

**CAMPBELL COUNTY FISCAL COURT
MINUTES**

September 19, 2006

A special meeting (regular meeting rescheduled) of the Campbell County Fiscal Court was held on Tuesday, September 19, 2006, at 5:30 p.m., at the Campbell County Fiscal Court Conference Room, 24 West Fourth Street, Newport, 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
Laurie Dowell	Assistant County Attorney
Ken Knipper	Director of Emergency Management
Susan Prather	Fiscal Court Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 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.

The minutes from the Fiscal Court meeting of September 6, 2006, were presented by Judge Pendery. Commissioner Otto made a motion and Commissioner Hayden seconded to approve the minutes of September 6, 2006, as presented. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Judge Pendery recognized citizens or public officials wishing to address the Court. There being no one present wishing to address the Court, Judge Pendery continued with the meeting agenda.

Dr. Ed Muntel, CEO of NorthKey, and Denis Walsh, Vice President of Out-Patient Services of NorthKey, were then introduced by Judge Pendery. Dr. Muntel provided an update on the Mental Health/Mental Retardation Regional Board of Northern Kentucky, also known as NorthKey Community Care. He noted that the agency is celebrating its' 40th anniversary and has experienced tremendous growth in the delivery of care and service to the Northern Kentucky community; approximately one hundred people were served in the first year of operation with the

agency now serving over six thousand people per year. Dr. Muntel continued by providing an overview of the programs offered at various locations throughout Campbell County. Mr. Denis Walsh then distributed hand-outs to Court members and expanded upon services provided by the agency. He pointed out that crisis services are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week with staff providing telephone communication or if necessary, visiting with a person in a safe environment. Out of the 6,000 people served over the past year, Mr. Walsh noted that 1,051 have been Campbell County residents. He stated that as suicide has been identified as a major health problem for the state of Kentucky, NorthKey is taking steps to raise awareness through the development of programs targeted towards the prevention of youth suicide. Judge Pendery acknowledged the efforts of NorthKey in helping the overwhelming number of people in need of mental health services. Mr. Robert Horine, County Administrator, thanked NorthKey for making available staff members Ron Bramlage and Janet McNeal for input on the establishment of a Mental Health Court in Campbell County along with their participation on the Criminal Justice Advisory Commission. Dr. Muntel concluded by noting that the agency is under continual financial pressure due to lack of State funding and the freezing of Medicaid rates over the past five years. He then thanked the Fiscal Court for their continued support.

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.

Mr. Pat Lucas, resident of Wilder, Kentucky, requested to address the Court. He questioned the means of support for NorthKey. Judge Pendery explained that the issue was placed before the citizens as a referendum on the ballot to support health and mental retardation with the citizens voting to appropriate the taxes for such a purpose. Mr. Lucas stated that upon reviewing the last meeting at which time he spoke to the issue of a smoking ban, he neglected to state "vote no for a smoking ban in our County". He next requested information as to the history of the Senior Picnic. Judge Pendery provided a brief history of the picnic pointing out that tax dollars are not utilized to host the picnic; a ticket charge is incurred along with sponsorships by companies which vendor to seniors. Mr. Lucas expressed his concern over the utilization of County employees to staff the picnic which he believes indirectly utilizes tax dollars through paying of salaries. Mr. Lucas noted his concern regarding the constitutionality of decisions made by the Fiscal Court along with his City government. Brief discussion occurred regarding the definition and terms provided by the Constitution.

Melissa Williams, Director of Administration, presented Resolution R-126-06 which she read by title and provided a summary to the Court for its consideration; resolution of the Campbell County Fiscal Court authorizing the County Judge/Executive to execute an addendum to the contract between the Campbell County Fiscal Court and the City of Dayton, Kentucky. She explained that the addendum is to assist with the grading of a parking lot near the Industrial Park along with the hauling and spreading of gravel on the site. The City of Dayton will pay for the cost of the fuel and materials along with providing any traffic control necessary. Commissioner Rehtin made a motion and Commissioner Otto seconded. Discussion occurred regarding the location of the parking lot to be paved. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Next, Resolution R-127-06 was presented by Ms. Williams which she read by title providing a summary to the Court for its consideration; resolution of the Campbell County Fiscal Court authorizing the County Judge/Executive to execute a contract between the Campbell County Fiscal Court and the City of Newport, Kentucky, for assistance with asphalt paving. She explained that the City of Newport has requested assistance from the Road Department to pave the streets of Truesdale, Fredrick, High and approximately 200 feet of West Broadway. Ms. Williams noted that Mr. Ken Schultz, Director of the Road Department, confirmed the ability of the Road Department to perform the work as requested. She stated that Newport will be paying for the materials, providing the prep-work and performing any traffic control that is necessary. Commissioner Rechtin made a motion and Commissioner Otto seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams next presented Resolution R-129-06 which she read by title providing a summary to the Court for its consideration; a resolution of the Campbell County Fiscal Court authorizing the Judge/Executive to execute a quit claim deed to the Campbell County Conservancy, conveying a 9.5584 acre parcel located in the Parkside Subdivision, Campbell County, Kentucky. She recalled that in December, this parcel of land was accepted from Parkside Subdivision, Sun Valley, with the intention of turning it over to the Conservancy upon their ability to accept. The Conservancy is now able to accept the property under their care and operation. Ms. Williams stated that the area is utilized for recreation and will be left undeveloped in its natural state. Commissioner Rechtin made motion and Commissioner Hayden seconded. Commissioner Otto questioned whether the Conservancy has any plans for the property. Ms. Williams stated that the Conservancy plans to place a conservation easement on the property with the NKU Environmental Department completing a long-term plan for the property. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion to appoint Mr. Ronald Zeis to the position of Part-Time Maintenance Worker at Lakeside Terrace Apartments with compensation set at \$12.01/hr. (grade 6L) to be effective September 19, 2006, was then requested by Ms. Williams. Judge Pendery made motion and Commissioner Otto seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE", and the motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Williams requested a motion to appoint Mr. Ryan Hutchinson to the position of Principal Planner in the Planning and Zoning Department with compensation set at \$51,241.00 annually (Grade 13M) to be effective September 19, 2006. Judge Pendery made motion and Commissioner Rechtin seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE", and the motion was unanimously approved.

A motion to appoint R. Jeffery Schlosser to the Kenton County Airport Board Advisory Committee for a two year term effective September 22, 2006, through September 21, 2008, was requested by Ms. Williams. She stated that Mr. Schlosser will be replacing Mr. Williams who is no longer eligible for reappointment. Judge Pendery made motion and Commissioner Otto seconded. Judge Pendery noted that the position is on an advisory board therefore Mr. Schlosser will not have a vote on the full board; the position acts as a liaison and a line of communication for the County. Judge Pendery stated that Mr. Williams has served well and expressed the

appreciation of the County for his representation. There being no further discussion, all voted “AYE”, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Williams requested a motion to reappoint Elmer Haas, Clarence Martin, Fred Macke, Donald Johnson and Larry Schreiber to the Campbell County Economic Progress Authority, Inc., for a four year term effective October 19, 2006, through October 18, 2010. 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 appoint Henry “Hank” Pogue V to the Campbell County Economic Progress Authority, Inc., to fill the unexpired term of Henry “Bud” Pogue IV effective immediately through October 18, 2006; and for a four year term effective October 19, 2006, through October 18, 2010. Mr. Hank Pogue will be replacing Mr. Bud Pogue who has tendered his resignation to the CCEPA Board. Mr. Bud Pogue has been a member of the board since it’s inception. 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, presented Resolution R-128-06 which he read by title providing a summary to the Court for its consideration; the resolution authorizes the County Judge/Executive to execute an agreement with Alexandria Municipal Properties Corporation pertaining to parking at the Alexandria Clerks’ Office. Mr. Horine explained that the City of Alexandria extended an offer to allow employees of the Clerk’s Office to park on adjacent property owned by the City of Alexandria Municipal Properties Corporation. The agreement will allow the parking closest to the building to remain available for turn-over parking for customers. No compensation is required and the agreement is revocable and under the control of the City of Alexandria under a ninety day notice. Judge Pendery made a motion and Commissioner Rehtin seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted “AYE” and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Jim Seibert, Director of Fiscal Affairs, noted that Assistant County Attorney Laurie Dowell, prior to her departure, stated that County Attorney Justin Verst reviewed the requests for transfers and claims and noted that all appeared to be in order.

Commissioner Rehtin stated he attended a recent meeting of the Kentucky Municipal Planning Committee. He explained that it was interesting to see the contrasts between the various planning committees throughout Boone, Kenton and Campbell Counties. In attendance at the meeting was Jeff Eger, Sanitation District No.1, who shared the information that Sanitation District No. 1 is once again accepting applications for Storm Water Infrastructure Improvements, along with Rhonda Whitacre of Duke Energy who spoke to the issue of the proposed rate increase. Mr. Rehtin briefly outlined the reasons presented by Ms. Whitacre behind the proposed rate increase. Discussion occurred regarding the possible effect of the rate increase on both residential and commercial customers.

Judge Pendery announced that the Campbell County Senior Picnic is scheduled for Wednesday, September 20, 2006 at Pendery Park from Noon to 5:00 P.M. Cost is \$8.00 at the door. OKI will be hosting a public meeting entitled "Community Choices" on September 28 at 7:00 P.M. at the Highland Heights City Building. The meeting is aimed at County and City elected officials, Planning Officials and Staff to assist them with effective planning. The Tall Stacks Celebration will occur October 4 through the 8 and is to be held on both sides of the river.

Judge Pendery then requested a report from the Fiscal Director. Jim Seibert, Director of Fiscal Affairs, presented resolution R-124-06 to the Court for their consideration which he read by title and provided a summary; the resolution extends an agreement with Mr. William Pigg for the operation of concession services at the A. J. Jolly Golf Course for one additional year. He pointed out that the original contract contained an option for five additional years with this request being the second of the five years allowed. Judge Pendery made a motion and Commissioner Otto seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Seibert then presented resolution R-125-06 to the Court for their consideration which he read by title and provided a summary; the resolution authorizes the Campbell County Judge/Executive to execute a contract with the Campbell County Board of Education for fiscal year 2007 for the provision of bus transportation of parochial school students. Mr. Seibert noted that the involved funds were allowed within the current approved budget. Commissioner Rechtin made a motion and Commissioner Hayden seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion to accept the 2006 tax rates for all countywide taxing districts, excluding school districts, for 2007 was then requested by Mr. Seibert. Mr. Seibert stated that the State of Kentucky requires that the tax rates be formally approved. Judge Pendery made a motion and Commissioner Rechtin seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Seibert next requested approval of the Transfers presented. Commissioner Otto made a motion that the Transfers be approved. Judge Pendery seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Next, a motion to approve the claims as presented was requested by Mr. Seibert. Commissioner Otto noted that the claims were approved by the County Attorney and therefore made motion to approve the claims as presented. The motion was seconded by Judge Pendery. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Fiscal Court, it was moved by Commissioner Rechtin, seconded by Commissioner Hayden, that the meeting be adjourned. All voted "AYE" and the meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Attachments:

Resolution R-124-06	Operation of Concession Services at A.J. Jolly Golf Course
Resolution R-125-06	Contract with Campbell County Public Schools
Resolution R-126-06	Contract with City of Dayton
Resolution R-127-06	Contract with the City of Newport
Resolution R-128-06	Agreement with Alexandria Municipal Properties Corp.
Resolution R-129-06	Quit Claim Deed Campbell County Conservancy
Transfers	September 19, 2006
Claims	September 19, 2006

Approved:

STEVE PENDERY
Campbell County Judge/Executive

Attest:

SUSAN A. PRATHER
Fiscal Court Clerk