man can go

I'm down and I can't fall much farther

And once upon a time you turned the water into wine

Now on my knees I'm turning to you Father

Could you help me turn the wine back into water

As I read those lyrics my mind went back to several people I've known that

prayed a similar prayer and God did turn the wine (or addictive substance) back into water for them. I have actually seen lives restored by the prayer of repentance, belief in Jesus and acceptance of His forgiveness. The addiction was gone and they were restored.

Sometimes things give me the Treasures for the week. This song gave this one. The Lord still has power to deliver.

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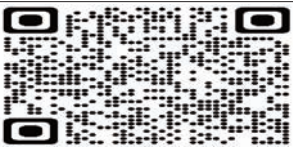
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SALT LICK TANK REHABILITATION ELECTRIC PLANT BOARD OF THE CITY OF VANCEBURG LEWIS COUNTY, KENTUCKY

October 2023

Sealed proposals for the following work will be received by the Electric Plant Board of the City of Vanceburg at 191 Front Street, Vanceburg, KY 41179 until **11:00 A.M. (local time), on Thursday, October 12, 2023**, for furnishing labor and materials and performing all work as set forth in this Advertisement for Bids, General Conditions and/or Specifications prepared by HMB Professional Engineers, Inc., 3 HMB Circle, US 460, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

Immediately following the scheduled closing time for the reception of bids, all proposals which have been submitted in accordance with the above conditions will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The work to be bid upon is described as follows:

- Salt Lick Tank: Construction shall consist of pressure washing, tool cleaning and coating system on all interior and exterior surfaces, new roof vent, grouting around foundation and other necessary items as stated in the Specifications.

Drawings, Specifications and Contract Documents may be examined at the following places:

Electric Plant Board of the City of Vanceburg
191 Front Street
Vanceburg, KY 41179

HMB Professional Engineers, Inc.
3 HMB Circle, US 460
Frankfort, KY 40601

or may be obtained from Lynn Imaging, 328 Old East Vine Street, Lexington, KY 40507 upon receipt of a non-refundable payment of \$150.00 for specification document. The phone number for Lynn Imaging is (859) 255-1021. Additional shipping charges will apply.

After award of a contract, the General Contractor will be furnished, without charge, a reasonable number of plans and specifications needed to prosecute the work. Subcontractors and manufacturers and suppliers shall obtain plans and specifications from the General Contractor.

Sealed proposals for the Contract shall be clearly marked on the outside of the container as follows:

"Sealed proposal for "Salt Lick Tank Rehabilitation – Electric Plant Board of the City of Vanceburg"

Not to be opened until **11:00 A.M. (local time), on Thursday, October 12, 2023**

Time allowed for completion of the Contract is **30** consecutive calendar days from the start date of April 1, 2024.

If forwarded by mail, the sealed envelope containing the proposal must be enclosed in another envelope and mailed to the Electric Plant Board of the City of Vanceburg, 191 Front St., Vanceburg, KY 41179 allowing sufficient time for such mailing to reach this address prior to the scheduled closing time for the receipt of proposals.

Bids shall be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond payable to the Electric Plant Board of the City of Vanceburg in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the base bid. No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date bids are opened. He may, however, withdraw his bid at any time prior to the time and date scheduled for opening of same or any authorized postponement thereof. Any bid received after the time and date specified will not be considered and will be returned unopened to the bidder.

The Electric Plant Board of the City of Vanceburg reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive formalities and any bid that is obviously unbalanced may be rejected.

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Superintendent

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