



AGENDA

**McCRACKEN COUNTY FISCAL COURT MEETING
FEBRUARY 9, 2026 5:00 P.M., COURTROOM D
McCRACKEN COUNTY COURTHOUSE
300 CLARENCE GAINES STREET**

**CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL
PRAYER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

I. CONSENT AGENDA

It is ordered to approve the Consent Agenda for February 9, 2026, McCracken County Fiscal Court.

II. BUDGET TRANSFERS

It is ordered that the necessary cash transfers, in the amount of \$175,000.00 be made in order to pay County bills and payroll approved February 9, 2026.

III. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

It is ordered to approve the Voucher Claims Register from January 26, 2026, to February 9, 2026, to show County bills in the amount of \$498,879.36 were paid.

IV. DISCUSSION

- A. McCracken County Update
- B. Sprocket
- C. Emergency Management
- D. Code Enforcement

V. BOARD APPOINTMENT

- A. It is ordered that Frank Long is appointed to the Barkley Regional Airport Board for a four-year term beginning February 13, 2026 and ending February 12, 2030.

VI. COURT ORDERS

- A. It is ordered to accept the resignation of Rob Estes, Emergency Management Director, effective February 13, 2026.
- B. It is ordered that April Watson be promoted to Emergency Management Director effective February 15, 2026, at the salary of \$77,230.00, less statutory deductions all of which are subject to further order of the court.
- C. It is ordered that the Treasurer is authorized to move \$80,000.00 from 01-9200-999 Contingent Appropriations to 01-5115-435 Building Inspection Property Cleanup and 01-5115-515 Building Inspection Dangerous House \$40,000.00 each.
- D. It is ordered that the Judge Executive is authorized to sign a two-year contract with the Humane Society for contract with a first year total of \$350,000.00 to be paid in 12 monthly installments of \$29,167.00. Contract is for animal services related to the county's Animal Control department.
- E. It is ordered that the Judge Executive sign a resolution for the Paducah McCracken County Riverport Authority to apply for a state matching funds grant.
- F. It is ordered that the Treasurer is authorized to pay \$145,312.24 to the Paducah McCracken County Riverport Authority for one half debt payment for equipment loans from money allocated in the FY25/26 budget.
- G. It is ordered that the Treasurer is authorized to pay CFSB Visa in the amount of \$1,056.40 for retirement plaques and Meritorious Service & Valor metals. The cost is from the federal drug forfeiture fund.
- H. It is hereby ordered that HCC Tactical be awarded the quote of \$29,772.44 for Ops-Core AMP Headsets and accessories for the McCracken County Sheriff's Office. HCC Tactical was selected based on being the lowest and most responsive quote. It is further ordered that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the invoice. This cost will be paid for from Contingent Appropriations.

- I. It is hereby ordered that Avanti Change Order #2D as shown on the attached documents and dated October 23, 2025, be approved. In summary, the change order agrees to increase the contract by \$8,775.00. The new contract amount will be \$666,578.56. The contract changes include the update and installation of two refrigeration systems.
- J. It is ordered to pay the invoice dated January 25, 2026, to PFGW for the Sports Complex Project, in the amount of \$27,881.65. This is pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement dated September 7, 2022, between the City of Paducah, Kentucky, the County of McCracken County, Kentucky, and the Sports Tourism Commission. As per the Interlocal Agreement, the City of Paducah pays half of the invoice to McCracken County.
- K. It is ordered to pay the invoice dated January 12, 2026, to BFW for the Sports Complex Project, in the amount of \$10,281.85. This is pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement dated September 7, 2022, between the City of Paducah, Kentucky, the County of McCracken County, Kentucky, and the Sports Tourism Commission. As per the Interlocal Agreement, the City of Paducah pays half of the invoice to McCracken County.
- L. It is ordered to pay the invoice dated January 12, 2026, to PYT Sports, Inc. for the Sports Complex Project, in the amount of \$36,623.00. This is pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement dated September 7, 2022, between the City of Paducah, Kentucky, the County of McCracken County, Kentucky, and the Sports Tourism Commission. As per the Interlocal Agreement, the City of Paducah pays half of the invoice to McCracken County.
- M. It is hereby ordered that pursuant to section 2.2(c) of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement by and between the McCracken County Fiscal Court, the City of Paducah and the Sports Tourism Commission dated the 7th day of September, 2022, the Treasurer is authorized to equally distribute \$1,263,409.29 from the transient room tax fund for the respective debt payments of the City and County; same being the January 2026 fund balance resulting from 80% of the Sports Tourism Commissions Transient Room Tax funds dedicated to debt. The City of Paducah will be allocated 50% of the accumulated January fund balance of \$631,704.64 and an equal 50% of \$631,704.65 is hereby authorized to transfer by the Treasurer from the Transient Room Tax fund to the County's debt service fund.
- N. It is hereby Ordered that pursuant to the monetary reimbursement restrictions and calculations set forth in Section 246 of the Kentucky Constitution and KRS sections 15.765 and 64.530, the salary of the McCracken County Attorney is hereby adjusted to \$61,043.48. The present adjustment is conducted according to the conventional application of the Consumer Price Index as adopted by the courts in *Coleman v. Hurst*, 11 S.W.2d 133 (Ky. 1928) and *Mathews v. Allen*,

360 S.W. 2d 135 (Ky.1962) as communicated by January 27, 2026, correspondence from the Commonwealth of Kentucky Office of the Governor, Department of Local Government. This amount is subject to all legal deductions and further orders of this court. This amount shall be retroactive to January 1, 2026.

O. It is hereby Ordered that effective January 1, 2026, the salary of the McCracken County Coroner be increased to \$87,415.57 and the McCracken County Commissioners be increased to \$32,692.87. This adjustment is made pursuant to the memorandum of the McCracken County Attorney dated January 14, 2022, and reflects the 2.7% increase in the Consumer Price Index as communicated by the January 27, 2026, correspondence from the Commonwealth of Kentucky's Office of the Governor, Department of Local Government and as provided in KRS 64.527 stating "...the annual rate of compensation to which [these] elected officials are entitled." This amount is subject to all legal deductions and further orders of the court.

P. It is ordered to approve the January 2026 Transient Room Tax in the amount of \$334,745.09 be disbursed as follows:

Paducah CVB -----	\$ 96,489.77
Convention Center-----	\$ 66,516.30
Sports Tourism Commission-----	\$ 103,046.04
Escrow Fund-----	\$ 68,692.98

VII. ORDINANCE

A. 1st Reading:

MCCRACKEN COUNTY KENTUCKY
MCCRACKEN COUNTY FISCAL COURT
ORDINANCE NO. 2026 -01

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE INSURANCE
PREMIUM TAX ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE NO. 2020-01,
BY REDUCING THE TAX AMOUNTS ON CERTAIN
CATEGORIES OF INSURANCE**

Summary: The action taken in the present Ordinance is authorized by KRS 91A.080 and operates to amend the Insurance Premium Tax Ordinance, McCracken County Ordinance 2020-01. This Ordinance reduces the tax on premiums received by insurance companies for the categories of both Automobile and Life Insurance from the current six point nine (6.9) percent to four point nine (4.9) percent, with an effective date of July 1, 2026. The reduction of this tax is a result of McCracken County now being in a sound financial position and the Fiscal Court's determination to take measured action to reduce the tax burden on McCracken County residents and businesses, whenever practical and always in accord with principles of sound fiscal

management. Further, this Ordinance establishes an annual practice of the McCracken County local government reviewing the Insurance Premium Tax rates for possible further reduction. Lastly, this Ordinance operates to change the remittance address of the McCracken County Treasurer for Insurance Premium Tax documents to P.O. Box 2285 Paducah, KY 42002-2285.

Certification: It is hereby certified by the McCracken County Fiscal Court that the present summary represents an accurate official statement of the main points of and contents of Ordinance No. 2026 – 01.

Public Inspection: Ordinance No. 2026 – 01 shall be available for public inspection in its whole and complete form in the McCracken County Judge Executive's Office during ordinary business hours.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

IX. ADJOURNMENT