

# Harlan County Courthouse News

fense), first-degree possession of a controlled substance (first offense, methamphetamine), buy/possession of drug paraphernalia — bench warrant/failed to appear for hearing.

Allen R. Lyons, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol (first offense) — pretrial conference scheduled Sept. 8 at 11 a.m.

Jessica R. Middleton, 34, second-degree criminal mischief — pleaded guilty, sentenced to 90 days in jail (probated 24 months). No further violations of law.

Jessica Renee Middleton, 34, failure to register transfer of a motor vehicle, operating a vehicle on suspended/revoked operator’s license — pleaded guilty, sentenced to 90 days in jail (probated 24 months). No further violations of law.

Drew William Powell, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol (first offense) — pretrial conference scheduled Sept. 8 at 11 a.m.

James Starrett, 50, third-degree possession of a controlled substance (drug unspecified), illegal possession of Legend drug, controlled substance prescription not in original container (first offense), buy/possession of drug paraphernalia — pleaded not guilty, jury trial scheduled Feb. 3.

Jennifer Kathleen Wilson, 37, theft by unlawful taking (automobile, \$1,000 or more but under \$10,000), first-degree fleeing or

evading police (motor vehicle), reckless driving, first-degree criminal mischief, improper passing — waived to Harlan County Grand Jury.

Billy Jordan Tackett, 29, failure to produce insurance card, expired or no Kentucky registration receipt, operating a vehicle on suspended/revoked operator’s license — pleaded not guilty, jury trial scheduled March 31.

Tammy Marie Early, failure to notify address change to the department of transportation, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of a substance (first offense), speeding (16 miles per hour over the limit) — pretrial conference scheduled Sept. 8 at 11 a.m.

Kimberly Johnson, second-degree disorderly conduct, public intoxication of a controlled substance (excludes alcohol) — bench warrant/failed to appear for hearing.

Donald Allen Lamb, 25, of Wallins, first-degree strangulation (domestic violence related), fourth-degree assault (domestic violence with minor injury) — waived to Harlan County Grand Jury.

Calvin Long, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security (first offense), failure to produce insurance card, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of a substance (first offense) — pretrial conference scheduled Sept. 8 at 11 a.m.

Kelan DeJuan Belton, 28, of Louisville, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of a substance (first offense), possession of marijuana, expired or no registration plate, expired or no Kentucky registration receipt, failure to produce insurance card, no tail lights — jury trial scheduled Sept. 30.

Jennifer Sue Tritt, 34, of Barbourville, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs, etc. (first offense) — pleaded guilty, fined \$708, operator’s license suspended 30 days and sentenced to driving school.

George Grubbs, 75, of Cawood, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol (first offense), possession of an open alcohol beverage container in a motor vehicle, improper parking in a firelane/block traveled portion of a highway — jury trial scheduled Oct. 28.

Jessica K. Boggs, 42, failure to produce insurance card, failure to register transfer of a motor vehicle, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security (first offense), expired or no Kentucky registration receipt, improper registration plate — pleaded not guilty, pretrial conference scheduled Sept. 29.

Britney Nicole Freeman, 31, expired or no Kentucky registration receipt, expired or no registration plate, failure to register transfer of a motor vehicle — dismissed on proof.

Wilma Mae Gregg, 46, speed-

ing (15 miles per hour over the limit) — amended to speeding (five miles per hour over the limit), pleaded guilty, fined \$143.

Paul Howard, 45, receiving stolen property (\$500 or more but under \$1,000) — bench warrant/failed to appear for hearing.

Katherine Tanis, McKinnie, 50, speeding (18 miles per hour over the limit) — pleaded guilty, fined \$169.

April McKnight, 38, first-degree criminal mischief — pleaded not guilty, jury trial scheduled May 26.

Matthew Napier, 31, expired or no Kentucky registration receipt, expired or no registration plate, failure to wear seat belt — first charge, pleaded guilty, fined \$100 (court costs waived); other charges, dismissed.

Bethany Parker, 34, failure to wear seat belt, failure to produce insurance card — bench warrant/failed to appear for hearing.

Nicholas Wayne Partin, 31, speeding (15 miles per hour over the limit) — amended to speeding (five miles per hour over the limit), pleaded guilty, fined \$143.



# PAINT & SIP NIGHT

WITH LOCAL ARTIST  
**AMBER DANIELS**

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## TRI-CITIES MAIN STREET

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 15**  
**5:00-7:30 PM**  
**THE CENTER ON MAIN  
- CUMBERLAND**

**\$30** INCLUDES ALL  
MATERIALS, FOOD  
AND DRINK



# Legal Ads

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Harlan County Fiscal Court

Harlan County Fiscal Court is requesting proposals from interested parties for upgrades to the Emergency Warning Siren System in Harlan County, KY. Proposals will be received until Friday August 15, 2025 at 4:00 PM. For a full copy of the Request for Proposals (RFP) and submission instructions, please contact Stephen Lewis, Emergency Management Director at (606) 573-6082 or harlanem@harlanonline.net. Harlan County Fiscal Court reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

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## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Sprinkler System Installation Project  
Harlan County Community Foundation, Inc.

The Harlan County Community Foundation is seeking qualified contractors to submit proposals for the design and installation of a complete sprinkler system at our designated community site. This project is a vital component of our ongoing commitment to enhance public accessibility and safety.

- Scope of work includes:**
- Site inspection and assessment
  - Design and layout of an efficient sprinkler system
  - Procurement and installation of materials and equipment
  - Integration with existing landscaping and utilities
  - Final testing, adjustments, and training for maintenance staff
  - Documentation and compliance with local codes and safety regulations

**Proposal submission:**  
Interested contractors should submit a detailed proposal including qualifications, experience, and cost estimates. Bids will be

received until 4:00 p.m. (Local time), August 20, 2025, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud before those present at the Harlan County Community Foundation Meeting.

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For inquiries or to schedule a site visit, please contact:  
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## INVITATION TO BID

Harlan County Fiscal Court is now accepting sealed bids for the furnishing of a “588 Weathering Deck Girder Bridge”. The Specifications of the furnished deck girder bridge are as follows: 32’ long by 14’ wide, zero (0) degree skew, at 9’ high above water, with a minimum HS-20 loading factor. All material used in the manufacturing of the deck girder bridge shall conform to the current edition of the KYTC Road and Bridge Manual. The selected bidder shall provide a set of plans, signed and sealed by a Licensed Kentucky Engineer. A set of erection instructions shall be provided. The selected bidder will be required to deliver the, “588 Weathering Deck Girder Bridge” to the BRIDGE SITE. Mills Lane, CR 1100A, off of Ky 1601 at Jones’ Creek, Latitude 36.84634 degrees, Longitude -83.219247.

Bid quoted shall be a Lump Sum amount.

The submitted Bid must be signed and submitted in a sealed envelope. The envelope containing the Bid must be plainly marked on the outside, “MILLS LANE – 588 WEATHERING DEDK GIRDER BRIDGE.” The envelope shall bear on the outside the Bidder’s name and address. Bids may be

mailed to Harlan County Fiscal Court, P.O. Box 956, Harlan, KY 40831 or they may be delivered to the Office of the Harlan County Judge Executive, Courthouse, Suite 300, 210 East Central Street, Harlan, KY 40831. Facsimiles/e-mails will not be accepted.

Bidder shall hold his bid quote for a period of NINETY (90) calendar days.

Bids will be received until 10:00 AM. (Local time), Thursday, August 14, 2025, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud before those present in the old Circuit Courtroom of the Harlan County Courthouse, current Meeting room of Harlan County Fiscal Court.

Harlan County Fiscal Court reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids and to select the bid best suited to its needs. The award shall be made on the basis of lowest and best bid.

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## INVITATION TO BID

Harlan County Fiscal Court is now accepting sealed bids for the “Installation” of a “ 588 Weathering Deck Girder Bridge”. The Specifications of the furnished deck girder bridge are as follows: 32’ long by 14’ wide, zero (0) degree skew, 9’ above water.

The selected bidder shall install the “588 Weathering Deck Girder Bridge – (FURNISHED BY OTHERS) at Mills Lane, CR1100A, off of Ky 1601, at Jones Creek, Latitude 36.84634 degrees, Longitude -83.219247 degrees. A set of plans signed and sealed by a Licensed Kentucky Engineer shall be furnished by others. A set of erection instructions shall be provided by others.

The prospective bidder shall clean up and expose existing abutments, adjust both abutment tops up in elevation, approximately 10 “ (inches) to accommodate new structural steel beams (furnished by HCFC and fabricated by others in order to match existing roadway on both ends. This shall require drilling and anchoring rebar into

existing concrete structures. Existing abutment on KY 1601 side will have to be drilled and anchored to the roadside retaining wall as well, since the retaining wall footing is acting as the footer for the existing abutment wall, which is poured against the face of the roadway retaining wall. The 32’ steel girder length appears to be longer than needed but it may be necessary because it would be hard to get an accurate measurement in the current condition and the possibility that the existing concrete structure may not be square which could create a situation where the new steel girders may need to be cut to fit. Bid price shall include all material, labor, and equipment for the substructure renovation. Contractor is to install only, structural steel beams, girder decking, diaphragms, and guardrail.

Bidder is responsible for traffic control along Ky 1601 during all phases of work. Traffic control shall meet all specifications as per KYTC – MUTC manual.

BIDDER MUST BE A PRE-QUALIFIED CONTRACTOR BY THE KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET IN ORDER TO BE PERMITTED TO BID.

Bid quoted shall be a Lump Sum amount for the setting of the furnished deck girder bridge on the existing abutments. All references to construction shall be found in the current edition of the KYTC Road & Bridge Construction Manual.

The submitted Bid must be signed and submitted in a sealed envelope. The envelope containing the Bid must be plainly marked on the outside, “INSTALLATION ONLY – Mills Lane Bridge – 588 WEATHERING DEDK GIRDER BRIDGE.” The envelope shall bear on the outside the Bidder’s name and address. Bids may be mailed to Harlan County Fiscal Court, P.O. Box 956, Harlan, KY 40831 or they may be delivered to the Office of the Harlan County Judge Executive, Courthouse, Suite 300, 210 East Central Street, Harlan, KY 40831. Facsimiles/e-mails will not be accepted.

## PUBLIC NOTICE 2025 PROPOSED TAX RATE PUBLIC HEARING

The Harlan County Fiscal Court will hold a public hearing on August 19, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at the Harlan Courthouse for the purpose of obtaining comments from the public regarding the proposed tax rate.

The tax rate levied last year as 41.5 cents per \$100 of assessed value and produced revenues in the amount of \$3,755,367. This year’s compensating rate is 40.8 cents per \$100 of assessed value and will produce revenues in the amount of \$3,756,226. The Harlan County Fiscal Court proposes a tax rate of 41.5 cents per \$100 of assessed value which will produce a total of \$3,820,671 in revenues.

Revenue expected from New Property is \$0; revenue expected from Personal Property is \$844,076; revenue expected from Motor Vehicle is \$363,873; and revenue expected from Watercraft is \$5,481.

Revenue received in excess of last year’s revenue will be used for general government expenses.

The Kentucky General Assembly requires that the Harlan County Fiscal Court publish this notice with the information contained herein.

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