

# City seeks water and wastewater assistance

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Greensburg City Council, in its regular monthly meeting Monday, July 20, approved Resolution No. 2026-0721 authorizing the City of Greensburg to apply for funding and appointing an appropriate government of-

ficial and successors-in-title as an official project representative of a Kentucky Water and Wastewater Assistance for Troubled or Economically Restrained Systems (KY WWATERS) Program Project.

“KY WWATERS is a new funding opportunity we believe will help modernize our water and wastewater systems,” said Mayor John Shuffett.

In other business, Council members approved the first reading of Ordinance No. 2026-0722 establishing the amount of salaries and compensation to be paid to all employees of the City of Greensburg within the fiscal year ending 2027 annual budget. The ordinance amends Ordinance No. 2023-0911.02.

The Council also tabled the deliberation of purchase agreements pertaining to properties located on North Depot and Durham Street.

Troy Hearn, of the Kentucky Department of Public Health, made a presentation pertaining to the Greensburg Active Living Bike/Walk Master Plan. This plan will be considered at a future council meeting.

In a special called meeting Wednesday, July 22, the City Council approved the second reading of Ordinance 2026-0722 and to compensate city employees for this fiscal year’s pay increase retroactive back to July 5. They also approved to declare as surplus property a number of items currently owned by the City of Greensburg.

# Laramore recognized for EMT work at Fort Knox

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He is working many hours this Summer because a lot of Jr. ROTC students are on base to train.

“Our normal work schedule is a 24-hour shift and then a 16-hour shift and that’s our 40 hours for the week,” Laramore said. “But it’s rarely just that. May 24 until August 22 are the months that cadet summer training runs and I will have about 425 hours of overtime on top of the regular 40 hours each week. I’m gone for days at a time.”

Laramore expressed great appreciation for his wife, Charlotte, and for her support because according to him, he and others like him must have a lot of support at home.

Laramore said that prior to becoming an EMT, he had a fear of pulling up at a car accident and that he wouldn’t know what to do or how to handle the situation.

“If you had told me then what I am doing now, I’d have told you that you were crazy,” Laramore said. “It’s by the grace of God that I’m here doing this job. I’m just trying to make someone’s day better when they are not having a good day.”

Laramore went on to say while priority is given to service personnel on base, they’ve had to adapt to the people they serve on post, regardless of whether they are civilians or army personnel.

“A lot of the people here living on base are retired military and so we are still serving the military by taking care of them,” Laramore said.

He admits, however, that the older civilians living on base have really increased the workload for all the EMTs.

“I’m grateful to the good Lord for blessing me with the health and the compassion to do the job,” Laramore said.

He is also grateful to the commanders who have shown their appreciation to him and others who are supporting the mission and the tasks that are ahead of them.

“What I just considered doing my job,” Laramore said, “my supervisor took it to another level.”

His supervisor, Quire, pointed out that professionalism and dedication are some of the requirements in order to receive a Commander’s Coin.

Other requirements are exceptional leadership or initiative, excellence in training and outstanding performance in a mission or operation.

While Laramore believes he is just doing his job, and he knows that some people never receive a Commander’s Coin in all their service, he admits that it is nice to be recognized for what he does.



Photo submitted

Greg Laramore holds one of the four Commander’s Coins that he has received as an EMT while he is at work at Fort Knox Military Base.

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