

# ELECTION

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## TARA MAHAN O'DONNELL

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**Education, degrees or work experience:** Bachelors, University of Louisville, Data Analytics Certifications Google and IBM, Cannbis Science and Therapeutics Bellarmine University, Culinary and Wine Certifications Ballymaloe County Cork Ireland  
**Political experience/community involvement:** Oldham County Democratic Executive Board Member, Catholic Charities,

### What would be your top priority if elected and/or what is the biggest issue facing this office?

I would like to see the Court do more to enrich the lives of working class and retired Oldham County residents.

### How would you expand resources for aging residents and caregivers to aging relatives?

Oldham County has a growing population of older adults, and many want: to stay in their homes, stay connected to their community, and age with dignity. To make that possible, we need to strengthen both the supports available to seniors and the help offered to the family members who care for them.

I would start by expanding aging •in• place resources. That means improving access to transportation, meal support, minor home repairs, and basic safety modifications. And as magistrates, we should work together to push both the state and the PVA to protect older residents from being taxed out of their homes. These practical steps prevent bigger crises, reduce strain on caregivers, and help seniors remain independent longer.

Families also need a clear, centralized place to find information. Right now, people spend too much time searching for services, benefits, and programs. I would work with the Fiscal Court, the Senior Center, and local nonprofits to create a single, updated resource hub in both online and printed form so residents can quickly find what they need.

Caregivers deserve support too. Many are balancing full•time jobs, raising children, and caring for aging parents. Expanding respite partnerships, volunteer networks, and short•term relief options would give caregivers the time and stability they need to stay healthy.

Supporting our seniors honors the people who built this community, and supporting caregivers ensures they are not carrying that responsibility alone.

## LARRY KISER

**Email:** Larrykiser@gmail.com  
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**Party:** Democratic Party  
**Website/Facebook:** www.yourmagistrate.com  
**Occupation:** Electrical



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**Engineer**  
**Education, degrees or work experience:** Masters Engineering – Electrical  
**Political experience/community involvement:** I am a private citizen building tools for public participation and pushing the Oldham County Fiscal Court to make it easier for the public to participate. Go check out www.yourmagistrate.com where I have taken records that I had to file open records request. Not only did I make them available, I made the minutes and vote records searchable. I also published financial information. I show up to meetings and push the issues that the existing Fiscal Court refuses to acknowledge or address.

### What would be your top priority if elected and/or what is the biggest issue facing this office?

Transparency and public discourse. Currently the public perception is very negative of the Court with the recent Data Center issues with secret meetings and violating open records. We have candidates on tape asking for ""marching orders"" from private investors and other magistrates did not have the courage to speak up for this wrong behavior.

Regardless of whether anything improper has occurred, perception is reality. The public would be less inclined to question the motives of their officials if the officials did not block people on Facebook (Voegele), threaten the public for recording a public meeting (Haunz) and anyone else (aside from Woolsley) would stand up the public against emotionally immature leaders.

### How would you advocate for and achieve transparency while in office?

Transparency should not depend on who is in office, and it should never feel like the public has to beg for basic information. That is why I built yourmagistrate.com, to make Oldham County meeting minutes, voting records, and financial information easier to find, search, and understand. The truth is, this should already exist on the county's website, but until it does, I will keep doing the work.

If elected, I would push for a culture of proactive transparency. Agendas should be posted early. Minutes should be detailed and timely. Votes should clearly show how each magistrate voted. Committee meetings, contracts, proposals, and financial records should

be easy for the public to access without having to chase them down or file open records requests just to understand routine county business.

I also want to build an app that helps connect people to their local government in real life. It could include meeting alerts, agendas, public notices, county maps, park and event information, project updates, road and repair tracking, and simple ways for residents to report concerns and follow what happens next. Good transparency is not just posting documents. It is giving people useful tools to participate.

Most importantly, I can do this whether I am elected or not, and I will keep doing it either way but it would be easier with a seat at the table, so please help me pull out the chair.

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## STEPHANIE HAWKINS

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**Party:** Republican Party  
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**Occupation:** Full-Time District Six Magistrate, small business co-owner  
**Education, degrees or work experience:** Magna Cum Laude graduate with Degree in liberal arts; studied Chemistry and Biology at University of South Florida; certified in Road Masters through UK; certified in Road Scholar through UK; just in January became certified in the Managing Floodplain Dev't program through FEMA; Magistrate 7+ years  
**Political experience/community involvement:** Military Veteran of Foreign War; Active Member of Southeast Christian Church (since 2009), Crestwood Campus (since inception); Supporter of Crossroads Pregnancy Center in OC; Advocate for Right to Life causes; Member of Oldham County American

Legion-Post 39; Advocate for Veteran causes; consistent non-voting Attendee of Study Review Committee; recently Recognized and Awarded by Youth Linking OC through Coalition for Healthy OC for championing NO-OUTDOOR-ALCOHOL-ADVERTISING near Oldham County Schools initiative; Continuously Advocating for ADA Compliant equipment in our OC Parks; Elected for my first term as Magistrate in May 2018 and serving as the only mom, female and youngest member of our Oldham County Fiscal Court since taking office.

### What would be your top priority if elected and/or what is the biggest issue facing this office?

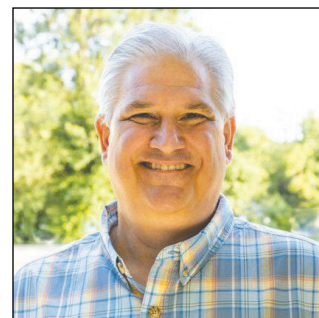
As a married mother of five, it is my passion to ensure that Oldham County remains a place where our children and yours will want to return to raise their family one day! The biggest county issue we face is the influx of over-development. We need to formulate a refreshed cohesive plan for the county, one with a clear direction of careful and responsible growth that maintains the character and integrity that the citizens of OC have come to expect, to include maintaining our rolling hills, dark skies and neighborly atmosphere. Our new plan needs to have clear building standards and high expectations so we can rein in the haphazard influx of traffic-inducing over-development. As District 6 constituents have come to expect from me, I pledge to continue to carefully discern every new proposal and vote to only allow ones that keep with our high Oldham County expectations. Oftentimes I am the lone dissenting opposition vote to many of the proposals which add an undue burden to our waterways and roads. We must protect our OC as the quintessential American and Kentucky county, a place with deep historical roots and a wholesome small town feel. We know each other. We have high standards for our community and local government. We want our voices to be accurately represented. It would be an honor to continue serving this community that we all love & cherish, to work to encourage local eateries to locate to Oldham County and strive to keep Oldham County a safe and relaxing place to live!

### How would you balance economic growth with conservation?

Our amazing Oldham County rolling hills, gentle creeks, quiet horse pastures, farmland, dark skies and charming nature-filled neighborhoods can never be taken for granted, and can never be overtaken by haphazard development. We must conserve our lands, traditions, wildlife,

water quality and work purposefully to keep Oldham County special. We do need economic development so that OC is a place future generations can thrive in, but it must be done with a keen eye on conserving our community. One example of this is my proposal for an Oldham County Sports Complex on the soon-to-be available State Reformatory property on Hwy 146. This property is being considered for an automotive plant and we can be much more creative in our outlook than that! In this current term, I spearheaded the Study which determined that OC would be an ideal and successful location for a Sports Complex, creating space around such facility for restaurants and many economic opportunities to thrive and our 'bursting at the seams' ballfields to expand, along with many more indoor and outdoor athletic (and other) amenities to be the kind of development we really want and can be proud to have in our home county. We must conserve and protect OC while growing responsibly and within our core mission of: Quietly Amazing! Lets do this! Help me protect our roads from further overburden, waterways and green spaces from being stripped away and Quality of a quiet Life preserved for the benefit of our future generations!

Republican Magistrate District 6 candidate Chris Johnson did not respond to the questionnaire.



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## DOUG LALLI

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**Party:** Republican Party  
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**Occupation:** Mayor Orchard Grass Hills

**Education, degrees or work experience:** Oklahoma Christian University - BS Biblical Studies/Ministry, minor Music Education, Graduate courses at Oklahoma Christian, Abilene Christian, Moody Bible Institute, University of Louisville (Organizational Change/Methods of Facilitation focus)  
**Political experience/community involvement:** Orchard Grass Hills City Council 2009-2013, Mayor 2013-Present, SBDM Kenwood Elementary 2008-2011

### What would be your top priority if elected and/or what is the biggest issue facing this office?

Serving with integrity and transparency. Helping make decisions that represent the best interest of all OC residents to the best of my ability and not just my own neighborhood or backyard.

### How would you advocate for and achieve transparency while in office?

We need better communication of pertinent information to County residents. Most cannot attend meetings so new or improved methods of getting information out is needed. That could be newsletters/digitally by email or website etc or even paper mail outs. Making it easier to find out what is going on in our fiscal court should be a priority. Whether true or not, there are rumors of secret meetings. Even the appearance of that needs to be addressed by honest and candid operating procedures. I'm a fan of face to face meetings with representatives from the Councils, HOAs, and/or leaders from the individual Cities and neighborhoods in my district. Gathering opinions and discovering needs is critical to this role and keeps the focus on the district and entire county needs rather than a few deciding for everyone. My goal would be to have the people I represent know without a doubt that I have their best interests at heart. This County is precious to so many! To not give its residents the absolute best effort and energy would be a shame. I'd love to be part of helping OC achieve even greater things.

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## Warehouse/Shipping & Receiving Presentation Solutions Inc., Buckner, KY

Presentation Solutions, recognized by Louisville's Business First as a **FAST 50** company (3 times), a Best Places To Work company (10 times) and Louisville's 2024 Family Business of the Year, has an immediate opening for an experienced warehouse/shipping & receiving specialist in the Buckner area. We work with the K-12 Education Market, providing specialized turnkey visual systems to help schools instruct, inform, and inspire their students. As the pioneer and market leader in our industry, this position is a result of our growth as we expand from a regional company to a national one. We work hard and have fun. If you are a responsible, reliable and hard-working person with a great personality and experience in warehousing, who wants to work closer to home and yet still be an integral part of a fun, impactful and fast-growing company, please send your resume to [careers@presentationolutions.com](mailto:careers@presentationolutions.com).

### Bison Sale – Sealed Bid KY Fish & Wildlife Resources

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) is selling two (2) surplus bison calves, by sealed, written bid only. The calves will be sold together under one bid.

The successful bidder shall be responsible for transporting the purchased animals from KDFWR Headquarters, Salato Wildlife Education Center enclosure, on U.S. 60 West in Frankfort. Pick-up shall be arranged between the KDFWR and the highest bidder and occur within 3 business days of bid award notification.

Calves being offered are two females weighing approximately 350 to 400 pounds each. Both are in good condition.

For bid details, contact Amy Akers, KDFWR Purchasing Agent, weekdays 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (EST) at (502) 892-4538 or email amy.akers@ky.gov. For viewing details email brad.burge@ky.gov. All questions must be submitted in writing no later than May 6, 2026.

Bids must be received by noon (EST) May 13, 2026. Bids received after this deadline shall not be considered valid. Offers must include the bidder's printed name, signature, address, daytime phone number and bid amount.

Bids shall be submitted to:

KDFWR Procurement Sealed Bid - Bison  
 Amy Akers  
 1 Sportsman's Lane  
 Frankfort, KY 40601

Bids shall be opened at noon (EST) May 15, 2026. The highest bidder will be notified of bid award by 4 p.m. (EST) May 15, 2026. The KDFWR retains the right to reject any bid found unacceptable. If awarded bidder has not made arrangement for pickup by 4 p.m. (EST) May 22, 2026, the next highest bidder may receive the lot. Certified check, money order or cash only. Payment is due in full at time of pick-up.