

Lewis County officials present monthly reports

By Dennis K. Brown

Lewis County officials presented their monthly activity reports during the April meeting of Lewis County Fiscal Court.

Sheriff Johnny Bivens filed his department's report for activities from March 11, 2024 through April 8, 2024.

- Citations 27
- Subpoenas Served 4
- Domestic Related Calls 6
- Civil Summons Served 24
- Arrests 15
- Cases Open For Investigation 21
- Accident Investigations 7
- Criminal Summons 3
- Prisoners Transp. to Secure Facility 128 miles
- Juveniles Transported 0 miles
- DVOs and EPOs 4
- Court Security Hours 532.5
- Auto Inspections 41
- Funeral Escorts 7
- Concealed Carry Permits 12
- Miscellaneous 43
- Taxes Collected:
 - Property 80,556.36
 - Total \$80,556.36

911 Coordinator Pam Jordan submitted a monthly report for the Lewis County E-911 Dispatch Center.

The center received the following calls for service in March:

- Sheriff 491
- Vanceburg PD 233
- EMS 154
- Coroner 2
- Air Evac 0
- Lewis County FD 24
- Garrison FD 30
- Vanceburg FD 15
- Black Oak FD 18
- Firebrick FD 22
- Lewis County 2 FD 10
- Tollesboro FD 27
- Camp Dix FD 3
- EMA 8
- Total Calls 1,037

911 Wrecker Company March:

- Mullin's 0
- McCann's 2
- W KY 8 4
- Ginn's 4
- G&H 2
- Thayer's 0
- Clark's 2
- Crawford's 0
- Bradford's 0

Road Supervisor Robert Goodwin submitted his road maintenance report for the month.

Goodwin said 1,584.80 tons of gravel and stone had been hauled by the county.

Roadways graveled/repared: Burnt Logan, H. Voiers, Norman Ln., Dummit Branch, Twins Branch, Thomas, Edington Branch, Black Lick, Flag Point, Little Holly, Vance Creek, Esham Fork, Crooked Creek, Cannon Church Road, Thurman Lane, Gerike, Pine Grove, Webster Cemetery Road, Burnt Cabin, Brown Run, Dam Road, Kinney, and May Hollow.

Roadways graded: Burnt Logan, Pery Branch, Dummit Branch, Twins Branch, Crooked Creek, Gerike, Pine Grove, and River Road.

Pipe replaced/cleaned/repared: Burnt Logan, Laurel, Thurman, Webster Cemetery Road, Holly, and May Hollow.

Blacktop cold/hot patching: Holly, Fuller, Cooper Fork, Sandy Lane, Southern Manor, Little Sulphur, Quicks Run, Poplar Flats, River Road, Bill Chain, Dry Hollow, Tar Camp, Lower Kinney, and Skidmore Lane.

Bus turns repaired: Canaan Road to Softball field.

Roadways repaired/shoulder repaired: Bear Branch.

Roadways Ditched: Burnt Logan Road, Manley Hollow, and Quicks Run.

Roadways Mowed/Brush/Trees/Debris: Laurel, Edington Branch, Pool Branch, Manley Hollow, and Quicks Run.

Signs Made/Repaired: Rock Creek, Firebrick/Indian Run, Pebbles, Old County Road, Lower Lane, Wild Trails, Layton Branch, Thurman Lane, Fannin Lane, Red Fox, and Black John.

Animal Control Officer reported two animals picked up; nine dropped off; one owner surrender; nine rescued; one tag sold; three adopted and 173 calls received. Fleming County Fiscal Court was billed \$1,140.

Thirteen dogs remained at the shelter at the end of the month.

Solid Waste Coordinator Roger Lewis gave his report:

- Performed all regular coordinator duties.
- Sent out letters, received several phone call and completed several site visits concerning complaints and nuisances.
- Still taking in recycle material.
- We had the Road Department haul a load of rock for the new road to the other trailer.
- We are still picking up cardboard from most of the businesses in Vanceburg.
- Met with the JROTC Cadets on the creek cleanup for May 11.
- Took down 400 feet of fence so it can be relocated then we will have the entire solid waste lot fenced in.
- Had the city to locate gas and water lines so we can have fence installed.
- Worked on several pieces of equipment getting them ready for the creek cleanup.
- Put up a No Dumping sign at McDowell.
- Received several tires.

Emergency Management Director Dennis Brown gave his report.

The Lewis County Alert System continued to gain followers after 25 months of operation. It was activated four times in March to notify residents of flood watches, a tornado watch, and severe thunderstorm warning.

The alert system allows notifications to our residents through text, email, voice (telephone), Twitter, and the Smart 911 App. Targeted alerts can notify small groups (specific county offices /groups/employees.)

- Worked with Vanceburg Fire on the smoke alarm partnership with Red Cross to provide units to area residents. Will continue working with all departments making this program available countywide.
- Pursuing grant for locator/tracker devices for residents who may wander (Alzheimer's/dementia).
- Completed necessary pa-

perwork with KYEM as required.

- Participated in continuing education for EMA.
- Participated in continuing training for Red Cross Volunteer position.
- Worked with NWS Wilmington Office in monitoring weather and relaying vital weather information during severe weather threats. (Possible local Weather Spotter Class for 2024)
- Planning CERT/preparedness trainings for local school/student groups.
- Met with Ambulance Service District Board. (3-4-24)
- Prepared releases for media and social media for Severe Weather Awareness Week.
- Worked to get assistance for family. Home lost to fire at Quincy. (3-9-24)
- Worked with local and area officials on establishing Lewis County EMS.
- Worked with Kevin Wells, BTADD, concerning grant application for hardware refresh.
- Attended G-318 Local Hazard Mitigation training in

Greenup. (3/5-6/24)

- Participated in statewide tornado drill. (3-6-24)
- Completed IS-2200 Basic EOC Functions Training - four hours. (3-12-24)
- Presented first aid/fire/CERT safety talk with Laurel Elementary Students with George Sparks. (3-13-24)
- Assisted on scene with Scaffold Lick wildfire. (3-22-24)
- Attended Comprehend Board Meeting. (3-25-24)
- Completed G-191 training on Incident Command Systems at Alexandria - 8 hours. (3-28-24)
- Maintaining EM office hours Mon.-Fri.
- Working with Tollesboro Fire to improve communication link between Dispatch and Tollesboro Fire's radio repeater and outdoor warning siren.
- Conducted monthly outdoor siren test. (3-6-24)
- Worked with local officials to draft Mutual Aid Agreements for ambulance service.
- Attended Lewis County Firefighters Association Meeting to discuss communi-

cations. (3-27-24)

- Distributing (30) medic bags to first responders purchased through Enbridge grant.
- Participated in Grant Writing Workshop with Mark Gaus. (3-8-24)
- Met with Boone County EMA director. (3-21-24)
- Assisting with preparation of ambulances to meet guidelines.
- Completed IS-230.E Fundamentals of Emergency Management Training-6 hours. (Updated training module required for current certification.)

Telephone conference with Area Director Jason York to discuss training and reporting practices.

County treasurer Penny Lee reported the total of all county funds for the month of March had a beginning balance of \$3,092,154.75 and an ending balance of \$2,725,790.57. Receipts for the month totaled \$86,941.71 while disbursements totaled \$453,305.89.

The next regular meeting of Lewis County Fiscal Court will be at 3:00 p.m. May 13, 2024, on the third floor of the Lewis County Courthouse.

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Please Take Notice that on May 1, 2024, Kentucky Power Company ("Kentucky Power") expects to file with the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission") an application for approval of revisions to its Demand-Side Management ("DSM") / Energy Efficiency ("EE") programs, which will expand its existing Targeted Energy Efficiency Program and add two new DSM/EE programs, called the Home Energy Improvement Program (available to qualifying residential customers) and the Commercial Energy Solutions Program (available to qualifying commercial customers).

The new programs will provide energy audits by trained professionals to help qualifying customers identify cost saving opportunities, as well as offer incentives for upgrading to more energy efficient products.

The Company will propose revisions to its Tariff Demand Side Management Adjustment Clause ("Tariff D.S.M.C.") and to increase the DSM surcharge factor. The proposed effective date for the revised and new DSM/EE programs and the increased DSM surcharge factor is May 31, 2024. However, Kentucky Power anticipates that the Commission may suspend the effective date of these proposals to conduct a review of Kentucky Power's application.

The proposed changes to Kentucky Power's DSM/EE portfolio, if approved, will result in changes to the DSM surcharge factor calculated under Tariff D.S.M.C. The present rates and the proposed rates for each customer classification to which the proposed rates will apply are shown in the table below:

Electric Rate Class	Current Charge per kWh	Proposed Charge per kWh
Residential	\$0.000149	\$0.000644
Residential Time-of-Day	\$0.000149	\$0.000644
General Service - Secondary	-\$0.000016	\$0.000565
General Service - Primary	-\$0.000016	\$0.000565
General Service - Subtransmission	-\$0.000016	\$0.000565
General Service Time-of-Day	-\$0.000016	\$0.000565
Large General Service - Secondary	-\$0.000016	\$0.000565
Large General Service - Primary	-\$0.000016	\$0.000565
Large General Service - Subtransmission	-\$0.000016	\$0.000565
Large General Service Time-of-Day	-\$0.000016	\$0.000565
Municipal Waterworks	-\$0.000016	\$0.000565
Industrial General Service	N/A	N/A

The average customer monthly usage, and the effect upon the average bill for each customer classification to which the proposed rates will apply are shown in the table below. The annual increase to the DSM charge resulting from the proposed changes to the DSM/EE portfolio is \$912,998 (+330.0%) for residential classes and \$804,037 (+4,434.8%) for commercial classes. These proposed increases are reflective of the fact that Kentucky Power is proposing new programs that do not currently exist, and which are not currently reflected in rates. The Company's proposals in this proceeding will affect the average monthly customer bill only slightly, as demonstrated in the table below:

Electric Rate Class	Average Monthly Customer Usage (kWh)	Average Monthly Bill \$ Increase	Average Monthly Bill % Increase
Residential	1,140	\$0.56	0.35%
Residential Time-of-Day	1,546	\$0.77	0.37%
General Service - Secondary	1,573	\$0.91	0.37%
General Service - Primary	8,817	\$5.12	0.42%
General Service - Subtransmission	9,586	\$5.57	0.39%
General Service Time-of-Day	1,898	\$1.10	0.39%
Large General Service - Secondary	62,484	\$36.30	0.45%
Large General Service - Primary	103,061	\$59.88	0.47%
Large General Service - Subtransmission	106,709	\$62.00	0.65%
Large General Service Time-of-Day	56,418	\$32.78	0.52%
Municipal Waterworks	18,402	\$10.69	0.48%
Industrial General Service	N/A	N/A	N/A

Any person by timely written request for intervention filed with the Public Service Commission may request leave to intervene in the Commission proceeding to review Kentucky Power's application. The motion shall be submitted to the Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, P. O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615, and shall establish the grounds for the request, including the status and interest of the party. If the Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within 30 days of the initial publication of this notice the Commission may take final action on the tariff filing.

Written comments on the Company's proposals may be submitted to the Public Service Commission by mail to the address listed above or via the Commission's website: <http://psc.ky.gov>. The rates and terms of service contained in this notice are the rates and terms of service proposed by Kentucky Power; the Commission may order rates to be charged and/or terms of service that differ from the proposed rates and terms of service contained in this notice.

Any person may examine the Company's application at Kentucky Power's offices located at 1645 Winchester Avenue, Ashland, Kentucky 41101; 12333 Kevin Avenue, Ashland, KY 41102; 1400 E. Main St. Hazard, KY 41701; and 3249 North Mayo Trail, Pikeville, KY 41501; or by visiting the Company's website: www.kentuckypower.com.

A copy of the Company's application and any related documents Kentucky Power may file with the Public Service Commission may be examined Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. through 4:30 p.m. at the offices of the Commission at the address listed above, or through the Commission's website: <http://psc.ky.gov>.

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