

CAMPBELL COUNTY FISCAL COURT MINUTES

February 16, 2005

A regular meeting of the Campbell County Fiscal Court was held on Wednesday, February 16, 2005, at 5:30 p.m., at the Campbell County Fiscal Court Conference Room, 24 W. 4th Street, Newport, Kentucky.

Judge Pendery called the meeting to order. A moment of silence was called for by Judge Pendery, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Following roll call, a quorum was declared present. The meeting was not covered by *Government Access*.

In attendance at the meeting were:

COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE:
STEVE PENDERY

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:
DAVID OTTO
KENNETH RECHTIN
WILLIAM VERST

Laurie Dowell
Keith Hill
Pat Dressman
Reno Deaton
Ken Knipper
Sarah Collins
Melissa Williams

Assistant County Attorney
Chief, Campbell County Police Department
Human Services Director
Lakeside Terrace Director
Office of Emergency Management Director
Interim Director of Housing
Administration Director

Judge Pendery presented the minutes from the Fiscal Court meeting of February 1, 2005 and the Mayors' Meeting of January 25, 2005. It was moved by Commissioner Otto and seconded by Commissioner Rechtin that the minutes of February 1, 2005 and January 25, 2005 be approved. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Judge Pendery then asked if there were any citizens or public officials present who wished to address the Court. There were none.

Judge Pendery then requested items of Old Business be brought before the Court. Ms. Williams stated that there was no Old Business.

Judge Pendery next requested items of New Business be brought before the Court. Ms. Williams advised that the first order of New Business was consideration of Resolution R-16-05, which she read by title and provided a summary to the Court for its consideration. She stated that this Resolution adopts the 2005 Bus Policies for the Campbell County Senior Center. She noted that Pat Dressman, Human Services Director, was present to answer any questions, and recommends adopting the changes. Ms. Dressman explained that holiday dates were changed to reflect 2005 dates, and the operations for the Bus Program were moved to the Senior Center. There being no

further discussion, Commissioner Rechlin made a motion and Judge Pendery seconded to approve Resolution R-16-05. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously. Judge Pendery inquired of Ms. Dressman how the new fitness/wellness center was operating. Ms. Dressman replied that 150 applicants have come in to the new facility, and all of the equipment is being used continuously. There have been approximately 40-50 seniors per day on average come in to use the facility. She stated that each applicant must have a doctor's permit to use the facility and must disclose all medications being taken on their application. Commissioner Verst inquired as to how many of those applicants were from out-of-county. Ms. Dressman replied that there were only 3-4 who were out of county, and that when rates are set for next year, county residents would get a rate less than out-of-county residents. Judge Pendery inquired as to how the therapeutic massage operation was going, noting that he would not imagine that many senior citizens would be interested in it. Ms. Dressman stated not many of the senior citizens had shown an interest in the therapeutic massage, with only one or two per week. Commissioner Otto inquired as to whether the massage operation would be continued if there were no use of the option. Ms. Dressman stated that appointments had to be made with the massage therapist, and she does not know the outcome. She believes the therapeutic massage operation may blossom, because the folks coming in to the wellness center who have never been to the center are more interested in the massage. Ms. Dressman noted that groups from Atlanta and South Dakota are coming in next weekend to see how the center is set up. Channel 19 News will be doing a special in March on women's health care from the center.

Ms. Williams next presented Resolution R-17-05, which she read by title and provided a summary to the Court for its consideration. She stated that this Resolution supports a legislative solution to the Campbell County Occupational License Fee conflict. There being no further discussion, Commissioner Rechlin made a motion and Commissioner Otto seconded to approve Resolution R-17-05. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams then presented Resolution R-18-05, which she read by title and provided a summary to the Court for its consideration. She stated that this Resolution sets the 2005 opening and closing dates and camping dates for the Campbell County Park System. She noted that reservations are already being taken for private picnic rentals. Officially, Pendery Park and Morscher Sports Complex will open on March 28 and A.J. Jolly Park and Beiting Sports Complex will open on April 4. There being no further discussion, Commissioner Verst made a motion and Commissioner Otto seconded to approve Resolution R-18-05. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams then presented Resolution R-20-05, which she read by title and provided a summary to the Court for its consideration. She stated that this Resolution authorizes and acknowledges a grant application that was executed by Judge/Executive Steve Pendery on behalf of the Northern Kentucky Water District to apply for Homeland Security funding to provide a back-up generator for the Ohio River Pump Station in the amount of \$460,000. The grant application was due in Frankfort on February 11, 2005. Presently, there is a generator at the plant in Ft. Thomas, but there is not one at the pump station on the river. There being no further discussion, Commissioner Rechlin made a motion and Judge Pendery seconded to approve Resolution R-20-05. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams then presented Resolution R-21-05, which she read by title and provided a summary to the Court for its consideration. She stated that this Resolution sets the 2005 fee

schedule for A.J. Jolly Park. There being no further discussion, Commissioner Otto made a motion and Commissioner Verst seconded to approve Resolution R-21-05. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams then presented Resolution R-22-05, which she read by title and provided a summary to the Court for its consideration. She stated that this Resolution authorizes the request to renew the Section 8 Contract (KY36- M000-092) Housing Assistance payments with the Kentucky Housing Corporation for Lakeside Terrace Apartments. This request will include a rent increase request. She noted that Reno Deaton, Lakeside Terrace Manager, was present to answer any questions. Judge Pendery inquired as to whether the rent increase was the maximum that could be requested. Mr. Deaton stated that for a long period prior to 1997, we were not asking for a rent increase. We are now trying to catch up with that, but cannot ask for the increase all at once. Mr. Deaton stated that it is important to note that we had a four-year contract renewal last year, but we have to request every year to guarantee the funding. This impacts no one in the Section 8 program, because all of those dollars come from HUD. It basically affects the maximum market renters, of which there are about 16 in that category. Judge Pendery suggested we continue to keep catching up. There being no further discussion, Judge Pendery made a motion and Commissioner Rechlin seconded to approve Resolution R-22-05. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams then presented Resolution R-23-05, which she read by title and provided a summary to the Court for its consideration. She stated that this Resolution amends the Campbell County Housing Department's Administrative Plan regarding assistance and rent formulas for the Total Tenant payment and the Interim Review Policy for client incomes that change during the year. She noted that Sarah Collins, Interim Housing Director, was present to answer any questions. Ms. Collins stated that the minimum total tenant payment presently is \$25 and the increase will take that payment to \$50. This increase will assist in saving funds in-house and is warranted through HUD mandates, in order to be able to assist as many people in need as possible. Both Boone and Kenton Counties currently have the \$50 payment in place. She stated that if someone reports an increase in their income, our policy as it stands now is that their income has to double before an increase in the interim rent is made. The change would allow us to increase the interim rent if someone's income increases by 25%. There being no further discussion, Commissioner Otto made a motion and Commissioner Rechlin seconded to approve Resolution R-23-05. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams next requested consideration of a motion to allow staff to advertise, interview and hire five seasonal workers for Golf Course Maintenance, five seasonal workers for Park Maintenance, and 5 seasonal workers for Concession/Camping for the 2005 Park Season. There being no further discussion, Judge Pendery made a motion and Commissioner Verst seconded, to approve the motion. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams then requested consideration of a motion to increase the grade structure of Patrolman Marty Hart from Grade II to Grade III, with salary adjustment from 10D (\$37,759.07) to 11C (\$38,680.10) in accordance with the current agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police. Said increase and salary adjustment to be effective February 5, 2005. There being no further discussion, Judge Pendery made a motion and Commissioner Otto seconded, to approve the motion. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams next requested consideration of a motion to acknowledge and accept the salary compensation set in accordance with KRS 64.5275 by the Kentucky Governor's Office for Local Development for calendar year 2005, retroactive to January 1, 2005 for the Judge/Executive and the Jailer. There being no further discussion, Judge Pendery made a motion and Commissioner Rehtin seconded, to approve the motion. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams then requested consideration of a motion to appoint Joseph Wind to the Campbell County Economic Progress Authority for a four-year term, effective February 16, 2005 through February 15, 2009. She noted that Mr. Wind would be filling the remaining seat that was created when the number of board members was increased. Judge Pendery stated that he believed Mr. Wind will fit nicely on this board, considering our ambition for the commercialization triangle and the University. There being no further discussion, Judge Pendery made a motion and Commissioner Rehtin seconded, to approve the motion. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Judge Pendery next requested reports from Staff. In the absence of County Administrator, Robert Horine, Ms. Williams presented Resolution R-19-05, which she read by title and provided a summary to the Court for its consideration. She stated that this Resolution authorizes the payment for health care services at the Campbell County Detention Center for Dr. Keith Kessler, M.D. for the time period January 7, 2005 through February 1, 2005. In the previous extension agreement, there was a three-week gap that was not included. This Resolution will allow payment for that three-week time period. There being no further discussion, Judge Pendery made a motion and Commissioner Otto seconded to approve Resolution R-19-05. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams then presented Resolution R-24-05, which she read by title and provided a summary to the Court for its consideration. She stated that this Resolution authorizes the execution of Change Order Number 4 to the Contract with Whalen, Inc. for construction at the Campbell County Restricted Custody Center. This Change order is in the amount of \$8,440.54 and includes a credit for the County hauling dirt, and additions for a shower seat and grab bars, metal doors and hardware, two access panels, a desk addition to the guard platforms, and for a framing change on the garage door of the training building. Commissioner Otto inquired as to whether there would be another change order for the actual garage door or if the framing includes the garage door. Ms. Williams stated that she believes this Change Order includes both the framing and the door, but she will verify that for him. There being no further discussion, Judge Pendery made a motion and Commissioner Verst seconded to approve Resolution R-24-05. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Assistant County Attorney Dowell stated she had nothing further to report.

Commissioner Otto wished his daughter, Olivia, a happy 12th birthday. He stated he had nothing further to report.

Commissioner Rehtin stated he had nothing further to report.

Judge Pendery announced that the Campbell County Spring Clean-Up dates are March 18, 19 and 20. He noted this is one of the best-received programs that the County provides. He also announced that the Recreation Department is now taking reservations for the 2005 season for the

Private Picnic Areas located at A. J. Jolly Park. Reservations can be made by calling 859-635-1104.

Judge Pendery then asked for a report from the Fiscal Director. In the absence of Jim Seibert, Fiscal Affairs Director, Ms. Williams requested approval of the Claims being presented at this meeting. Ms. Dowell stated that County Attorney Verst had reviewed the claims and that they appeared to be appropriate. Commissioner Otto stated that as a result of a meeting he attended with County Attorney Verst and Jailer Buckler, it was decided that some of the medical expenses for inmates may be able to be recouped. He cited that in this period's claims, there is a routine medical expense to St. Luke Hospital Emergency Room in the amount of \$6,217. He would like to request Mr. Verst to find out if that charge was for an individual inmate. If it is, we should check with the State to see if there is a way of recouping that amount from the inmate, perhaps through putting liens on any property or vehicles they may own. There being no further discussion, Commissioner Otto made a motion that the claims be approved and paid. Commissioner Rechtin seconded the motion. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was moved by Commissioner Otto, seconded by Commissioner Verst, that the meeting be adjourned. All voted "AYE" and the meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Attachments:

Resolution R-16-05: Campbell County Senior Citizen Bus Policies
Resolution R-17-05: Legislative Support for Occupational License Fee Conflict
Resolution R-18-05: 2005 Park System Opening, Closing & Camping Dates
Resolution R-19-05: Health Care Services for Campbell County Detention Center
Resolution R-20-05: Grant Application for Homeland Security Funding
Resolution R-21-05: 2005 Fee Schedule for A.J. Jolly Park
Resolution R-22-05: Renewal of Section 8 Housing Assistance
Resolution R-23-05: Amendment to Housing Department Administrative Plan
Resolution R-24-05: Change Order for Campbell County Restricted Custody Center
Claims: February 16, 2005

Approved:

/s/ Steve Pendery

STEVE PENDERY

Campbell County Judge/Executive

Attest:

/s/ Melissa A. Williams

Melissa A. Williams

Acting Fiscal Court Clerk