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Lyon Fiscal Court sets '19 tax rate

Staff Report

The Lyon County Fiscal Court held a special called meeting Friday afternoon for a hearing to set the tax rate for the 2019 fiscal year.

The court opted at the meeting to take the compensating tax rate, which allows for bringing in the same amount of revenue as the previous year, plus a small increase for inflation.

Rates passed at the meeting are as follows:

■ Real property: 0.11 (11 cents per \$100 assessed prop-

erty)

■ Tangible property: 0.16 (16 cents per \$100 assessed property)

■ Watercraft: 0.10 (10 cents per \$100 assessed property; unchanged from previous year)

Members also noted the county does not tax timberland fire protection.

The Lyon County Fiscal Court meets regularly the second Thursday of each month at 1 p.m.

The next meeting will be Sept. 12.

School board members get updates about LCES

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The Lyon County Board of Education meeting Monday evening began with several student and staff recognitions, including:

■ Seniors Kate Gray, Allye Culp, and Ashlyn Doom, who were recognized for attending the Governor's Scholars Program this summer.

■ The Lyon County Softball and Baseball Teams for their accomplishments last season.

■ New hires in the school district, including teachers, bus drivers, and other staff.

Lyon County Elementary School Principal Amy Perdue took the floor after the recognitions to give

the board an update on new happenings at the elementary school as they begin the school year.

Some of the new things happening at the school this year include two new fifth grade teachers, new intercom and lock systems, a full-time math interventionist, laptops for every fourth and fifth grader, and a new computer lab in the lower level of the school media center.

Perdue also spoke about the new BB&T-sponsored sensory room in the elementary school, and about plans to add to their memorial garden this spring in honor of long-time volunteer Anne Webber.

The school has also implemented several new communication strategies, including twitter hashtags, the Class

Dojo app (and a corresponding reward system for students), a Monday message email from Perdue to parents each week, and newsletters sent home by teachers each Monday.

Superintendent Russ Tilford told the board that the new cooling tower, which was installed at the elementary school over the summer, will be fully completed shortly. He also stated there will be a tax hearing held Thursday to discuss the fiscal year 2019 tax rate, but said the district did not plan to raise taxes from the previous year.

The Lyon County Board of Education meets the third Monday of each month at 6 p.m. in the District Conference Center. Its next regular meeting will be Sept. 16.

Meeting for Caldwell/Lyon County section of U.S. 641 set for Aug. 27

Press Release

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet has scheduled a public information meeting to update citizens on the preferred alternate route to widen and improve U.S. 641 through portions of Lyon and Caldwell Counties between Fredonia and Eddyville. The meeting to share a preliminary preferred alternate comes from public input provided at five public meetings and more than eight years of detailed study along the corridor.

According to KYTC District 1 Chief Engineer Kyle Poat, multiple options have been considered for the section between Eddyville and Fredonia.

"The KYTC engineering and design team has analyzed more than a dozen potential alternatives for this section of the U.S. 641 reconstruction project," Poat noted. "After years of thorough study, we've taken public comments gathered from previous public meetings into consideration to develop a route that offers the best connection for citizens along the corridor through stretches across portions of Caldwell, Crittenden and Lyon Counties."

The public information meeting will be on Aug. 27, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church gymnasium at 100 Cassidy Ave. in Fredonia.

KYTC engineers, design staff, and consultants will be available to share information and displays on the preliminary preferred route. Project team members will be on hand to discuss the preferred alternative that will guide next steps to prepare for the final design process and eventual construction.

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"The preferred route weaves in public feedback and data from examining each alternate's geography, environmental factors, property impacts and future transportation needs to build a better connection for citizens in western Kentucky," Poat said.

Poat urged citizens who travel existing U.S. 641 between Fredonia and Eddyville and property owners who live along the corridor to attend the public meeting.

Approximately 3,000 vehicles travel the existing U.S. 641 between Fredonia and Eddyville in an average day.

Eddyville Payroll Vault brings home national award

Press Release

Phil and Deb Domke, owners of Payroll Vault were recognized by Payroll Vault Founder/CEO, Sean Manning, at the 2019 Altitude Payroll Vault Conference last week in Denver, Colorado, as the TEAM PLAYER of the Year of all offices across the country and the US Virgin Islands.

The Domkes brought this top emerging business to their home of Western Kentucky a little over a year ago.

The business duo say they are building their business on 5 core values: Integrity, community, generosity, collaboration, and service.

Payroll Vault helps small businesses be more efficient in managing their workforce.



Phil and Deb Domke

Contributed Photo

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Karate students sweep Lexington tournament

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Allison's Karate students Melissa Oliver and Chad Elledge competed in a recent karate tournament in Lexington. Both placed first in their age groups in fighting, weapons and forms.



Chad Elledge



Melissa Oliver

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Strong start



The Lady Lyons start their season off with two wins under new coach.

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