



Tri-County crews encountered flooded roadways in Jackson County. | PHOTO COURTESY LONDON-LAUREL RESCUE SQUAD



The Million Church was swept away in Richmond's flooding. | PHOTO BY NATHAN HUTCHINSON

FLOODS

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from their houses to safety, as well as some welfare checks," Allen said.

The rescue squad was assisted by Woodbine Fire & Rescue, Brodhead Fire Department and the Corbin Fire Department — all of whom deployed personnel and equipment to aid the response.

Laurel County Emergency Management also commended the responding agencies, writing, "This team is to be commended for their training, equipment and dedication of helping others! Southeastern Kentucky should be proud to have this group to call upon in times of need!"

On Sunday, Laurel County Emergency Management announced Deputy Director Brook Sea and Director Jerry Rains traveled to the Jackson County Emergency Operations Center at the request of Kentucky Emergency Management and Jackson County Emergency Management to assist with damage assessments.

According to the agency, the assessments are being completed using a Kentucky Emergency Management and FEMA-approved report-

ing system and will continue throughout the week to determine whether federal disaster assistance may be available.

The agency also reflected on the assistance Laurel County received following the May 2025 tornado, stating, "We greatly appreciated the help during the May 2025 tornado in Laurel County from Jackson County EM and first responders and we are happy to assist them with this horrific flooding. Neighbors helping neighbors!"

Woodbine Fire & Rescue also recognized its members after they safely returned home from Jackson County, saying they were "grateful for the opportunity to stand beside our neighboring communities in their time of need," while asking the public to continue praying for the families affected by the flooding.

The response from local first responders continued into Sunday. According to the London-Laurel Rescue Squad, the agency and the Corbin Fire Department were deployed to Albany around noon Sunday to assist with flooding in Clinton County. The London-Laurel Rescue Squad deployed a six-member team, one boat and a swift water trailer, while the Corbin Fire Department sent a six-member team and one

rescue boat to assist with on-going operations.

As local crews assisted the counties, Gov. Andy Beshear declared a statewide state of emergency as widespread flooding prompted numerous water rescues and road closures across Kentucky. He also confirmed four flood-related deaths.

The Richmond Register reported that the Madison County Coroner's Office released the identities of their three victims who died during Saturday.

Authorities said 75-year-old Garnett Isbell was killed after his vehicle was swept from Tates Creek Road by floodwaters. John Powell, 57, died after a basement apartment flooded on University Drive in Richmond along with 51-year-old Patricia Beck.

According to a report from LEX18, Jackson County Judge/Executive Paul Hays confirmed one flood-related death in Jackson County. The station reported the fatality resulted from a vehicle collision that occurred during the hazardous flash flooding.

Jackson Coroner Conley Tyra told the station Tony Smith died from a vehicle accident, which was not flood related. Beshear's office said the Department of Public Health determined floodwater contributed to the crash and ruled the death was flood related.

Emergency crews continue conducting damage assessments throughout the affected region. Madison County Emergency Management is asking residents to report damage to homes, businesses, vehicles, agricultural property and access roads to assist local and state officials in determining the full impact of the disaster and potential eligibility for state and federal assistance.

CANDIDATE

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that "candidates previously following Roxanne Roberts on the ballot will now move up one position."

In a statement posted to Facebook on Monday, Roberts explained her decision to step away from the race.

"For no reason, other than my own sanity, I have decided to withdraw from the city council race," Roberts wrote. "I greatly appreciate all the support I have received throughout this process... Hopefully life will be more peaceful from here on out."

With Roberts' withdrawal, voters will now choose from 11 candidates in the London

City Council election on Nov. 3. The order of the candidates that will appear on the ballot are as follows:

1. John Bruner
2. Jamie D. Gibson
3. Matthew E. Allen
4. Johnny S. Miller
5. Heather Dyche
6. Jim Nunley
7. Patrick Todd Taylor
8. Chase L. Carson
9. Deborah K. Gilbert
10. Sharon J. Bengé
11. Jim Baker.

While such a candidate would not appear on the General Election ballot, individuals wishing to run as a write-in may still register through 4 p.m. August 24.

NOTICE

On November 19, 2025, the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) accepted for filing Laurel County Water District No. 2's (Laurel District No. 2) application requesting to increase its revenue from water sales by \$486,926, an approximate increase of 15.75 percent. On April 28, 2026, Commission Staff determined Laurel District No. 2 would require an increase of \$748,780 or 24.22 percent in revenue from water sales. Laurel District No. 2 requests the PSC approve its recommended revenue requirements and that Laurel District No. 2 be allowed to implement the revised rates as follows:

Monthly Water Rates					
5/8-Inch Meter		Current	Proposed		% increase
First	1,000 Gallons	\$15.00	\$18.47	Minimum Bill	23.13%
Next	99,000 Gallons	0.00586	0.00722	Per Gallon	23.21%
Over	100,000 Gallons	0.00523	0.00644	Per Gallon	23.14%
1-Inch Meter					
First	5,000 Gallons	\$38.44	\$47.33	Minimum Bill	23.13%
Next	95,000 Gallons	0.00586	0.00722	Per Gallon	23.21%
Over	100,000 Gallons	0.00523	0.00644	Per Gallon	23.14%
1 1/2-Inch Meter					
First	10,000 Gallons	\$67.74	\$83.40	Minimum Bill	23.12%
Next	90,000 Gallons	0.00586	0.00722	Per Gallon	23.21%
Over	100,000 Gallons	0.00523	0.00644	Per Gallon	23.14%
2-Inch Meter					
First	20,000 Gallons	\$126.34	\$155.54	Minimum Bill	23.11%
Next	80,000 Gallons	0.00586	0.00722	Per Gallon	23.21%
Over	100,000 Gallons	0.00523	0.00644	Per Gallon	23.14%
3-Inch Meter					
First	30,000 Gallons	\$184.94	\$227.68	Minimum Bill	23.11%
Next	70,000 Gallons	0.00586	0.00722	Per Gallon	23.21%
Over	100,000 Gallons	0.00523	0.00644	Per Gallon	23.14%
4-Inch Meter					
First	50,000 Gallons	\$302.14	\$371.97	Minimum Bill	23.11%
Next	50,000 Gallons	0.00586	0.00722	Per Gallon	23.21%
Over	100,000 Gallons	0.00523	0.00644	Per Gallon	23.14%
Campground Heights 1-8					
First	4,000 Gallons	\$51.86	\$63.85	Minimum Bill	23.12%
Next	96,000 Gallons	0.00586	0.00722	Per Gallon	23.21%
Over	100,000 Gallons	0.00523	0.00644	Per Gallon	23.14%
Campground Heights 9					
First	5,000 Gallons	\$38.42	\$47.30	Minimum Bill	23.11%
Next	95,000 Gallons	0.00586	0.00722	Per Gallon	23.21%
Over	100,000 Gallons	0.00523	0.00644	Per Gallon	23.14%
Man Enterprises LLC					
First	22,000 Gallons	\$273.07	\$336.18	Minimum Bill	23.11%
Next	78,000 Gallons	0.00586	0.00722	Per Gallon	23.21%
Over	100,000 Gallons	0.00523	0.00644	Per Gallon	23.14%
KTR LLC					
First	49,000 Gallons	\$604.88	\$744.67	Minimum Bill	23.11%
Next	51,000 Gallons	0.00586	0.00722	Per Gallon	23.21%
Over	100,000 Gallons	0.00523	0.00644	Per Gallon	23.14%
Chestnut Green					
First	26,000 Gallons	\$322.23	\$396.70	Minimum Bill	23.11%
Next	74,000 Gallons	0.00586	0.00722	Per Gallon	23.21%
Over	100,000 Gallons	0.00523	0.00644	Per Gallon	23.14%
Corbin Manor Apt.					
First	200,000 Gallons	\$1,118.44	\$1,376.92	Minimum Bill	23.11%
Over	200,000 Gallons	0.00523	0.00644	Per Gallon	23.14%
Nonrecurring Charges					
Service Reconnection Charge			\$		30.00
Service Reconnection Charge After Hours			\$		113.00
Meter Reread Charge			\$		15.00
Additional Trip Charge			\$		15.00
Meter Test Charge			\$		32.00
Return Check Charge			\$		15.00

Meter Connection Charges

5/8 x 3/4 Inch Water Tap On All Larger Meters	\$1,497.00 Actual Cost
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The proposed rates shall not become effective until the Public Service Commission has issued an Order approving these rates. The rates will increase the monthly bill of a typical residential customer using 4,000 gallons a month from \$32.58 to \$40.13, an increase of \$7.55, or approximately 23.17 percent. This filing may be examined at the offices of Laurel District No. 2 located at 3910 South Laurel Road London, Kentucky 40744; telephone (606)-878-2494. Any person may examine this filing at the PSC located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or on the PSC website at <https://psc.ky.gov/>; telephone (502) 564-3940. A copy of the PSC Commission Staff's Report can be found at the following address: [20260428 STAFF REPORT.pdf](#). Any person may submit comments on the proposed request no later than 30 days after the date of publication of customer notice. Comments shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the Executive Director, Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Comments may also be submitted by electronic mail to psc.comment@ky.gov. If the Commission does not receive any request for intervention or hearing in this matter within 30 days after the date of publication of this customer notice, the Commission will proceed to render a decision on the matter.