

CAMPBELL COUNTY FISCAL COURT MINUTES

September 6, 2006

A meeting of the Campbell County Fiscal Court was held on Wednesday, September 6, 2006, at 7:00 p.m., at the Campbell County Courthouse, located at 8352 East Main Street, Alexandria, Kentucky.

In attendance at the meeting were:

COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE:
STEVE PENDERY

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:
KENNETH RECHTIN
MARK HAYDEN
DAVE OTTO

Robert Horine	County Administrator
Melissa Williams	Director of Administration
James Seibert	Director of Fiscal Affairs
Keith Hill	Chief, Campbell County Police Department
Justin Verst	County Attorney
Peter Klear	Director of Planning and Zoning
Susan Prather	Fiscal Court Clerk
Diane Bertke	Fiscal Court Treasurer

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Judge Pendery.

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

Judge Pendery presented the minutes from the Fiscal Court special meeting of August 23, 2006. Commissioner Otto made a motion and Commissioner Rechtin seconded to approve the minutes of August 23, 2006, as presented. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Judge Pendery recognized citizens or public officials wishing to address the Court. There was no one present who wished to address the Court.

Mr. Tom Caradonio, President of the Northern Kentucky Convention and Visitor's Bureau, was then introduced by Judge Pendery. Mr. Caradonio thanked the Court for the opportunity to speak with members of the Fiscal Court then distributed a packet of information to the Members for their review. An overview of the current activities of the Bureau was then provided by Mr. Caradonio along with statistical and financial information pertaining to the tourism industry.

within the three counties and as a result, the economic impact experienced by Campbell County. He noted that Tall Stacks will be taking place October 4 through the 8 which will draw visitors from throughout the region to Campbell County and surrounding areas. Mr. Caradonio expressed his enthusiasm regarding the hosting of the World Equestrian Games for the first time outside of the European setting to be held at the Horse Park in Lexington in 2010. He then concluded his presentation by thanking the Court for their continued support of the Bureau and inviting questions from the members. Judge Pendery noted his appreciation of the breakdown on sales according to type found in Campbell County. Upon Commissioner Rechlin's request, Mr. Caradonio detailed the means of revenue for the Bureau along with its disposition and expenditure throughout the Bureau's parameters. Brief discussion occurred regarding the importance of regionalism and the creation of the Regional Tourism Network to promote tourism within the Greater Cincinnati area. There being no further comments or questions, Judge Pendery expressed the Court's appreciation of the information presented by Mr. Caradonio.

Judge Pendery next introduced representatives from OKI, Mr. Bill Miller, Regional Planning Director, and Ms. Larissa Sims, Senior Planner, and invited them to address the Court. Mr. Miller explained that OKI is designated to plan the manner in which federal transportation dollars are spent in Boone, Campbell and Kenton counties in Kentucky along with Butler, Clermont, Hamilton and Warren counties in Ohio and Dearborn County in Indiana. He stated he was present at tonight's meeting to extend an invitation to the Fiscal Court to attend a meeting on September 28 at 7:00 p.m. at Highland Heights Council Chambers. The meeting will feature growth trend information for the region and will introduce tools for land use and transportation planning. Although the meeting is oriented to Planning and Zoning Staff and Commissioners, local officials are encouraged to attend. Mr. Miller continued by expressing the goals of OKI along with their commitment to help local government implement land use and transportation strategies and to participate in regional transportation planning. He provided the history of the adoption of the Strategic Regional Policy Plan in 2005 and the plan for its implementation to include the holding of a series of meetings, one in each of the involved counties. Mr. Miller concluded his presentation and again invited members to attend the meeting to be held September 28.

Mr. Pat Lucas of Wilder, Kentucky, requested to address the Court. He spoke to the issue of smoking bans pointing out that the Constitution grants citizens the right to assemble peaceably therefore government can not restrict where smoking can occur.

Judge Pendery next requested items of Old Business be brought before the Court. There being no Old Business, New Business was then requested by Judge Pendery.

Melissa Williams, Director of Administration, introduced Diane Bertke, Fiscal Court Treasurer and Member of the Planning Committee for the Campbell County Senior Picnic. She stated Ms. Bertke will provide an overview of the Senior Picnic which is to be held Wednesday, September 20. Ms. Bertke invited Campbell County senior citizens 60 years of age and over to attend the Senior Picnic to be held Wednesday, September 20, with a rain date of Thursday, September 21. The activities will begin at Noon and end at 5:00 p.m. She detailed the events planned for the day and noted the cost and location to purchase tickets. Robert Horine, County Administrator, extended his gratitude to Staff members Lisa Haines, Pat Dressman and Diane Bertke for their

time and effort spent preparing for the picnic. He then encouraged senior citizens to attend for a day of fun and activities.

Next, Ms. Williams presented Resolution R-123-06 which she read by title and provided a summary to the Court for its consideration; the resolution authorizes the Judge/Executive to execute an addendum to the contract with the City of Alexandria to allow the County to assist the City with an asphalt project; and the City will assist the County with crack sealing on County roads. She explained that the City of Alexandria has requested the County's assistance with asphalt work on Saddle Ridge Trail and they in turn will assist with crack sealing County roadways. Commissioner Rechtin made a motion and Commissioner Otto seconded. Having recently traveled Saddle Ridge Trail, Commissioner Hayden affirmed the poor condition of the roadway and its need for repair. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams then presented Resolution R-122-06 which she read by title providing a summary to the Court for its consideration; the resolution authorizes Fiscal Court to adopt and approve the execution of a County Road Aid Discretionary Bond Fund Agreement between the Fiscal Court and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, Department of Intergovernmental Programs, and accepting all roads and streets referred to therein as being a part of the County Road System. She explained that the resolution authorizes the County to accept discretionary bond fund money in the amount of \$450,000.00 to asphalt Pleasant Ridge Road and to also replace the bridge structure on Uhl Road along with the entrance ways to the bridge. Commissioner Rechtin made a motion and Commissioner Otto seconded. Ms. Williams noted that the resolution requires a roll call vote. No further discussion took place and upon roll call vote, Commissioner Otto voted "AYE", Commissioner Rechtin voted "AYE", Commissioner Hayden voted "AYE", Judge Pendery voted "AYE". The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams next presented Resolution R-121-06 which she read by title providing a summary to the Court for its consideration; the resolution creates the position of Part Time Intern in the Human Services Department at grade 6; amends the Administrative Code Authorized Position List and Organizational Chart to reflect said position. She noted that the position is planned to work between eight and ten hours per week. Judge Pendery made motion and Commissioner Rechtin seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion to authorize staff to advertise, interview and hire for the position of Part-Time Intern in the Human Services Department was then requested by Ms. Williams. Judge Pendery made motion and Commissioner Rechtin seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE", and the motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Williams requested a motion to promote Kenneth Studer from Road Maintenance Specialist Level 1, Grade 10 \$17.51/hr., to Road Maintenance Specialist Level II, Grade 11 \$19.46/hr., per his completion of necessary steps in compliance with Working Agreement between Campbell County Road Department and Local #286. Ken Schultz, Road Supervisor, is recommending the promotion. Judge Pendery made motion and Commissioner Otto seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE", and the motion was unanimously approved.

A motion to increase the compensation of Nicholas Heiert from Grade II Patrolman, Grade 10A \$17.45/hr., to Grade II Patrolman, Grade 10B \$17.88/hr., in accordance with the current agreement with the FOP, was then requested by Ms. Williams. Judge Pendery made motion and Commissioner Hayden seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE", and the motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Williams requested a motion to increase the compensation of Shannon Clem from Grade III Patrolman, pay grade 11C, \$19.25/hr., to Grade III Patrolman, pay grade 11D, \$19.73/hr, in accordance with the current agreement with the FOP. Judge Pendery made motion and Commissioner Otto seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE", and the motion was unanimously approved.

Upon conclusion of New Business, Judge Pendery requested reports from Staff. Robert Horine, County Administrator, requested a motion to authorize Staff to advertise for sealed bids for construction of renovations to the Alexandria Clerks Office at 8330 West Main. Mr. Horine noted that closing of the property occurred on August 29 then continued by providing a brief summary of the work to be completed. With approval of the motion at tonight's meeting, further action to award the bid should be presented to the Court at the October 4 meeting. Commissioner Otto made a motion and Commissioner Hayden seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Justin Verst, County Attorney, had no report to submit other than to say his office remains busy. Reports from the Commissioners were then requested by Judge Pendery. Commissioner Hayden explained that he recently visited the web site of Tri-ED which identified a list of 49 sites available for economic development with eight of those sites being located in Campbell County. He strongly encouraged Staff and Fiscal Court members to prioritize economic development over the next five to ten years in Campbell County. He explained that economic development will be extremely important to sustain the growth of the County along with providing sufficient revenue to keep property taxes low. Commissioner Otto stated he and Judge Pendery attended the City of Dayton's last Council meeting at which potential growth for the City was acknowledged. He noted that Water Town Marina recently sold with new ownership having plans to develop the property, along with four other developments occurring within Dayton. Judge Pendery explained that development creates the wealth that pays for the quality of life for the citizens of Campbell County. Commissioner Otto stated that the same day of attending the meeting, he celebrated the twentieth anniversary of moving his business from Cincinnati to the Dayton Industrial Park. Discussion continued regarding identifying potential sites for economic development and the importance of ensuring that the sites are listed on Tri-ED's web site.

Judge Pendery announced the reminder that the September 20 Fiscal Court meeting has been moved to Tuesday, September 19, 2006, due to the Senior Picnic. The meeting will be at 5:30 PM in the Fiscal Court Conference Room, 24 West Fourth Street, Newport. He also announced that on Tuesday, September 10, 2006, from 1 PM to 4 PM at the World Peace Bell in Newport, there will be free health screenings and information distributed as Campbell County participates in the national "Take a Loved One for a Checkup Day". Sponsors for the program are Brighton

Center, Mental Health Association of NKY, Newport School Based Health Centers, Northern Kentucky Health Department, NorthKey Community Care, St. Luke Hospitals and Transition Inc. A formal program will occur at 3:15 PM with healthy snacks afterwards provided by the Syndicate Restaurant.

Judge Pendery then requested a report from the Fiscal Director. Jim Seibert, Director of Fiscal Affairs, presented for second reading and passage consideration Ordinance O-12-06, which he read by title and provided a summary to the Court for its consideration; Ordinance relates to the annual budget and sets the tax rates for 2006. He noted that the rates involved are 11.00 cents per hundred dollar of property for Real Property Tax; 20.00 centers per hundred dollar for the Conservation District Tax; the General Tangible Personal Property Tax Rate to be considered is 18.34 cents per hundred dollars; and both the Motor Vehicle Tax Rate and the Water Craft Tax Rates are 13.10 cents per hundred dollars of valuation. He pointed out that the ordinance comes before the Court as a second reading therefore requires a vote. Commissioner Rechlin made a motion and Commissioner Otto seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Seibert then requested a motion to authorize the purchase vehicles for the Police Department from the State Contract: Three (3) Ford Crown Victoria Interceptor Package units at the price of \$20,266.00 each; one (1) Ford Explorer XLT with 4W Drive at the price of \$21,289.00. Total cost is \$82,087.00. Commissioner Rechlin made a motion and Commissioner Otto seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion to authorize the purchase of a 2007 Chevrolet 2500 4W drive work truck for the A. J. Jolly Golf Course from State Contract for \$19,264.00 was then requested by Mr. Seibert. Commissioner Rechlin made a motion and Commissioner Otto seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Seibert next requested approval of the Transfers and Claims being presented. Justin Verst, County Attorney, stated he reviewed the Transfers and Claims and they appeared to be appropriate. Commissioner Otto made a motion that the Transfers and Claims be approved and paid. Commissioner Hayden seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was moved by Commissioner Rechlin, seconded by Commissioner Otto, that the meeting be adjourned. All voted "AYE" and the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Attachments:

Resolution R-121-06	Part-Time Position for Human Services Department
Resolution R-122-06	County Road Aid Discretionary Bond Fund Agreement
Resolution R-123-06	Contract with City of Alexandria
Ordinance O-12-06	Tax Rates for 2006
Transfers	September 6, 2006
Claims	September 6, 2006

Approved:

STEVE PENDERY
Campbell County Judge/Executive

Attest:

SUSAN A. PRATHER
Fiscal Court Clerk