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years-old and have at least 20 signatures from registered voters in their district.

The filing fee is \$20.

"Council"

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Wabuck Development, told the council that her company would work with them to try and obtain a state grant for the station.

The council also heard the second reading of the 2003-04 budget which estimates revenues of \$608,323 in the general fund and \$1,557,833 for water and sewer.

Expenditures in the general fund are expected to be \$226,358 for the general fund, \$382,508 for the police department, water and sewer expenditures are estimated at \$1,082,647 for the water department and \$244,158 for the sewer fund.

Both the general fund and the water and sewer fund's expenditures are more than their anticipated revenue but the budget does not include the cash balance for the accounts. City Clerk Kaye Rader said the general fund will have a cash balance of approximately \$90,000 and \$400,000 in the water and sewer funds.

Over half of the expected revenue for the general fund will come from property taxes (\$120,000) and occupational tax (\$200,000) with the largest expenditures for wages, including the police department, of \$266,755.

In the water and sewer fund, \$459,589 is budgeted for wages, \$157,100 for plant bond interest and \$125,000 for technical supplies.

In other business, Edna Creech, who administers rental property for her dad, asked the council if something could be done about the problem landowners have with renters running out on water bills and the landowner being held responsible. Mrs. Creech told the council that her father had been out several hundred dollars recently for the bills left unpaid by renters.

Mayor Clarice Kirby told the council that a \$50 deposit is required from a renter to get water service to the property. But because the city is having so much trouble collecting past due bills, even after applying the deposit, that an ordinance had been passed some years ago holding the property owner responsible for the bills.

Mrs. Creech drew up a form giving her the right to have the city cut off a tenant's water if the bill was not kept current. However, Mayor Kirby said Wednesday that this contradicted the city's ordinance giving water customers 45 days before service was discontinued.

The council did vote to name Joe Mullins as the contact person in case of emergency if Mayor Kirby could not be contacted.

Acting police chief Eddie Delaney reported to the council that an application for a COPS Grant had recently been completed requesting three officers. The Grant is for three years with the city being responsible for 25% of the cost and the federal government picking up 75%.

Mayor Kirby told the council that candidates for the three positions cannot be certified and would have to go through the police training at Eastern Kentucky University.

As a side note, Ed Robinson was inadvertently left off the list of active police officers for the city in last week's story and Roy Gambrell's name was misspelled in the story.

Keith Russell, local business owner, was at the meeting to ask the council about the police situation. He was told that other law enforcement agencies in the county, Sheriff's Dept. and KSP, were being a great help during this time and Mayor Kirby said the felt the situation was under control.

Russell also asked about any city ordinance governing the sale of fireworks since vendors, located near his business, were selling them and also setting them off in a parking lot next to his business. Russell told the council this was a dangerous situation because of the possibility of cars being damaged or even fires started.

Acting Chief Delaney told Russell there was no ordinance in place governing the sale of fireworks. "It only requires a permit from the state and a privilege license from the city," Delaney told Russell.

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Transylvania University celebrated the graduation of 200 students during commencement on May 24. Area resident and Rockcastle County High School graduate Suzanne Brown received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the top-ranked education institution.

Brown, a business administration major, is the daughter of Ronnie and Debbie Brown, of Mt. Vernon.

Transylvania, founded in 1780, is the nation's sixteenth oldest institution of higher learning and is consistently ranked in national publications as one of the top liberal arts colleges in the country.



Burke attends WKU Publications Workshop

Students from 10 high schools in Kentucky and Tennessee attended the Student Publications Staff Workshop June 26-27 at Western Kentucky University.

Workshop sessions included news, sports and feature writing, photography, advertising design and yearbook design.

Travis Vincent of Louisville's Trinity High School and Heather McKinney of Barren County High School received \$250 scholarships to WKU.

The workshop was co-sponsored by the Kentucky High School Media Partnership, Kentucky High School Journalism Association and the WKU School of Journalism and Broadcasting. Jackie Bretz was the

Thacker named to

Cumberland Dean's list

The Cumberland College Office of the vice president for Academic Affairs announced that Amber Camille Thacker of Crab Orchard, has been named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2003 semester.

Full-time students who have obtained a cumulative scholastic standing of 3.50 and have no grade of "I" are eligible for the Dean's List.

Cumberland College, located at Williamsburg, is a private liberal arts college in its 144th year of operation. Cumberland offers four undergraduate degrees in 37 major fields of study, 30 minors and nine pre-professional programs.

"Court"

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speed limit for the Hummel Road from U.S. 25 to the Maret Cemetery Road of 35 miles an hour. Magistrate Allen told the court that a resident of the area, Mabel Burdette, had called and written him requesting some action for safety reasons. Allen said tourist at Kenton Valley walked on the road and local people jogged there.

Magistrate McKinney offered some objection to the action saying that it would set a precedence the court would have to deal with from now on and offered the opinion that "if the speed limit" won't have any affect anyway."

However, on a voice vote, the Allen's motion passed unanimously. The court also voted to hire Billy Wayne Bryant as a supervisor for activities at the Preston Parrett Gym in Livingston at \$7.50 an hour, effective July 16.

The court also discussed with Chief Sheriff's Deputy Nathaniel Price the disposal of four of the department's cruisers, recently replaced by six surplus cruisers from the state at a cost of \$22,250.

Carloftis told the court the options available to the court for disposal were: public auction, sealed bids, to individuals for the appraised value or donating them to another government agency.

The court gave Carloftis the authority to dispose of the cars in one of the first three noted manners since, "We can't afford to give them away," Carloftis noted.



Hugh, Cody, Shane, Teddy and Josh went fishing July 5th and caught 415 lbs. of fish at Tim's Paylake in London.

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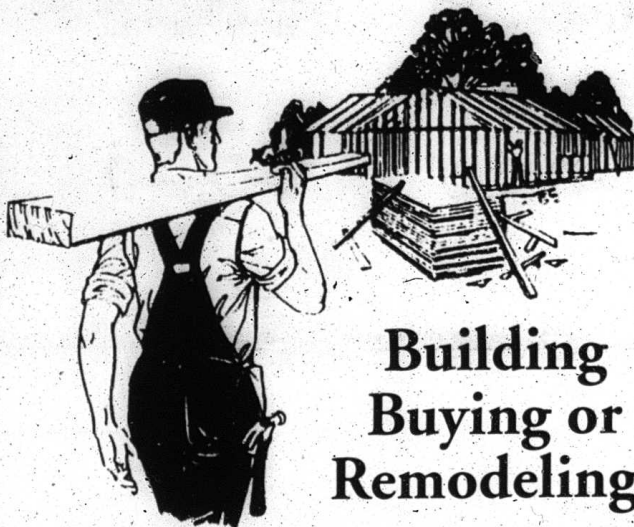
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