

**CAMPBELL COUNTY FISCAL COURT
MINUTES**

January 9, 2013

A regular meeting of the Campbell County Fiscal Court was held on Wednesday, January 9, 2013, 7:00 p.m. at the Campbell County Courthouse located at 8352 East Main Street, Alexandria, Kentucky.

COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE:
STEVE PENDERY

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:
PETE GARRETT
BRIAN PAINTER
KENNETH RECHTIN

Steve Franzen	County Attorney
Robert Horine	County Administrator
Melissa Williams	Director of Administration
Matt Elberfeld	Finance Director
Paula Spicer	Fiscal Court Clerk
Keith Hill	Campbell County Police Chief
David Plummer	Solid Waste Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Judge Pendery. Cable Access was present to film the meeting.

Judge Pendery asked for a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Following roll call, a quorum was declared present.

Minutes from the Fiscal Court regular meeting of December 19, 2012 were presented. Motion was made by Commissioner Garrett, seconded by Commissioner Painter to approve the minutes. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

Judge Pendery invited comments from the public.

Charles Coleman asked if a determination has been made of the amount of losses from the golf course last year. Judge Pendery stated that they estimate that the losses for the year are about \$400,000.

Kevin Gordon stated that originally there was an ordinance on the agenda regarding sale of fireworks, but it is no longer on the agenda. Judge Pendery stated that there were several zoning ordinances on the agenda, but all have been tabled for further consideration. Mr. Gordon stated that he attended some meetings of the Planning and Zoning Commission, but they would not answer his questions.

David Plummer presented an update of Solid Waste activities in Campbell County. Mr. Plummer provided statistics and talked about the success of the fall clean-up held on November 3 through 5, 2012, the hazardous household waste event held on the same weekend in Florence, the ongoing Trash for Cash program in 2012 and the Christmas tree recycling event that ends on January 11, 2013. He then listed upcoming events in 2013: the spring clean-up, shred day and the river sweep. Judge Pendery pointed out that if not for these programs, the County would have to pay its employees for cleaning up along the roadside. Mr. Plummer advised that the State pays for the roads that are cleaned up by the inmates and other nonprofit groups. He further advised that items with freon are accepted year round at the County Road Department.

There being no old business, Melissa Williams presented new business with Resolution R-02-13 by title and summary. R-02-13 authorizes the Judge/Executive to apply for an extension of the 2011 Spay and Neuter Grant from the Department of Agriculture's Animal Control Advisory Board. The original amount of this grant was \$2,000 and to date only \$1,125 has been expended. The County is requesting an extension to spend the remainder of the funds. Commissioner Rehtin made a motion to adopt R-02-13, seconded by Commissioner Garrett. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to accept the resignation of Richard Lucas, Assistant Fiscal Director/Interim Director Fiscal Department, effective January 31, 2013. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Rehtin. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed. Judge Pendery stated that Mr. Lucas has been a very important member of the staff. He thanked him for his dedication and excellent work. Mr. Lucas will be going to work in the Sheriff's Office.

A motion was requested to appoint Pam Pangburn to the Northern Kentucky Area Development District Council on Aging for a term effective January 9, 2013 through June 30, 2014. Ms. Pangburn will replace Emma Shipp who has declined appointment to this board due to scheduling conflicts. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Rehtin. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

Robert Horine presented Resolution R-01-13 by title and summary. R-01-13, a resolution of the Campbell County Fiscal Court and the Campbell County, Kentucky Public Properties Corporation, terminates the lease agreements for the former District Court building. The Campbell County Public Properties Corporation entered into leases with the Sheriff and the County Attorney in 1992 for space in the former District Court building on Columbia Street. The bonds that financed the building have been paid off and the building is now owned by the Fiscal Court. The leases are no longer needed and are terminated effective January 1, 2012. Commissioner Garrett made a motion to adopt R-01-03, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to adjust the monthly expense allowance for the Campbell County Coroner from \$250 to \$350 until June 30, 2013 after which the allowance shall be \$300, increase the Deputy Coroner monthly compensation from \$850 to \$950 until June 30, 2013 after which the compensation shall be \$900, and increase the Deputy Coroner monthly expense allowance from \$150 to \$250 until June 30, 2013 after which the allowance shall be \$200. Mr. Horine

explained that these increases were budgeted but never implemented. It is recommended that the amounts be doubled to make up for the delay effective January 1, 2013, and then revert to the originally intended amount effective July 1, 2013. He stated that the Coroner and two Deputy Coroners have not had an increase in many years. According to population calculations, Campbell County is eligible to have four Deputies but the Coroner and two Deputies, who are on-call 24 hours/7 days, do an excellent job for the County. Motion was made by Commissioner Rechtin, seconded by Commissioner Painter. Commissioner Rechtin suggested that more details in the executive order regarding the increase would be helpful. Mr. Horine stated that he will add more information. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

Judge Pendery announced that a Campbell County Fiscal Court/Mayors' meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 22, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fiscal Court Chambers of the County Administration Building, 1098 Monmouth Street, Newport, Kentucky.

Judge Pendery announced that the Campbell County Office of Emergency Management will host a Weather Spotters Training Class on March 21, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at the Ft. Thomas City Hall, 130 N. Ft. Thomas Avenue, Ft. Thomas, Kentucky. The class is free but interested persons must register in advance.

Judge Pendery stated that at a recent OKI meeting a presentation was made about projected traffic congestion with and without a new Brent Spence Bridge. He showed a video of this presentation. Judge Pendery stated that while construction of a new bridge hasn't started, the project has been underway for about 10 years with at least \$50 million spent. He stated that there were earmarks identified by Congressman Jim Bunning from the federal government for planning purposes pursuant to federal law and a preferred alternative has been selected. Kevin Gordon stated that he was offended by some of the comments made in the video. He produced a map showing that the number of accidents on the bridge itself is less than other areas on the route. Mr. Gordon stated that the enactment of tolls as the only way to fund the construction is offensive to a lot of people since they are already paying federal gasoline tax. Judge Pendery stated that there will be forums for this type of discussion and he hadn't intended to discuss funding at this meeting. He said that he'd be happy to talk to Mr. Gordon after the meeting. Judge Pendery stated that federal funds for transportation projects are decreasing even as the need for such funds is increasing. He discussed how federal fuel tax is distributed to the state of Kentucky and the State then decides how the funds are spent. Judge Pendery again offered to talk to Mr. Gordon after the meeting.

Matt Elberfeld presented Ordinance O-13-12 for a second reading by title and summary. O-13-12 relates to the 2012-2013 annual budget and amendments thereof. This budget amendment which had a first reading in November 2012 is needed due to grant funds and corrections assistance funds that the County received; it has been approved by the State Local Finance Officer. Commissioner Rechtin made a motion to adopt O-13-12, seconded by Commissioner Garrett. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

Resolution R-03-13 was read by title and summary given. R-03-13 approves the County Clerk's budget as submitted for calendar year 2013. Mr. Elberfeld explained that the only increases are to prepare for a new state-wide automobile license system coming out in 2013. Commissioner

Rechtin made a motion to adopt R-03-13, seconded by Judge Pendery. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to acknowledge for the record that the 2013 bonds are in place for the County Judge/Executive, the Jailer and the Position Bond for positions within the County that require bonding. Motion was made by Commissioner Rechtin, seconded by Judge Pendery. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to approve budget transfers as of December 31, 2012. Due to the budget amendment ordinance being delayed, a transfer was needed in order to be in compliance and not have a negative line item. Motion was made by Commissioner Garrett, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

Mr. Elberfeld then requested a motion to approve the claims and supplemental claims as presented for January 9, 2013. County Attorney Steve Franzen stated that he has reviewed the claims and that they all appear appropriate. Motion was made by Commissioner Garrett, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

There being no further business to come before the Fiscal Court, Commissioner Garrett made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Rechtin. All voted "AYE" and the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Attachments:

Resolution R-02-13	Application to Extend Spay/Neuter Grant
Resolution R-01-13	Terminate Lease Agreements at Former District Court Building
Ordinance O-13-12	Amend FY13 General Fund Budget
Resolution R-03-13	Adopt 2013 Budget for Campbell County Clerk
Transfers	December 31, 2012
Claims	January 9, 2013

Approved:

STEVE PENDERY
Judge/Executive

Attest:

Paula K. Spicer
Fiscal Court Clerk