

Pleas from the pound



Bella is a five-year-old pit bull who is a sweet girl looking for her forever home. She is house trained, spayed and ready to find a family of her own. Bella would love someone who will give her the love and attention she deserves.



Penelope is a two-year-old cat looking for her forever home. She is ready to leave shelter life behind and find a family of her own. Penelope would love a cozy home where she can relax, be loved and be spoiled!



Trixie is an eight-month-old Collie/Lab mix who is still just a puppy! She is a young, playful girl who is looking for a family to grow up with. Trixie would love a forever home where she can get plenty of love, attention and fun.



Mia is a two-year-old Staffy looking for her forever home. She is a sweet girl who would do best as the only pet in the home as she is not dog or cat friendly. Mia is hoping to find someone who will give her all the love and attention to herself!

Chamber hosts annual city/county update

BY BETSY SMITH
EDITOR

A large crowd was in attendance at the Cynthiana-Harrison County Chamber of Commerce's annual city/county update at the Prizing House on Wednesday morning, Aug. 19.

The event featured updates on city and county affairs from Mayor Isaac Dailey and Judge/Executive Jason Marshall.

CITY OF CYNTHIANA
Dailey lead off, noting the 5% raise given to the city's 98 employees this year.

"I want Cynthiana to be a good place to work at, and we want to invest in our employees and give them opportunities to learn and

advance and build their careers here ... Every accomplishment I'm going to talk about this morning has a city employee behind it, and I couldn't be more proud of the people who serve Cynthiana."

Dailey said Cynthiana received \$117,000 in Local Assistance Road Program (LARP) funds this year, noting it is money with no match required. Those funds will go to pave North Elmarch Avenue, Hickory Court and West Pike Street.

He said the LARP funding totaled more than this year's municipal road aid. Municipal road aid will go toward paving South Miller Street, the 500 block of East Bridge Street, White Oak Trail, part of Culpeper Drive, Harrison Avenue, Evergreen Circle

and the 200 block of West Penn Street.

Dailey said the intersections at Pike Street, Church Street and Oddville Avenue have been areas of concern. These intersections are places city roads meet state roads, and the city is trying to collaborate with the state to come up with a solution.

He noted the state has let out bidding for Main Street and hopes bidding for Pike Street will come next month.

Moving to the economy, he said between FY 2022 and FY 2026 occupational tax revenue climbed from \$3.05 million to \$3.58 million, a \$524,269 increase for 17.2%. Dailey cited numbers to show the growth was not just coming from the big five employers—Bullard, 3M, CSTE, Harrison Memorial Hospi-

tal and the school district—but across the board.

Work on White Oak Pike is ongoing to expand the business park. Twenty acres were purchased on one side of the road and 35 on the other. The Kentucky Product Development Initiative has provided the city their maximum \$2 million in funding twice, Dailey said.

He next addressed the water situation. PFOS testing began here in 2023, and in April 2024 there was a spike test.

"That wasn't alarming," he said. It was considered to be an oddity. "Then we received another elevated test in November of 2024. We realized that there was something bigger and we became focused on

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Board of Commission accepts bid to pave roads

BY DEVON WILLIAMS
NEWS REPORTER

On the evening of Tuesday, Aug. 18, the City of Cynthiana Board of Commissioners met at the Board of Education office for their bi-weekly meeting.

After the standard call to order and invocation, motions were made to approve the July 21 and Aug. 7 meetings, which carried.

LEGALS
-City Attorney John Lair gave a first reading of Ordinance #1688 - Property Tax Rate 2026. A motion was made to approve the first reading, which carried.

Attorney Lair also gave a first reading of Ordinance

#1689 - 2027 Ad Valorem Tax. A motion was made to approve the first reading, which also carried.

Mayor Isaac Dailey said it was a slight decrease in the tax rate from the previous year in the city.

Following the readings, the meeting moved to the Mayor's Report.

MAYOR'S REPORT

-Dailey read Resolution 2026-4 - Federally Assisted Drinking Water Revolving Fund Project F27-015L. The lead service line removal and replacement project will address aging service lines. These are the lines on the customer side, not the city water mains.

"Essentially, this is the

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