

Broadcasting from A-5

that the order oversteps executive authority and violates the First Amendment. They're right. Congress holds the purse strings—not a president playing monarch.

The 2026 budget proposal slashes funding to the National Endowment for the Arts and the Humanities. Public institutions that challenge power or ask questions are being gutted so they can be replaced by patriotic coloring books and flag-waving cosplay.

America's story is messy. It includes genocide, slavery, war, and corruption. If we can't teach that truth because it makes the powerful uncomfortable, we're not a country—we're a PR campaign. This isn't about saving money. This is about

control. It's about silencing anything that challenges the approved narrative—anything that says, "Hey, maybe there's a better way to be human."

You can't have to like This American Life, Wait Wait Don't Tell Me, or Ken Burns documentaries. But they have a right to exist. And you have a right to hear them.

And let's not forget: you probably grew up watching Big Bird. You learned the Golden Rule from a puppet on a stoop. Maybe ask yourself what he'd think of all this.

As Grover might say: "This episode was brought to you by the letter R — for Ridiculous."

At least Oscar the Grouch owns his trash.

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Education from A-1

education spent money on approved projects, and then would apply for reimbursement from the federal government.

"Every month we would spend the money, then file the request and the government would give that money back," Green said. "So, we had 4 million dollars to be reimbursed for and then they pulled that money back."

"We will still complete the site development project," Green continued. "That is on schedule to be completed about September or October of this year. We are still planning and are in the final stages of the plan and schematic design for the new school."

There may be some reevaluating, however, he said.

"Of course, by losing this money we are going to have to look at the overall scope of the project. We are going to have to look at the possibility of pushing it back until next spring, but we would not delay more than six months regardless. It might cause a small delay, but it may not. We may just move forward with the building, start the project, and hope that we get that money returned."

The possibility does exist that the federal funds budgeted for the project could be returned, Green said.

"There is a process to go through, but at this point we are not sure if or when the funds might be returned."

Currently the board is working with the State Education Department to submit an appeal on their behalf.

"The Kentucky Board of Education will submit the appeal to the federal Department of Education," Green said.

The federal government will then make a ruling for or against the return of the funds, Green explained.

"Some states are actually filing lawsuits," he added.

Green said that he didn't want the residents of Carter County to think that the withholding of these funds from the federal government was going to prevent the building of the new high school.

"We have other money, and will continue moving forward with the project," Green said. "But it does affect the overall budget."

Green said that the project cost was over \$100 million, and although \$4 million is a lot of money, it isn't enough to 'break' the project.

That amount of money based against the total project, Green said, would pay for a sports complex, for instance. So, the considerations the board are discussing are scenarios such as should they go ahead and build the school then wait a year to build athletic fields.

"Some of the amenities we might have anticipated having from the start might need to be 'phased in,'" Green said. "But we are going to build the school."

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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE
Carter County Fiscal Court will be accepting sealed bids for the purchase of a new Excavator. Sealed bids are to be turned into the Judge Executive's Office located at 300 West Main Street, Room 227, Grayson KY 41143, no later than May 19, 2025, at 3pm. Please call the road foreman, Jason Carroll at 606-316-8096, for further information on spec requirements. Bids will be opened and awarded May 19, 2025, at 6pm at the Regular Fiscal Court meeting.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Second reading of a proposed ordinance amending the Carter County budget for fiscal year 2025, to include unanticipated receipts from FEMA, Federal NRCS, Transportation Cabinet, County Road Aid, Surplus Equipment Sales, Mineral Tax, EM Services, 911 User Fee and State Grants in the amount of \$1,703,208.56 and increasing expenditures in the area of Reserve for Transfer will be held on May 21st at 4:00 p.m. A copy of the proposed ordinance with full text is available for public inspection at the office of the county judge/executive during normal business hours.

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CLERK'S NOTICE OF FIDUCIARIES ACCOUNTING
Upon requirements of Section 424.129 Kentucky Revised Statutes, the following fiduciary appointments have been filed with the Carter County District Court Clerk.
Final Settlement Diana Leigh Giese, Executrix, in the estate of: Ricky Dee Flannery. Attorney for Estate, Hon Whitney Hill Bailey, June 18th, 2025, at 10:30am having been set as date of hearing, no cause for exceptions, having been shown, the settlement will be confirmed at date of hearing.
Final Settlement Phyllis Nora Terry, Administratrix, in the estate of: James Ernest Barnhill. Attorney for Estate, Hon W. Jeffrey Scott, June 4th, 2025, at 10:30am having been set as date of hearing, no cause for exceptions, having been shown, the settlement will be confirmed at date of hearing.
Final Settlement Phyllis Nora Terry, Administratrix, in the estate of: Frances Faye Barnhill. Attorney for Estate, Hon W. Jeffrey Scott, June 4th, 2025, at 10:30am having been set as date of hearing, no cause for exceptions, having been shown, the settlement will be confirmed at date of hearing.

JOBS
Liberty Technical Services is seeking qualified equipment operators for a rock quarry located at 24986 State Rt. 7, Garrison, KY. The positions to be filled will be for loaders, rock trucks, dozers and excavators. The positions will be for five days/week operating ten hours/day. Wages will be up to \$23.00/hour and health insurance will be offered after 90 days. Contact Philip Marsh at (304) 951-0822 or email at pmarsh@lmllc.net should you be interested.

LEGAL NOTICE
The City of Grayson will be holding a public auction on May 30th, 2025, at noon, at the City impound lot located at 591 East 5th Street, Grayson, Kentucky. Preview of the vehicles will be by appointment only, beginning 72 hours before the day of sale. Vehicles are sold "as is", without title (unless indicated), all sales are final. The City of Grayson reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

VIN	Make	Model	Year
2G1WN52M0S9170546	CHEVROLET	LUMINA	1995
KMH35LE5JU010544	HYUNDAI	ELANTRA	2018
1N4AL3APXFC221966	NISSAN	ALTIMA	2015
2A8HR44HX8R70883	CHRYSLER	TOWN & COUNTRY	2008
2C4RC1BG8CR308834	CHRYSLER	TOWN & COUNTRY	2012
JM1BK12F351293856	MAZDA	MZ3	2005
3FAKP1133WR186831	FORD	ESCORT	1998
2G1WG5EK9B1119114	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2011
JTDBK20U183299252	TOYOTA	PRIUS	2008
3G1JC5248TS912731	CHEVROLET	CAVALIER	1996
2GCEK13Y671631681	CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2007
1FTYR14U64PA99495	FORD	RANGER	2004
4M2ZU86K33UJ15900	MERCURY	MOUNTAINEER	2003

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
CARTER CIRCUIT COURT
CASE NO. 18-CI-00351
C/W CASE NO. 24-CI-00142**

MTAG AS C/F MGD-KY, LLC PLAINTIFF
VS.
MOUNTAIN VIEW PROPERTIES, LLC AND MIKE WEBB PLAINTIFFS
VS.
RICHARD ELSWICK; JUANITA ELSWICK; ARLIE COOPER; VERA COOPER; GLEN EDWARD HALL; RUSSELL VERNON HALL; SUSAN HALL; JERRIKA S. STEVENS A/K/A JERRIKA HALL; KEVIN MARBLE; MELINDA MARBLE; JOEY ROE; MELISSA ROE; UNKNOWN OCCUPANT(S) OF THE PREMISES; ASSET ACCEPTANCE LLC; COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, DIVISION OF COLLECTIONS; COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF CARTER DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the Judgment and Order of Sale in the Carter Circuit Court, entered on January 25, 2025, I shall offer for sale the property described herein at public auction on the Courthouse steps of the Carter County Courthouse, 300 West Main Street in Grayson, Kentucky, on the **28th day of May, 2025 at or near the hour of 10:05 a.m.**, to the highest bidder on the following terms:

The aforementioned real estate shall be sold as a whole. The real estate shall be sold on a credit of thirty (30) days, with the privilege of the purchaser to pay for bid in cash in full, and if not paid in full then the purchaser shall make a cash down payment of at least ten percent (10%) of the purchase price to cover the costs of the judicial sale; and the purchaser shall execute a bond for the remainder of the purchase price, with good surety thereon, to be approved by the Master Commissioner of this Court, and bearing interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date of the sale, until paid; additionally, a lien shall be retained upon the real estate to be sold herein, to secure the payment of the balance of the purchase price within thirty (30) days of the date of sale upon which execution may be levied by the Master Commissioner of this Court.

Description of the Property: 5298 State Highway 1025, Olive Hill, KY 41164. (For Legal Description see LSOT: Deed Book 345, Page 449, Carter County Clerk's Office.)

Map/Parcel ID Number: 040-00-00-019.03.

NOTE: Only delinquent ad valorem taxes shall be paid from the sale proceeds. The Purchaser shall be responsible for payment of the taxes for the current year and thereafter.

Honorable John P. Thompson
Master Commissioner
Carter County, Kentucky

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
CARTER CIRCUIT COURT
CASE NO. 23-CI-00414**

MID SOUTH CAPITAL PARTNERS, LP PLAINTIFF
VS.
NOTICE OF SALE
UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES AND BENEFICIARIES OF CHRISTOPHER CHAD TAYLOR AND THEIR UNKNOWN SPOUSES, IF ANY; CHRISTOPHER SEBASTIAN TAYLOR; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHRISTOPHER SEBASTIAN TAYLOR; JACOB ANDREW TAYLOR; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JACOB ANDREW TAYLOR; MALLEY RAE TAYLOR; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MALLEY RAE TAYLOR; COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF CARTER; COMMONWEALTH CD FUND; APEX FUND SERVICES C/F CERES TAX RECEIVABLES; AND DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE REGISTERED HOLDERS OF EQUIFIRST MORTGAGE LOANS DEFENDANTS

Pursuant to the Judgment and Order of Sale in the Carter Circuit Court, entered on February 18, 2025, I shall offer for sale the property described herein at public auction on the Courthouse steps of the old Carter County Courthouse, 300 West Main Street in Grayson, Kentucky, on the **28th day of May, 2025 at or near the hour of 10:00 a.m.**, to the highest bidder on the following terms:

The aforementioned real estate shall be sold as a whole. The real estate shall be sold on a credit of thirty (30) days, with the privilege of the purchaser to pay for bid in cash in full, and if not paid in full then the purchaser shall make a cash down payment of at least ten percent (10%) of the purchase price to cover the costs of the judicial sale; and the purchaser shall execute a bond for the remainder of the purchase price, with good surety thereon, to be approved by the Master Commissioner of this Court, and bearing interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of the sale, until paid; additionally, a lien shall be retained upon the real estate to be sold herein, to secure the payment of the balance of the purchase price within thirty (30) days of the date of sale upon which execution may be levied by the Master Commissioner of this Court.

Description of the Property: 1150 Trumbo Road, Olive Hill, KY 41164. (For Legal Description see LSOT: Deed Book 149, Page 186, Carter County Clerk's Office.)

Map/Parcel ID Number: 008-20-00-014.00.

NOTE: Only delinquent ad valorem taxes shall be paid from the sale proceeds. The Purchaser shall be responsible for payment of the taxes for the current year and thereafter.

Honorable John P. Thompson
Master Commissioner
Carter County, Kentucky

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
CARTER CIRCUIT COURT
CASE NO. 24-CI-00126**

FRONTIER HOUSING INC. PLAINTIFF
VS.
NOTICE OF SALE
DEREK AUSTIN CARROLL; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DEREK AUSTIN CARROLL; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE RURAL DEVELOPMENT; CARTER COUNTY, KENTUCKY DEFENDANTS

Pursuant to the Judgment and Order of Sale in the Carter Circuit Court, entered on October 17, 2024, I shall offer for sale the property described herein at public auction on the Courthouse steps of the old Carter County Courthouse, 300 West Main Street in Grayson, Kentucky, on the **28th day of May, 2025 at or near the hour of 10:10 a.m.**, to the highest bidder on the following terms:

The aforementioned real estate shall be sold as a whole. The real estate shall be sold on a credit of thirty (30) days, with the privilege of the purchaser to pay for bid in cash in full, and if not paid in full then the purchaser shall make a cash down payment of at least ten percent (10%) of the purchase price to cover the costs of the judicial sale; and the purchaser shall execute a bond for the remainder of the purchase price, with good surety thereon, to be approved by the Master Commissioner of this Court, and bearing interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date of the sale, until paid; additionally, a lien shall be retained upon the real estate to be sold herein, to secure the payment of the balance of the purchase price within thirty (30) days of the date of sale upon which execution may be levied by the Master Commissioner of this Court.

Description of the Property: 3062 State Highway 2078, Olive Hill, KY. (For Legal Description see LSOT: Deed Book 387, Page 317, Carter County Clerk's Office.)

Map/Parcel ID Number: 022-00-00-028.00.

NOTE: Only delinquent ad valorem taxes shall be paid from the sale proceeds. The Purchaser shall be responsible for payment of the taxes for the current year and thereafter.

Honorable John P. Thompson
Master Commissioner
Carter County, Kentucky

Grayson holds budget workshop

Considers tourism and fire costs for the coming year

By Charles Romans
Carter County Times

Members of the Grayson Tourism Commission attended a special Grayson City Council budget workshop last Tuesday, May 6. Commissioners discussed the opening left by former sports park manager Grant Harper, and informed the council that Harper's position had only been partially filled. The reason for this, they explained, was that the former manager had by default filled many positions at the sports park, and the tourism commission was working on a list of duties and expectations for Harper's replacement.

The commissioners also discussed the tourism budget for the upcoming year, which is also part of the City of Grayson's

budget. The tourism commission's estimated budget is \$226,000.00, with some reductions due to cancelled contracts. Commissioner Deana Miller also discussed a part-time accountant for the commission and other routine expenses, and told the city council that tourism was working toward creating a redundancy or backup so that losing one employee in the future would not create a problem in day-to-day operations.

Miller also updated the council on plans for the Blue Goose building. The tourism commission is still waiting until after the Memorial Day holiday to even take bids on the demolition of the building, and are still discussing whether it is possible to use some of the funds that were intended to go to remodeling on the demolition. The plan is still to demolish the building and reclaim the land as a green space temporarily until the next viable plan is made.

Grayson Mayor Troy Combs mentioned to the commissioners present that he had entertained the idea of the city and city tourism collaborating on possible uses for the current city building. Combs and the council had discussed in a previous meeting the possibility of renovations versus rebuilding, but the city had planned to have the building inspected by an engineer for the viability of either plan before moving forward. Combs said it was just an idea to consider, and not necessarily a recommendation.

Council also discussed the 2025–26 budget for the Grayson Fire Department. The total expenditures for the department were reported at \$575,852 and the budget was reported at \$538,352. This does not include any expenses that could be incurred for repairs to the tank truck, because there have been no repair estimates turned into the fire department at this time.

Councilwoman Jennifer

McGlone pointed out that there needed to be something listed in the budget, even if the figure was only an estimate, because it is a known issue that would have to be dealt with most likely in the near future. Mayor Combs recognized that there was money in the fire department budget under maintenance, but that the repair figure on the truck might exceed that amount.

Typical budget items for the fire department include the mentioned maintenance, equipment, and firefighter's expenses. It also covers insurance claims/costs, fuel, various supplies, training, and utilities. The current year budget has not yet been finalized, nor have the budgets for other city departments, and the work session meeting on May 6 was designed to discuss what projected expenses are for the coming year before the budget is set and voted on.

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