

**CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY FISCAL COURT
MINUTES**

APRIL 20, 2022

A regular meeting of the Campbell County Fiscal Court was held on Wednesday, April 20, 2022, 5:30 p.m. at the Campbell County Administration Building, Fiscal Court Chambers, 1098 Monmouth Street, Newport, Kentucky.

In attendance were:

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

County Attorney Steve Franzen,
County Administrator Matt Elberfeld,
Assistant County Administrator Kim Serra,
Economic & Community Development Director Justin Otto,
Police Major Jeremy Newberry,
Human Resources Director Ashley Murray.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 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.

Minutes from the Fiscal Court regular meeting of April 6, 2022 were presented. Motion was made by Commissioner Besecker, seconded by Commissioner Painter to approve the minutes. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Judge Pendery welcomed David Hosea and representatives from Hosea Project Movers. When the tornadoes struck Western KY, Hosea Project Movers, led by David Hosea, sprung to action. Hosea Project Movers, coordinated with Campbell County and others around the Commonwealth to see how they could be of assistance. Hosea Project Movers had two main objectives, one was to provide an enjoyable Christmas for families impacted by the tornado. Hosea Project Movers organized a Kid's Christmas Drive, accumulating 300 pieces of new clothing, 100 bikes, dolls, and sporting goods and 150 bags of toys. It was the biggest single day of sales that the Ft. Wright Wal-Mart ever had. The second objective was to be the second and third wave of goods and donations. Over the next three months they delivered 3.5 semi-truck loads to various locations in Western KY. Essentials like clothing, water, and food. Everyday items like paper goods,

children's toys & books, diapers, cleaning supplies, and even pet food & supplies. Tools to help rebuild, like drills, saws, and electric generators. The Hosea Project Movers warehouse acted as a central location to gather and store these goods. Hosea Project Movers donated thousands of items, worth tens of thousands of dollars to families when they needed it most. Judge Pendery then presented David Hosea and the Hosea Project Movers representative with a Citation of Heroism.

Judge Pendery proceeded to call on those who had signed in to address the Fiscal Court.

David Steele introduced himself. Mr. Steele is running for District Court Judge. He has been an attorney for 22 years and believes in the District Court system and that it can make a difference. If elected he would treat all with dignity and respect. He thanked the Fiscal Court for investing in fiber optics as he and the courts were able to work through the pandemic and get the business of justice done.

Abby Voelker introduced herself. She is running for Family Court Judge and believes she has the correct temperament and compassion to serve. She saw trauma first hand when her parents welcomed a foster child into their home in 1987 and decided then to make a career of helping families and children. She believes each case matters and that each case should be given a personal face. She thanked the Fiscal Court for the opportunity to speak.

Matt Elberfeld presented old business with the second reading of Ordinance O-03-22 amending Chapter 73 "Traffic Schedules" of the Code of Ordinances to change the maximum speed limit on Alexandria Pike in the John W. Reiley Elementary School Zone. Commissioner Besecker made a motion to adopt O-03-22, Commissioner Painter seconded. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Matt Elberfeld presented new business beginning with the first reading of Ordinance O-04-22, an Ordinance amending Chapter 90 "Animals" of the Code of Ordinances to reflect the correct title of the Animal Shelter Director and to clarify the place where dog licenses may be purchased.

Matt Elberfeld presented the first reading of Ordinance O-05-22, an Ordinance updating the official County maintained road list to remove Short Summer (CR1560). This is a small connector road that the City of Alexandria previously annexed and will maintain.

A motion was requested to authorize Judge Pendery to execute a Participation Agreement with Rivertown Communications LLC for production of the FY23 *What's Happening!* publication. The agreement was reviewed and approved by the County Attorney's office. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Resolution R-24-22 was ready by title. Resolution R-24-22 authorizes the Judge/Executive to apply for and execute any documents related to the acceptance of Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds to be used to purchase and install weather radios for public buildings and schools in Campbell County. The estimated cost for the purchase of 300 NOAA Weather Radios is \$7,470 and the County is obligated to provide matching funds of 10% or less. These radios will

be used to provide indoor alerts. Commissioner Painter made a motion to adopt, seconded by Judge Pendery. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Resolution R-25-22 was read by title. R-25-22 authorizes the Judge/Executive to apply to the U.S. Deputy Sheriff’s Association for \$5,000 in grant funds to reimburse the Campbell County Police Department’s purchase of drone equipment. The estimated cost of the drone is \$6,500 requiring a \$1,500 match from the County. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to adopt R-25-22, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Resolution R-26-22 was read by title. R-26-22 authorizes renewal of medical insurance and wellness program for eligible employees of the Fiscal Court and Detention Center with Humana Health Plan Inc. for FY23. Eligible employees of the County Attorney’s Office, Consolidated Dispatch Center and Cable TV also participate in the Fiscal Court’s group health, vision, dental and flexible benefits plans at no cost to the Fiscal Court by reimbursing the Fiscal Court monthly for expenses. Judge Pendery made a motion to adopt R-26-22, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. Commissioner Lampe recused himself as his employer has relationships with the company. Three votes “Aye” and the motion passed.

Resolution R-27-22 was read by title. R-27-22 authorizes renewal of voluntary vision insurance to all eligible employees of the Fiscal Court and Detention Center for FY23 and FY24 at the current rates. Judge Pendery made a motion to adopt R-27-22, seconded by Commissioner Painter. Commissioner Lampe recused himself as his employer has relationships with the company. Three votes “Aye” and the motion passed.

Resolution R-28-22 was read by title. R-28-22 authorizes a contract with Delta Dental for voluntary dental insurance to all eligible employees of the Fiscal Court and Detention Center for FY23 and FY24. This is a new carrier for the county. The coverage is richer and the rates are a decrease of 6%. Judge Pendery made a motion to adopt R-27-22, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. Commissioner Lampe recused himself as his employer has relationships with the company. Three votes “Aye” and the motion passed.

Resolution R-29-22 was read by title. R-29-22 authorizes renewal of the agreement with Chard Snyder to serve as third-party administrator of S125 Flexible Benefit and COBRA plans for all eligible employees of the Fiscal Court and Detention Center for the FY beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025. Judge Pendery made a motion to adopt R-27-22, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. Commissioner Lampe recused himself as his employer has relationships with the company. Three votes “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to accept the resignation of Police Officer Eric Schmidt effective March 28, 2022. Judge Pendery made the motion, Commissioner Lampe seconded the motion. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to accept the resignation of Police Officer Zachary Steward effective April 6, 2022. Judge Pendery made the motion, Commissioner Lampe seconded the motion. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to accept the resignation of Mechanic III Michael Ashmore effective July 31, 2022. Judge Pendery made the motion, Commissioner Lampe seconded the motion. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to authorize staff to advertise, interview and make a hiring recommendation for a Mechanic III to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Mr. Ashmore. Judge Pendery made the motion, Commissioner Lampe seconded the motion. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to appoint the following seasonal employees for the 2022 Park, Golf and Park Maintenance season effective April 21, 2022:

James McCafferty	Parks & Recreation Maintenance Worker	\$14.00
Perry Mocahbee	Parks & Recreation Maintenance Worker	\$14.00
Robert Butte	Golf Course Attendant	\$12.00
Karen Heringer	Clubhouse Concession Worker	\$11.00

Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to authorize a change in status of Donnie Wright a part-time Building Inspector to a full-time Building Inspector III effective April 20, 2022. Matt Elberfeld noted that building permits are up and the additional hours are needed to keep up and provide service to the cities. A motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

The County Administrator had one item to report. Matt Elberfeld read Resolution R-31-22 by title. R-31-22 authorizes the Judge/Executive to execute an agreement with the Commonwealth of Kentucky Department of Criminal Justice Training (DOCJT) for participation in the Department of Defense’s SkillBridge Military to Law Enforcement Program. By becoming an authorized SkillBridge organization, the military will pay for the salary and benefits of an active duty military member to complete the DOCJT Basic Law Enforcement Academy. The County will also be able to advertise officer vacancies on the SkillBridge website. The MOA has been reviewed by the County Attorney’s Office. This program will save the county money and will help the police department recruit and employ veterans. A motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

County Attorney had no report but did thank David Hosea, the Hosea family and staff for always answering the call when the community needs them.

Commissioner Besecker agreed with County Attorney Franzen’s remarks about David Hosea. He reported that he had the opportunity to tour the CVG Police Department. He remarked that the airport is a place where many people travel in and out of and that the airport Police Department is a fine-tuned organization and is keeping travelers in good hands.

Commissioners Lampe and Painter had no reports for the meeting.

Judge Pendery announced that the Campbell County Spring Clean-up event is scheduled for April 29 and 30 from 8am to 5pm. This is an opportunity for Campbell County residents to dispose of unwanted trash, debris and bulky household items free of charge at multiple locations throughout the County. More information can be found in the Winter/Spring 2022 edition of *What's Happening* or on the County's website.

Matt Elberfeld gave the Finance Director/Treasurer report. A motion was requested to accept the low bid of Lutz Construction in the amount of \$183,700 for the County Clerk Annex Renovation project at 8330 W. Main Street in Alexandria. Five bids were submitted. This project will be paid for 100% from the County Clerk's budget. Clerk Luersen was present and gave a quick "shout out" to county staff Laura Lewis and Mike Braun for their help in the process. Their experience has been invaluable to the Clerk during the process. Clerk Luersen mentioned that he anticipated the project to take no more than two to three months and that he will move some workstations to other areas so that the Clerk's operations can remain partially open during construction. Motion was made by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to approve Fiscal Court staff participation in a joint solicitation with Boone and Kenton Counties for bids on the following:

- 8,000 lb. – 19,000 lb. Excavator – Campbell and Boone - Boone will bid
- 1.0, 1.5, 2.5 Ton Trucks – Campbell, Boone, Kenton – Kenton will bid
- Utility Roller (Asphalt) – Campbell, Kenton – Campbell will bid
- Tree Removal – Campbell, Kenton – Campbell or Kenton will bid

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

A motion was made to approve budget transfers dated March 31, 2022. Commissioner Besecker made a motion and Commissioner Lampe seconded. All voted "Aye" and the motion carried.

Matt Elberfeld then requested a motion to approve the claims and claims paid per standing order dated April 13 and 20, 2022. County Attorney Steve Franzen advised that he has reviewed the claims and claims paid per standing order and determined that they all appear appropriate. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to approve the claims and Judge Pendery seconded. 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 6:11p.m.

Attachments:

Ordinance O-03-22	Change Speed Limit in School Zone
Ordinance O-04-22	Amend Chapter 90 "Animals"
Ordinance O-05-22	Update County Maintained Road List
Resolution R-24-22	Application for Hazard Mitigation Grant
Resolution R-25-22	Application for US Deputy Sheriff's Association Grant
Resolution R-26-22	Contract with Humana for Employee Medical Insurance
Resolution R-27-22	Contract with Humana for Employee Vision Insurance

Resolution R-28-22 Contract with Delta Dental for Employee Dental Insurance
Resolution R-29-22 Contract with Chard Snyder for 3rd Party Benefit Administration
Resolution R-30-22 Change Status of Building Inspector from Part-time to Full-time
Resolution R-31-22 Agreement with KY Department of Criminal Justice Training
Claims and Claims Paid Per Standing Order dated April 13 and 20, 2022

Approved:

STEVE PENDERY
Judge/Executive

Attest:

Paula K. Spicer, Fiscal Court Clerk