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PSC denies rate increase for Frontier

Agency accuses company of not complying with financing laws

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Kentucky Public Service Commission recently denied a request for an increase in base gas rates for Kentucky Frontier Gas, but the agency ruled that Frontier can charge customers more to replace its old pipelines.

The denial marks the second rate increase denial the company has received since October, and the PSC further instructed Frontier to prove why it should not be fined for violating state law.

The PSC denied another rate increase request by Frontier in October — one of many PSC

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New Floy County Chamber of Commerce Director Weston Reid said he is interested in helping local businesses have a "strong presence."

Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows

New chamber director wants to help small businesses

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce is starting the new year with a new director.

Weston Reid, 27, of Prestonsburg, was hired by the chamber board last month and hosted his first ribbon cutting in late December.

He learned about the vacancy at the chamber — the resignation of for-

mer director Kathy King Allen — when he attended an "Eventacular" workshop hosted by the Eastern Kentucky Concentrated Employment Program, the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce and other agencies in November at the Big Sandy Area Development District.

He opened his own business, ActiveEats, two months before that workshop and wanted to learn more about how to get more involved in the community.

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Prestonsburg rings in the new year

Floyd Chronicle and Times photos by Mary Meadows

Prestonsburg held its third annual New Year's Eve Celebration at Archer Park on Dec. 31, featuring a star raising ceremony and fireworks. The event attracted local residents as well as people from out of state who were in Floyd County visiting family for the holidays.



General Assembly '18

Brown says more to be done in this session

By JOSH LITTLE
STAFF WRITER

Republican 95th Dist. state Rep. Larry Brown of Prestonsburg has been serving his constituents in Floyd County and parts of Pike County for nearly a year and says there have been some accomplishments made by the Republican caucus during that year, but said he hopes to move forward on more agenda items for the people he serves in the upcoming

2018 legislative session.

"I don't want to take that much credit for a lot because, like I say, it took a conjoined effort of the entire Republican caucus to get a lot of things done naturally," said Brown, in reference to some of the bills he sponsored and supported in 2017. "I'm happy to be a part of that and we're doing what we can to bring jobs back to Eastern Kentucky for sure."

Brown said 2017 was a

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Turner says focus will be on pensions, budget

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

With both the state budget and the pension crisis on the agenda, Democratic 29th Dist. state Sen. Johnny Ray Turner of Prestonsburg believes the 2018 legislative session will be difficult.

"It's going to be a very tough session because of the pension issues and the budget both being taken on at the

same time," he said. "But my main priority is to try to keep, to try to encourage, the majority party and the governor from doing anything that would hurt our teachers, our state employees, our policemen and our firemen."

Turner said he was "adamantly opposed" to recommendations issued in a PFM report last year that slashed benefits for teachers and to

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Conn to seek public defender, as prosecutors move to seize more assets

By Aaron K. Nelson
Appalachian Newspapers

Recent filings in the federal criminal case against former Social Security attorney Eric C. Conn show that the federal government will be seizing property, including his Stanville law office complex, and Conn himself is seeking a public defender to represent him.

In March, Conn pleaded guilty to theft of government money and paying illegal gratuities to an administrative law judge, after which he was sentenced to 12 years, with the other charges against him to be dropped.

With Conn's escape and subsequent arrest in Honduras, prosecutors have now sought to pursue the full list of charges against him, including mail fraud, wire fraud, conspiracy to commit mail fraud and wire fraud, destruction of records, conspiracy to retaliate against a witness, false statements, conspiracy to launder monetary instruments, transactional money laundering, conspiracy to structure currency transactions and involving a financial institution for the purpose of evading the reporting requirements.

Conn was also indicted in September in a new, separate case, charged with escape, failure to appear, conspiracy to escape, and conspiracy to fail to appear.

The original plea agreement gave prosecutors a \$5.75 million forfeiture agreement — the amount Conn agreed he earned as a result of his scheme to get his clients' cases rubber-stamp approval without due consideration. The court gave prosecutors permission to obtain up to \$150,000 from the proceeds of the sale of Conn's Pikeville home on Northmonte Drive, and the full value of Conn's Stanville law complex, which court documents show has

an estimated value of approximately \$659,000.

Documents show the courts also allowed federal prosecutors permission to seize \$103,713.73 from four bank accounts, including one shared with Conn's mother, Patsy Conn, and one in the name of an associate, Curtis Lee Wyatt, who has been charged in a separate matter for aiding in Conn's alleged escape. Prosecutors later seized another two bank accounts totaling \$155,622.18 and a 2016 Toyota Highlander, worth an estimated \$25,100.

In the latest filing last week, prosecutors are seeking the seizure of several U.S. Treasury checks, each of which is "known payment of attorney's fees for legal work," totaling \$10,661.35. Even with that forfeiture, Conn would still owe the government over \$4.6 million.

Conn's attorney, Scott White, of Lexington, wrote in a report filed last week that they intend to seek appointment of new counsel for Conn under the Criminal Justice Act, given that the forfeitures leave Conn unable to pay for counsel.

"(Conn) simply does not have assets or resources to pay for his defense — one in which the U.S. hopes to be allowed to try two separate cases," White wrote.

White has filed a motion this week to be appointed to represent Conn under the Criminal Justice Act. In his report, he noted that he has disclosed to Conn the potential ethical ramifications, given his cooperation with federal authorities during Conn's alleged escape. Until then, White wrote, he will continue to represent Conn.

"... I believe my duties to the defendant as lead counsel since the fall of 2016 and to the Court from a judicial economy perspective obliges me to continue," White wrote.

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cases in which the company has detailed problems associated deteriorating pipelines.

Frontier, which serves more than 5,000 residents in Floyd, Pike and 11 other counties, sought a rate increase to raise \$373,000 in additional revenues, an 18.9 percent increase in revenues for the company.

The proposed increase, which was set to go into effect this month, would raise rates overall by 14 percent for residential and commercial customers, but some customers would have seen a decrease in costs with the proposal, while others — those previously served by Public Gas, a company Frontier acquired — would pay more.

The PSC determined that the proposed rates would produce revenues “in excess of the amount found reasonable.” The agency did, however, allow an equalization of costs associated with former Public Gas customers and approved an increase in a surcharge so Frontier

can continue replacing deteriorating pipelines.

In addressing Frontier’s Pipeline Replacement Program, the PSC reported that the company had 27 miles of bare steel pipeline in its system in 2011, but has only replaced 7.2 miles of line since its Pipeline Replacement Surcharge was approved.

“This level of replacement is well behind Frontier’s intent to replace 2.5 miles of pipeline per year,” the order states, pointing that the replacement program was initially expected to last 10 years and has been extended by two to four years because of “the slower than expected” pace of replacements and the discovery of more pipelines that need to be replaced.

The Attorney General asked the commission to have Frontier gradually increase the pipeline surcharge, but the PSC found the need for replacement is too great to wait.

“The Commission has placed an emphasis on the replacement of unsafe and deteriorating bare steel pipeline, and the safety and integrity of Frontier’s

system is of great concern,” the order states. “Therefore, the Commission finds that granting an increase in the PRP surcharge from the current \$1.25 per customer per month to \$5.00 per customer per month is warranted and reasonable, and that the AG’s concern regarding gradualism is better addressed through a lower increase granted to the fixed monthly customer charge.”

It went on to say, “Frontier should use any methods at its disposal, including the hiring of outside contractors, to ensure that bare steel pipeline is removed from its system in the original timeframe” as approved in the 2011 case.

The PSC ordered Frontier to create an interest-bearing escrow account to deposit Pipeline Replacement Program surcharge revenues and to use those funds only to replace pipes in the company’s system. The PSC also requires Frontier to submit detailed annual reports summarizing these projects, as requested by the Attorney General.

In the ruling, the PSC

also suggested that Frontier decrease its employee benefits and the agency also chided the company for taking out loans without PSC permission, as required by state law.

According to the order, Frontier reported revenues and expenses of more than \$3.9 million in 2016, and it pays 100 percent of the costs for employee health and dental insurance. The PSC suggested that the company stop paying all of those health and dental insurance costs.

Explaining that the PSC evaluates employee compensation packages for market and geographic competitiveness to “ensure fair rate development and has determined that in most cases, 100 percent employer-funded health and dental care does not meet that criteria.”

“Frontier should establish a policy of reason-

ably limiting its employer contributions to health and dental insurance costs by requiring a portion of those premiums,” the order states.

In determining rates for Frontier, the PSC reduced its health and dental insurance cost by more than \$19,000, based on a 21 percent employee contribution rate for health insurance and a 60 percent employee contribution rate for dental insurance.

In the case, Frontier reported that it obtained five automobile loans totaling more than \$96,000 in 2015 and 2016 without commission approval. The company knew that PSC approval was required for loans, but officials did not believe that requirement applied to automobile loans, the order states.

The PSC determined that it should open a proceeding to allow Frontier to show why it should not

be penalized for violating state law by taking out those loans without approval.

The PSC also announced that it wants to keep a closer eye on the company’s affiliations. The agency reported that Frontier’s member-owners, Steve Shute, Robert Oxford, Larry Rich and Industrial Gas Services, also own several other companies that provide services to Frontier. The Kentucky Attorney General’s Office of Rate Intervention argued that these member-owners and companies are affiliates of Frontier, and they should be required to comply with pricing requirements outlined in state law, an issue Frontier denied in its filings. The PSC order said the case would remain open so the PSC could continue researching that issue.

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“I just made the decision as a business owner to get more locally involved,” he said. “I’ve always loved the whole ‘go local’ movement and supporting local businesses ... I think it’s important that local businesses have a strong presence.”

One of his goals as a new director of the chamber is to support local businesses and help them grow. He wants other small business owners to know about agencies that offer workshops like the workshop and resources that can help them grow.

“I really want to make sure that local business owners are aware that there are programs out here that can help them,” he said.

He plans to work toward helping small businesses find ways to create an online presence.

“Something I really want to do,” he said, “is to make a push to get people online more. The East Kentucky Concentrated Employment Program has a program where you come in with nothing and

you leave that day with a one-page website, so businesses need to know about these resources that are available to them. We’re getting in an era where if you don’t have a website, people feel you are illegitimate, and I don’t want anyone to feel that they are illegitimate as a business.”

At the chamber, he will work to increase membership throughout the county.

“We are the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce,” he said. “One of the things they said during the interview was that they wanted more of a presence out in the reaches of the county, so I plan to do that. I plan to be out visiting businesses

out in the county more.”

A Floyd County native, Reid graduated from Allen Central High School in 2008 and enrolled at Big Sandy Community and Technical College.

He is planning to host a Floyd County Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting at ActivEats, located at 119 North Arnold Avenue in Prestonsburg, this month. His business offers healthy prepared meals to the public.

For more information about his business, visit, ActivEats.co, on Facebook or call, (859) 429-1534. To inquire about chamber membership or services, call Reid at, (606) 339-0364.

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Floyd 4-H Teen Council names officers



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The Floyd County Cooperative Extension Office recently published its 4-H Teen Council officers for 2017-2018. They include Treasurer Chantal Sargent, Vice President Taylor Stumbo, President Matt Tackett and Secretary Adam Hutchinson.

FCSO seeking info regarding shooting

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Floyd County Sheriff's Office is seeking assistance in solving a crime in which the department said shots were fired from a vehicle at a residence in the Prater Creek community between 7:50 p.m. and 8 p.m. Monday.

According to the department's Facebook page, an occupant or occupants in an unknown vehicle fired multiple shots at a residence, with at least one round entering the residence.

Floyd County Sheriff John Hunt said the department is investigating some leads, but said he is hoping someone in the area will come forth with surveillance video footage that can help identify the

vehicle.

He said the incident does not appear to be drug-related or does not appear to stem from any conflict between the homeowner and the shooter.

"(This) may have been random, but it's very concerning that multiple shots were fired and, Prater Creek in general has had at least one other incident recently where shots have been fired in residential areas of the community," said Hunt.

The department is asking anyone in the Prater Creek community with surveillance footage or, any other information related to the investigation, to contact the department at, (606) 886-6171, or anonymously at, (606) 949-2020.

Prestonsburg basketball to host awareness nights

By JOSH LITTLE
STAFF WRITER

The Prestonsburg High School women's basketball team will host an awareness night this week to inform people about cerebral palsy

and to raise funds for research, in hopes of finding a cure for the condition.

Nicole Burchett, a basketball player at PHS, plays the sport for her younger sister Livia, who was diagnosed with

cerebral palsy.

Nicole and Livia's mother, Kim Robinson, has been planning the awareness night, which is tentatively scheduled for 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 6, when the Blackcats take on the Jaguars of

Floyd Central at Prestonsburg. This event will mark the third of its kind for the Blackcats.

"Basically, we do this because, cerebral palsy, to me, a lot of people do not know what it is, they do not know that

it's a condition," said Robinson. "They are not familiar with it. So, with this night, I hope to educate more people, so they will leave with more knowledge than they came in with."

Robinson said this is a cause that is dear to her heart because she has seen how the condition affects people on different levels.

"My youngest daughter (Livia) has the highest level of cerebral palsy," she said. "And, with my oldest daughter playing basketball for the high school, we got together and thought that this would be a good way to bring awareness to our community and to our county."

Robinson said there are a lot of people in her community living with cerebral palsy. She said a lot of people in the community do not know that it's CP that those people in the community are living with.

"Right here on my street, where I live, there are three individuals that live with CP," she said.

There are different levels of CP. Robinson said one of her neighbors, who lives with CP, graduated from college and is a substitute teacher.

"Then, you have the level of my daughter, who has very little, low-vision blindness, who can't walk or talk," said Robinson. "There are different levels and different stages. I want people to be educated by someone that is living with CP, that can tell you how their life is and, someone like me, who is a caregiver for someone with CP."

Robinson said all money raised from concession and chances on prizes at the door will be sent to the United Cerebral Palsy charity. Between the last two CP awareness nights more than \$4,000 was donated to that charity, Robinson said.

"We're just really trying to help find a cure for the condition," she said. "A lot of people don't even know it's a condition. A lot of people think it's a disease, a lot think it's a sickness, or an illness, but it's a condition that you're born with. It comes from the brain having a lack of oxygen and, it is muscle weakness that can affect each individual at a different level."

Individuals living with CP are encouraged to participate in the awareness night. They will be honored on the court for their strength and courage.

"They're warriors, they live with this every day," said Robinson. "I will honor them that night on the floor. We let people see their bravery and let people get a first glance at what the condition is and how it affects each person differently."

Robinson said 11 people living with CP were recognized at the last CP awareness night hosted by the basketball team. She said she hopes this year that more people will come and support the cause, regardless of what basketball team they support, whether that be the Blackcats, the Jaguars, or any other team.

"We put aside the rivalry and come together for a cause," said Robinson.

For more information about the event, contact Kim Robinson at, (606) 226-6921, or Coach Brandon Kidd at Prestonsburg High School.

An autism awareness night is scheduled for 6 p.m. Jan. 9, at Prestonsburg High School where the Blackcats will take on the bobcats of Betsy Layne High School. A cancer awareness night is scheduled for 6 p.m., Jan. 16 at PHS, when the Blackcats take on the Lawrence County Bulldogs.

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EDITORIAL:

Get involved in 2018

With the start of the New Year, we'd like to encourage our readers to add one resolution to their list of to-dos for 2018.

We already have plenty of folks who are willing to give their time and their efforts to help others.

There's no better time, though, for more people to pick up a shovel and dig in.

Eastern Kentucky has faced numerous challenges over the past year — the past several years, actually — and recovery from the economic downturn that left our communities strug-

gling will take time and effort. It will take cooperation and help from community members as well.

Involved citizens will encourage growth, and the time and effort that people put into being involved will be worth it.

Floyd County residents who are making their New Year's resolutions should think about adding some way they can get more involved in the communities in which they live — whether that means something simple — but important — like voting, or something like attending a local

government meeting or gathering a group of like-minded folks to do something amazing, like the Friends of Jenny Wiley did while working on the Sugarcamp Mountain Trails.

We all know we live in one of the best places on earth, here in Eastern Kentucky, which is filled with natural beauty and a down-home group of folks who are willing to help others. Imagine how wonderful it'd be if even more people got involved and started doing things that our communities need.

One person can inspire many,

and if we have enough of those people out there trying to make a difference, the lines of people willing to help will continue to grow, and so will the place we call home.

It doesn't matter how old you are. Everyone has something to contribute. Pledge to use your talents for the good of your community in 2018. Decide that this is the year that you want to do something that will help us all grow.

GUEST EDITORIAL:

Transparency should be key for legislature in 2018

With 2018 now well underway, some of Kentucky's state legislators may be getting started on their New Year's resolutions, but we have one all members of the House and Senate should embrace — transparency.

This week marks the start of the 2018 legislative session, and as our representatives and senators work to solve the many, thorny issues facing them, transparency should be paramount.

First and foremost, it should ap-

ply to pension and budget discussions. As evidenced by a protest in November and two rallies scheduled today — inside the Capitol by teachers and on the Capitol steps by state employees — Kentuckians know their future will be affected by public pension reform and feel they haven't been heard by state officials.

In the session that runs through April 13, the legislature has the opportunity to remedy the problem or ensure Kentuckians don't

feel ignored by elected officials. The legislature should hold at least one public hearing to gather input about ideas to raise revenue or make large spending cuts, if that's the preferred option, before considering a bill. At least one more public hearing should be held before the General Assembly takes a final vote on a pension reform proposal.

Meanwhile, the legislature should deliberate in public through all stages of the process.

But indications that they will do so aren't good. Currently, the Kentucky House of Representatives is engaged in a lawsuit with the Bluegrass Institute about whether a closed meeting in August violated the state's Open Meetings Act. The suit started after the House appealed a decision by the Attorney General's Office that the meeting violated state law.

While legislators met in private to discuss the tens of billions of dollars

in unfunded pension liabilities, state workers were left wondering when a solution might be reached. No special session was called, and the state's budget is falling short of projected revenues. As a result, Gov. Matt Bevin last week ordered spending cuts of 1.3 percent.

At some point, state officials will need to reform the state's pension system, and there are two basic options — further reduce funding for a state government

that's already been plagued by cuts in recent years or raise revenue through taxes or other means. Both could have a significant effect on the daily lives of Kentuckians, and legislators should ensure their actions comport with the wishes of the people who will be affected. Public hearings that are properly advertised are the best method to accomplish that.

When faced with such monumental tasks as pension reform and balancing a budget, transparency is key. Kentucky state legislators should commit to that principle in 2018.

— The State Journal, Frankfort

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Lawton Allen
Lawton Ray Allen, 79, of Minnie, died Saturday, Dec. 23, 2017.

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Warren Blanton
Warren Blanton, 77, of Allen, died Saturday, Dec. 30, 2017.

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Lula Branham
Lula Mae Tuttle Branham, 88, of Langley, died Saturday, Dec. 30, 2017.

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Ethel Gayheart
Ethel Gayheart, 85, of McDowell, died Thursday, Dec. 28, 2017.

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Oliver B. Hughes, 75, of Blue River, died Sunday, Dec. 31, 2017.

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Gerald Lynn Taylor, 60, of Tram, died Thursday, Dec. 28, 2017.

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BSADD official to assist Floyd tourism

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

An official with the Big Sandy Area Development District is helping the Floyd County Recreation, Tourist and Convention build its brand.

Misha Curnutte, who worked 16 years with Prestonsburg Tourism prior to joining the economic development team at the Big Sandy ADD last year, met with the county tourism commission during a recent special-called meeting.

"They had asked me about doing this and it just felt like a good fit with what I'm working on right now because I am work-

ing with a lot of tourism and I go to a lot of the state meetings already," Curnutte said. "It's going to save them some money for that. Just starting, they really don't need a full-time person and they probably don't need a part-time person for what little bit of work there is getting this established."

The move to get assistance from Curnutte comes after the commission discussed the possibility of hiring a director. They decided against that measure because the agency doesn't yet have enough funds to hire an employee. Since the commission started collecting transient

room taxes last year, it has collected more than \$84,300.

At the meeting, they discussed things the commission can do with its advertising funds and ways it can promote tourism in the county.

"The first thing is to develop a logo so that we have kind of a branding, so to speak, that will be on everything we do," Curnutte said. "Then we're going to work on a rack card ... that will be placed in the welcome centers and, probably, some of the hotels."

She reported the commission missed the deadline to place an advertisement in the state's

official visitors guide, but she has already talked to state officials about advertising tourism attractions the county tourism commission wants to promote on the state website.

"We want to get involved in the regional and the Eastern Highlands North group, which is a tourism group, and we're just trying to find some advertising opportunities so we can get the Floyd County Tourism name out there and try to decide what ideas they want to see," she said.

At the Big Sandy ADD, Curnutte works to help small businesses. She will continue that effort

as she assists the Floyd County tourism agency with its goals. She is also helping tourism groups in other Big Sandy counties.

"My goal is to build small business around tourism," she said.

The BSADD offers a revolving loan fund which helps small businesses obtain financing when they can't find all the funding they need elsewhere and/or if they get turned down for a small business loan. Curnutte also connects small businesses to agencies that offers free services and resources to help them grow.

Curnutte said she does not believe Floyd

County Tourism is ready yet to launch itself into the tour bus industry — a revenue driver for other local tourism agencies — but she sees that as a possibility down the road. That type of program would likely require the commission to have a director, she said.

"I think it's just going to take time," she said, "and, eventually, I would love to see everybody working together."

The Floyd County tourism commission meets at 5 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of every month in the fiscal courtroom at the county courthouse. All meetings are open to the public.

Kentucky Power employees heading to Puerto Rico

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Kentucky Power has announced that it is among U.S. utilities sending crews to Puerto Rico to assist with ongoing restoration after Hurricane Maria hit the island in September. Seven line personnel from Ashland, Pikeville and Hazard will be among 50 American Electric Power personnel who will be working in the Caguas region of Puerto Rico beginning in January, the company said in a statement.

"Our Kentucky Power employees work in some of the toughest terrain in the United States and have expertise that is especially needed in Puerto Rico," said Kentucky Power President Matt Satterwhite. "They are experts in making repairs in remote areas inaccessible by bucket trucks and have extensive pole climbing experience. Kentucky Power wanted to be sure to provide its unique expertise to assist our brothers and sisters in need in Puerto Rico while still ensuring we

have adequate staffing in Kentucky to provide safe and reliable service at home. It is a balance we think we properly weighed."

Some of the equipment from AEP's operating companies, including Kentucky Power, was in Portsmouth, Virginia, on Friday awaiting loading onto barges headed to Puerto Rico. Crews will fly to Puerto Rico in early January. Restoration is to begin Jan. 15 after crews pick up their equipment and participate in orientation briefings. Crews

will work 12 to 16 hours a day for 30 days.

Kentucky Power's participation in restoration efforts is through the Edison Electric Institute (EEI), which will add nearly 1,500 additional workers and support personnel to accelerate ongoing power restoration efforts across the island. EEI is the association that represents all U.S. investor-owned electric companies. This new wave of workers brings the total number of power restoration workers to more than 5,500 supporting

the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA). PREPA requested mutual assistance in early November.

"Mutual assistance among power companies is vital because we all need assistance from outside our operations at one point or another," Satterwhite said. "Mutual assistance allows each utility to better respond during emergencies that lead to significant damage to the energy grid."

Electric companies providing mutual assistance do so on a not-for-

profit basis, the statement said. In this case, mutual assistance is being provided to support PREPA, and companies will submit their expenses to PREPA. PREPA will then submit these expenses to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Under FEMA's Public Assistance program, costs associated with emergency power restoration are eligible for consideration for reimbursement.

Floyd County community calendar

- Jan. 3; 1 p.m.: Story Time, Floyd County Library, Eastern Branch
- Jan. 4; 5:30 p.m.: Floyd County Extension District Board meets, extension office
- Jan. 4; 4:30 p.m.: Appalachian Hospice Care hosts free grief support group meetings at 1520 Ky. Rt. 1428 in Hager Hill and 1414 North Mayo Trail, Pikeville. (606) 789-3841
- Jan. 7; 1 p.m.: Friends of Middle Creek to host battlefield commemoration, Middle Creek National Battlefield.
- Jan. 7; 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Old Christmas, Samuel May House
- Jan. 8; 6 p.m.: Allen City

- Commission to meet at Allen City Hall. (606) 874-2953
- Jan. 8; 3 p.m.: Saint Joseph Martin offers smoking cessation classes, which meet eight times for a seven-week period. The next class starts at 3 p.m. on Jan. 8. For details, call (606) 285-6691.
- Jan. 4; 4:30 p.m.: Appalachian Hospice Care hosts free grief support group meetings at 1520 Ky. Rt. 1428 in Hager Hill and 1414 North Mayo Trail, Pikeville. (606) 789-3841
- Jan. 8; 9 a.m.: Big Sandy Regional Industrial Authority meets at Big Sandy Area Development District. (606) 886-2374

- Jan. 9; 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.: Transamerica Agency Network to host job fair, Floyd County Public Library, Prestonsburg.
- Jan. 9; 12 p.m.: Prestonsburg Tourism meets at Mountain Arts Center. (606) 886-1341
- Jan. 9; 6 p.m.: Wayland City Commission to meet.
- Jan. 10; 1 p.m.: Story Time, Floyd County Library, Eastern Branch
- Jan. 10; 5 p.m.: Wheelwright City Commission meets, city hall. (606) 452-4202
- Jan. 11; 12 p.m.: Floyd County Communities Against Drug Addiction meets at Prestonsburg First Presbyterian

- Church
- Jan. 11: Big Sandy Community & Technical College to host nursing pre-admission conference, Pikeville. (606) 889-4790 or brenda.miller@kctcs.edu
- Jan. 12; 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.: Registration for the spring 2018 semester at the University of Pikeville to be held on the ground floor of the administration building. Classes begin Tuesday, Jan. 16. Scholarships and financial aid are still available. New and returning students are encouraged to prepare for the 2018-2019 academic year by filing the 2018-2019 FAFSA as soon as possi-

- ble. (606) 218-5251.
- Jan. 12; 3 p.m.: Olivia the Pig visits Floyd County Library, Eastern Branch
- Wednesdays, Fridays: Big Sandy Community & Technical College hosts low-cost dental clinic. (606) 886-7352
- Every Tuesday, 7 p.m.: Lane of Roses Women's Bible Study meets at City Perk, Prestonsburg. ayngleastevens.laneofroses@gmail.com or (606) 367-2970
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Innovative project could produce power with coal fines, sawdust

UK CAER receives \$1.2M grant to conduct study in Hazard

By TJ CAUDILL
APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS

HAZARD — The University of Kentucky Center for Applied Energy Research recently received a \$1.2 million grant from the U.S. Department of Energy to conduct an innovative engineering study in Hazard to conclude whether it's feasible to heat and power the area with waste from coal fines and sawdust. If the project shows positive results, officials said, it could reshape how Eastern Kentucky communities generate its heat and power.

The project is titled "Gasification Combined Heat and Power from Coal Fines" and the project received most of its funding from DOE's National Energy Technology Laboratory, UK CAER said in a news release. Twenty percent of the funding is provided by the University of Kentucky Research Foundation, Arg Coal Technologies and Beijing Baota Sanju Energy Science, UK CAER said.

With the grant, UK CAER and its community partners will complete a front end engineering design study for a five-megawatt electric equivalent gasifier unit. The unit will utilize coal fines and sawdust waste from community partners' businesses as feedstocks. The feedstocks will then be attempted to generate heat and power to The Coalfields Industrial Park, which will be the project model's location.

"We will use Hazard as a template to devel-

op our technology," said Kunlei Lu, the project's principal investigator.

The community partners include Gay Brothers Lumber, Blackhawk Mining and the Hazard/Perry Economic Development Alliance. Gay Brothers Lumber will supply the project with sawdust, while Blackhawk Mining will supply the coal fines.

UK CAER Spokesman Dave Melanson said the community's support was important.

"The project would not have happened without our community partners," Melanson said.

The project will consist of two phases. Melanson said the first phase is the feasibility study.

Lu said the study will look to see how much it would cost to use the coal fines and sawdust as fuel and how much heat and power the waste would generate. The study would also look at how it affects the environment, the economy and what is the community impact.

The first phase is expected to last 18 months.

If the study shows positive results, Melanson said, UK CAER will work with community partners, the state government and the U.S. DOE to see if the project could be scaled to generate power to Hazard. He said Hazard would be the sight of innovative technology and other cities may follow Hazard's lead.

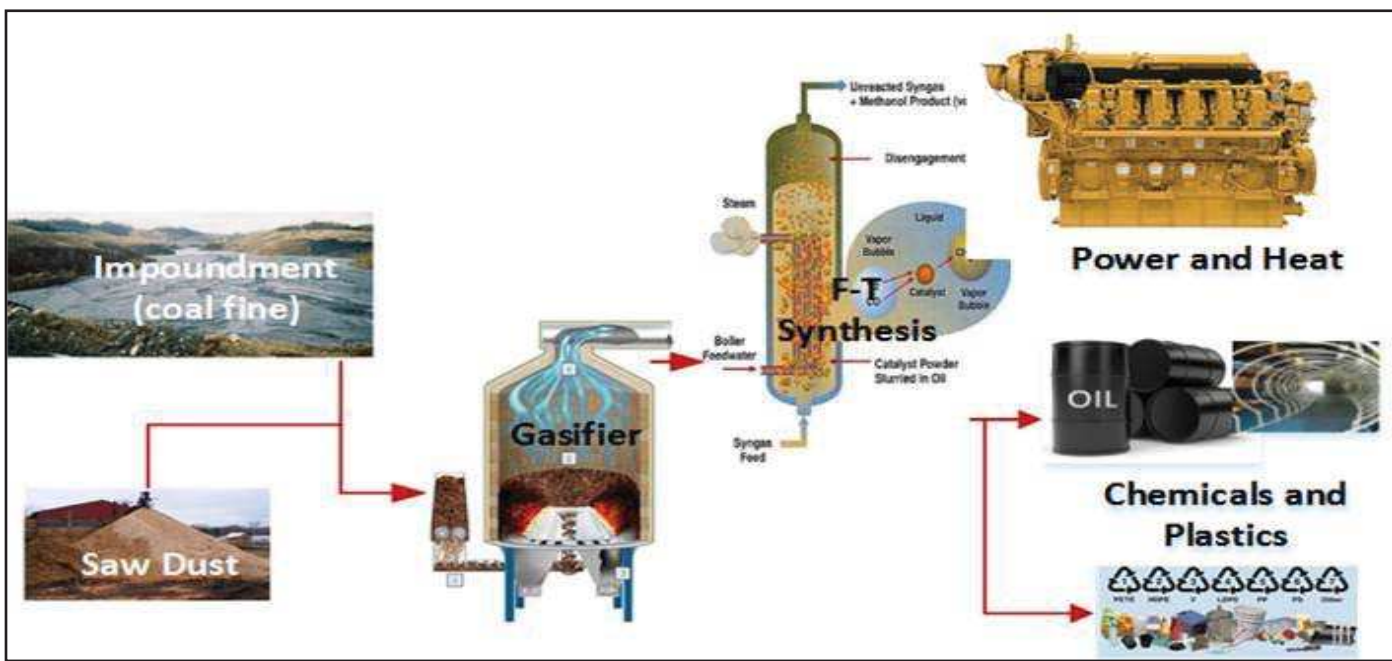
"If we find good results here, we could marginalized gasification units across Kentucky," Melanson said. "Across places that have these

coal fine impoundments,



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ABOVE: the Coal Fields Industrial Park in Hazard will be the site of the feasibility study by University of Kentucky Center for Applied Energy Research to determine if it is feasible to generate power from waste, such as coal fines and sawdust.

BELOW: A chart shows the gasification process of coal fines and sawdust and how the project team will attempt to convert the waste to power.



which are literally all over Eastern Kentucky and the state as well."

Lu said the main goal of the project is to help coal communities, create jobs and bring value to the industry.

"The long term goal is working with community partners, enhance Kentucky communities, to add jobs and econom-

ic opportunities in Kentucky counties," Melanson said. "We have all these resources, specifically these coal fines resources that are there. How do we use these resources that are sitting on the ground to create new opportunities, to improve the environment, to create new jobs and create new technology."

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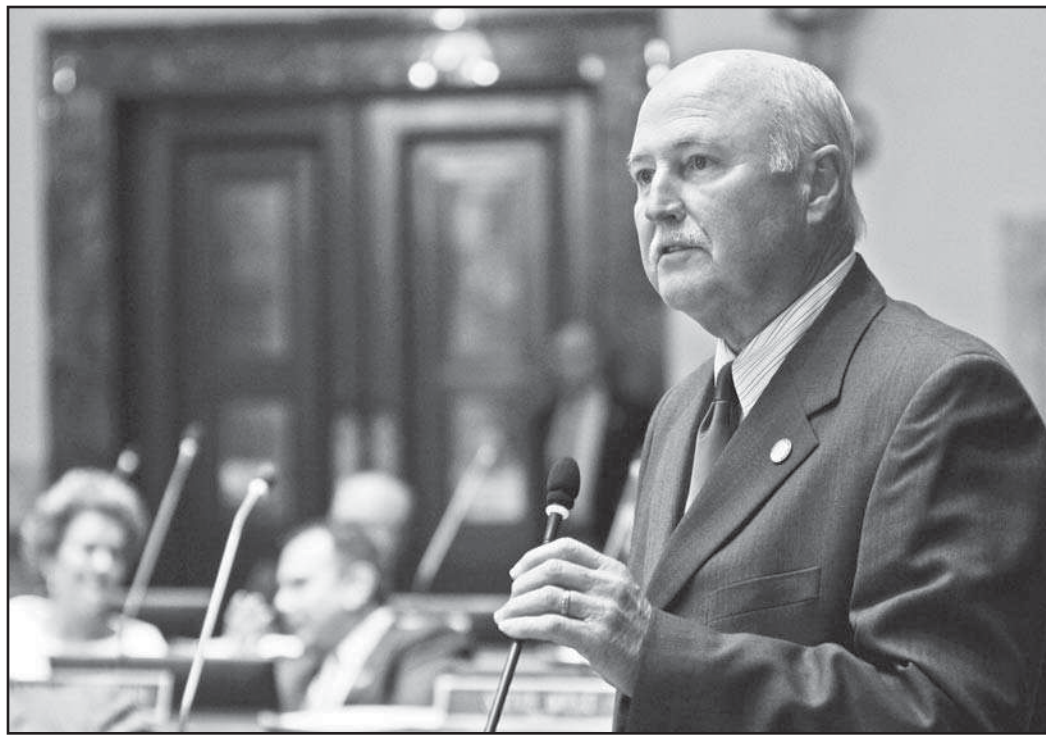


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State Sen. Johnny Ray Turner speaks on the floor of the Senate in the 2017 Legislative Session. Turner said pensions and the state's biennial budget will be the main focuses of legislators in the session which began Tuesday.



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From left, Rep. Addia Wuchner, Rep. Larry Brown, Gov. Matt Bevin, and Vickie Yates Brown Glisson speak in the Capitol rotunda last March.

TURNER

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Gov. Matt Bevin's "Keeping the Promise" tax plan.

He said the PFM proposals were "too harsh" and he didn't like the changes proposed in Bevin's plan.

"I'm for leaving the things the way they are and finding ways to fund it," he said.

The state pension system is underfunded by between an estimated \$40 and \$80 billion, he said, pointing out that the solution will take time, as well as cooperation from both Democrats and Republicans.

"Whatever the solution is, it's going to be a long-term solution. We didn't get into this problem overnight and it's not going to be fixed overnight," he said.

He plans to work to help the state find new revenue sources to fix the pension problem, and he acknowledged that work may require him to change his stance on issues he opposed in prior years.

He said he never supported casino gambling, but he would consider supporting legislation for that if the proceeds were "dedicated to the pension issue" and the bill was "written up the right way."

He said if gambling proceeds helped solve the state's pension problem, then he could prob-

ably support a bill for it because it's not a tax on everybody, just those who frequent casinos.

He said "there has been talk" about increasing the state's sales tax to fix the pension problems, but he doesn't yet know if he would support that effort, saying that legislators would have to look at the bill to see where the funds would go before he made that decision.

Turner expects to see another bill filed to bring 100 percent of coal severance funds back to coal-producing counties. He said he would once again support that bill if it filed again during this session.

He plans to also work to allocate funding to finish the Mountain Parkway project and the Harold-to-Minnie connector project, which has been stalled because of funding allocations. He also plans to support legislation, if it is needed, to help Wheelwright find funding to fix its water issues.

"I just hope to have a good session and, like I said, to be able to work with the majority party to get what we can for Eastern Kentucky," he said.

Turner has already pre-filed two pieces of legislation.

In June, he pre-filed BR 64, a bill that would allow convictions for reckless homicide to be vacated and expunged if the offender has been

granted a partial pardon by the governor. He filed that bill for the first time during the last legislative session and it failed to pass.

He said he filed the bill to help people who fell asleep at the wheel and caused another person's death. He talked about several people who faced reckless homicide charges after falling asleep at the wheel and he believes those people should not face felony charges if it wasn't a premeditated incident or if the wreck was not caused by driving under the influence.

He isn't sure if the bill will find much support during this legislative session.

In November, Turner also pre-filed BR 214, which would name a bridge in Melvin in honor of World War II veteran Julius Mullins.

January will mark Turner's 18th year and fifth term serving Senate District 29. He represents the residents of Floyd, Harlan, Knott and Letcher counties.

Legislators convened Tuesday, Jan. 2, in Frankfort, and the session will continue through March.

BROWN

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good year for the region, in terms of bringing new jobs to the area, something he said was helped by the "right to work" legislation passed in 2017.

Another item that Brown said he would continue to push for in 2018 is "right to life" legislation, which fights against abortion.

"('Right to life' legislation) gives a voice to the most defenseless of those around us as far as trying to protect the right to the unborn early on as well," said Brown.

Brown said that in 2018, he will continue to push for a bill to help strengthen marriage in Kentucky by requiring judges to have irreconcilable differences hearings, which was a bill he co-introduced in 2017.

"So many of the divorces we see going on in our courts in the commonwealth are just so, I'll say, cookie-cutter," said Brown. "The courts are required to determine if the marriage is irretrievably broken before they grant a divorce and, so many times, especially when kids are involved, our culture anymore has become so flooded with these families that are broken up simply because nobody tries to salvage a marriage or they just don't like what's going on so, they just go and file a petition for

divorce. These kids are coming from so many broken homes anymore it's just a blight on our area and our state."

Brown said he has discussed the proposed legislation with Gov. Matt Bevin, who "really liked" what is being proposed.

He said he will also introduce legislation referring to family descent and distribution of property, making sure real property stays in families in Kentucky. He said surviving spouses are fourth on the list to receive property unless a will states otherwise.

Brown said a topic that will require a lot of attention in the 2018 session will be pension reform.

"The plan that was proposed (in 2017) didn't have as much support as the governor wanted or hoped for and it needs a lot more tweaking and, that's what we have been trying to do," said Brown.

He said there's no way to make everyone happy about what comes from pension reform, but he said legislators are trying to make the majority of people satisfied with the outcome. He said there are ways to possibly fund the state's pension system including the addition of funding, the problem now, he said, is finding the additional funding.

In 2017, Brown supported a bill creating the Kentucky Mountain Regional Recreational Au-

thority, which was created to promote outdoor recreation and tourism. He said he will continue to support tourism in 2018, but said he does not see it being the "end all" for the region.

"Any kind of tourism promotion we can do is great, but I don't look at tourism as being the 'be all, end all' of Eastern Kentucky," he said. "It's a great thing to have, to get people here to recreate, but I think we need some more stable, not just seasonal, projects and opportunities around here, more particularly in job creation."

Locally, Brown said he will continue to push for the completion of Ky. 680 from Minnie to Harold in Floyd County. Brown said he has campaigned for the completion of Ky. 680 to Gov. Bevin and the transportation cabinet.

Brown said in 2018, he will continue to work with members of either party to move the 95th district forward.

Brown said his constituents can expect continued support for Eastern Kentucky, with a large focus on bringing jobs to the area to stimulate the economy.

"(The focus will be on) making sure we have more of a presence in Eastern Kentucky, for people to want to locate here, to bring jobs to our area and to stimulate our economy," said Brown.

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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE Pursuant to Permit No. 836-0324
Phase II & III Increment 1

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that GCAS, Corporation, 583 George Road, Betsy Layne, Kentucky 41605, intends to apply for a Phase II and III bond release on Increment #1 on **permit number 836-0324**, which was last issued July 19, 2013. The application covers an area of approximately 28.46 acres located 1 mile north of Dana in Floyd County. The permit area is approximately 0.1 miles southeast of Johnson Fork Road's junction with Cecil Branch Road. The latitude is 37° 33' 57". The longitude is 82° 41' 13". The bond now in

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effect for the following increments are as follows: Increment #1 - Cash for \$1,200.00. Approximately 100% of the original bond amount of \$1,200.00 is included in the application for Phase II and III release.

The Reclamation work performed includes: grading, seeding and mulching, and successful establishment of the post-mining land use, which was completed Fall, 2011. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by February 12th 2018.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for February 13th 2018 at 9:00 a.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by February 12th 2018. **This is the final advertisement of this application:** All comments, objections or requests for a conference or hearing must be received within thirty (30) days of the day of this notice.

NOTICE OF SALE COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II

C.A. NO. 13-CI-700
KENTUCKY PROPERTY TAX SERVICES PLAINTIFF/ COUNTER DEFENDANT VS. TAX EASE LIEN INVESTMENTS I, LLC CROSS- PLAINTIFF VS. PENNY LEA THACKER; TIMOTHY THACKER; CITIFINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.; MIDLAND FUNDING, LLC; KENTUCKY LIEN HOLDINGS, LLC; MID SOUTH CAPITAL PARTNERS, LP; FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY DEFENDANTS
So as to comply with the Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the

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above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$295.46, plus interest and other costs; please be advised that the Floyd County Master Commissioner has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of 1:00 p.m., on the 5TH day of January, 2018, at the door of the old Floyd County Court-house, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), the property described to wit: **PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 91 Second Street, Fox Bottom, Harold, KY 41635 **MAP NUMBER:** 095-10-10-009.00 **LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** This deed is for two (2) lots only, No. 168 and No. 169 in subdivision of the B.M. Ferguson Farm Old Home Place. A blueprint of the subdivision is on record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office in Prestonsburg, Kentucky and is referred to for further description of the property, and is made a part hereof. All minerals, oil and rights not to be conveyed in this deed has heretofore been sold.

Being the same property conveyed to Penny Lea Thacker, a single person at the time of conveyance, from Deloris Hall, et al., by deed dated December 19, 2002, and recorded in Deed Book 481, Page 420 in Office of the Clerk of the County Court of Floyd County.

A. The property address and map number contained herein are for convenience only. A 1 1 property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions contained within the Judgment referenced above.
B. The successful bidder shall pay cash in full on the date of the sale or shall pay a non-refundable deposit equal to 10% of the purchase price with the balance due in full within thirty (30) days. If the bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover

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said costs. On the date of said sale, the successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate provided by the laws of the Commonwealth per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchase price is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate resale. In the event the Plaintiff is the successful bidder, said Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above.

C. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All delinquent taxes for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds along with the payment of other assessments properly claimed or filed within the above referenced record. Any taxes or assessments for prior years which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser.

D. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, stipulations, defects, or encumbrances of record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the property. The property is also sold subject to rights of redemption which may exist in favor of the United States of America, the Defendants and/or record owners of said property.
E. The property shall be sold "AS IS." The Master Commissioner shall not be deemed to have warranted the title of the subject property to the purchaser.
F. Any announcements made on

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date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5615 MA3

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that, Spurlock Mining, LLC., 3228 Summit Square Place, Suite 180, Lexington, Kentucky 40509 has applied for a major revision for an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 2.6 miles southeast of East McDowell and is situated in Floyd County. This operation disturbs 2.22 surface acres and underlies 459.00 acres making a total area of 461.22 acres within the permit boundary. No new acreage is proposed under this major revision.

The operation is approximately 0.9 miles east from the junction of KY 1929 and CR 1140 and located 0.0 miles from Gap Fork.

The operation is located on the McDowell U. S. G. S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the underground method of mining. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Brenda J. Edington and Laurel Mountain Resources, LLC. The operation will underlie land owned by Henry Ross Keathley, Richard & Ryan Hamilton, Lina Howell Estate (Sally Smith, Climon & Lona Parsons, Susie Howell, Edward Howell, Clifford Howell, David Howell, and Molly Howell), Levi Blankenship, Martin & Amarine Collins, Bobby & Sharon Page, Laurel Mountain Resources, LLC, Iona & Henry Henderson, Samuel Hamilton, Ricky & Margaret Robinson, Premium Elkhorn Coal Corporation, Burbline Henderson, John & Ida Mae Keathley, Levi & Melanie Blankenship, and The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC.

The purpose of this major revision is to address cotenant properties and to revise water monitoring points. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite

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6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of Mine Permits, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF SALE COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II

C.A. NO. 13-CI-860
U.S. BANK AS CUSTODIAN FOR SASS MUNI V DTR ASSUMED NAME FOR SASS MUNI V DTR, LLC, N/K/A MUNI V, LLC PLAINTIFF VS. LISA BURCHETT; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LISA BURCHETT; MIKAEAL TAYLOR; PAULA TAYLOR; BLUESHINE, LLC; INDEPENDENT CAPITAL HOLDINGS, LLC; AND COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF FLOYD, BY AND ON RELATION OF LORI HUDSON FLANERY, SECRETARY OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION CABINET DEFENDANTS

So as to comply with the Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$622.46, plus interest and other costs; please be advised that the Floyd County Master Commissioner has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of 1:00 p.m., on the 5TH day of January, 2018, at the door of the old Floyd County Court-house, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), the property described to wit: **PROPERTY ADDRESS:** Hager Branch, East Point, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 **MAP NUMBER:** 033-00-00-001.04 **LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** Beginning at a

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stake marked "A" on Hager Branch road at the Corner of Michael Taylor and Thomas Wilson, thence north a distance of 173 feet to a stake marked "B" thence Northwest a distance of 127 feet to a stake marked "C", thence West a distance of 96 to a stake marked "D", thence South a distance of 209 feet to a stake marked "E", thence East 99 feet to the point of beginning. Being the same property conveyed to Lisa Burchett by deed dated March 18, 2008 from Michael and Paula Taylor, husband and wife, recorded in Book 545 Page 486, Office of the Floyd County Clerk.

A. The property address and map number contained herein are for convenience only. A 1 1 property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions contained within the Judgment referenced above.

B. The successful bidder shall pay cash in full on the date of the sale or shall pay a non-refundable deposit equal to 10% of the purchase price with the balance due in full within thirty (30) days. If the bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover said costs. On the date of said sale, the successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate provided by the laws of the Commonwealth per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchase price is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate resale. In the event the Plaintiff is the successful bidder, said Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above.

C. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All delinquent taxes for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds along with the payment of other assessments properly claimed or filed within the above referenced record. Any taxes or assessments for prior years which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser.
D. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, stipulations, defects, or encumbrances of record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the property. The property is also sold subject to rights of redemption which may exist in favor of the United States of America, the Defendants and/or record owners of said property.
E. The property shall be sold "AS IS." The Master Commissioner shall not be deemed to have warranted the title of the subject property to the purchaser.
F. Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

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NOTICE OF SALE COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I
C.A. NO. 16-CI-587
WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, NOT INDIVIDUALLY BUT AS TRUSTEE FOR PRETIUM MORTGAGE ACQUISITION TRUST PLAINTIFF VS. KEVIN JOHNSON; ANGELA JOHNSON; BEAR HOLLOW SUBDIVISION HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC; DEFENDANTS
So as to comply with the Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the

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above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$81,357.89, plus interest and other costs; please be advised that the Floyd County Master Commissioner has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of 1:00 p.m., on the 5TH day of January, 2018, at the door of the old Floyd County Court-house, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), the property described to wit: **PROPERTY ADDRESS:** Lot 13 Bear Hollow, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 **MAP NUMBER:** 032-10-01-013.00 **LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** Located Northwest of and adjacent to Bear Hollow, Floyd County, Kentucky. Any corner in this description listed as being marked by "iron pipe (set)" implies a 3/4 x 18 inch pipe (set) with a plastic cap bearing the marking KY LS 1893". **BEGINNING** at an iron pipe (set) on the corner of lot 14 and the access road; thence leaving 14 and with access road, North 80 degrees 47' 00" east, 112.15 feet to an iron pipe (set), an with lot 12 and leaving access road; thence South 17 degrees 42' 09" West, 119.99 feet to an iron pipe (set); thence South 17 degrees 42' 09" West, 23.48 feet, to an unmonumented point, and leaving lot 12 and being in Bear Hollow; thence with William S. Kendrick (DB. 333, PG 648); and up Bear Hollow South 62 degrees 06' 04" West, 9.22 feet, to an unmonumented point in Bear Hollow; thence with the same, South 88 degrees 42' 08" West, 67.71 feet to an unmonumented point, thence North 86 degrees 58' 36" West, 31.62 feet to an unmonumented point in Bear Hollow; thence leaving Bear Hollow and with lot 14, North 17 degrees 42' 09" East, 14.44 feet, to an iron pipe (set), North 17 degrees 42' 09" East, 114.36 feet to the **BEGINNING**, containing 14,053.79 sq.ft. (0.323 acre) as shown on Nesbitt Engineering, Inc., drawing no. 3771 and recorded no. 3771 and recorded in Floyd County Clerk files at map file no _____. This description was prepared by H.L. Baldrige, PLS 1893 on October 26, 2000. Subject to any and all easements, restrictions, conditions, and legal highways of record and/or in exist-

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tence. Being the same property conveyed from Hall and Hy-lton Development Co., a Kentucky corporation to Kevin Johnson and Angela Johnson, his wife, for their joint lives, with remainder in fee simple to the survivor by virtue of a deed dated October 27, 2003 and recorded October 30, 2003 at Deed Book 492, Page 288 of the Floyd County, Kentucky real estate records. **A.** The property address and map number contained herein are for convenience only. A 1 1 property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions contained within the Judgment referenced above. **B.** The successful bidder shall pay cash in full on the date of the sale or shall pay a non-refundable deposit equal to 10% of the purchase price with the balance due in full within thirty (30) days. If the bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover said costs. On the date of said sale, the successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate provided by the laws of the Commonwealth per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchase price is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate resale. In the event the Plaintiff is the successful bidder, said Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above. **C.** The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All delinquent taxes for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds along with the payment of other assessments properly claimed or filed within the above referenced record. Any taxes or assessments for prior years which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser. **D.** The property described above is

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sold subject to any easements, restrictions, stipulations, defects, or encumbrances of record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the property. The property is also sold subject to rights of redemption which may exist in favor of the United States of America, the Defendants and/or record owners of said property. **E.** The property shall be sold "AS IS." The Master Commissioner shall not be deemed to have warranted the title of the subject property to the purchaser. **F.** Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0451 MA7

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Ember Energy LLC, P.O. Box 459, West Liberty, KY 41472 has applied for a permit revision to an existing coal processing facility. This revision proposes no additional disturbance, therefore the permitted area remains 215.05 surface acres. The operation is located 1.5 miles northwest of David and is situated in both Floyd County and Magoffin County. The proposed operation is approximately 2.5 miles south from KY Route 114's junction with Rough and Tough Road and located 0.25 miles east of Buckeye Branch. The operation is located on the David and Ivyton, USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangles. The surface area is owned by Roger Lee Shepherd, Emily Shepherd, Denver Shepherd, Brenda Shepherd, Kenneth Bradford, Rita Bradford, Eunice Shepherd, Phillip Allen, Christine Bradford, Jennifer Shepherd, Paul Shepherd, Regina Bradford, Jay Anthony Bradford, April Bradford, Miranda Bradford, Marvin Music Jr, Ella Faye Music, GMO Forestry Fund 3, Willis Miller, Glenn D. Elkins, Thomas J. Miller, Josephine Hoyt, Barbara Bodner, Willard Miller, Dallas G. Miller, Washington Miller, Mary England, Jane Sparks Prater, Clifford Adams, Hannah Adams, Orville Adams, Hazel Adams, Donna Spencer, Ronnie Dillon, Charity French, Millard Dillon, Evelyn Raza, Charles E. Dillon Jr., Ricky Dillon, Bruce Sparks, Linda Rowling, Mornie Sparks, Timothy Miller, Jaime Powell and

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Lisa Powell. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF SALE COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II

C.A. NO. 16-CI-620 LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICES, LLC PLAINTIFF VS. ORVILLE MITCHELL, JR.; SHANA MITCHELL; DEFENDANTS

So as to comply with the Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$79,206.21, plus interest and other costs; please be advised that the Floyd County Master Commissioner has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of 1:00 p.m., on the 5TH day of January, 2018, at the door of the old Floyd County Court-house, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), the property described to wit: **PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 36 Reed Lane, Drift, KY 41619 **MAP NUMBER:** 051-20-02-008.00 **LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** A certain tract of land situated in Floyd County, Kentucky lying and being on land situated on Hampton Branch, a tributary of the Beaver Creek, and being on the west side of State Highway No 122, just opposite the Drift Camp Baseball Park, and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at an iron pin on the right hand side, ascending, of Hampton Branch approximately one-fourth mile from the mouth thereof, said point being 5.70 degrees 01' W 458.75 feet from a chiselled cross (x) on the westerly stone headwall of a culvert under Kentucky State Highway No. 122 thence N 22 Degree 25'00" west on the Easterly line of Kentucky Power Company a distance 114.95 feet to concrete monument with brass disc set;

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Thence N. 22 degrees 25'00" west on the easterly line of Kentucky Power Company a distance of 22.01 feet to an iron pin set; thence N. 22 degrees 25' W west on the easterly line of Kentucky Power Company a distance of 34.40 feet to a concrete monument with brass disc set, said monument being the true point of beginning; thence S 67 degree 56.24 East a distance of 6.27 feet to a point; thence N 22 Degree 03'36" West a distance of 24.86 feet to an Iron pin set; thence S 65 Degrees 00' 00" West a distance of 36.92 feet to a point, said point being located N 65 degrees 0'00" E A distance of 2.65 feet from an iron pin set, thence N 34 degrees 01' 43" West a distance of 17.34 feet to a points aid points being located N 25 degrees 14' 57" W a distance of 17.12 feet from an iron pin set, thence N 25 Degrees 14' 57" West 29.98 feet to an iron pin set on the Northerly line Kentucky Power Company, thence N 65 Degrees 00'00" East on the Northerly line of Kentucky Power Company a distance of 15.11 feet to a concrete monument with a brass disc set; thence N 65 degrees 00'00" East on the northerly line of Kentucky Power Company a distance of 32.90 feet to the north-easterly corner of the lands of Kentucky Power Company, thence S 22 degrees 25' 00" East a distance of 72.32 feet on the easterly line of Kentucky Power Company of the true point of Beginning, and containing 0.053 acres. Also that certain tract or parcel of land, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the corner of the Harlos Hall Property at the garage; thence going in straight line with the Harlos Hall Boundary to the back of the bottom of the Turner property line; thence along the Turner property line back to the garage and to the point of beginning. It is understood that this conveyance includes the garage. Subject to any and all easements, restrictions, conditions, and legal highways of record and /or in existence. Being the same property conveyed from Secretary of Veteran Affairs, an Officer of the United States of American to Orville Mitchell, Jr., a married person, in fee simple by virtue of a deed dated January 11, 2010 and recorded January 21, 2011 at Deed book 575, Page 473 of the Floyd County, Kentucky real estate records. **A.** The property address and map

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number contained herein are for convenience only. A 1 1 property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions contained within the Judgment referenced above. **B.** The successful bidder shall pay cash in full on the date of the sale or shall pay a non-refundable deposit equal to 10% of the purchase price with the balance due in full within thirty (30) days. If the bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover said costs. On the date of said sale, the successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate provided by the laws of the Commonwealth per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchase price is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate resale. In the event the Plaintiff is the successful bidder, said Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above. **C.** The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All delinquent taxes for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds along with the payment of other assessments properly claimed or filed within the above referenced record. Any taxes or assessments for prior years which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser. **D.** The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, stipulations, defects, or encumbrances of record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the property. The property is also sold subject to rights of redemption which may exist in favor of the United States of America, the Defendants and/or record owners of said property. **E.** The property

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shall be sold "AS IS." The Master Commissioner shall not be deemed to have warranted the title of the subject property to the purchaser. **F.** Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

NOTICE OF SALE COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II

C.A. NO. 16-CI-776 VANDERBILT MORTGAGE AND FINANCE, INC.

PLAINTIFF VS. KELLY NEWMAN; JESSICA J. NEWMAN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KELLY NEWMAN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JESSICA J. NEWMAN; JUDA NEWMAN; US BANK AS CUSTODIAN FOR SASS MUNI VIDTR; FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY DEFENDANTS

So as to comply with the Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$44,788.54, plus interest and other costs; please be advised that the Floyd County Master Commissioner has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of 1:00 p.m., on the 5TH day of January, 2018, at the door of the old Floyd County Court-house, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), a 2008 Clayton Mobile Home, Serial N o . CLH033662TNA B and the property described to wit: **PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 277 N e w m a n s B r a n c h , Grethel, KY 41631 **MAP NUMBER:** 096-00-00-108.08 **LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** A certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky and described as follows: **BEGINNING** at head of the branch on left side of cemetery road, running 158 feet by 100 feet wide, up into left hollow at the foot of the cemetery hill, across the road from double-wide trailer. Being the same property conveyed to Kelly and Jessica Juryane Newman, husband and wife, from Travis and Christine Newman by General Warranty Deed dated March 28, 2008, of record

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in Deed Book 545, Page 745 in the Office of the County Court Clerk of Floyd County, KY. **A.** The property address and map number contained herein are for convenience only. A 1 1 property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions contained within the Judgment referenced above. **B.** The successful bidder shall pay cash in full on the date of the sale or shall pay a non-refundable deposit equal to 10% of the purchase price with the balance due in full within thirty (30) days. If the bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover said costs. On the date of said sale, the successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate provided by the laws of the Commonwealth per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchase price is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate resale. In the event the Plaintiff is the successful bidder, said Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above. **C.** The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All delinquent taxes for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds along with the payment of other assessments properly claimed or filed within the above referenced record. Any taxes or assessments for prior years which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser. **D.** The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, stipulations, defects, or encumbrances of record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the property. The property is also sold subject to rights of re-

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demption which may exist in favor of the United States of America, the Defendants and/or record owners of said property. **E.** The property shall be sold "AS IS." The Master Commissioner shall not be deemed to have warranted the title of the subject property to the purchaser. **F.** Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

NOTICE OF SALE COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I

C.A. NO. 17-CI-018 VANDERBILT MORTGAGE AND FINANCE, INC.

PLAINTIFF VS. ESTATE OF NANNIE NEWSOME (in rem); UNKNOWN HEIRS OF NANNIE NEWSOME (in rem); FREDA FUGATE (in rem); BRENDA HAMILTON (in rem); BERT NEWSOME (in rem); CURTIS NEWSOME (in rem); DANIEL NEWSOME, JR. (in rem); REBAL SALISBURY (in rem); TIMOTHY NEWSOME (in rem); MISTY WILLIAMSON (in rem); EDWARD NEWSOME (in rem); COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION CABINET; and COUNTY OF FLOYD, KENTUCKY DEFENDANTS

So as to comply with the Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$9,816.73, plus interest and other costs; please be advised that the Floyd County Master Commissioner has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of 1:00 p.m., on the 5TH day of January, 2018, at the door of the old Floyd County Court-house, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), the property described to wit: **PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 118 Creekside Lane, Minnie, KY 41651 **MAP NUMBER:** 052-00-00-119.03 **LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** A certain tract or parcel of land located on Left Beaver Creek, Floyd

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County, Kentucky, being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a stake in the edge of State Highway and a corner to Lee B. Hall's line; thence running up the creek with the State Highway about 400 feet to a corner to Famer Halbert's line; thence with Famer Halbert's line from State Highway to the creek; thence running down the creek with the creek to Lee B. Hall's line; thence back to the State Highway with Lee B. Hall's line to the beginning: This deed is made as the creek now run.

BEING the same property conveyed to Nannie Newsome, her heirs and assigns, by deed from Daniel Newsome, single, et al., dated November 14, 2005, of record in Deed Book 518, Page 413, in the Office of the Floyd County Court Clerk. Nannie Newsome died intestate a resident of Floyd County, Kentucky, on January 28, 2016, and the property passed to her heirs at law at her death.

A. The property address and map number contained herein are for convenience only. A l l property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions contained within the Judgment referenced above.

B. The successful bidder shall pay cash in full on the date of the sale or shall pay a non-refundable deposit equal to 10% of the purchase price with the balance due in full within thirty (30) days. If the bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover said costs. On t h e date of said sale, the successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate of 10% per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchase price is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate resale. In the event the Plaintiff is the successful bidder, said Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above.

C. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for

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the current year and all subsequent years. All delinquent taxes for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds along with the payment of other assessments properly claimed or filed within the above referenced record. Any taxes or assessments for prior years which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser.

D. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, stipulations, defects, or encumbrances of record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the property. The property is also sold subject to rights of redemption which may exist in favor of the United States of America, the Defendants and/or record owners of said property.

E. The property shall be sold "AS IS." The Master Commissioner shall not be deemed to have warranted the title of the subject property to the purchaser.

F. Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

NOTICE OF SALE COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 17-CI-032 KENTUCKY HOUSING CORPORATION PLAINTIFF VS. CAROL S. SMITH; NEAL THOMPSON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF NEAL THOMPSON; DEFENDANTS

So as to comply with the Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$70,695.87, plus interest and other costs; please be advised that the Floyd County Master Commissioner has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of 1:00 p.m., on the 5TH day of January, 2018, at the door of the old Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), the property described to wit: **PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2430 Kentucky Route 7, Wayland, KY**

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41666 MAP NUMBER: 029-00-00-088.01 LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Situated in Wayland, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

A survey of the J.M. Turner tracts recorded in deed Book 133, Page 391 dated January 7, 1947, Deed Book 108, Page 258 dated April 15, 1937 portion of Deed Book 120, Page 488 dated May 29, 1943 located on the northern side of Ky. Route 7 and 0.2 mile west from Wayland of Floyd County, Kentucky and being described as follows: Beginning at an iron pin set on center of point and fence line, said pin being common with the C & O Railroad tract recorded in Deed Book 57, Page 131 and the Elk Horn Coal tract, also common grantor to J. M. Turner; thence up the point on the west side of the Town of Wayland and with the line of the J. M. Turner tract recorded in Deed Book 108, Page 258 to the top of ridge on the following calls of N 84 degrees 33' 0" E 46.00 feet Rail Spike set in a small rock ledge and on fence line; Thence N 75 degrees 0' 4" E 50.28 feet to an iron pin; thence N 69 degrees 46' 41" E 179.63 feet; Thence N 59 degrees 14' 26" E 96.32 feet; Thence N 49 degrees 37' 50" E 98.31 feet; Thence N 46 degrees 38' 55" E 124.31 feet cross on rock (found); Thence N 80 degrees 44' 00" E 186.65 feet cross on rock (found); Thence N 57 degrees 16' 00" E 218.49 feet cross on rock (found) on ridge and witness by a 24 inch White Oak; Thence N 42 degrees 18' 00" E 288.78 feet point on ridge; Thence N 79 degrees 53' 30" E 242.15 feet cross on large rock (found); Thence S 82 degrees 32' 30" E 127.64 feet to a point on the left edge of 20 inch white oak; Thence N 84 degrees 29' 00" E 213.32 feet cross on rock found; Thence N 50 degrees 31' 30" E 146.40 feet cross on rock found; Thence N 28 degrees 41' 00" E 131.25 feet iron pin set at fence corner on top of ridge; Thence down the point on the eastern side of Martin Branch with the following calls of aforementioned deed N 68 degrees 10' 00" W 122.96 feet; Thence N 50 degrees 01' 00" W 135.18 feet cross on rock; Thence S 71 degrees 59' 30" W 120.39 feet cross o rock (found); Thence N 78 degrees 06' 00" W 202.23 feet; Thence N 71 degrees 00' 00" W 26.31 feet; Thence N 71 degrees 33' 00" W 166.57 feet cross on rock

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(found); Thence S 86 degrees 41' 00" W 142.90 feet; Thence S 85 degrees 13' 00" W 296.62 feet to an iron pin witnessed by a 16 inch hickory and common with the line of Judy Wiley tract recorded in Deed Book 322, Page 280; Thence S 80 degrees 39' 30" W 211.75 feet to the northwest corner of the John Earnest (Red) Slone tract recorded in Deed book 303, Page 693; Thence with said line S 51 degrees 43' 00" W 180.06 feet; Thence S 64 degrees 57' 00" W 207.51 feet; Thence with said line down the hill toward Martin Branch N 29 degrees 59' 00" W 518.46 feet to an iron pin (found) on the corner of Kenneth E. Hutchinson tract recorded in Deed Book 303, Page 693; Thence with said line around hillside S 43 degrees 29' 00" W 11.51 feet; Thence N 59 degrees 27' 00" E 256.00 feet to an iron pin found near fence corner of the Martin Baptist Church Tract recorded in Deed Book 328, page 467; Thence with said tract around hillside S 35 degrees 14' 47" E 37.01 feet; Thence S 48 degrees 17' 21" W 140.25 feet; Thence S 38 degrees 29' 54" W 163.79 feet; Thence N 87 degrees 10' 38" W 75.09 feet to an iron pin on the northern side of Ky. Route 7 and being 30 feet from the centerline and southwest corner of J. M. Turner tract recorded in Deed Book 133, Page 391, Thence with the right of way of Ky. Route 7 and said deed line S 19 degrees 41' 28" E 16.51 feet; Thence S 27 degrees 09' 25" E 613.17 feet iron pin; Thence S 31 degrees 53' 13" E 173.81 feet to an iron pin; Thence with a curve to the left having the following data of: Chord Bearing: N 50 degrees 14' 55" W Radius: 1025.88 feet, Length of arc: 368.27 feet and a Length of Chord: 366.30 feet to an iron pin, said point being common with the southeast corner of the tract conveyed to J. M. Turner from the C & O Railroad by Deed Book 133, Page 391; Thence S 58 degrees 54' 24" E 58.22 feet to an iron pin; Thence Being the same property conveyed to Carol S. Smith, unmarried, by Deed dated November 5, 2010 and of record in Deed Book 584, Page 748, and further conveyed to Neal Thompson by Deed dated January 11, 2011, of record in Deed Book 584, Page 748, both in the Office of the Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky. A. The property address and map number contained herein are for convenience only.

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A l l property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions contained within the Judgment referenced above.

B. The successful bidder shall pay cash in full on the date of the sale or shall pay a non-refundable deposit equal to 10% of the purchase price with the balance due in full within thirty (30) days. If the bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover

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said costs. On t h e date of said sale, the successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate of 10% per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchase price is not paid in full within

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thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate resale. In the event the Plaintiff is the successful bidder, said Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above.

C. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All delinquent taxes for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds along with the payment of other assessments properly claimed or

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filed within the above referenced record. Any t a x e s or assessments f o r prior years which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser.

D. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, stipulations, defects, or encumbrances of record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the property. The property is also sold subject to rights of redemption which may exist in favor of the United States of America, the Defendants and/or record owners of said property.

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E. The property shall be sold "AS IS." The Master Commissioner shall not be deemed to have warranted the title of the subject property to the purchaser.

F. Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

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Lady Bobcats knock off Model

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

HYDEN — Betsy Layne halted a five-game losing skid in the final round of the Leslie County High School-hosted Hyden Citizens Bank Classic over the weekend, defeating Model 53-32 on Saturday.

With the win, Betsy Layne improved to 4-8.

Model dropped to 1-8 with the loss. Every player on the Betsy Layne bench contributed in some way as the Lady Bobcats pulled away to win convincingly.

Betsy Layne shot 34 percent (18 of 53) from the field. The Lady Bobcats

missed all three of their shot attempts from three-point range.

Betsy Layne shot 54.8 percent (17 of 31) from the free-throw line.

Setting the tone early, Betsy Layne led 13-0 before Model scored. The Lady Bobcats outscored Model 22-2 in the opening quarter and carried a commanding 34-12 lead into halftime.

Destiny Compton led Betsy Layne to the win, scoring a game-high 14 points for the Lady Bobcats.

Megan Frazier accompanied Compton in double figures in the Betsy Layne scoring column and led the Lady Bobcats in rebounding, adding 12 points

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ABOVE: Betsy Layne's Lauryn Watkins passes the ball against Model Saturday. The Lady Bobcats picked up a 53-32 win over Model.

RIGHT: Megan Frazier drives through the lane for Betsy Layne during a game against Model in the Hyden Citizens Bank Classic on Saturday.



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Blackcats fall to Greenup

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

LLOYD — Greenup County senior guard Gage Hughes scored a game-high 40 points to lead the Musketeers past the visiting Prestonsburg Blackcats 76-65 in the Stultz Pharmacy Holiday Classic on Friday.

With the loss, Prestonsburg dropped to 3-7.

Greenup County evened its record to 6-6 with the win.

Tournament host Greenup County, a team under the direction of Floyd County native Harold Tackett, shot 44.7 percent (21 of 47) from the field. The Musketeers were nine of-27 (33.3 percent) from three-point range.

Greenup County shot

80.6 percent (25 of 31) from the free-throw line.

JT Johnson joined Hughes in double figures for Greenup County, scoring 11 points.

Kyle Gammon posted eight points, Elijah Raby added seven points and Brecken Thomas posted six points for the Musketeers.

Thomas led Greenup County on the glass, grabbing a game-high 11 rebounds.

The Musketeers were able to move ahead early and forced the Blackcats to play from behind in each period.

Greenup County led at the conclusion of every quarter, gradually pulling away for the win. Tournament host Greenup County led 38-26 at halftime and maintained

a 12-point advantage at the end of the third quarter.

The Musketeers overcame a dozen turnovers to earn the win.

Senior forward Drake Nunnery led Prestonsburg with a team-high 23 points.

Junior guard Austin Endicott was the only other Prestonsburg player to reach double figures in the scoring column, posting 16 points.

Blake Slone narrowly missed reaching double figures, netting nine points for the Blackcats in the setback.

Chandler Nelson and Phil Cornett contributed six points apiece while Gunnar Williams added three points and Dalton Trusty tossed in two points.

Bobcats fall to Jackson County, Paintsville in Mountain Schoolboy Classic



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Randy White

Betsy Layne's Grant Orsborn goes up for a three-point attempt against a couple of Jackson County defenders last Thursday in the Mountain Schoolboy Classic at Belfry. The Bobcats dropped their last two games of the classic. Betsy Layne fell to Jackson County 74-44 and fell to Paintsville 78-35 Friday night.



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Steve LeMaster

Betsy Layne's Madilyn Meade dribbles the ball down the court against Model in action Saturday at Leslie County.

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and seven rebounds.

A total of eight different Betsy Layne players provided scoring in the win. Additional scorers for the Lady Bobcats were Amelia Blackburn (seven points), Alexandria Jarvis (five points), Caroline Ariaz (four points), Katie Kidd (four points) and Lauryn Watkins (two points).

Struggling offensively, Model shot only 20.5 percent (nine of 44) from the field. The Lady Patriots were one of 11 from three-point range.

Model shot 61.5 percent (16 of 26) from the free-throw line.

Savanna Gullett was the only player from Model to reach double figures in the scoring column, posting 10 points for the Lady Patriots.

Betsy Layne finished 1-2 in the Hyden Citizens Bank Classic. Earlier in the tournament, Betsy Layne

had dropped games to host Leslie County and Knox Central. A look back at the Leslie County-Knox Central game, which was played on Friday, follows.

Knox Central 63, Betsy Layne 54

Four Knox Central players reached double figures in the scoring column as the Lady Patriots defeated Betsy Layne 63-54 in the second round of the Hyden Citizens Bank Classic at Leslie County on Friday.

Knox Central shot 59.5 percent (25 of 42) from the field. The Lady Patriots were five of 10 (50 percent) from three-point range.

Knox Central shot 62.5 percent (10 of 16) from the free-throw line.

Presley Partin paced Knox Central with 14 points. Emily Davis added 13 points, Maddie Pennington contributed 12 points and Abigail Mills posted 10 points for the Lady Patriots in the win.

Betsy Layne shot only 32.1 percent (18 of 56) from the field. The Lady Bobcats were one of six from three-point range.

Betsy Layne shot 57.7 percent (15 of 26) from the free-throw line.

Caroline Ariaz led Betsy Layne with a game-high 18 points. Ariaz connected on the Ladycats' lone successful three-point field goal.

Megan Frazier followed Ariaz in the Betsy Layne scoring column, finishing with 16 points. Ariaz and Frazier claimed seven rebounds apiece for the Lady Bobcats.

Narrowly missing a double-double, Destiny Compton scored 13 points and pulled down nine rebounds for the Lady Bobcats.

Betsy Layne received scoring from six different players. Katie Kidd scored three points while Hannah Tackett and Lauryn Watkins chipped in two points apiece for the Lady Bobcats in the loss.

May Valley captures Floyd County K-5 championship

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

EASTERN — May Valley captured the Floyd County K-5 Championship on Thursday, Dec. 14, outlasting rival South Floyd 37-36 in the title game at Allen Central High School.

Prior to defeating South Floyd in the title game, May Valley topped Wesley Christian and Prestonsburg earlier in the tournament.

May Valley concluded the 2017 season 21-1. In addition to the county championship, the Tigers captured Right Beaver Classic and Ronnie Samons Invitational titles.

More on May Valley's journey to the Floyd County K-5 Championship follows.

May Valley 42, Wesley Christian 11

Cole Laferty scored a game-high 16 points to lead May Valley past Wesley Christian 42-11 in the Floyd County K-5 Boys' Basketball Tournament.

Additional scorers for May Valley in the convincing victory were Grant Jenkins (six points), Jace Martin (six points), Brock Horne (four points), Trey Turner (four points), Logan Meade (two points), Mason Anderson (two points) and Carson Allen (two points).

May Valley 44, Prestonsburg 23

Cole Laferty scored 17 points while Grant Jenkins and Luke Howard added nine points apiece

as May Valley topped Prestonsburg 44-23 in the Floyd County K-5 Boys' Basketball Tournament.

Jace Martin and Brock Horne rounded out the May Valley individual scoring, adding six points and three points, respectively.

May Valley 37, South Floyd 36: Brock Horne and Grant Jenkins scored 13 points apiece to lead May Valley past South Floyd 37-36 in the Floyd County K-5 Boys' Basketball Tournament title game at Allen Central High School on Thursday night.

Cole Laferty scored six points and Luke Howard added five points as May Valley captured the county championship.

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