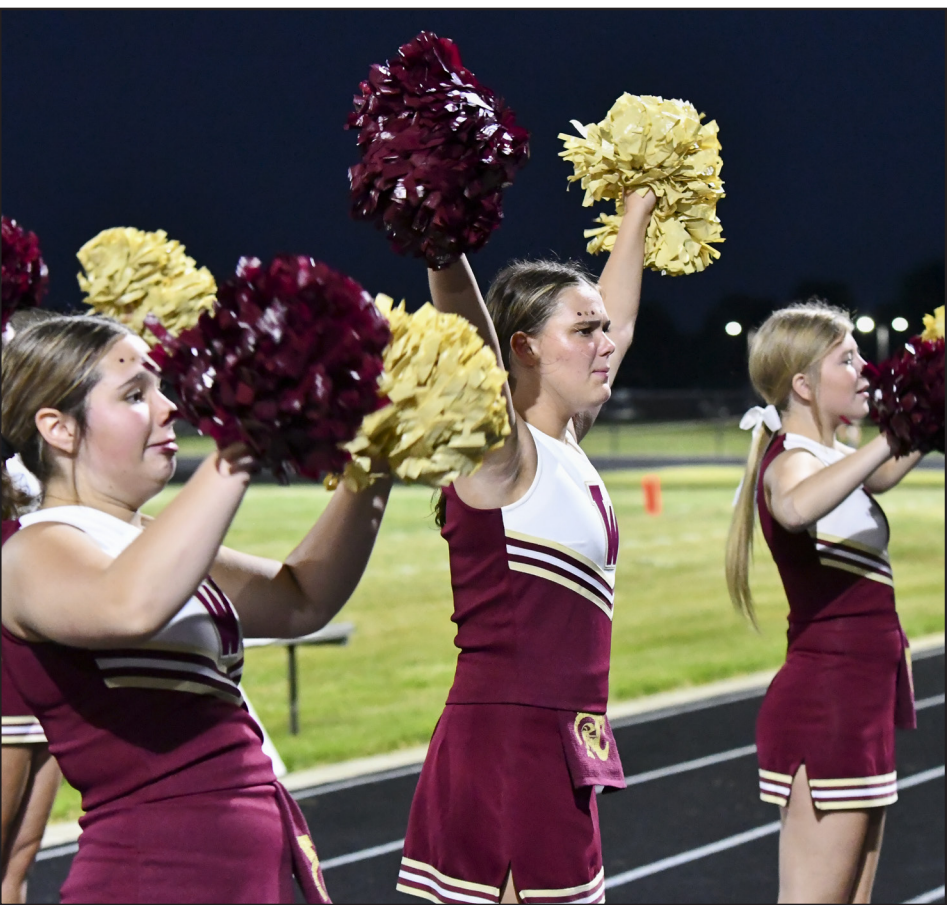




MEMBERS OF THE Webster County High School cheerleading squad are pictured here as they rallied the crowd at the first football game of the season last Friday night.



SIXTY MOTORCYCLES AND their riders made a stop in Sebree Saturday as they rode to raise breast cancer awareness. Kapperman American Legion Post #44 riders made a stop at Sebree's Austin Collins American Legion Post around noon Saturday, filling the lot with a variety of motorcycles and riders participating in the "Rockin Out the TaTas" ride to support the fight against breast cancer and make an impact on a cure. Photos by Ozzie O'Nan



Fiscal Court Sets Tax Rate; Approves Bond Ordinance

Webster County Fiscal Court met in regular session Monday in a session that included setting the FY 2026 tax rate, accepting the tax rates of several taxing districts and approving a bonding ordinance.

In setting the county tax rates, the court moved from regular session to a tax hearing for public input; however, no one appeared before the court to discuss the proposed four percent increase. During the hearing, Judge/Executive Steve Henry shared that the county would propose the 18.70 plus four rate that will generate about \$1,274,112.00 for the county. The 18.00 compensating rate would generate about \$1,226,418 in revenue.

PVA Jeff Kelley also addressed the tax issue noting that most of the taxing district rates have already been submitted. He added that rates have decreased annually over the last six years, adding that with growth in the tax base the county is able to take in more revenue

but lower the local tax rate due to that growth. With no other comments, the five-minute hearing adjourned to return to regular session.

Later in the meeting, magistrates approved the 18.7 rate for real property; they exempted documented watercraft, aircraft and in-transit inventory. The county also approved the motor vehicle tax rate of 17.2.

Other tax rates approved by the court on Monday include the ambulance district tax at a rate of 6.40 for both real estate and tangible property, and the library tax of 8.3 for real estate and 8.57 for tangible property.

Other business to come before the court was approval to surplus a 2003 Volvo road grader and a 2003 Ford E 450 mini-van. Those items will be sold on the government website.

Magistrates also approved an energy bond contract ordinance allowing the county to establish a sinking fund through the Kentucky

Association of Counties' finance corporation. The funding will be used for county projects.

The court heard a bi-monthly report from deputy judge/executive Ryan Hammack related to his activities over the last two weeks. Hammack reported that he met with department heads to discuss ongoing projects; attended the Jordan's Way event at the animal shelter; continued to work on the Providence/WCWD interconnect project, and reported that plans for a second interconnect in the Diamond/Green Grove area are in the works. Hammack also provided an update on the Kenergy broadband project and the farmers' market project presently underway. He also attended the graduation of deputy sheriff Silas Compton from the state law enforcement academy last Thursday.

Following Hammack's remarks to the court, Phillip Halsrud addressed the court for the third session in a row. Halsrud asked to set up a meeting with Henry. Henry and attorney Clint Prow agreed to meet with Halsrud on Tuesday,

August 25, at Prow's office.

Magistrates briefly addressed requests they have received for mowing on county roads, tree trimming that needs to be done at Bellville Bridge and a drain structure on Rakestraw Bottom Road that needs repair.

Personnel matters include the hiring of Gloria Wilson as a part-time jail employee and approving the hiring of two fulltime employees at the 9-1-1 center. Jessica Driver and Ashley Oaks were approved for those positions.

In addition to approving claims, transfers and purchase orders, the court also approved EMA director Jeremy Moore's attendance at a Kentucky Emergency Services Conference in Louisville in September and his GRADD funded attendance at the NADO Annual Training Conference in Reno, NV in October

Before the meeting adjourned Zara Toal and Kim Humphrey provided the court with updated information on the welcome center at Canaan Ridge Park, and attendance at economic development meetings.

Dixon Commission Meets To Set Tax Rate

Dixon City Commission met in a special called session Tuesday, August 18, to hear first reading of the 2026 property tax rate, approve a resolution and appoint a new park board member.

Commissioners approved first reading a rate of 0.130 for 2026 which is expected to generate \$28,622 in revenue. In 2025 taxpayers paid 0.1260. The city anticipates taxes from new and personal property to generate about \$1980 in revenue. The city will hold a public hearing on September 14, to allow citizens to offer input on the proposed rate.

In other business, commissioners approved a Local Assistance Road Program Agreement between Dixon and the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet that will bring \$32,100 to the city for resurfacing of Parrish Road and N. College St. A resolution for that funding

was also passed by the commission.

Before the nine-minute adjourned, Mayor Terry Webb recommended that Pam Burrey be appointed to the city's Park, Playground and Recreation board. That appointment, which was approved, will expire December 31, 2028.

The council briefly discussed the need to insure that all members of that board live in the city, and commissioner Peggy Poole suggested that future appointee to city boards be interviewed by the mayor and two commissioners

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 405 KAR 8:010, Section 16(5), the following is a summary of permitting decisions made by the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Permits with respect to applications to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation operations in Webster County

SEBREE MINING LLC 9170039 RN 3 7/14/2026
SEBREE MINING LLC 9175027 RN 7 7/9/2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF SLAUGHTERS 2026-2027
PROPERTY TAX ORDINANCE
SEPTEMBER 22, 2026

The City of Slaughters will hold a public hearing for the 2026-2027 property tax rate at the Slaughters City Office on September 22, 2026 at 6:00pm. All Residents of the city are encourage to attend.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

BID SPECIFICATIONS
CITY OF CLAY PARK LIGHTING UPGRADE

Project is to be bid as a hands off for City of Clay project. Replacement of 44 existing sport lighter fixtures surrounding the ball fields at the city park. Replace 1 flood light facing the tennis court area with a new 1000-watt equivalent led flood light.

Separate sealed bids for lights for the City Park light replacement for the City of Clay, KY will be received by the Municipal Office at 9100 St Rt 132 W, P. O. Box 425, Clay, KY until 4:00 p.m. CDT, Tuesday, September 8, 2026. They will be publicly opened and read aloud during the regularly scheduled Council meeting. Each bidder shall be responsible for their delivery by the above noted time.

The owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to negotiate with the apparent qualified best bidder or bidders to such extent as may be necessary.

The City of Clay is an equal opportunity employer.

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-- PUBLIC NOTICE --

Xpress Liquor Outlet LLC hereby declares its intention(s) to apply for a Quota Retail Package license no later than August 20, 2026.

The licensed premises will be located at 501 US Highway 41 North, Sebree Kentucky, 42455.

The owner and president is Aniket Patel, 5527 Goldenrod Lane, Owensboro KY 42303.

Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license(s) by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 500 Mero Street 2NE33, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601, within thirty (30) days of the date of legal publication.

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