

**CAMPBELL COUNTY, KY FISCAL COURT
MINUTES**

JANUARY 5, 2022

A regular meeting of the Campbell County Fiscal Court was held on Wednesday, January 5, 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
TOM LAMPE
BRIAN PAINTER

County Attorney Steve Franzen,
County Administrator Matt Elberfeld,
Fiscal Court Clerk Paula Spicer,
Assistant County Administrator Kim Serra,
Police Chief Craig Sorrell,
County Clerk Jim Luersen,
Chief Deputy Sheriff Ken Fetcher

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

Judge Penderly led the Pledge of Allegiance then asked for a moment of silence.

Following roll call, a quorum was declared present.

Judge Penderly requested a motion to approve the minutes from the Fiscal Court regular meeting of December 15, 2021. Motion was made by Commissioner Painter seconded by Commissioner Besecker to approve the minutes. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Judge Penderly announced that Lee Roy Hancock is retiring after 27 years of service with the Road Department. He described the many kinds of work that Mr. Hancock performed during his tenure. Mr. Hancock is known as an extremely dependable, dedicated and loyal employee who always got the job done. Judge Penderly then presented Mr. Hancock with a watch in recognition of his retirement. Mr. Hancock thanked his family and friends that were present and stated that he thinks he has done a good job for the County and thinks that he will be missed.

Finding that nobody wished to address the Fiscal Court, Judge Penderly proceeded with the agenda.

Paula Spicer presented old business with a second reading of Ordinance O-19-21. O-19-21 updates the official County Maintained Road List by adding Altura Drive and Bella Vista Drive. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to adopt O-19-21, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

New business was presented next with a first reading of Ordinance O-01-22. O-01-22 amends Chapter 73 of the Campbell County Code of Ordinances entitled “Traffic Schedules” to add stop signs on Bella Vista Drive at Skyline Drive and on Altura Drive at Bella Vista Drive. No vote was taken on the first reading of this ordinance.

Resolution R-01-22 was read by title. R-01-22 authorizes the Judge/Executive to apply with the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security for Law Enforcement Protection Program grant funds to reimburse police equipment purchases. Commissioner Besecker made a motion to adopt R-01-22, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to appoint Lilith Gerner as a part-time Kennel Technician at the Campbell County Animal Shelter with compensation set at \$14.42 per hour effective on or after January 6, 2022 with the start date determined based on successful completion of the background screening process. Judge Pendery made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to advance Police Officer Ashley Tate from PO3 (\$23.65/hour or \$49,192 annually) to PO4 (\$25.07/hour or \$52,145 annually) effective January 14, 2022 in accordance with the current Fraternal Order of Police working agreement. Judge Pendery made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to accept the resignation of Roger Mason from the Campbell County & Municipal Planning & Zoning Commission. Judge Pendery made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to appoint Troy Franzen to fill the unexpired term of Roger Mason on the Campbell County & Municipal Planning & Zoning Commission effective January 6, 2022 through April 17, 2023. Judge Pendery made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Neither the County Administrator nor the County Attorney had reports for the meeting.

Commissioner Besecker wished everybody a happy new year hoping that this is a fantastic year locally and across the globe given the current circumstances.

Commissioners Lampe and Painter had no reports for the meeting.

Judge Pendery made the following announcements:

1. The Campbell County Christmas Tree Recycling Program will begin Sunday, December 26th and run through Sunday, January 16th. Residents may drop off natural Christmas trees at Pendery Park during daylight hours. Please remove all tinsel, ornaments, ribbons, lights, and bags, and place your tree in the designated area in the park. The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife will collect the trees and use them as fish habitat in lakes throughout Kentucky.

2. Campbell County Solid Waste is partnering with Cohen Electronics to host a Holiday Light Recycling Program from December 1 – February 1. Residents can drop off unwanted strings of lights at the Campbell County Administration Building, located at 1098 Monmouth Street, Newport, or the Campbell County Clerk’s Office, located at 8330 W. Main

Street, Alexandria during normal business hours. Please only place strings of lights, free of plastic bags and other packaging products, in the barrels provided.

3. Organizations interested in receiving Campbell County Payroll Tax Funds to service the citizens of Campbell County in the areas of Mental Health, Intellectual Disabilities, or Aging Services must download, complete, and email the FY2023 MH/ID/AG Tax Fund Application, which is available on the *Opportunities and Bids* page on the County's website at www.campbellcountky.gov. Applications are due by 4:00 PM on Tuesday, January 18, 2022.

Judge Pendery then talked about the efforts of the three northern Kentucky counties to gather supplies to assist the communities in western Kentucky after the recent devastating tornadoes. He stated that typically while things are fresh in their minds, people are very generous. After a certain time has passed, people in the stricken area have worked their way through inventory and determined their needs. The three northern Kentucky counties jointly issued a press release a couple of days ago thanking the community for their generosity. There were numerous trailer truck loads of goods sent to the tornado-stricken areas however the warehouses in those areas are full and there is no need to collect goods here. Instead, those wishing to should make contributions to a fund set up called Northern Kentucky Cares Fund at the Horizon Community Funds of Northern Kentucky. There is information on the Horizon Funds website. The Counties asked that if churches, schools, police or fire agencies have already collected items that they be delivered to Hosea Project Movers' warehouse at 3951 Madison Pike, Covington and the goods will be inventoried, held there and delivered as needed to the communities in western Kentucky. Going forward, donations of cash are encouraged. A feedback loop will be established that lets us know when and if things are needed and in what quantities. We will then make a plea for those items and only those items. This is a more efficient way to address needs as they appear.

Matt Elberfeld presented the Finance Director/Treasurer's report by requesting a motion to accept the proposal of Michigan Playgrounds d/b/a MidStates Recreation LLC in the amount of \$193,062.19 for the design and installation of an ADA accessible and inclusive playground at AJ Jolly Park and further authorizing Judge Pendery to execute an Agreement with MidStates Recreation. The cost of the playground is included in the ARPA budget. Motion was made by Commissioner Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. Commissioner Lampe likes the additional investment in the park system for the benefit of the County's residents and customers. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Resolution R-02-22 was read by title. R-02-22 approves the County Clerk's budget for calendar year 2022. Mr. Elberfeld stated that he and Marie Schenkel reviewed the budget and recommend its approval. He pointed out that Mr. Luersen was present to answer questions. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to adopt R-02-22, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Resolution R-03-22 was read by title. R-03-22 approves the County Sheriff's budget for calendar year 2022. Mr. Elberfeld stated that both he and Ms. Schenkel reviewed the budget and recommend its approval. Sheriff's Chief Deputy Ken Fetcher was present on behalf of Sheriff Jansen to answer any questions. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to adopt R-03-22, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to acknowledge for the record that the 2022 bonds are in place for the County Judge/Executive and the Sheriff. Motion was made by Commissioner Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to acknowledge that the 2022 bonds are in place for the elected and appointed officials and employees of Campbell County. Motion was made by Commissioner Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to purchase a 2022 Dodge Charger and a 2022 Dodge Durango for the Office of Emergency Management from the KY State Master Agreement through Freedom Dodge. The quoted cost of the Charger is \$35,347 and the quoted cost for the Durango is \$35,450. The new vehicles will replace a 2012 Dodge Charger and a 2014 Dodge Durango which have both reached the end of their useful life for daily use and have over 100,000 miles. This purchase is included in the FY22 fleet replacement budget for OEM. Mr. Elberfeld further advised that the County had been waiting on pricing for these vehicles and was informed by the dealer that they will only get 200 of each of these vehicles for the model year and if we want them we should place our order. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Mr. Elberfeld then requested a motion to approve the claims and claims paid per standing order including employee benefit claims dated December 17, 22 and 29, 2021 and January 1, 4 and 5, 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 Besecker made a motion to approve the claims, seconded by Commissioner Painter. Commissioner Lampe agreed with payment of the claims however, recused himself from approving any claims related to employee benefits due to his employer’s relationship with those companies. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

There being no further business to come before the Fiscal Court, Commissioner Painter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted “Aye” and the meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Attachments:

Ordinance O-19-21 Update County Maintained Road List
Ordinance O-01-22 Update Traffic Schedules to Add Stop Signs
Resolution R-01-22 Application for KOHS Grant
Resolution R-02-22 Approve County Clerk’s 2022 Budget
Resolution R-03-22 Approve County Sheriff’s 2022 Budget
Claims and Claims Paid Per Standing Order dated December 17, 22 and 29, 2021 and January 4 and 5, 2022 and Employee Benefits Claims dated January 1, 2022

Approved:

STEVE PENDERY
Judge/Executive

Attest:

Paula K. Spicer, Fiscal Court Clerk