

The Barren County Fiscal Court met last night to conduct the business of the county.

Magistrate Billy Houchens reported that approximately 174 inmates were moved into the new Barren County Corrections Center. He said it was a “quick move” and that all of the inmates were transferred by around 11:00am Tuesday. County Judge Executive Davie Greer also reported that all of the beds were full and that some inmates would be forced to sleep on the floor until a bed becomes available.

The court also voted to terminate their agreement with Gary L. Moberly & Associates for their drug and alcohol testing services. Judge Greer said that because of the training they provided that all of the services Moberly and Associates had been providing can now be taken care of in house by county employees. Shannon White will be overseeing the training process.

John Robert Miller, Brad Bruton, and Joe David Houchens will serve on the Barren County Reapportionment Commission. The commission is required by the State of Kentucky to determine the Magisterial Districts based on population. This process is done every 10 years along with the U.S. Census. Magistrate Chris Steward made the motion to pay the commission members \$50 per meeting not exceeding 6 meetings. That motion was seconded by Magistrate Carl Dickerson and the court unanimously approved both the appointments and compensation. Barren County Clerk Joanne London will act as a non-voting member of the commission.

In other announcements, Barren County Sheriff's Department Public Information Officer Trevor Phillips spoke on behalf of Sheriff Chris Eaton.

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The last order of business was to reappoint Denise Riddle to a Four-Year term to serve as the County Treasurer.