

**CAMPBELL COUNTY, KY FISCAL COURT
MINUTES**

FEBRUARY 2, 2022

A regular meeting of the Campbell County Fiscal Court was held on Wednesday, February 2, 2022, 7:00 p.m. at the Campbell County Courthouse, 8352 East Main Street, Alexandria, Kentucky.

COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE
STEVE PENDERY
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
GEOFF BESECKER
BRIAN PAINTER

County Attorney Steve Franzen,
County Administrator Matt Elberfeld,
Fiscal Court Clerk Paula Spicer,
Assistant County Administrator Kim Serra,
Finance Director/Treasurer Marie Schenkel,
Police Chief Craig Sorrell

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Judge Pendery. Cable Access was present to film the meeting. The meeting was also broadcast live on the Fiscal Court Facebook Page.

Judge Pendery asked for a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Following roll call, a quorum was declared present. Commissioner Tom Lampe was absent.

Judge Pendery requested a motion to approve the minutes from the Fiscal Court regular meeting of January 19, 2022. Motion was made by Commissioner Painter seconded by Commissioner Besecker to approve the minutes. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Judge Pendery administered the oath of office to Police Officer Aaron Hanssen. Officer Hanssen's wife Taylor pinned his badge. Chief Sorrell explained that Officer Hanssen was delayed going through the Police Academy due to the pandemic; he is a little older than most recruits that are hired, but age and wisdom is a good thing. Officer Hanssen introduced his wife, mother, father, sons, mother-in-law and brother that were in attendance. Judge Pendery stated that the Fiscal Court is committed to look after and support people who go into harms way for our sakes and it appreciates the commitment made by its officers.

Chief Sorrell explained that each year the Officer of the Year award is presented. He announced that this year's recipient is Officer Tommy Lakes. He then invited Officer Lakes and members of the Police Force Merit Board Tom Ramler and Van Needham, Merit Board Secretary Keith Daniels, Silver Grove Mayor Neal Bedel and Judge Pendery to come to the front of the room. Chief Sorrell read the Award. Judge Pendery presented the Award to Officer Lakes and

congratulated him adding that Officer Lakes is well-liked in Silver Grove. Officer Lakes stated that he is grateful to be in Silver Grove and thanked everybody. Mayor Bedel, on behalf of the City congratulated Officer Lakes; he appreciates everything that the Officer does for the City. He also expressed his appreciation to the Fiscal Court, Chief Sorrell, and Captain Nitschke. This has worked out well for the City of Silver Grove especially with Officer Lakes being the “Town Marshall”. Mr. Daniels, on behalf of the Merit Board thanked Officer Lakes for the service that he provides to not only to Silver Grove but the community as a whole. He has committed himself and goes above and beyond the call of duty. He echoed Judge Pendery’s comment that the Fiscal Court does have the backs of its policemen and women, and for that the Merit Board thanks Judge Pendery and Commissioners Painter, Besecker and Lampe. He also thanked County Attorney Franzen for his guidance to the Merit Board. As a member of the community, he is proud to say that the Campbell County Police Department is his police agency. He again thanked the Fiscal Court for its support and understanding of what the Police Department needs. Police Departments are under siege in America, but not here in Campbell County because they have a Fiscal Court/Commissioners that care and a Chief of Police and his command staff that do an outstanding job every day for Campbell County residents. He welcomed Officer Hanssen to one of the best agencies in the Commonwealth. He again thanked Officer Lakes for all he does. Officer Lakes then introduced his wife and others present.

Judge Pendery asked Julie Reinhardt to join him to present Citations to Erin Kelly, Markkus Bermudez, Nick Bellm, Chris Schack, Joe McGrath, Hunter Deaton and Ben Kappesser who were involved in a life-saving event that took place in December. Judge Pendery read the Citation while each honoree came forward and then introduced Brandon Reinhardt. Mrs. Reinhardt explained that in addition to the recognition from the Fiscal Court, the American Heart Association has also awarded its Heart Saver Hero Award to those involved. Judge Pendery recognized Chief Pohlman of the Alexandria Fire Department who advised that Joe McGrath and Hunter Deaton were unable to attend. Mrs. Reinhardt stated that three of Brandon’s co-workers jumped in when they saw him collapse and acted to the best of their ability – if they had not been in the immediate area and known what to do, Brandon wouldn’t be here. When the Fire Department arrived they all communicated effectively with each other and took care of what needed to be done including use of the AED. The AED is the second part of the two-part critical CPR/AED component. Judge Pendery stated that we all might hope that we’d know what to do in a situation like that. He congratulated Brandon’s coworkers and the Fire Department crew for their fast thinking and good work. He stated that AED’s not only take a reading and shock a heart into rhythm, but also provide information to health care providers afterwards to plan a course of treatment. Everybody needs to appreciate that AED’s are important equipment to have in the community and appreciate that you can make use of them if needed.

Finding that nobody had signed in to address the Fiscal Court, Judge Pendery proceeded with the agenda.

Paula Spicer presented old business with a second reading of Ordinance O-02-22. O-02-22 updates the official County Maintained Road List to add Summit Lane (CR 1579). Commissioner Besecker made a motion to adopt O-02-22, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

New business was presented next with a motion to accept the resignation of Police Officer T. J. French effective February 7, 2022. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. Commissioner Besecker thanked Officer French for his years of service on the Police Department. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Resolution R-11-22 was read by title. R-11-22 authorizes staff to fill the vacant Human Resources Specialist position, authorizes the promotion of Ashley Murray to the vacant full-time Human Resources Director position, authorizes the elimination of the full-time Human Resources Manager position and further authorizes corresponding amendments to the Administrative Code Authorized Position List. Judge Pendery made a motion to adopt R-11-22, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Judge Pendery then made a motion to authorize staff to advertise, interview and make a hiring recommendation for a full-time Human Resources Specialist. Commissioner Besecker seconded the motion. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to accept the resignation of Marie Schenkel, Finance Director/Treasurer effective September 9, 2022. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. Judge Pendery stated that Ms. Schenkel will be missed and he appreciates the advance notice of her plans so that they can undertake the task of replacing her. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

County Administrator Matt Elberfeld had no report for the meeting.

County Attorney Steve Franzen acknowledged his Chief Assistant County Attorney Steve Dasenbrock who was present. Mr. Dasenbrock runs the criminal division in his office and is a very valuable asset to his office and to the City of Silver Grove as its City Attorney.

Commissioner Besecker announced that he and Judge Pendery spent time at Campbell County High School with economics teacher Ryan Goss as they hosted State Treasurer Allison Ball and Matthew Frye to educate students and others on financial literacy. It was a great opportunity for the students to learn the foundational principles of economics. Judge Pendery added that it is good to see kids being taught things that are practical knowledge and not in books. They even had some good things to say about government finances. Commissioner Besecker stated that this is a great program and he believes that there will be more to follow in the future and hopefully they will be invited back to our area.

Commissioner Besecker wished Steve Franzen a happy birthday.

Commissioner Painter had no report for the meeting.

Judge Pendery announced that the County offices would close tomorrow (February 3) due to the weather emergency. The County’s Office of Emergency Management is setting up shelters and Duke Energy’s people are in place in the event of power outages. People have gotten used to working from home during the COVID pandemic so they will do that tomorrow and stay safe and stay home. Commissioner Painter stated that the salt truck drivers will not be working from

home. Mr. Elberfeld added that the Police, Public Works, Emergency Management and Jail will be working as usual, but other essential functions will be performed remotely.

Marie Schenkel presented the Finance Director/Treasurer's report by requesting a motion to accept the low bid of Mago Construction for the following Spring FY22 resurfacing projects and restriping. All projects are included in the FY22 budget and will make use of KYTC Flex funds in the amount of \$195,641.00.

- Poplar Ridge - \$205,272.00 for milling, resurfacing and striping
- Fausz Road - \$59,771.50 for resurfacing
- Mystic Rose - \$35,088.00 for resurfacing
- Gunkel Road - \$31,734.00 for resurfacing

Motion was made by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to accept the low bid of Woeste Builders in the amount of \$26,766 for the construction of a new Girl Scout Shelter as part of the Camp Whippoorwill relocation in AJ Jolly Park. The Camp is being moved to a safer location farther away from the lake. This project is included in the FY22 Park Improvement budget. Commissioner Painter noted that the bid came in under estimate then made a motion to accept the bid, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to authorize staff to solicit bids for the construction of two single stall, unisex restroom facilities with janitor closet, exterior drinking fountain and option for heat near holes 6 and 16 on AJ Jolly Golf Course. The estimated cost for building both facilities is \$150,000 and is an eligible use of ARPA funding since it addresses public health and hygiene on the golf course. Motion was made by Commissioner Besecker, seconded by Commissioner Painter. Commissioner Painter stated that there are a series of little shacks on the golf course with water and the water has to be hauled out to the golfers. It will be nice to have a fresh water source for the golfers as a lot of them walk the course. He suggested that they get the kind of fountain that can fill a water bottle. This is major improvement resulting in a better golf experience. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to approve interfund transfers dated January 31, 2022. Motion was made by Commissioner Besecker, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to approve budget transfers dated January 31, 2022. Ms. Schenkel stated that the transfers don't increase the total size of the budget, but reallocate funds to different line items. Motion was made by Commissioner Besecker, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Ms. Schenkel then requested a motion to approve the claims and claims paid per standing order including employee benefit claims dated January 26 and February 1 and 2, 2022. County Attorney Steve Franzen advised that he has reviewed the claims, claims paid per standing order and employee benefit claims and determined that they all appear appropriate. Commissioner

Painter made a motion to approve the claims, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

There being no further business to come before the Fiscal Court, Commissioner Besecker made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Attachments:

Ordinance O-02-22 Update County Maintained Road List

Resolution R-11-22 Approve Changes to Human Resources Department Personnel

Interfund Transfers dated January 31, 2022

Budget Transfers dated January 31, 2022

Claims and Claims Paid Per Standing Order dated January 26 and February 2, 2022 and

Employee Benefits Claims dated February 1, 2022

Approved:

STEVE PENDERY

Judge/Executive

Attest:

Paula K. Spicer, Fiscal Court Clerk