

Bus Collision

From Front

Police Traffic Collision Report filed by the Garrard County Sheriff’s Department, the incident occurred approximately 12.6 miles east of Lancaster, in a rural area outside city limits. Unit 1, a white 2006 GMC Sierra pickup truck driven by Paint Lick man, was traveling eastbound when it attempted a left turn in front of a westbound school bus, identified as Unit 2. The driver of the truck stated that he believed the school bus was going to stop to pick up a child and proceeded to turn left. The pickup truck was struck on its rear passenger side by the school bus, resulting in the truck spinning and coming to rest in an embankment, facing south-bound. The school bus also sus-

tained moderate to severe damage, eventually coming to rest in the westbound emergency lane. The report attributes the cause of the collision to “inattention” on the part of the pickup driver, with the primary collision factor listed as “opposing left turn.” The road was dry, and visibility was clear at the time of the crash, which occurred during dawn hours. The school bus was carrying 46 occupants, including students. Three individuals sustained injuries and were transported by EMS services to St. Joseph Berea Hospital. The pickup truck driver and an occupant were both among the injured and transported to the hospital. One student was also listed as injured. Digital evidence and witness statements were collected as part of the investigation. Two

witnesses were identified in the report. Emergency personnel from multiple EMS agencies responded to the scene, and the roadway was reopened by 8:42 a.m. Both vehicles were towed due to the extent of the damage. The pickup truck, insured through Farm Bureau, was towed by a local farm tractor, while the school bus, insured by LNLV Insurance, was removed by Lakeside Towing. No environmental hazards or substance use were detected in either driver. An investigation into the full circumstances of the incident was completed by Deputy Daniel Napier and reviewed by Sheriff Willie Skeens of the Garrard County Sheriff’s Department.

911

From Front

Thursday, following two full days of testing. The upgrade marks a technological advancement in emergency response capabilities across the state. “Out of 116 911 centers across the state, we were chosen to be the first one to go on the emergency services network,” Clark stated during the meeting. “It’s going to be a great thing.” The ESI-Net system introduces a major improvement in locating callers during emergencies. Traditionally, 911 calls made from mobile phones relied on triangulation between mul-

tiple cell towers to estimate the caller’s location. With the new system, Clark explained, “Whenever you make a 911 call, it actually picks up the exact spot you’re standing in and gives us the coordinates to make it easier for us to get people to you in your time of need.” Clark credited the county’s mapping and addressing department for the early adoption. “I was not expecting to be the first one because I was told everyone [would] do it alphabetically,” he said. “But because our mapping and addressing department does such a great job, other areas have problems and we’re up to par. So we got to go

first.” Judge Executive Chris Elleman expressed gratitude for the efforts of Clark and the Bluegrass 911 team, noting the community’s appreciation. “There’s a lot of people complimenting the decision that y’all had, and all that put us in front of everybody else as far as the project,” Elleman said. “Thanks from us, and thanks for the good work.” The implementation of ESI-Net is part of an 18-month statewide transition to modernize Kentucky’s 911 infrastructure. While Garrard County has taken the lead, the full rollout across all counties will continue into 2027.

EMA

From Front

With the program’s closure, Elleman proposed formally transitioning EMA Director Wanda to an in-house county position that combines her current responsibilities with new duties focused on grant writing. Elleman acknowledged Wanda’s service, highlighting her contributions during her tenure under CSEPP. “She agreed to sign on and she’s done a phenomenal job as far as running CSEPP,” he said. “She’s actually cleaned up a lot of stuff, got paperwork [in order].” Elleman stated his intent to move her to the county offices for approximately two days a week, setting up an office in a space previously used by the sheriff’s department. “I’m going to have her writing grants for the county,” he added. The proposed budget adjustment includes transferring existing funds from a long-vacant administrative position budget line to support Wanda’s salary. The county currently allocates \$8,400 annually for the EMA director role, which Elleman noted is among the lowest in the state. To offset the loss of CSEPP funding, Elleman suggested shifting \$31,500 from the unused office staff line item to combine with the \$8,400 for a

total of nearly \$40,000 in annual compensation for the position. County Treasurer Jennifer Seagraves clarified the breakdown of the adjustment. “So far, she’s got \$4,200 of that [\$8,400], so half of it,” she explained. “If we add the \$31,500 plus the \$8,400, that’s \$39,900. So that’s basically \$40,000 would be the salary from January to December. Half of that would be \$20,000 basically. So we would adjust that [EMA] salary line from \$8,400 to \$24,200.” Seagraves emphasized that the shift does not introduce any new expenses but consolidates two budget lines already within the general fund. “It’s not adding any new money. It’s just consolidating two lines to put them into one since the CSEPP’s ending,” she said. Elleman further explained that the decision aligns with long-term goals. “This has been our plan for day one—to try to

build this to have a grant writer,” he said, noting that he intends to send Wanda to a full-day training seminar on federal grants led by state officials to prepare her for the new responsibilities. Support for the change was voiced by Magistrate Chris Davis, who stated, “Wanda does a phenomenal job. It’s a huge asset to our community to have her in that position.” Davis then moved to approve the proposal. The motion passed unanimously, with all magistrates voting in favor. The court’s decision effectively recognizes Wanda’s past service and expands her future role within Garrard County government while maintaining fiscal neutrality. With grant writing now part of her duties, officials anticipate potential funding benefits for the county across various departments.



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In order to comply with judgments and orders of the Garrard Circuit Court, the Master Commissioner of the Garrard Circuit Court will sell the properties identified below in the Garrard County Justice Center, District Courtroom, 54 Stanford Street, Lancaster, Kentucky. The properties will be sold to raise funds to satisfy the amounts of judgments set forth below plus interest and other costs. The sale of said properties are subject to the following terms and conditions:

The winning bidder must pay a minimum of ten (10%) percent of the purchase price by check drawn on a recognizable bank (preferably local) at the time of sale. The balance of the purchase price is due in 30 days. **If the purchaser elects to pay less than the full purchase price, then the purchaser will be required to post bond and furnish acceptable surety thereon.** Said bond shall be for the unpaid balance of the purchase price and bear interest at the rate set forth in the judgment from the date of sale until paid.

The purchaser is responsible for all taxes levied against said property for the current tax year and all subsequent years. The sale of the real estate is subject to all zoning and building regulations, restrictions, ordinances, easements, covenants, and rights-of-way, of record, or otherwise. All properties are sold “as is”, and possession shall pass to the purchaser upon delivery of deed. Risk of loss passes to the purchaser upon execution of bond of sale or payment of the purchase price whichever should occur first.

A right of redemption may exist in favor of any party.

Possession of the real property will be given to the purchaser upon confirmation of the report of sale by the Garrard Circuit Court, delivery of a Commissioner’s Deed to the purchaser and full payment of the purchase price plus interest as herein before described.

IF WINNING BIDDER IS NOT ABLE TO DELIVER DEPOSIT AND SIGN BOND WITH SURETY IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SALE, PROPERTY WILL BE IMMEDIATELY RE-SOLD.

PROPERTIES ARE IDENTIFIED HEREIN BY PARCEL/MAP ID AND ADDRESS ONLY. COMPLETE LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS ARE FOUND IN THE COURT FILE. IF THE MAP/ID ADDRESS IS DIFFERENT IN ANY WAY FROM THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION, THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION CONTROLS.

Johnny O. Bolton, Master Commissioner
Garrard Circuit Court
(859) 792-8844

PROPERTY TO BE SOLD:

SALE NO. 1:

Case No: **24-CI-00282: BLUEGRASS TAX SERVICES INC. vs DEEDRA SHATZER, ET AL.;** Judgment Date: **October 31, 2025;** Judgment Amount: **\$6,460.69;** Property Address/Description: **12771 Buckeye Road;** Parcel ID: **38-05.1**

SALE NO. 2:

Case No: **24-CI-00287: BLUEGRASS TAX SERVICES INC. vs DAS PROPERTIES, LLC; JAMES W. CHATFIELD, II; ET AL.;** Judgment Date: **October 3, 2025;** Judgment Amount: **\$5,713.58;** Property Address/Description: **8741 Buckeye Road;** Parcel ID: **40-64**

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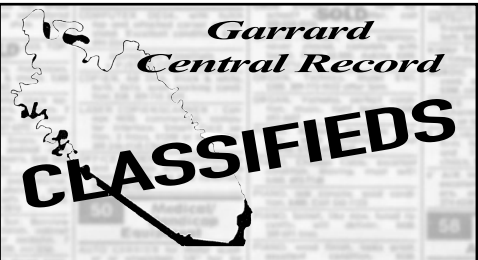
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LEGAL NOTICE

Public Notice

Pursuant to Section 324, Title III of the 1986 Federal Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986, 42 U.S.C. 11001 et seq., the following information is provided in compliance with the Community Right-to-Know requirements of the SARA Law, and the open meetings and open records provisions of KRS 61.800, 61-805, 61-810, 61-823, 61-826, and 61-835. Members of the public may contact the Garrard County Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) by writing LEPC Chairman, 278 Precision Court, Lancaster, KY 40444 or by calling (859) 792-4786. The LEPC conducts meetings at Garrard County Emergency Operations Center, 278 Precision Court in accordance with the Kentucky Open Meetings Law. Members of the Public may request to be notified of regular or special meetings as provided in KRS 61-820 and 61-825. Scheduled meetings for 2026 are April 30th, 2026 and October 29th, 2026 at 11:30 a.m. EST. Records of the LEPC, including the county emergency response plan, material safety data sheets, and inventory forms, or any follow-up emergency notices as may subsequently be issued, are open for inspection, and members of the public who wish to review these records may do so 8 AM to 4 PM EST. Monday through Friday at the Garrard County Emergency Operations Center, as required by the Kentucky Open Records Law. The local 24 hour telephone number for purposes of emergency notification as required by SARA, is 911 Dispatch. (12-11-1tc)

Saver Group Tobacco, LLC, d/b/a Lancaster Tobacco Shed declares its intention(s) to apply for a tobacco, nicotine, or vapor product license no later than 12/19/2025. The licensed premises will be located at 140 Pleasant Retreat Dr, Lancaster, KY, 40444.

The owner is: Saver Group, Inc. and their president Larry Noe, 95 London Drive, Campbellsville, KY, 42718.

Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 500 Mero Street, Frankfort, KY 40601, within thirty (30) days of the date of legal publication. (12-11-1tp)

GARRARD COUNTY WATER ASSOCIATION CUSTOMER NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Garrard County Water Association expects to file an application with the Kentucky Public Service Commission on or about December 12, 2025, seeking approval of a proposed adjustment to its water rates. The proposed rates shall not become effective until the Public Service Commission has issued an order approving these rates.

	Current Monthly Rates		Proposed Monthly Rates		Differences	
					Dollar	Percentage
<u>3/4-Inch x 5/8 Inch Meter</u>						
First 1,000 Gallons	\$ 13.42	Min Bill	\$ 15.00	Min Bill	\$ 1.58	11.77%
Next 1,000 Gallons	0.00755	per Gallon	0.00843	per Gallon	0.00088	11.66%
Next 1,000 Gallons	0.00623	per Gallon	0.00695	per Gallon	0.00072	11.56%
Next 2,000 Gallons	0.00599	per Gallon	0.00668	per Gallon	0.00069	11.52%
Over 5,000 Gallons	0.00563	per Gallon	0.00628	per Gallon	0.00065	11.55%
<u>1-Inch Meter</u>						
First 5,000 Gallons	\$ 39.17	Min. Bill	\$ 43.73	Min. Bill	\$ 4.56	11.64%
Over 5,000 Gallons	0.00563	per Gallon	0.00628	per Gallon	0.00065	11.55%
<u>1 1/2-Inch Meter</u>						
First 10,000 Gallons	\$ 67.32	Min. Bill	\$ 75.14	Min. Bill	\$ 7.82	11.62%
Over 10,000 Gallons	0.00563	per Gallon	0.00628	per Gallon	0.00065	11.55%
<u>2-Inch Meter</u>						
First 25,000 Gallons	\$ 151.74	Min. Bill	\$ 169.35	Min. Bill	\$ 17.61	11.61%
Over 25,000 Gallons	0.00563	per Gallon	0.00628	per Gallon	0.00065	11.55%
<u>Bulk Station Sales</u>						
All Usages per Gallon	0.00678	per Gallon	0.00757	per Gallon	0.00079	11.65%

If the Public Service Commission approves the proposed rates, then the average customer bill impact bill for each meter class will be as shown in the table below.

	Current Monthly Usage		Current Monthly Bills		Differences	
					Dollar	Percentage
3/4-Inch x 5/8-Inch Meter	4,366	\$	35.38	\$	39.50	\$ 4.12 11.65%
1-Inch Meter	23,571	\$	143.73	\$	160.36	\$ 16.63 11.57%
1 1/2-Inch Meter	14,577	\$	93.09	\$	103.88	\$ 10.79 11.60%
2-Inch Meter	73,555	\$	425.10	\$	474.28	\$ 49.17 11.57%

The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by Garrard County Water Association. However, the Public Service Commission may order rates to be charged that differ from these proposed rates. Such action may result in rates for consumers other than the rates shown in this notice. Garrard County Water Association has available for inspection at its office the application which it submitted to the Public Service Commission. A person may examine this application at the District's office located 315 Lexington Road; P.O. Box 670; Lancaster, KY, 40444. You may contact the office at (859) 792-4501. A person may also examine the application at the Public Service Commission's offices located at 211 Sowder Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., or through the Public Service Commissioner's website at http://pscc.ky.gov. Comments regarding the application may be submitted to the Public Service Commission through its website or by mail to Public Service Commission, P. O. Box 615, Frankfort, KY, 40602. You may contact the Public Service Commission at 502-564-3940. A person may submit a timely written request for intervention to the Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, KY, 40602, establishing the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party. If the Public Service Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of the initial publication of this notice, the Public Service Commission may take final action on the application. (12-11-1tc)

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• Danny & Judy Browning's property at end of Conn's Lane.....	10-26	• Vockery property on Polly's Bend Road.....	10-26
• Carolyn Sparks property at 5252 Lexington Road.....	7-26	• Noah Wagoner and Kelsey Perkins, 10997 Buckeye Road.....	11-25
• Paul Black Farms, Hwy. 1355 (Sugar Creek Road).....	10-26	• Mary and George Watkins Property at 2961 Gabbard Road.....	11-25
• Paul And Suzanne Wells at 4129 White Lick Road, Paint Lick.....	10-26	• Hugh and Amy Johnson, 6198 Lexington Road.....	6-26
• Tammy Fowler, 749 Nina Ridge Road.....	10-25	• Dale Marie Hellard - Barbara French & William Randall Causey Farms at 2178 Hamilton Valley Road, 2636 Hamilton Valley Road And 1454 Hamilton Valley Road.....	8-26
• Mike and Pam Fathergill, 111 Lynnwood Drive.....	6-26	• Frank and Altheia Rice, 390 Leavell Ridge Road, 372 Leavell Ridge Road and Rice Farm at Three Forks, all of Lancaster, KY.....	10-26
• Chris and Joy Fathergill, 317 Richmond Street.....	6-26		
• Mary Alice (Paul) Drew, 810 Carry Nation Road Property.....	6-26		
• Kathy Tugle & Paula Tudor - Jim Clark Road.....	11-26		
• David M. and Rose Walker, 1163 Wolf Trail Road.....	2-26		
• The Kenton Property, 795 and 719 C Valley Drive, Berea.....	7-26		
• Grover Drew Farm, Carry Nation Road.....	3-26		
• Doug and Anna Graves, 319 Richmond Road, Loop 2.....	8-26		

Rates For Posted List - \$2 Per Week, First Property \$51 Per Year - \$10 Each Additional Property