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save about $213,000 in future interest.

The court also authorized preparations for a possible February food distribution, continued its Christmas toy giveaway program and approved repairs and improvements at the county annex.

Dr. Elijah Wilson, chairman of the Industrial Development Authority, said the proposed funding would go toward principal on the Cumberland River Industrial Park loans. The money would be sought through the Regional Development Agency Assistance Program administered by the Kentucky Department for Local Government.

If the funds are applied by the end of 2026, Wilson said, the estimated loan balance would fall to approximately $260,553. Continuing the authority's current monthly payment could move the payoff date from June 2056 to April 2041.

Wilson said reducing the debt would allow the authority to preserve reserves for grant matches, operating expenses and future development. That is especially important, he said, because the authority has no steady source of recurring income.

The court adopted a resolution authorizing the application and designating the Burkesville-Cumberland County Industrial Development Authority to receive the funds. The action authorizes pursuit of the funding; the money has not yet been received.

Judge-Executive Luke King praised the authority's planning and recognized Wilson and the other board members for serving without any compensation.

The court also agreed to allocate county resources toward a possible bonus food distribution in February. King emphasized that the shipment remains tentative, but said it could provide enough food for 400 to 500 families, with an estimated value of $60,000 to $80,000.

Because much of the food would be perishable, distribution would need to follow delivery quickly. King said officials hope to arrange a Saturday event, making it easier for volunteers and residents with weekday obligations to participate.

King said the proposed bonus distribution would have no income requirements.

For the Christmas season, magistrates authorized King to secure donations, execute documents and coordinate county resources for the continuing toy giveaway program. He said he also hopes to offer canned goods and other food during the Christmas parades if enough donations and volunteers can be secured.

The court separately approved county employees and equipment participating in the county's three Christmas parades.

Flood recovery and road work remained major topics during the meeting.

King said the county was still awaiting state paperwork for its Flex road funding. He had contacted Kentucky Transportation Cabinet District 8 officials but had not received an update before the meeting.

The court previously authorized him to execute the documents once they arrive, which King said should avoid the need for another special meeting solely for that purpose.

Work associated with June flood damage and paving funded through other county allocations could proceed, King said, but the paving contractor preferred to coordinate that work with the Flex projects.

Road department and emergency management personnel reported accompanying federal and state teams on visits to damaged roads. Officials said they were seeking mitigation improvements at locations where flooding repeatedly washes away gravel, including the possible use of concrete.

King also reported that federal public assistance for damaged infrastructure had been approved, while individual assistance remained unapproved as of the meeting. He said Small Business Administration representatives were available at the Burkesville Fire Department to discuss disaster loans, emphasizing that those funds would be loans rather than grants.

Magistrates approved two estimates for work at the county annex. King said one covered insurance-approved repairs, along with an additional $800 to upgrade flooring for the heavy traffic associated with commodities distribution and other county activities.

The second estimate covered improvements outside the insurance project. King said completing those improvements while the contractor was already on site would cost less than bringing the contractor back later. Total amounts for the estimates were not stated during the discussion.

The court adopted the Lake Cumberland Area Development District's multijurisdictional hazard mitigation plan. The resolution commits the county to support the plan's goals and actions as resources and applicable laws allow.

A proposed telecommunications ordinance submitted on Windstream's behalf was tabled for further review. Magistrate Lane Cope requested more time to consider the lengthy document.

The court also authorized King to share the proposal with incoming magistrates so they could review an issue that may carry into the new year. No first reading was held.

King said the Tourism Commission was preparing proposed revisions to the county's transient tax and tourism commission ordinance. Those recommendations are expected at a future meeting, possibly a special-called meeting. No ordinance changes were adopted Nov. 9.

In other business, the court approved a $53,000 transfer from the general fund to the jail fund, budget transfers and payment of bills. Magistrates also approved the first reading of a budget amendment.

The court authorized County Attorney Coleman Hurt to file a claim against an estate seeking reimbursement for burial-related expenses paid by the county. Officials said the county had arranged the burial after no family member came forward to do so.

Magistrates approved King's nominations of Candi Hostettler and Chelsea Comer to the Cumberland County Extension District Board.

The court adopted resolutions honoring Cumberland County veterans, past and present, and the late KET Executive Director Shae Hopkins. King praised Hopkins' support for rural Kentucky and Cumberland County youth.

Departmental reports included an October litter pickup covering 10 miles of county roads and collecting 23 bags of trash. The county's commodities program reported serving 137 households.

King said additional surplus items were being listed for sale through GovDeals. The court authorized him to sign documents needed to complete sales and transfer titles.

Approval of prior regular and special-called meeting minutes was postponed pending edits. A proposed District 2 road closure was also tabled so it could be advertised. Magistrates reviewed equipment information for future consideration but took no action on purchases or repairs.

The court authorized King to sign the county's annual siren service agreement.

Magistrates voted to enter executive session, but on return took no action and adjourned the meeting.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
40th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
CUMBERLAND CIRCUIT COURT
CASE NO. 25-CI-00071

TAX BRAKE KY, LLC — **PLAINTIFF**

VS. — **NOTICE OF SALE**

ALICIA COOMER;
STACEY N. MURRAY;
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,
COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND;
CITY OF BURKESVILLE, KENTUCKY — **DEFENDANTS**

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Pursuant to a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Cumberland Circuit Court entered in the office of the Cumberland Circuit Court Clerk on July 23, 2026, in the above styled action, the undersigned Master Commissioner of the Cumberland Circuit Court will sell at public auction, on November 20, 2026, at 10:30 a.m., at the west door of the Cumberland County Courthouse, Burkesville, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, the following described real property, lying and being in Cumberland County, Kentucky, with said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Parcel/Map ID No.: 055-07-23-010.01
Property Address: 811 North Main Street, Burkesville, Kentucky 42717
BEING Lots Nos. 5 and 6 and 67 ½ feet of the Southeast ends of Lots No. 11 and 12, in Block "B" of the AM. Ferguson Addition to the City of Burkesville the outside boundary of the entire parcel being 50 X 232 ½ (217.5) feet, and for a more complete description of the same reference is made to the plat of said subdivision as appears of record in Deed Book No. 57, at page 160 therein Office of the Cumberland County Court Clerk.

Being the same property conveyed to Larry Murray by Deed dated June 29, 2018, and recorded in Deed Book 172, Page 424, in the Office of the Clerk of the County Court of Cumberland County, Kentucky. Larry Murray having died on June 20, 2025, the property was conveyed at his death to his heirs at law: Alicia Coomer and Stacey N. Murray.

The successful bidder or bidders may elect to pay the purchase price in full at the time of the sale or be required to pay 10% percent of bid purchase price down on the date of the sale and balance of purchase price will be due and payable on or before thirty (30) days from the date of the sale with interest at the rate of 6% per annum; however, the purchase may pay all or part of the purchase price prior to the maturity with all accrued interest due at the time of said payment. If the sale be had on credit, the purchaser shall execute and deliver to the order of the Master Commissioner, his or her bond due and payable in thirty (30) days, bearing interest at the legal rate of 6% per annum from date of sale until paid, with good and sufficient surety thereon and said sale shall likewise be secured by a lien upon said property sold, which shall have the same force and effect of a judgment and said bond with acceptable surety shall be executed immediately after the sale; upon default of the terms of said bond the Master Commissioner shall immediately resell the property on the same terms and conditions set out herein.

The 2026 and all subsequent years property taxes shall be paid by the Purchaser.

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HON. HOLLY LONG PARRIGIN
MASTER COMMISSIONER
CUMBERLAND CIRCUIT COURT

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

CITY OF BURKESVILLE, KENTUCKY

2026 FLOOD DAMAGE – FEMA PERMANENT REPAIR PROJECTS

FEMA DISASTER DR-4937-KY

The City of Burkesville, Kentucky will accept sealed bids for permanent repair and restoration of public infrastructure damaged during the June 26–30, 2026 flooding event, declared a federal major disaster under FEMA DR-4937-KY. Work is intended to restore the affected facilities to their pre-disaster design, function, and capacity in accordance with the applicable FEMA-approved scope of work. Bidders may bid on one or more locations; each location must be priced separately.

PROJECT 1 – SOUTH WIND SPUR

Flood damage affected the protective covering of a fresh-water line and the associated embankment/shoulder. Work generally includes site preparation, placement of erosion-protection materials, and restoration of the protective covering and embankment using the City's Standard Method of Repair (SMOR).

FEMA scope quantities: Install 94.37 tons of cyclopean stone riprap and 63.33 square yards (SY) of geotextile fabric. Include grading, placement, stabilization, protection of existing water infrastructure, and related incidental work necessary to achieve a complete permanent repair.

PROJECT 2 – CUMBERLAND DRIVE CULVERT

Flood damage affected the culvert and associated roadway embankment. Work generally includes construction of a cast-in-place sloped and mitered headwall system and restoration and stabilization of the embankment/shoulder using the City's SMOR.

FEMA scope quantities: Install one cast-in-place sloped and mitered headwall system, 16 feet 6 inches wide × 8 feet high × 1 foot 3 inches deep (dimensions to be field-verified); install 67.55 tons of cyclopean stone riprap and 22.67 SY of geotextile fabric. Include forming, reinforcement and concrete details proposed by bidder, excavation, preparation, backfill, stabilization, and related incidental work. Any discrepancy or need for design clarification shall be reported before bidding.

PROJECT 3 – COPPERHEAD LANE CULVERT REPAIR

Flood damage affected the concrete culvert and gravel roadway surface. Work generally includes removal and replacement of the existing concrete culvert and restoration of the gravel roadway to its pre-disaster design, function, and capacity, in kind and within the existing footprint.

FEMA scope quantities: Remove and replace one concrete culvert, 20 feet long × 2 feet in diameter; replace 195.55 cubic yards (CY) of gravel roadway surface over an approximate 480-foot-long × 11-foot-wide × 1-foot-deep area. Include excavation, lawful disposal, suitable bedding and backfill, compaction, grading, drainage continuity, and restoration of disturbed areas.

REQUIRED STANDARD OF RESTORATION

All work shall restore disaster-damaged facilities to pre-disaster design, function, and capacity using the stated scope and City SMOR where applicable. No enlargement, betterment, changed alignment, material substitution, or work outside the described footprint may proceed without prior written City approval and any required FEMA or other agency review. Quantities shown above are the FEMA scope quantities for bidding; bidders shall inspect sites and disclose discrepancies or necessary additional work in their bid, without unilaterally changing the base scope.

MANDATORY SITE EVALUATION AND REPAIR PLAN WITH BID

Each bidder is responsible for inspecting each site on which it bids and verifying field conditions, access, measurements, utility conflicts, constructability, and material requirements. Include a written repair plan identifying methods, principal materials and specifications, construction sequence, erosion and sediment controls, and proposed means of protecting existing utilities and roadway users. Any exceptions or alternate proposals must be separately identified and priced; the base bid must address the stated scope.

FINAL BID REQUIREMENTS

Submit a separate itemized bid for each project, including quantities, unit prices where practical, lump-sum components, materials, labor, equipment, mobilization, excavation, hauling and disposal, backfill, compaction, stabilization, traffic control, site restoration, anticipated start date, estimated calendar days to completion, and total price. Identify subcontractors and proposed alternates. Bids must be signed by an authorized representative. The City may request additional responsibility documentation before award.

MATERIAL AND WORKMANSHIP STANDARDS

Work shall use new, appropriate materials and sound construction practices consistent with site conditions, applicable manufacturer specifications, codes, permits, and federal, state, and local requirements. Riprap, geotextile, culvert materials, concrete, gravel, bedding, and compaction must be suitable for the intended use. No reduction in existing drainage function or capacity is permitted without written authorization. All underground utility locations shall be verified before excavation.

CITY INSPECTION AND CORRECTION OF DEFICIENT WORK

The City or its representative may inspect work at reasonable times, including before concealed work is covered. The contractor shall provide notice before backfilling or concealing major work. Defective or nonconforming work shall be corrected at the contractor's expense. Final payment is subject to satisfactory completion and applicable contract requirements.

COMMENCEMENT AND COMPLETION

Bidders should have the equipment, staffing, materials, and availability to proceed promptly. Following award, contract execution, required approvals, and issuance of a written Notice to Proceed, work shall begin within five (5) calendar days unless otherwise authorized by the City, and proceed diligently to completion. No ground-disturbing work may begin before any required environmental/historic preservation clearance and permits are obtained.

BID SUBMISSION AND OPENING

Sealed bids shall be clearly marked "2026 FLOOD DAMAGE – FEMA PERMANENT REPAIR PROJECTS" and delivered to:

City of Burkesville - City Hall
379 Keen Street
Burkesville, KY 42717

Bids must be received no later than Thursday, November 19, 2026, at 5:00 PM Central Time. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time and location. Late bids will not be considered. Questions and site inspection arrangements: (270) 864-5391.

Bids will be reviewed and presented to the Burkesville City Council for consideration. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive minor informalities to the extent permitted by law, and award by individual project in accordance with applicable procurement requirements. Selection may consider responsiveness, responsibility, qualifications, materials and repair plan, schedule, and price as permitted by law.

FEDERAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE AND CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

These projects are associated with federally declared disaster FEMA DR-4937-KY and may be reimbursed in whole or part through FEMA Public Assistance, subject to eligibility and approval. The procurement and resulting contracts shall comply with applicable federal, Kentucky, and local requirements, including 2 CFR Part 200 (as applicable), 2 CFR 200.327 and Appendix II to Part 200. Applicable contract provisions must be included in the executed agreement, including remedies and termination; equal employment opportunity where required; Davis-Bacon only if independently applicable (it does not generally apply solely because of FEMA Public Assistance funding); Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act where applicable; Clean Air Act/Federal Water Pollution Control Act where applicable; suspension and debarment; Byrd anti-lobbying certification where applicable; procurement of recovered materials; domestic preference; and prohibition on certain covered telecommunications equipment/services. The contractor must not be suspended or debarred from federal awards. The City will incorporate required provisions and certifications into the contract documents prior to execution.

The City of Burkesville is an Equal Opportunity Employer and encourages qualified contractors to submit bids.