

State to repave parts of Highways 1209 and 851

Two roads in Estill County will be repaved this year through the state's Rural Secondary Program.

One of the roads recommended by Craig Lindon of District 10 Dept. of Highways is KY 1209 Wagersville Road, a total of 4.461 miles. The repaving will start at mile marker 3.850 and go to the intersection of KY 89.

The other road is 2.054 miles of KY 851 the Ola-Leighton Road. Road work will begin at the beginning of state maintenance and continue to Stevens Cemetery Road.

Repaving of KY 89 is expected to cost \$304,000 while the other road will cost \$165,000. Both projects will total \$469,000.

Estill Fiscal Court has an option to change Lindon's recommendations but they voted to accept them on Monday.

Estill County's allotment in the Rural Secondary Program is \$974,168.

Lindon said this is \$30,000 lower than last year's allotment. He said all the maintenance portion for all counties in District 10 has been lowered by 15 percent.

Less than \$4,000 of the fund is allocated for the judge/executive's salary. The county road allotment is \$129,911.

Lindon said he has been reviewing the six year road plan in the state budget passed late Friday. It did not change for Estill County.

He added the transportation cabinet was "overwhelmingly over budgeted."

Lindon stated the state transportation cabinet is expected to have a \$40 million deficit, which will be reflected in the condition of roads.

Magistrate Gerald Rader asked how

could the transportation cabinet be getting less gasoline taxes when everyone was buying about the same amount of gas.

Some of the state's gasoline tax is based upon the cost of gas at the pump. As the price goes up, the gas tax goes up. When the price goes down, the gas tax goes down.

Lindon said that for every penny the gas tax goes down, that is an estimated \$29.3 million loss of revenue for transportation.

"On the consumer side, it is very nice to fill up at \$2.00 a gallon," he stated.

He added that Estill County has 71.64 miles of roads in the Rural Secondary Program. These roads are described as farm to market roads.

Lindon said the bridge replacement program will continue but with the restriction the opening has to be 48 inches or greater. The cost

is also limited to \$100,000. The state pays 80 percent of qualifying projects while the county pays the other 20.

Three other roads will be resurfaced by the state. These include KY 52 from 5.922 - 12.566 mile markers; KY 89 from the Jackson County line and extending 4.4 miles; and KY 1840, the Coal Wash Road hill.

Lindon said the budget cuts are being used to fix the broken pension program. However, he added the cuts to some counties' road departments will result in lay-offs of employees.

Magistrate Darrell Johnson asked about laying blacktop that did not get laid last year.

Lindon said three counties did not lay any blacktop last year. He said last year's allotments can be rolled over, and counties can do their blacktopping all at once in maybe September.



A front-end loader loaded garbage from a vehicle at the Soccer Field on Pea Ridge Road Friday morning. The garbage was loaded into a highway truck and hauled to the landfill. Judge Wallace Taylor said lots of garbage was dumped at this location on Thursday before the cleanup officially started. There is always a long line at this location. Tribune Photo/Cathy Dawes

Girlfriend charged with jail contraband

An inmate's girlfriend has been charged with trying to get prescription drugs into the Estill County Detention Center to her boyfriend.

The girlfriend was identified as Amy Marie Dauberman, 38, of Broadway.

Irvine Police Captain Adrian McKinney said that Dauberman paid an unknown male \$300 for 18 suboxone strips at the request of her boyfriend, Tommy Bowling, who is currently incarcerated. She allegedly taped the strips under the insoles of a gray pair of Nike shoes.

McKinney said that Dauberman then met up with another woman at a local food store on Winchester Road, under the pretense of giving clothes to the other woman's husband because

they were poor and could not buy clothing.

The police captain stated the other woman had no knowledge there was contraband in the shoes. She then took a bag of clothes into the jail intended for Bowling and gave it to Deputy Jailer Chad Smith.

McKinney says all the phone calls leading up to the transfer were recorded.

Dauberman was charged Saturday, April 16 with promoting contraband, first degree. Bail for Dauberman was set at \$1,000 cash. She was released from custody on Monday after posting the bail.

Dauberman is due in Estill District Court on May 18.

Local police activity report

KSP Trooper Z. Pennington arrested a fugitive from Clark Co., Ohio on Sunday. He was Rondell Herbert Reed, 75, of Barnes Mountain Road, Irvine. Court records state that a fugitive warrant is not required for Reed.

Brandon C. Rogers, 30, of Meadows Lane, Ravenna was charged with second degree burglary on April 11 by Deputy Doc Morris.

Rogers reportedly broke into Letisha Noe's home March 11 on Cobb Hill Road. The deputy recovered the items taken from Noe at James Sparks' home on March on Mt. Springs Road.

Rogers pled not-guilty. A preliminary hearing is set for April 20 in Estill District Court.

Carey Hunter, 24, of Corinth, Ky. was arrested following a two-vehicle wreck with injuries reported.

She was charged by Deputy Daniel Smith with operating a motor vehicle under the influence, failure to give right of way, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Deputy Doc Morris served two arrest warrants on Matthew Knopp, 29, of Millers Creek, Road, Ravenna.

Two arrest warrants from

Madison County were served April 11 on Rodney Hix, 39, of Hix Lane, Irvine by Deputy Morris.

Cell escapee

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Fields was charged with assault third degree - inmate assault on corrections employee; escape, second degree; promoting contraband, first degree, and terroristic threatening, third degree. The first three charges are felonies and the last one is a misdemeanor.

Bail for Fields has been set at \$10,000 cash.

Committee recommends jail closure

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He keeps about 25 at the local jail and the other 40 are housed in other county jails.

Jackson County charges \$28 a day per inmate, Lee \$25, and Montgomery \$30.

The committee recommends the county meet with other counties who are outsourcing their jail population, such as Breathitt.

Judge/Executive Wallace Taylor reported the county has fixed three major rock slides over the past three weeks on Old Landing Road.

Taylor also commented on a problem with the free county clean up.

"People started dumping on Thursday on the soccer field," he said.

A few years ago, the county parked a cruiser there overnight.

Taylor congratulated County Attorney

Rodney Davis, who has been appointed to the Prosecutors Advisory Committee in Frankfort.

Fire Chief Derrick Muncie said the fire department had made 76 runs in the first quarter, which is about average.

Since April 1, the department has made 24 runs. This includes some mutual assists to large fires out of county.

Muncie said there have been a lot of bad wrecks and two grass and forest fires, destroying 15 and two acres. The fire season continues through April 30 where burning is prohibited except between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m.

Taylor mentioned repairs needed made to the Chamberlain Branch Dam.

The fiscal court voted to borrow money to buy two slightly used trucks.



Bristol Sparks and Reagan Sparks attended the birthday party for Rayna Goosey on Saturday at the fairbarn. Rayna asked that attendees donate \$5 admission in stead of gifts to help her get a dog trained to help with controlling her diabetes. The children were given capes and masks and posed for a photo with super-hero cut-outs.



Rayna Goosey, 11, going on 12, enjoyed nachos at her birthday party. Left photo: Cheer Cats, coached by Andi Garrett, performed for the group. River Drive Christian Church had many activities for the children.

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