

Sebree City Council Meets, Approves Collection Ordinance

The Sebree City Council met in regular session on Monday night with Mayor Billy Smith presiding and five council members present. Also in attendance were City Clerk Mary Meredith and City Attorney Will Cox. Council member Perry Culberson was absent on Monday night.

Prior to the beginning of the business session, the council and a representative from the Green River Area Development District (GRADD) hosted a public hearing concerning a land and water grant application. Leslie Rusher told those present that GRADD is handling the application process for a project which would

replace existing fencing and install new fencing at Sebree Springs Park. That project carries an estimated cost of \$292,900 to replace the fencing on three athletic fields, replace the fencing around the pickleball court, and install new fencing around the soccer field which is under construction.

The grant application is for 50/50 matching funds. The city's obligation -- \$116,450 -- could be in the form of money or in-kind services.

Ms. Rusher told members the application has not yet been filed, and the process is very lengthy. She noted that

it would likely be 2028 before any funding was seen and a project could begin.

There were no questions from the council or those in attendance, and the public hearing was closed.

In regular business, council members set trick or treat hours at 4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. on Saturday, October 31.

Second reading was held for the roadway collection permit ordinance. That document requires persons or organizations which to set up fund collection sites on city streets to obtain a permit. There is no cost associated with that permit. The ordinance

also limits collection activities to three times per calendar year for the same individual or organization.

The ordinance was approved on a 4-1 vote. Council members Pam Eastwood, Kathy Edwards, Kord Cooper, and Jim Williams voted in favor of the ordinance. Council member Jana Forker cost the dissenting vote.

Council members held first reading on the city's burial cost ordinance. That amendment states the company which digs graves at Springdale Cemetery will add a surcharge to costs because of rising fuel costs. Mayor Smith stated that increase will be \$40.00; however, that cost could change

depending on the fluctuating cost of fuel.

The second reading for the ordinance will be held in November.

Council members spent several minutes discussing nuisance property in the city, and Ms. Meredith stated that several notices of violation have been mailed.

It was also noted that new benches and picnic tables have been placed at Sebree Springs Park.

No further business came before the council, and the meeting adjourned at 5:58 P.M.

The next regular meeting for Sebree City Council will be Monday, November 16, 5:30 P.M.

Providence Council Accepts Bid, Hears Reports

Providence City Council met in a brief session Monday night approving a bid for the waste water treatment plant project and hearing reports from department heads.

Two weeks age, the council opened two bids for the waster water treatment plant project. After engineers took the bids under advisement, they reported to the city that they recommended the bid from Herrick Construction in the amount of \$7,127,000 be accepted. On a motion, second and unanimous vote, the bid was accepted.

Mayor Tom Glover said after the meeting he hopes to see construction begin soon.

Following a request from resident Beth Nall, the council heard the reading of a proclamation calling for residents to recognize October 28, 2026 as National First Responders Day. The proclamation calls for a day of appreciation for law enforcement, fire fighters, rescue personnel and 9-1-1 workers. The council approved the proclamation.

Police Chief Ray Agent reported that officers' activity for September was 151 responses to calls that included answering 70 complaints, conducting 30 traffic stops, writing 18 citations, making

four arrests and providing nine officer assists.

Travis Turner, public works director, noted that city crews have been busy in all departments, and Fire Chief Cameron Brown reported 63 EMS runs, three fire rus and 51 hours of training completed by his department.

In other business, the mayor announced that the city will host a chiii and hot dog supper on October 29, at the community center. Food will be served at 5:00 p.m. and a meeting reviewing the city's progress on strategic planning will begin at 6:00

p.m. The event is a way for the city to express its appreciation to city employees and the community members to have responded to help develop the strategic plan.

Glover also announced that the city's insurance will be discussed at the next city council meeting set for November 2.

In other updates and reports Glover responded to a recent Facebook post that contained some inaccuracies regarding city funds and grants that have been received. He explained that while \$850,000 was allocated to the city several months ago, those funds do not come

to the city until the earmarked project has begun. He encouraged anyone with questions regarding city funds to just ask rather than share false information.

It was also announced Monday night that the city continues to work on an ordinance for tiny homes.

In regards to questions raised at the city's October 5, meeting regarding an alley, the mayor reported that he cannot find any city records that show the alley has been closed..

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Clay City Council Approves Traffic Changes For Halloween

The Clay City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 12 with Mayor Jackie Edens presiding and all council members in attendance. Also present were City Clerk Christy Freeman and City Attorney Will Cox.

Following approval of the minutes from the September meeting, the clerk's report, and the bills and claims, council members conducted a short business session that lasted about 18 minutes.

The council approved a plan to regulate traffic on Halloween in the Sharon Acres subdivision. Citing increasing traffic flow in the area, Mayor Edens recommended making the entrance to the subdivision and the exit from the area as one way streets on Saturday, October 31. Those regulations will take effect sometime in the afternoon on October 31.

Parking areas will be designated in the area, and shuttles will be available to transport trick or treaters into the area.

Trick or treat hours were set at 4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.

The Clay Tourism Committee is planning several events at the park as part of the Halloween celebration.

Council member Rocky Williams presented the monthly report for the Clay Volunteer Fire Department. Members responded to 22 runs in September. The department received grant funds in the amount of \$9,995 to be used for radio equipment. That grand came from the Kentucky Division of Forestry.

Members also provided traffic control for the annual Clay Days celebration and hosted a bingo fund-raiser during that event.

No further business came before the council, and the meeting was adjourned.

The next regular meeting of Clay City Council will be Tuesday, November 10, 6:00 P.M.

Veterans Day Celebration Set November 7 In Dixon

The city of Dixon will celebrate county veterans with their fourth annual Veterans Day celebration on Saturday, November 7.

A number of activities are planned begin-

ning at 11:00 A.M.

Many activities are planned to provide a fun time for all ages.

WCSO Monthly Activity Report

The Webster County Sheriff's Office has the following activity to report for September, 2026.

This data is gathered by individual deputies during the course of their daily duties. This data was compiled and the total activity reported is as follows:

Traffic Stops: 132
Total Citations: 98
DUI: 4
Speed: 5
Seatbelt: 1
Courtesy Notice: 113
Driver Inspections: 240
Complaints: 233
Special Detail: 99
Directed Patrol: 17
Motorist Assists: 7
Criminal Cases: 9
Criminal Arrests: 26
Accidents Investigated: 15
Programs: 0
Warrant Service: 14
Search Warrant Service: 2
Criminal Summons Served: 2
Civil Process Service: 59
Security/Surveillance: 7
Intelligence Reports: 0
Vehicle Inspections (Office): 117
Victim Contacts: 324
JC3: 7
E Call Response: 9
E Crisis Response: 1
K9 Deployment: 8
Drone Deployment: 0
CSS Referral: 13
Regular Hours: 943

Webster County Sheriff Announces Traffic Safety Checkpoints For October

Between the dates of October 13, 2026 and October 31, 2026, the Webster County Sheriff's Office will be involved in proactive enforcement patrols.

In an effort to enhance highway safety in Webster County, the Sheriff's Office will target areas of high traffic safety issues including impaired driving offenses. The Webster County Sheriff's Office has the following pre-approved traffic safety checkpoint locations:

1. US 41A North at KY 56 and KY 873
2. KY 109 North of Clay at the 10 Mile Marker
3. KY 56 East at Old Beech Grove Road
4. KY 109 at KY 670
5. KY 56 West between New Cedar Grove Church Road and Lyce Duncan Road
6. US 41A South at KY 270
7. US 41 South at KY 147
8. KY 132 East at KY 494

These locations incorporate checkpoint locations established by the local Kentucky State Police Post, with additional locations added due to ongoing issues related to traffic safety concerns and impaired driving, identified by local data.

Webster County Sheriff's Office will re-

lease a monthly notice of the potential areas targeted with traffic safety checkpoints. The exact dates and times of checkpoints will not be provided.

The Webster County Sheriff's Office encourages the media to spread awareness of the traffic safety checkpoint program in an effort to enhance public perception of the directed enforcement, to heighten the deterrent effect of agency enforcement efforts, as well as assure the protection of constitutional rights of the motoring public. In an

effort to keep a driver's time delays at an absolute minimum, we request drivers encountering a traffic safety checkpoint have their seatbelt on and their operator's license, proof of insurance, and registration receipt readily accessible. A typical traffic safety checkpoint should have a traffic delay of 30 seconds to a few minutes to drivers.

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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Hopkins County Coal, LLC, 1146 Monarch Street STE:350, Lexington, Kentucky 40513, has applied for Phase II and III on increments 13 of permit 917-0034, which was last issued on September 9, 2026. The application covers an area of approximately 83.80 surface acres.

The permit area is near the intersection of Slover Creek Road & Bruce Road.

The bonds now in effect for the mentioned increments are surety bonds in the amount of \$108,000. 100% of the original bonds receiving Phase III release in the amount of \$108,000 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, regrading, topsoil replacement, and drainage control including soil preparation and initial seeding and mulching in accordance with the approved reclamation plan and a report for the area has been submitted to the cabinet in accordance with 405 KAR 16:200, Section 8 or 405 KAR 18:200, Section 8. revegetation has been established in accordance with the approved reclamation plan and the standards for success of revegetation, successful completion of all surface and reclamation operations in accordance with the approved reclamation plan such that the land is capable of supporting the post mining land use of cropland and pastureland approved pursuant to 405 KAR 16:210 or 405 KAR 18:220; compliance with requirements of KRS Chapter 350, 405 KAR Chapters 7 through 24, and 405 KAR 10:020 and release of 83.80 acres.

This is the final advertisement of the application. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, 300 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601 by Friday November 20th, 2026.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 10:00 AM on Tuesday, December 1st, 2026 at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Madisonville Regional Office, State Office Building, Third Floor, 625 Hospital Drive, Madisonville, KY 42431. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by Friday November 20th, 2026.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Webster County Fiscal Court is hosting a public meeting on the proposed Canaan Ridge Park Project Land & Water Conservation Fund application. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the beginning construction phase of a campground.

Date: October 26, 2026

Time: 9 a.m., in conjunction with Fiscal Court

Location: Webster County Senior Center

Address: 80 N College St., Dixon, KY 42409

The public is invited to review and voice their opinion on the proposed activities and potential impacts of the project. Anyone wishing to support or oppose the proposed project can also submit written comments to Webster County Fiscal Court, PO Box 155, Dixon, KY 42409 by close of business October 23, 2026.

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