



SENIOR MEMBERS OF the homecoming court at Webster County High School last Friday night include Mayci Moore, Pascual Alonzo, Mylee Whitledge, Hayden Wright, Raynei Roy, Elliot McCuiston, Maryann Davis and Dalton Hearnin.



THE WCHS JUNIOR class was represented on the homecoming court by Ella Eastwood, Ty Philips, Bella Or-cutt, and Andres Felip Juan.



SOPHOMORES NAMED TO the 2025 WCHS Football Homecoming Court include Saydie Outlaw, Christopher Newman, Halle Whitsell and Brayson Whitledge.



MEMBERS OF THE WCHS freshmen class selected to the homecoming court are Mylee Austin, Max White-head, Gretchen Rich and Jameson Newton.

Clay City Council Passes Ordinance, Sets 2025 Tax Rate

The Clay City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, September 9 with Mayor Jackie Edens presiding and five council members present. Council member Rocky Williams was not in attendance. City Clerk Christy Freeman was also present.

Following approval of the minutes from the August meeting, the bills and claims, and the city clerk's report, the council dealt with a short agenda in a session that lasted about 30 minutes.

Council members approved second reading of an ordinance which will allow street legal special purpose vehicles (side by sides) to be driven on streets within the city limits of Clay. The ordinance is similar to others passed by area communities and fiscal courts and coordinates with a law passed by the Kentucky General Assembly earlier this year.

The council held first reading of an ordinance setting the 2025 tax rate. Council members chose to adopt the compensating rate plus four per cent, and as a result, a public hearing will be held prior to the second reading of the ordinance. At press time, that public hearing had not been scheduled.

The tax rate adopted approved for real estate is 0.317 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation. The rate for tangible personal property is also 0.317 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation. That rate is expected to generate \$100,045. That is about \$4,000 more than tax revenue in 2024.

The tax for motor vehicles and water craft is 0.39 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation. The bank deposit tax is 0.025%. Both of those rates are set by state statutes.

All tax rates were approved on a 5-0 vote.

The monthly fire report, prepared by Fire Chief Jeremy Moore, showed members of the Clay Volunteer Fire Department made eight rescue runs and one fire run in August.

No further business came before the council, and the meeting was adjourned.

The next regular meeting of Clay City Council will be Tuesday, October 14, 6:00 P.M.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 913-9003, Renewal 3

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that River View Coal, LLC, 835 State Route 1179, Waverly, KY, 42462 has applied for a renewal to an existing refuse disposal and slurry injection operation located 2.5 miles southwest of Uniontown, KY in Union County. The proposed operation will disturb 1169.9 surface acres

The proposed renewal area is approximately 0.1 miles south from KY-360 junction with KY-666 and located 0.5 miles west of Clements Branch.

The proposed renewal is located on the Morganfield, Uniontown, and Grove Center U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be affected by this renewal is owned by Jerry Joe Greenwell, River View Coal, LLC, Alliance Resource Properties LLC, French Farms LLC, Eddie G Steward & Mary Jo Steward Irrevocable Real Estate Trust, Cory & Tina Thomas, Jon A. Schermerhorn, Robert E Mills, William J Thomas & Gerald W Thomas, Thomas Family Land LLC, Frenchs Finest LLC, Cypress Flats Land Company LLC, Thomas Land Holdings LP, Neal Greenwell Farmland LLC.

This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's, Madisonville Regional Office, 625 Hospital Drive, Madisonville, KY 42431. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, 300 Sower Blvd, 2nd floor, Frankfort, KY 40601.

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