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WINTER STORM FERN

Tri-County Electric



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Tri-County Electric at Beaumont repairing service to its customer.

BY HOPE GREEN

Winter Storm Fern brought ice and impacted most of Tri-County Electric's 5,600 miles of power lines. Sunday evening, January 25th, 60% of our approximately 57,000 meters were without power. By Sunday, February 1st, we were down to 60 meters without power.

Tri-County Electric's employees were assisted by contractors, right of way contractors, other co-ops, and municipals. We are grateful to everyone who assisted, including those who cleared roads, provided food, gave encouragement, or

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INDICTMENTS

Drugs, Assault, and Theft

SPECIAL TO HERALD-NEWS

JAMES ROBERTSON, age 35, 3194 Breeding Road, Edmonton, KY, was indicted on Theft by Unlawful Taking or Disposition, \$1,000 or More But Under \$10,000, KRS 514.030, Class D Felony. The Grand Jury charges that this crime was committed on or about December 11, 2025, in Metcalfe County.

ERIC JONATHON TARTER, age 41, 118 Castle Heights Road, Tompkinsville, KY, was indicted on Possession of a Controlled

Substance, 1st Degree (Methamphetamine), 1st Offense, KRS 218A.1415, Class D Felony; Operating a Motor Vehicle While Under the Influence of any Other Substance, 1st Offense, KRS 189A.010 (1) (C), Class B Misdemeanor; Careless Driving, KRS 189.290, Violation; and No Tail Lamps, KRS 189.050, Violation. The Grand Jury charges that these crimes were committed on or about January 5, 2026, in Metcalfe

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CORRECTION

In the February 4th edition of *The Herald-News*, we made a mistake on the article announcing Kevin Crain is running for Magistrate, District 2. The caption underneath his photo listed his name incorrectly. We apologize for the mistake.

City Council Approves Four Ordinances



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These metal wall signs were created by Rece Young for the newly renovated City Hall building.

BY PJ MARTIN
EDITOR | THE HERALD-NEWS

The Edmonton City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 2nd, at the Edmonton City Hall. Those in attendance were Mayor Doug Smith, Councilmembers Teresa Hamlett, Curt Estes, Faye Word, Tommy England, and City Attorney Brian Pack.

Others in attendance were City Clerk/Administrator Dawn

Devore, Public Works Superintendent Moe Hensley, Police Chief David Robertson, 911 Director Jordan Crump, ABC Administrator Fred Ray, Park & Recreation Director Brian Garrett, and for the *Herald-News* PJ Martin.

The remodeling of the Edmonton City Hall has been completed. The employees will be using access cards to enter once the doors are all activated.

Two of the regular



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These metal wall signs were created by Rece Young for the newly renovated City Hall building.

attendees were absent: Councilmember Cathy Nunn and Edmonton Fire Chief Jerry Clemmons.

The minutes from the last meeting held on January 5 were approved as written.

Ordinance Number 2025-26-004, creating a shift differential for the 911 dispatchers working night shift, was approved for its second reading after motions to approve were made by Beard and Hamlett.

The dispatchers working from 3 p.m. to 7 a.m. will receive a shift premium of \$1 per hour for regular hours and \$1.5 for overtime hours.

Ordinance Number 2025-06-05 to raise the pay for the elected mayor to \$30,000 per year, divided into 52-week installments effective January 1, 2027, was approved after motions were made by Beard and Estes.

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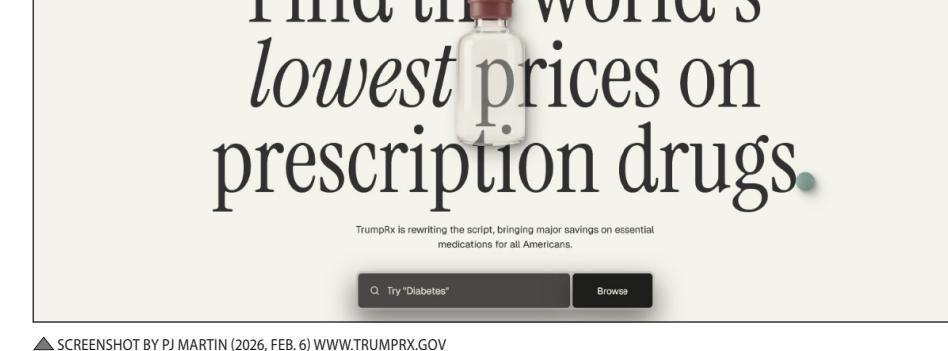
Trump Rx: Will it Really Save You Money?

BY PJ MARTIN
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On February 5, the Trump Rx website launched. The site has been promoted for months by President Donald Trump at every opportunity as the greatest option for prescription drug savings.

The site is a result of multiple healthcare initiatives and policies aimed at reducing prescription drug prices during President Donald Trump's presidency.

One of the greater



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The opening screen of the new TrumpRx website.

initiatives was the proposed "Most Favored Nation" (MFN) clause, which aimed to ensure that Medicare pays no more for specific drugs than the lowest price that

other countries pay. The policy intends to

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