

**CAMPBELL COUNTY FISCAL COURT
MINUTES**

AUGUST 16, 2017

A regular meeting of the Campbell County Fiscal Court was held on Wednesday, August 16, 2017 at 5:30p.m. at the Campbell County Administration Building, Fiscal Court Chambers, 1098 Monmouth Street, Newport, Kentucky.

In attendance at the meeting were:

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CHARLIE COLEMAN
TOM LAMPE
BRIAN PAINTER

Steve Franzen	County Attorney
Matt Elberfeld	County Administrator
Marie Schenkel	Finance Director
Paula Spicer	Fiscal Court Clerk
Frank Spataro	Human Resources Director
Seth Cutter	Economic Development Manager
Chief Craig Sorrell	Campbell County Police Department

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Commissioner Painter.

Commissioner Painter opened the meeting with an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Cable Access was present to film the meeting.

Following roll call, a quorum was declared present. Judge/Executive Pendery was absent.

Commissioner Lampe made a motion to appoint Commissioner Painter to preside over the meeting in the absence of Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed. Commissioner Painter explained that Judge Pendery was absent to attend an out-of-town family wedding.

Minutes from the Fiscal Court regular meeting of August 2, 2017 were presented. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to adopt the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

Commissioner Painter stated that there were no guests scheduled to speak. He recognized Campbell County Clerk Jim Luersen and former Judge/Executive Lloyd Rogers in the audience.

Finding that nobody had signed in to address the Fiscal Court, Commissioner Painter proceeded with the meeting.

Paula Spicer presented old business with a second reading of Ordinance O-10-17 by title. O-10-17 amends Chapter 73 "Traffic Schedules" of the Campbell County Code of Ordinances to add stop signs on streets in Darlington Creek Subdivision and on Golf Road. Commissioner Lampe

made a motion to adopt O-10-17, seconded by Commissioner Painter. Mr. Elberfeld stated that a resident of Darlington Creek requested a stop sign. This ordinance adds one new stop sign and lists the existing stop signs. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

New business was presented beginning with Resolution R-73-17 by title and summary. R-73-17 supports the removal of reformulated gasoline (RFG) from the State Implementation Plan (SIP) for Boone, Campbell and Kenton Counties. Commissioner Painter stated that he has gotten calls about this and if successful, it could mean a savings to drivers of 20 cents per gallon of gasoline. Mr. Elberfeld advised the Chamber of Commerce has been working on it for several years and requested adoption of the resolution. In the 1970's the State of Kentucky opted into the RFG program that was designed to help reduce harmful emissions. Over time, the restrictions on cars and normal gasoline have increased, the Federal government has removed some restrictions and it now is accepted that RFG is no better for the environment than regular gasoline. It requires more testing and certification and costs about 20 cents more per gallon. The State is making a formal request to the EPA to let the region out of the program. Boone County has passed a similar resolution, Kenton County and many cities in the three-counties are considering it. The resolutions will be submitted to the EPA as part of the written comment during the public comment period on whether to remove RFG. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to adopt R-73-17, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to recognize Ken Shields for his 39+ years of coaching boys' basketball on both the high school and college levels. Motion was made by Commissioner Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Coleman. Commissioner Coleman stated that Ken Shields is the winningest boys coach in northern Kentucky history. Mr. Shields started as a freshman coach for Covington Catholic High School, moved on to St. Thomas as head basketball coach, then to Highlands High School and on to Northern Kentucky University (NKU). He lead NKU to two national runner-up titles. Mr. Shields graduated from Covington Catholic and has been a Campbell County resident for a number of years. Commissioner Painter remembered the national games in 1997-1998; NKU did well this past year appearing in the NCAA tournament. Commissioner Lampe thanked Commissioner Coleman for suggesting this recognition. He also congratulated Coach Shields, a long-time family friend, on his successful career and especially for the influence that he had on students and athletes in the community. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to recognize Judge Fred Stine V upon his retirement as a Campbell County Circuit Court Judge. Motion was made by Commissioner Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Painter. Commissioner Lampe congratulated Judge Stine, a dear friend, on an outstanding career dedicating his last several years to justice in Campbell County. He did an admirable job and will be tough to replace. He wished him a healthy and lengthy retirement. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

Matt Elberfeld presented Resolution R-72-17 by title and summary. R-72-17 approves an Interlocal Agreement with the Boone County Fiscal Court, Kenton County Fiscal Court and the Campbell County Consolidated Dispatching Board to facilitate the development and operation of a regional public safety emergency communication system, for Campbell County, Kentucky. Mr. Elberfeld explained that the three Fiscal Courts entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) last year when they began the radio project to determine how the costs would be split, what entity would own the shared components of the system and what to do if a party wanted out of the agreement. This Interlocal will formalize that arrangement. There are no

significant changes from the MOU previously approved. The three County Attorney's have all reviewed and approved the Interlocal Agreement. Commissioner Painter made a motion to adopt R-72-17, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. Commissioner Painter stated that this is a good example of cooperation with the other Counties, and will save millions of dollars. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

Mr. Elberfeld then requested a motion to meet in executive session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(c) discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency. The Fiscal Court may take action as a result of the executive session therefore he requested that they meet now rather than at the end of the meeting. Motion was made by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed. The Fiscal Court convened in executive session at 5:45pm.

Commissioner Painter made a motion to adjourn the executive session and return to regular session at 6:00pm, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

As a result of the discussion in executive session, Mr. Elberfeld requested a motion to authorize the Fiscal Court to file an appeal in the Ethics Commission recent determination. Motion was made by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. Commissioners Painter and Lampe voted "AYE", Commissioner Coleman voted "NAY" and the motion passed.

Commissioner Coleman stated that he has had questions from taxpayers asking what the tax rate will be and why it hasn't yet been set. Mr. Elberfeld responded that the Fiscal Court received the assessments from the Department of Local Government late this year and the tax rate will be on the agenda for the September 6, 2017 meeting.

Commissioner Coleman stated that they had talked about the low bidder for the Golfview Drive project not being certified or qualified and they voted to take the next higher bid. He asked if the successful bidder was prequalified. Mr. Elberfeld replied that they were prequalified.

Commissioner Painter announced that the Festival on the Lake on August 12th was a great event that attracted a large crowd. The music was good and everybody appreciates the venue. He thanked the Community Development Council, Larry Harrod, Charlie Krift, Mike Braun and all of the maintenance guys. The Park was in beautiful shape for the festival.

Commissioner Painter announced that the Dragon Boat Races and Arts in the Park will be held on September 9, 2017 from 8:30am to 2:30pm at A J Jolly Park. More details will be on the County's website as they become available. This event attracts a large crowd for breast cancer awareness and fundraising for breast cancer research.

Commissioner Painter announced that tickets are now on sale for the 50th annual Senior Picnic. This year's picnic will be held on Thursday, September 21, 2017 from 11am to 4pm at Pendery Park. Tickets are \$10 in advance at the Campbell County Senior Center and the County Administration Building, or \$15 at the gate.

Commissioner Painter asked if Marie Schenkel would talk about the good news about the golf course from 2016 after her report.

Ms. Schenkel requested a motion to acknowledge that the Fiscal Year 2017 Treasurer's Report is complete and is available. The Treasurer's Report is an unaudited, cash basis, summary of all receipts and disbursements during the Fiscal Year. The vendor detail is available on the County's website via OpenGov. Motion was made by Commissioner Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to approve budget transfers as presented for August 16, 2017. Ms. Schenkel stated that the transfers do not change the overall budget they only reallocate certain funds. Motion was made by Commissioner Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

Ms. Schenkel then requested a motion to approve the claims and supplemental claims as presented for August 16, 2017. She pointed out that there were no storm water bills on the list of claims. County Attorney Steve Franzen stated that he has reviewed the claims and determined that they all appear appropriate. Motion was made by Commissioner Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Painter. Commissioner Coleman asked if there was an accident – he saw a payment to Castrucci Ford to fix a grill. Mr. Franzen stated that it was for the Planning and Zoning Department truck. Ms. Schenkel stated that the driver ran over debris in the roadway damaging the grill; it needed a minor repair. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

Commissioner Painter announced that the golf course is operating in a near net neutral position. Ms. Schenkel stated that there was a very small deficit of \$9,000 in fiscal year 2017 due to cost saving efforts and better than expected revenues. Commissioner Painter stated that staff is working extremely hard to attract golfers and to put the facility where it needs to be for budget purposes.

There being no further business to come before the Fiscal Court, Commissioner Lampe made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "AYE" and the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Attachments:

Ordinance O-10-17	Amend Traffic Schedules – Stop Signs
Resolution R-73-17	Support Removal of Reformulated Gasoline Requirements
Resolution R-72.17	Interlocal Agreement for Regional Emergency Communications System
Budget Transfers	August 16, 2017
Claims and Supplemental Claims	August 16, 2017

Approved:

STEVE PENDERY
Judge/Executive

Attest:

Paula K. Spicer, Fiscal Court Clerk