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District Court News

DISTRICT COURT

Heard on Tues., July 28, 2026 by District Court Judge Kim Razor.

Abercrombie, Alexander R., show cause payment, owes $218, continued to 8/4.

Abercrombie, Alexander R., show cause payment, owes $193, continued to 8/4.

Bloomfield, Caden Chance, entered diversion, to review 9/22.

Carter, Latasha Renee, (1) speeding 10 mph over limit; (2) no/expired registration plates; (3) no/expired KY registration receipt; (4) failure to register transfer of motor vehicle; (5) failure to wear seat belts; (6) improper display of registration plates, continued to 8/4.

Cummins, Lauren Kay, (1) failure to wear seat belts, paid in full.

Cummins, Steven G., expungement hearing for three cases, granted.

Gerhard, Nathan, (1) local county ordinance, dismissed.

Gillespie, Grant, continued to 9/1.

Gose, George Eugene, (1) speeding 21 mph over limit, $42 fine and court costs; (2) careless driving, dismissed; (3) failure to notify address change to DOT, dismissed.

Haggard, Shelby Ellen, (1) failure to wear seat belts, failed to appear, notified DOT.

Hargett, Starlette D., (1) failure to wear seat belts, failed to appear, notified DOT.

Jones, April Lynn, (1) speeding 10 mph over limit, failed to appear, notified DOT.

Kaba, Michael D., case review, removed from docket.

Kidwell, Mark Allen, (1) speeding 15 mph over limit; (2) operating a vehicle with expired operators license, failed to appear, notified DOT.

Landuyt, Zachary Edward, (1) speeding 10 mph over limit, paid in full.

McMurray, Matthew Allen, continued o 8/4.

Moran, Chad Michael, (1) speeding 10 mph over limit, paid in full.

Nickerson, Anastasia Nicole, (1) speeding 15 mph over limit, directed to enroll in CATS diversion program, to review 9/22.

Osborne, Carl M., (1) menacing, 30 days, cd 2 years.

Peaschek, Brooklyn R. continued to 8/4.

Piantek, Toma Lee, diversion review, to review 8/18.

Scolf, James Mar, (1) failure to wear seat belts, $25 fine; (2) failure to produce insurance card, dismissed; (3) failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security 1st offense, dismissed.

Scott, Merranda Nichole, continued to 8/4.

Skaggs, Rhonda G., (1) speeding 15 mph over limit, failed to appear, notified DOT.

Smith, Justin Thomas, (1) speeding 10 mph over limit, paid in full.

Smithers, William Henry, failed to appear, issued bench warrant.

Stamper, Kenneth J., failed to appear, notified DOT.

Stanton, Bradley William, (1) alcohol intoxication in a public place - 1st and 2nd offenses, $35 fine; (2) disorderly conduct, 2nd degree, 50 days, cd 2 years; (3) harassing communications, 50 days, cd 2 years to serve concurrently, and court costs.

Stanton, Kaylee Ann, (1) failure to report traffic accident, continued to 8/11; (2) failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, dismissed.

Stidham, Mark Anthony, (1) speeding 10 mph over limit; (2) no operators/moped license, continued to 8/18.

Thacker, Travis Ray, (1) speeding 10 mph over limit; (2) no/expired KY registration receipt; (3) no/expired registration plates, failed to appear, notified DOT.

Woods, Bobby Joe, (1) failure to wear seat belts, failed to appear, notified DOT.

Woods, Shaun Dean, case review, proof filed, removed from docket.

Yates, Joshua Frank, continued to 9/1.

Zummo, Ann Lynn, continued to 9/1.

Barrett, Brandon L., two cases, continued to 8/11.

Day, Stephen A., (1) alcohol intoxication in a public place - 1st and 2nd offenses; (2) operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol, .08, 1st offense, amended to aggravator, continued to 8/18.

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Bracken Fiscal Court

A regular meeting of the Bracken County Fiscal Court was held Wednesday, July 8, 2026, for the purpose of transacting any business properly presented by the established agenda. Presiding: Tina K. Teegarden, Judge Executive. Present: David Kelsch, Danny Holleran, Debbie Mayfield, Kevin Jarrells, Craig Miller, Sandy Ruf, Heather Brumley, Judge Teegarden. Absent: John Scott.

Let the record reflect that the Court Members received a copy of any Transfers and Vendor Claims and a copy of the Financial Statement.

Upon motion of Debbie Mayfield, second by Heather Brumley, the court approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting and Public Hearing for the CRA as well as the Budget on June 24, 2026.

The Court Recognized Larry Smith and His Service To The County - Judge Teegarden stated this morning the fiscal court would like to take the opportunity to remember and honor one of Bracken County's outstanding citizens - Larry Smith. Larry Smith, who recently passed away, was dedicated and devoted not only to his family but to our entire community. He served the county for numerous years as a Kentucky Farm Bureau insurance agent, a member and officer in the Brooksville Lions Club and an active member of the Brooksville Chrisitan Church. In addition, Larry was a 27-year member of the Bracken County Industrial Authority, helping to guide the development and success of our industrial park. Today, the Chairman of the Industrial Authority, Earl Bush, is here to present a plaque in Larry's honor to Barbara Smith and Larry's family.

Road Department Update - Road Supervisor Stacey Florer gave an update. They have 1 bushhog running. They are on their second time mowing. They are still cleaning up trees and brush from the storms.

Animal Shelter Expansion - Tabled.

Property Licking Estates Surplus - Tabled.

Resolution LARP Funding $416,000 - This is funding that was approved through the general assembly. It was for 5 roads for a total of $416,000. The county's match is 15%.

Motion to approve made by Sandy Ruf, second by Debbie Mayfield.

Agreement LARP Funding $416,000 - Motion for approval made by Craig Miller, second by Heather Brumley.

Sheriff Cruiser Purchase - Sheriff Boody addressed the court. He stated originally it was budgeted $57,000 for a patrol vehicle. He has a quote from Don Franklin for a 2025 Ram Crew Cab 4x4 V6 for $39,999.99.

Motion for approval on the 2025 Ram for $39,999.99 was made by David Kelsch, second by Craig Miller.

Equipment - Sheriff Cruiser - Sheriff Boody provided a quote for the equipment installation. It is from Ridge Net for $15,647.55.

Motion to approve Ridge Net for $15,647.55 was made by Craig Miller, second by Debbie Mayfield.

Animal Shelter Annual Report - ACO's Ms. Honan and Childers gave the court their annual report. Each court member received a copy of the monthly report.

Add Bid Award To Agenda - Motion to add bid award was made by Sandy Ruf, second by Kevin Jarrells. Abstained: Danny Holleran.

Fuel Bid Award - There was one bid received from Valor. That is who was used this past year. The court received a copy of their rates.

Motion to accept fuel bid was made by Craig Miller, second by Debbie Mayfield.

Rock Bid Award - A bid was received from Hilltop Stone and also one from Jefferson Contracting. Road Supervisor Stacey stated the only difference is the price was lower with Hilltop; Jefferson Contract hauling is .20 cheaper. Judge Teegarden stated but the rock prices were higher. Judge Teegarden recommends Hilltop.

Motion to approve Hilltop made by Daviid Kelsch, second by Heather Brumley.

Training Incentive Danny Holleran $5,445.28 - Motion for approval made by Debbie Mayfield, second by Heather Brumley. Abstained: Danny Holleran.

Training Incentive Tina K. Teegarden $5,445.28 - Motion for approval made by Heather Brumley, second by David Kelsch. Abstained: Judge Teegarden.

*Magistrate Miller had to leave meeting.

Transfer/Vendor Claims - General Fund Interfund Cash Transfer; General Fund Budget Transfer; General Fund Vendor Claims; Road Fund Vendor Claims; Jail Fund Vendor Claims; Dispatch 911 Fund Vendor Claims

Motion to Add Executive Sessions to Agenda - Motion to add to agenda made by Heather Brumley, second by Sandy Ruf.

Enter Executive Session Pursuant to KRS 61.8101 (f) to Discuss Personnel - Motion to move to Executive Session made by Debbie Mayfield, second by Heather Brumley.

Return from Executive session - Motion to return to Regular session from Executive session made by Danny Holleran, second by Debbie Mayfield.

Other Business:

*Judge Teegarden stated some magistrates have asked for some past maintenance contracts. She put copies in all magistrates' folders. Discussion was held on radios. Judge Teegarden asked if anyone is changing their mind on bidding this out? No magistrates spoke up.

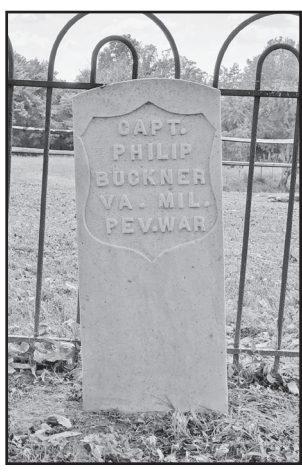
*Magistrate Jarrells stated he's had a lot of residents come to him complaining about a lot of roads in his district that are trashed up. What can we do about this? Judge Teegarden asked if they have been turned into Greg, Solid Waste Coordinator? Magistrate Jarrells stated one of them has already gone through everyone and gotten nowhere. Judge Teegarden stated she needs names and addresses to get the problem looked into by ordinance. Magistrate Jarrells will get those turned into her. He also stated awhile back they had started the conversation on an ordinance for rotation on towing, where do we stand on that? County Attorney Moore stated she needs to finish that up. She will work on that and get it completed.

*County Attorney stated that since nuisance board discussion was brought up, she will just mention that there is still not a full committee for this so if everyone could talk around to try to get people to be on that committee that would be great. It's hard to enforce if you don't have a board to enforce it. They are also looking for another person to serve on the ethics board.

*Magistrate Kelsch stated he had mentioned District 6 a few meetings back, where do we stand on them coming? Judge Teegarden stated they are behind because of some of the funding on legislation. Once they get that wrapped up, they will be coming. Magistrate Kelsch stated there are still golf carts on Route 8 with semis flying down there so it is definitely a hazard.

Adjourn - Motion by Heather Brumley, second by Danny Holleran.

Pomeroy Marker Ceremony Scheduled for Philip Buckner Gravesite



The Bracken County Historical Society asks the public to mark their calendars now for Saturday, September 26th at 2 pm. Come to Powersville to help them celebrate a grave marking ceremony hosted by the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) and the Bracken Historical Society memorializing the Revolutionary War patriot and founder of Augusta, Bracken County's first county seat, Capt. Philip Buckner and his wife Tabitha Daniel Buckner.

The SAR is placing a Pomeroy roadside marker at the cemetery on Goose Ridge off Highway 10 across from the Powersville Baptist Church. The Bracken County Capt. Philip Buckner Chapter of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) set a marble marker at Capt. Philip Buckner's grave in 1929. A roadside Historical Marker was placed on Highway 10 in Powersville by the DAR in 1974.

Tabitha is buried in the plot beside her husband Philip but her marker is missing, so the Society asked for and received a grant from the Kentucky Colonels for a stone marker so both Tabitha's and Philip's graves are further marked with their birth, death and marriage dates.

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