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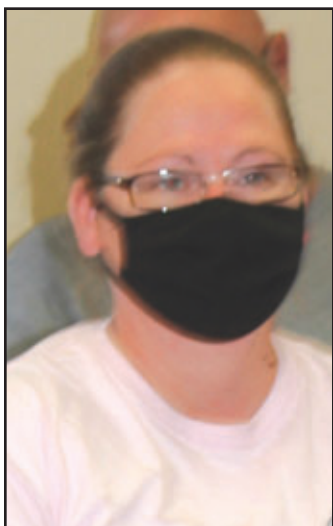
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## County names new solid waste coordinator



**Chad Smith  
Solid Waste  
Coordinator**



**Amy Walters  
Animal Control  
Officer**

Estill County Judge/Executive Donnie Watson introduced the county's new solid waste coordinator and animal control officer at Monday's fiscal court meeting.

This was the first in-person meeting of the fiscal court in about a year. Masks were being worn, but all adults present had previously received a Covid-19 vaccine.

Watson stated the county had advertised for two weeks and did not get one single application for the

solid waste coordinator.

He added that Chad Smith, a jail transport officer, was interested in the position. Smith has accepted the solid waste coordinator's position, and he will continue working as a transport officer.

He was a deputy jailer when the jail closed and was moved to the transport officer's job.

Smith will be paid \$14.00 an hour as solid waste coordinator. He will also attend a training class for solid waste coordina-

tors.

Amy Walters was introduced as the new animal control officer, which pays \$13.00 per hour.

Walters started working at the animal shelter as a part-time employee about four years ago, but became a full-time employee.

She reported there was a spay and neuter clinic in March in which 62 animals were spayed or neutered.

Twenty-eight cats are already scheduled for a clinic on April 24. Spay

and neuter clinics will be held on May 22, June 12 and 19 for both dogs and cats.

Judge Watson said the shelter needs community volunteers to transport animals to Lexington or Richmond to meet rescue groups.

The solid waste coordinator and animal control officer positions became available after the resignation in the fall of Tom Mullen, who held both positions.

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## Man in vehicle is shot in face at West Irvine

One person was shot around 5:30 Friday evening in West Irvine. This was the second shooting in Estill County in the less than a month.

Sheriff Chris Flynn is the investigating officer. He did not release any details because the investigation is ongoing.

A reliable source told the Estill County Tribune, the shooting occurred at a residence near Pizza Hut on Richmond Road.

The victim has been identified by friends as Rusty Wiseman of Irvine. The reliable source said that Wiseman was in a vehicle when he was shot once, the shot hitting him in the face.

The shooter and victim were acquainted.

Wiseman apparently left the shooting scene and called 911. He was located on Main Street in Irvine.

Main Street was blocked off while the police investigation was being conducted.

Wiseman was transported to UK Hospital in Lexington where he was treated and released.

The Irvine Police Department had responded to the shooting.

After it was determined that the shooting occurred outside city limits, Sheriff Flynn took over as the lead investigator.

As of Monday, no charges have been filed. If enough evidence becomes available, Sheriff Flynn can get an arrest warrant issued for any person committing crimes.

The sheriff can also take the evidence he has to a grand jury. The grand jury will decide if there is enough evidence to indict someone on criminal charges.



**Carter Flynn was recognized on his 8th birthday Monday at a meeting of the Estill Fiscal Court. His mother, Amber is a financial assistant for the county.**

## Lee Co. native hired as head of tech center

by CATHY DAWES  
Tribune Staffwriter

On Thursday night during the school board meeting, Supt. Jeff Saylor introduced the newly hired principal for the technology center.

Coy Hall, a native of Lee County, has joined the district after working in the Clark County technology center for thirteen years as a welding instructor.

Hall said that he is excited to be a part of this team, and the technology center will have a lot of new programs that will take Estill County to new

places. Hall added that he was glad to be an Engineer.

A moment of silence was held for high school teacher Jon Potts, who passed away suddenly last week.

Construction updates were given to the board by Peter Fisher. He also let them know that bids would be opened in May for the athletic facility project. Work will begin sometime in June on those upgrades with a completion date set for August 2022.

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**Vincent Harrison of Irvine, celebrated his 90th birthday with his family this past weekend. He is the husband of Lucille Neal Harrison and is the father of Debbie, Sharon, Steve, Rebecca, Lisa, and Amy. He has eleven grandchildren and four great grandchildren. See full story on Page 15.**



**Donnie Tipton recently retired from Bunt Gross Auto Sales after 47 years. He worked briefly at other places but began working for Bunt Gross when the dealership was on Chestnut Street in Irvine. A photo of Donnie with his wife and the Bunt Gross dealership family are on Page 15.**

**Obituaries**  
Tommie Conrad, 36  
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Linda Meers, 89  
Sylvia Mullins, 69  
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**Covid Report**  
4/19/21  
**Active Cases**  
5  
**Recovered**  
1070  
**Deaths --** 14  
**Total --** 1089  
For information on Covid shots, please call the Health Department at 723-5181.  
Shots are also available from some local pharmacies.