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County to receive \$8 million for recreational facility

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The Kentucky state budget for 2027 includes a line item that gives Green County funds to construct a recreational facility.

"I very much appreciate Senator David Givens and his efforts on this project," Green County Judge-Executive John Frank said. "I am convinced this will be a great addition to Green County and will be a facility that everyone will appreciate and enjoy. There are lots of decisions to be made and we will begin the planning process very soon."

Frank said he believes that the county will be ready to start actual construction as soon as the money is received, which will be sometime after July 1, 2027.

"Investing in the future of our local communities pays dividends beyond just the financial," said State Senator David Givens. "This facility in Green County will provide opportunities for our youth and families, adding to the quality of life we already enjoy."

The facility will be county owned and operated but many other details are still unclear at this time.

"Right now, we think there will be three courts that can be used for basketball and volleyball games," Frank said. "We are also planning to have a turf field where athletes can hone their baseball, softball, soccer and football skills. We are planning to have pickleball courts and a bike track as well as a meeting room, concession stand and restrooms."

The facility, which is still unnamed, is projected to have one full-time employee who will manage the building and the events and will rely on some part-time employees, perhaps high school co-op students who will work a few hours a week, learning business and relational skills as well as earning money at the same time.

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Kayakers discover body, KSP results pending

A body was found Friday, May 8 on the banks of Pitman Creek in the Summersville community of Green County. Kayakers discovered the body of a female.

Green County authorities were alerted to the scene and the body was transported to the state medical examiner's office.

"As of now, we are still working on a positive identification of the deceased individual," Kentucky State Police Public Affairs Officer Jonathan Houk said.

Green County 4-H agent and Record-Herald receive state honors

The Kentucky Association of Extension 4-H Agents (KAE4-HA) held its Annual Conference April 21-23 in Somerset, where several state awards were presented recognizing outstanding contributions to Kentucky's 4-H Youth Development program.

Among those honored was Green County 4-H Youth Development Agent Sue Ann Loyall, who received the Achievement in Service Award. The award recognizes up to three Kentucky 4-H Youth Development agents who have served between three and seven years and demonstrated exceptional performance, meaningful programming, and strong commitment to youth development.

Loyall serves Green County through diverse programming in agriculture, leader-

ship, STEM, and natural resources. She is dedicated to expanding opportunities for youth through community partnerships, volunteer leadership development, and innovative educational experiences designed to prepare youth to be "Beyond Ready."

In addition to the Achievement in Service Award, Loyall and the Green County Record-Herald were recognized with the KAE4-HA Newspaper Award. The award honors local newspapers that support and strengthen county 4-H programs through outstanding coverage and community engagement.

The Record-Herald was recognized for its consistent and meaningful coverage of local 4-H activities, youth accomplishments, and educational opportunities.

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Photo submitted

Sue Ann Loyall received the Achievement in Service Award, pictured with KAE4-HA President Dora Centers. Loyall also received the Newspaper Award on behalf of the Green County Record Herald.

City Council to move forward acquiring property

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The Greensburg City Council, in a special called meeting Wednesday, May 6 voted by roll call vote of 4-1 to move forward with property acquisitions regarding two tracts of property located on Water Street and the corner of Henry and Depot Streets. Voting in favor of were Council members Jerry Cowherd, Julie Smyrichinsky, Ed Gorin, and Alex Taylor. Voting against was Councilman Mark Judd.

"These acquisitions are a continuation of our efforts to deliver a brand-new city park to our community," said Mayor John Shuffett.

In other business, Council members approved:

(1) An amended Declaration of a Local State of Emergency concerning a landslide event that occurred on April 13, 2026

(2) Resolution No. 2026-0506 authorizing Mayor John Shuffett to execute and sign documents on behalf of the City of Greensburg to negotiate with local financial institutions to acquire an open line of credit

Candidates speak at Grab Fire Department event



Photo by Clevis Jeffries

The Meet the Candidates speaking event last Saturday evening at the Grab Fire Department Open House, involved those candidates whose names will appear on the May 19 primary ballot in the district in which the Grab Fire Department is located. Pictured from left, the candidates and the offices they seek include Steven Caven and Ryan Bivens, 24th District State Representative; John Frank and James Bonta, County Judge-Executive; and Vernon "Tinker" White and Charles Judd, 5th District Magistrate. More photos from the open house event are on page 9A.



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