

Kentucky State Police adds tactical vehicle

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FRANKFORT — Kentucky State Police has added a specialized “Rook” armored vehicle to its fleet, enhancing the agency’s ability to respond to calls while prioritizing the safety of both troopers and the public. “Our brave law enforcement officers put themselves in harm’s way to make our communities safer,” Gov. Andy Beshear said. “Providing them the resources they need not only boosts public safety, but also helps ensure they can return home safely to their family at the end of each shift.” The Rook is a versatile tactical vehicle designed to protect officers in complex law enforcement operations, including hostage situations, barricaded subjects, riot response and natural disaster

scenarios. Its compact design allows it to operate in confined spaces where the use of traditional armored vehicles may be limited. Interchangeable attachments, such as a hydraulic fork for removing obstacles and an armored personnel cage for a protected approach, allow troopers to intervene in dangerous situations. KSP’s Rook is the only such vehicle in the state and one of only 108 in the nation. The vehicle was purchased in December 2025 using asset forfeiture funds, which are funds seized from criminal activity that are in turn used to enhance public safety at no additional cost to Kentucky taxpayers. “The Kentucky State Police is committed to providing our troopers with the best equipment available to safely

resolve critical incidents,” KSP Commissioner Phillip Burnett Jr. said. “This purchase is the direct result of successful investigative efforts by our troopers, turning funds that were derived from criminal activity into tools that help us combat crime and protect Kentuckians.” The positive impacts of the Rook already have been proven. Since its acquisition, KSP’s Special Response Team has deployed the Rook eight times, and it has proven to be a life-saving tool, helping breach barricades and protect troopers while serving high-risk warrants. By investing in advanced tools like the Rook, the KSP says this helps them continue their mission to protect and serve the people of Kentucky while ensuring troopers are equipped to meet evolving public safety challenges.

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safety. It is the only hospital in the greater Louisville area to receive both a Leapfrog “A” and a CMS five-star rating in the latest reporting periods. Baptist Health La Grange has been serving Oldham



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Trimble County Planning Commission will conduct a Supplemental Public Hearing on Tuesday, June 9, 2026, at 5:30 PM, at the Trimble County Fiscal Court Building, 123 Church Street, Bedford, Kentucky 40006. The purpose of this supplemental hearing is to consider a Zoning Map Amendment Application requesting a change in the zoning map designation from Residential Single-Family (R-1) to Business General (B-1) for the property located at 101 Fairground Rd., Bedford, KY 40006 (the “Subject Property”). The Trimble County Planning Commission previously recommended denial of the above-referenced Zoning Map Amendment Application. Pursuant to a Motion to Defer Final Action filed by the Trimble County Fiscal Court, this supplemental hearing has been scheduled to allow the Commission to consider the application as augmented by proposed binding elements and an approved development plan not previously presented before the Commission. All interested persons are invited to attend the public hearing and will be afforded an opportunity to be heard in support of or in opposition to the proposed amendment. Written comments may be submitted to the Trimble County Planning Commission prior to the hearing. A copy of the application, the proposed binding elements, approved development plan, and all accompanying documents are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Trimble County Planning Commission office, 68 Wentworth Ave., Bedford, KY 40006. This hearing is being conducted in accordance with the Kentucky Open Meetings Act, KRS 61.800 et seq. Notice of this hearing is published in accordance with KRS Chapter 424. For further information, contact the Trimble County Planning and Zoning Administrator at (502) 255-7196 x 800.

MEMORIAL

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Dalton Goff performed a solo on trumpet and Lariah Lafferty performed a solo on trombone. Members of the High School Choir — Delaney Hartman, Emma Newby, Joslyn Jetts, Lillith Banta, Theresia Franklin, and Timothy Foster — also sang a medley of patriotic songs. Introducing the speaker was Jeff Thoke, chairman of Bluegrass Honor Flight, noting that the veterans “weren’t meant to conquer the world but improve the world.”



Cindy Warrick

Ainslie Stark sings the national anthem at Monday’s Memorial Day ceremony in Trimble County.

popular during WWI in Flanders, Western Belgium. During the devastation of WWI, the only thing that grew on the war-destroyed fields was the poppy, which soon became the symbol of veteran remembrance. Following Fisher’s address, Rotarian Jon Dunlap presented Fisher and fellow WWII veteran Wayne “Jiggs” Goode Rotary Challenge coins, explaining the coins are more than just collectibles, they are tangible symbols of loyalty, shared experience, and recognition, creating a sense of belonging and serving as lasting reminders of achievements, relationships, and service within an organization. Concluding the ceremony, the Rev. Joel Whitice cited the symbolism of the MIA/POW empty table —

which had been set for the ceremony — for remembering those who remain absent and unidentified. The ceremony was closed with a 21-gun salute and the playing of taps by eighth grader Dalton Goff.

Glenn “Sonny” Fisher, one of two surviving World War II veterans from Trimble County, spoke from his experience beginning as a 15-year-old trying to get into the Army and finally being inducted at age 16 after lying about his age to get in. Fisher began his comments by citing Ecclesiastes 3:1 “To everything there is a season ... today we give thanks for everything, even the air we breathe.” Formerly Decoration Day, the remembrance was changed to Memorial Day in 1971 to be celebrated the last Monday in May as a way to remember the more than 1.2 million veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice for freedom including more than 100,000 in WWI, more than 400,000 in WWII, more than 36,000 in Korea and more than 69,000 in Vietnam, plus the thousands of others in more recent conflicts. Fisher also spoke of the poppy, a symbol of remembrance. Poppies were

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their vision, their goals, and their desire to be a true community partner here in Casey County. The strong turnout today spoke volumes about the excitement and hope for what lies ahead,” Johnson said. “The Liberty-Casey County Chamber of Commerce proudly welcomes East Kentucky Power Cooperative to Casey County. We are grateful for their investment in our community and look forward to the opportunities, growth, and strong partnerships this project will bring for years


to come.” The site is located on what used to be Carr-Sasser Road. This spring, the Casey County Fiscal Court removed the road from the county’s inventory at the request of the co-op, after the co-op purchased nearly every property abutting the road, except one, and the owner of that land has made an agreement with the co-op. The Liberty Plant will generate enough electricity to power around 95,000 Kentucky homes. It will run almost exclusively on natural gas, but has the capability to switch to ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel as a backup fuel source. The plant is expected to be in operation in late 2028.

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1985. Amount due \$643. Obstructed vision and/or windshield (dismissed), inadequate silencer (muffler) (dismissed), failure to owner to maintain required insurance/security first (FTA eligible) (FTA, DOT), rim or frame obscuring lettering or decal on plate (dismissed). Issue bench warrant. Erica N. Papai, 2002. Amount due \$188. Assault fourth degree domestic violence minor injury. Remand. Proof shown. Ashley M. Taulbee, 1997. Amount due \$118. Failure to wear seatbelts (FTA eligible) (guilty). Next appearance June

30. Brittney Tharp, 1993. Assault fourth degree domestic violence minor injury. Remand. Proof of anger management filed. James David Turner, 2002. Operating motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol first (FTA eligible) (guilty) (paid in full), criminal mischief second degree (dismissed), criminal mischief second degree (dismissed). **OTHER CASES** Estate of James Arnold Ashton, motion hour. Final settlement approved. Joseph Gerges vs. Kyle Supplee et al, court trial. Plaintiff present, defendants not present. Judgment for non-payment of rent. Judgment entered.



LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
UNIFIED COURT OF JUSTICE
CARROLL CIRCUIT COURT

Civil Action No. 25-CI-00235

SELENE FINANCE LP PLAINTIFF
VS. NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER’S SALE
Electronically Filed

SCOTT SMITH DEFENDANTS
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, SECRETARY
OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered in the Carroll Circuit Court on the 4th day of May, 2026, I will sell at public auction on the front steps (south door facing Highland Avenue) of the Carroll County Courthouse, 440 Main Street, Carrollton, Kentucky, the property described herein located in Carroll County, Kentucky, on FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2026, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., prevailing time, and more particularly described as follows:
Property Address: 505 Redleaf Drive, Carrollton, KY 41008
Map ID #: 18-07-03

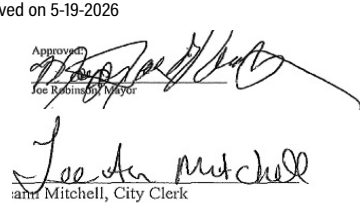
Being the same property conveyed to Scott Smith and Pamela Smith, husband and wife, from CPHD, LLC, by Deed dated May 8, 2020, of record in Deed Book 215, Page 504. Pamela Smith, unmarried, quitclaimed all of her right, title and interest in the above property to Scott Smith, unmarried, by Quitclaim Deed dated May 30, 2024, of record in Deed Book 231, Page 198. All documents are found of record in the Office of the Carroll County Court Clerk.

THERE IS NO MOBILE HOME, DOUBLEWIDE AND/OR MANUFACTURED HOME INCLUDED IN THIS SALE.
The amount of money to be raised by this sale is the sum of \$206,167.46, with accrued interest in the amount of \$15,669.62, as of 02/28/2026, and with interest continuing to accrue from 02/28/2026, at the rate of 3.75% per annum until fully paid, together with reasonable attorneys fees of \$3,900.00 and court costs of \$645.45.
The real estate shall be sold on the terms of ten (10%) percent cash at the time of the sale, except that said deposit shall be waived if the Plaintiff is the successful bidder at the sale, and the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days bearing interest at the rate the judgment bears per annum from date of sale. When the purchase price is paid in full, the deed will be delivered to the purchaser. It is further provided that the property sold includes insurable improvements and the successful bidder at said sale shall, at bidder’s own expense, carry fire and extended insurance coverage on said improvements from the date of sale until the purchase price is fully paid, to the extent of the Court appraised value of said improvements or the unpaid balance of the purchase price whichever is less, as a minimum, with a loss payable clause to the Commissioner of the Carroll Circuit Court or the Plaintiff herein. Failure of the purchaser to effect such insurance shall not affect the validity of the sale or the purchaser’s liability thereunder, but shall entitle, but not require, the Plaintiff Selene Finance LP, to effect said insurance and furnish the policy or evidence thereof to the Commissioner if it so desires, and the premium thereon or the proper portion thereof shall be charged to the purchaser as purchaser’s costs.
The Master Commissioner does not warrant title, and the Purchaser herein buys the property as-is, in all respects, and the aforesaid property shall be sold free and clear of all liens and encumbrances listed in the Complaint, except the following:
a. All unpaid state, county and city real estate taxes for the year 2026;
b. Easements, restrictions, and stipulations of record;
c. Assessments for public improvements levied against the property; and,
d. Any facts which a title exam, inspection and/or accurate survey of the property may disclose.

For further information, see the Final Judgment and Order of Sale and pleadings of record in the Office of the Circuit Court of Carroll County.

/s/ Jake A. Thompson
JAKE A. THOMPSON
MASTER COMMISSIONER
CARROLL CIRCUIT COURT

County and surrounding communities for more than 30 years, providing a full range of healthcare, including emergency care, surgical services, maternity care, primary care and behavioral health. Care is available through the emergency department, a nearby Urgent Care, and Baptist Health primary care practices in Crestwood, La Grange and Campbellsburg.

CITY OF BEDFORD, KENTUCKY ORDINANCE NO.1, SERIES 2026	
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF BEDFORD ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026 TO CONSOLIDATE CERTAIN FUNDS AND LINE ITEMS FOR THE PURPOSE OF SIMPLIFYING THE CITY’S ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AND TO MAKE OTHER NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS	
WHEREAS, in Ordinance No. 5, Series 2025, the City of Bedford, Kentucky adopted an annual budget for fiscal year July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 containing the following ten funds: General Fund, Solid Waste Fund, Municipal State Aid Road Fund, Wastewater Department Maintenance Fund, Cemetery Fund, Cemetery Reserve Fund, Bond & Sinking Fund, KIA Fund, ABC Fund, and ARPA Fund; and	
WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Fund budgeted for in Ordinance No. 5, Series 2025 was to be a newly created fund; and	
WHEREAS, the City’s solid waste activities overlap significantly with the City’s wastewater activities; and	
WHEREAS, for purposes of simplifying the City’s accounting records and systems, the City wishes to consolidate the City’s Solid Waste Fund into the City’s Wastewater Department Maintenance Fund; and	
WHEREAS, other amendments to the 2025-2026 annual budget for the General Fund and Wastewater Department Maintenance Fund are also necessary;	
NOW THEREFORE , be it ordained by the City of Bedford, Kentucky, as follows:	
Section 1. Closure of Solid Waste Fund The City hereby closes the City’s Solid Waste Fund set out in Ordinance No. 5, Series 2025 and consolidates its previously budgeted revenues and expenditures into the City’s Wastewater Department Maintenance Fund as set forth in Section 2 of this Ordinance.	
Section 2. Amendment of Budget The following sections of the City’s annual budget for fiscal year July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 are hereby amended as follows:	
GENERAL FUND	
REVENUES	
PRIOR YEAR SURPLUS	\$40,766.49
PROPERTY TAX	\$43,000.00
INSURANCE PREMIUM TAXES	\$ 211,000.00
FRANCHISE FEES	
FRANCHISE TAXES	\$18,500.00
MISCELLANEOUS	\$2,000.00
INTEREST	\$500.00
BUSINESS LICENSE FEES	\$500.00
PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$4,500.00
BANK DEPOSIT TAXES	\$750.00
COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL	\$2,000.00
CD34355	\$60,969.77
TOTAL REVENUES	\$384,486.26
EXPENDITURES	
PAYROLL EXPENSES	\$97,800.00
COMMISSION SALARIES	\$21,100.00
COMMISSION PAYROLL TAXES	\$3,500.00
COMMISSION RETIREMENT	\$3,500.00
EMPLOYEE SALARIES	\$58,000.00
EMPLOYEE PAYROLL TAXES	\$4,200.00
EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT	\$7,500.00
FEDERAL UNEMPLOYMENT	\$500.00
HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$15,000.00
ATTORNEY RETAINER & FEES	\$12,000.00
UTILITIES	\$44,600.00
OFFICE EXPENSES/SUPPLIES	\$5,000.00
INSURANCE	\$25,000.00
BEDFORD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.	\$17,000.00
AUDIT	\$25,000.00
PROPERTY TAX BILL PREPARATION	\$2,000.00
MAINTENANCE/REPAIRS OF CITY PROPERTY	\$5,000.00
EQUIPMENT PURCHASES	\$2,000.00
POSTAGE	\$1,000.00
TELEPHONE	\$4,000.00
OUTSIDE SERVICES	\$50,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS	\$4,000.00
TRAINING	\$8,500.00
ADVERTISING	\$2,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$315,800.00
NET INCOME	\$68,686.26
(CASH BALANCE AT END OF FISCAL YEAR)	
SOLID WASTE FUND	
REVENUES	
PRIOR YEAR SURPLUS	\$0
COLLECTION INCOME	\$55,000.00
INTEREST	\$500.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$55,000.00
EXPENDITURES	
ADVERTISING	\$500.00
SUPPLIES	\$500.00
OUTSIDE SERVICES/ COLLECTION	\$52,000.00
POSTAGE	\$500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$53,500.00
NET INCOME	\$1,500.00
(CASH BALANCE AT END OF FISCAL YEAR)	
MUNICIPAL STATE AID ROAD FUND	
REVENUES	
PRIOR YEAR SURPLUS	\$21,123.94
MUNICIPAL ROAD AIDE	\$0
INTEREST	\$500.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$21,623.94
EXPENDITURES	
REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE	\$2,000.00
SALT	\$2,000.00
PAVING	\$1,500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$5,500.00
NET INCOME	\$16,123.94
(CASH BALANCE AT END OF FISCAL YEAR)	
WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT MAINTENANCE FUND	
REVENUES	
PRIOR YEAR SURPLUS	\$33,000.00
CHARGES FOR WASTEWATER SERVICES	\$263,000.00
LATE FEES	\$12,000.00
TAP FEES	\$2,000.00
RECONNECTION CHARGES	\$1,500.00
INTEREST INCOME	\$1,050.00
MISC. INCOME	\$2,000.00
DEPOSITS	\$1,000.00
RETURNED CHECK FEES	\$1,000.00
KY WATERS GRANT REVENUES	\$30,000.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$366,500.00
EXPENDITURES/PAYROLL EXPENSES	\$111,000.00
SALARIES	\$85,000.00
PAYROLL TAXES	\$8,000.00
RETIREMENT	\$18,000.00
UTILITIES	\$24,000.00
OUTSIDE SERVICES	\$34,000.00
SAMPLES/TESTING	\$36,000.00
MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS	\$12,000.00
CHEMICALS	\$16,000.00
SUPPLIES	\$10,000.00
OFFICE EXPENSES	\$1,000.00
EQUIPMENT PURCHASES I LEASE	\$2,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	\$500.00
TRAINING	\$1,000.00
POSTAGE	\$2,900.00
ADVERTISING	\$1,000.00
TELEPHONES/INTERNET	\$2,500.00
BANK CHARGES	\$1,500.00
DEPOSIT REFUNDS	\$1,000.00
RECONNECTION CHARGES	\$2,000.00
BOND & SINKING	\$21,600.00
METER READING	\$5,500.00
TAXES/FEES	\$3,500.00
RESERVE FUND	
UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCT EXPENSE	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$289,034,500.00
NET INCOME	\$24,000.00
(CASH BALANCE AT END OF FISCAL YEAR)	
Section 3. Effective Date This Ordinance shall take effect upon its enactment and publication as required by law. Introduced and given first reading on 4-21-2026 Given second reading and approved on 5-19-2026	
 Lee Ann Mitchell, City Clerk	