

**CAMPBELL COUNTY FISCAL COURT
MINUTES**

FEBRUARY 1, 2017

A regular meeting of the Campbell County Fiscal Court was held on Wednesday, February 1, 2017, 7:00 p.m. at the Campbell County Courthouse located at 8352 East Main Street, Alexandria, Kentucky.

COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE
STEVE PENDERY

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CHARLIE COLEMAN
TOM LAMPE
BRIAN PAINTER

Steve Franzen	County Attorney
Matt Elberfeld	County Administrator
Kim Serra	Assistant County Administrator
Marie Schenkel	Finance Director
Paula Spicer	Fiscal Court Clerk
Frank Spataro	Human Resources Director
Seth Cutter	Economic Development Officer
Colonel Craig Sorrell	Campbell County Police Department
Mike Braun	Facilities and Fleet Director

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Judge Pendery. Cable Access was present to film the meeting.

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 January 18, 2017 were presented. Motion was made by Commissioner Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Painter to approve the minutes. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

Judge Pendery recognized the family of Ken Knipper that were present. Peggy Knipper introduced her four daughters and one grandson who accompanied her. Judge Pendery then read a Citation in recognition of Mr. Knipper's service to Campbell County as its OEM Director and his contributions to the local, state and national firefighter and EMS communities.

Mike Braun, Campbell County Facilities and Fleet Director reported to the Fiscal Court on the Facilities and Maintenance Department, which is responsible for all planned and unplanned

maintenance of all Fiscal Court properties. His department responds to 25-30 service calls per week. He listed the tests performed by the department at the County's facilities and the kinds of after-hours calls to which they respond. Mr. Braun also assists the Finance Department in the disposal of surplus property and works with the Parks and Recreation Manager to maintain the County's parks. Mr. Braun listed major projects that were accomplished in 2016 and projects planned for 2017. Referring to the drainage project in Pendery Park, Commissioner Coleman asked where the water drains. Mr. Braun replied that it goes down the ditch that runs toward the river. He then answered other questions from the Fiscal Court. Chief Sorrell complimented Mr. Braun and his crew for the renovations made at the Campbell County Police Department.

Judge Pendery invited comments from the public. As no one had signed up to speak, Judge Pendery proceeded with the agenda.

There being no old business, Paula Spicer presented new business with a motion to accept the resignation of Ronald Miller, Information Technology Specialist, effective February 3, 2017. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

A motion was then requested to authorize staff to advertise, accept applications and interview to fill the vacant Information Technology Specialist position. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed. Judge Pendery stated that Ron Miller served the County well and wished him well in the future.

A motion was requested to advance Police Officer Andrew Champagne from PO5 (\$23.14 per hour or \$48,139 annually) to PO6 (\$24.76 per hour or \$51,509 annually) effective March 10, 2017 in accordance with the current Fraternal Order of Police working agreement. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to approve the 2017 annual compensation for Judge/Executive Steve Pendery at \$115,472.74, Jailer James Daley at \$115,472.74, Sheriff Mike Jansen at \$110,408.15 and County Clerk Jim Luersen at \$110,408.15 as prescribed by KRS 64.5275 and calculated by the Kentucky Department of Local Government. All effective January 1, 2017. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to set the 2017 annual compensation for the Campbell County Coroner at \$46,879.06 as calculated by the Kentucky Department of Local Government based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) of 2.1 percent as of December 2016. Said compensation is effective January 1, 2017. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Painter. Judge Pendery pointed out that the State closed the Northern Kentucky crime lab and the coroner and his staff are working harder to make up for it. Bodies that were normally examined here by the medical examiner, now have to be shipped to Frankfort. There are too few medical examiners in Kentucky. This is a burden on the local coroner's office and the families of the people whose bodies must be transported to Frankfort. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to set the 2017 annual compensation for the Campbell County Attorney at \$46,607.42 as calculated by the Kentucky Department of Local Government based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) of 2.1 percent as of December 2016. Said compensation is effective January 1, 2017. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to appoint Steve Stapleton, Andrea Janovik and Joseph Powers to the Campbell County Ethics Commission for a one-year term effective February 1, 2017 through January 31, 2018. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Painter. Commissioner Coleman requested a correction to the executive order appointing the Ethics Commission which says the term of Ken Moellman expired. He stated that Mr. Moellman resigned, his term did not expire. Judge Pendery suggested using the word vacancy. Commissioner Coleman agreed that vacancy would be appropriate since Mr. Moellman resigned. Judge Pendery and Commissioner Painter agreed that their motion and second apply to the amended order. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed. Judge Pendery recognized some of the appointees in the audience and thanked them for their willingness to serve.

A motion was requested to appoint Regina Clos to the Northern Kentucky Area Development District Council on Aging to fill the unexpired term of Dan Keller Sr. effective February 2, 2017 through June 30, 2017. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

Commissioner Coleman thanked Chief Sorrell, his staff and Mr. Elberfeld for their work on the Reitman Road situation. He has talked to Mr. Gubser about it and he extends his thanks as well.

Commissioner Lampe advised that he visited the Tyson plant with Tri-ED representatives this week. Tyson is the County's fourth largest employer and its largest for-profit business. He advised that they've added jobs this year and have plans to expand the plant leading to additional employees. Tyson is a great asset to the community as they continue to grow. They are very charitable in the community as well, endowing scholarships for Campbell County High School. He wants to assure them and the public that the Fiscal Court values their presence in the County.

Commissioner Lampe stated that most have probably heard that Geoffrey Mearns, President of NKU, the County's largest employer, has submitted his resignation to accept the equivalent position at Ball State University. He thanked President Mearns for his contributions and achievements during his tenure; much was accomplished. He wishes the Board of Regents and the search committee well in their search for his successor.

Judge Pendery spoke about the recent deal with Amazon at CVG airport. The project will involve 900 acres at the airport. He stated that DHL has a super-hub at the airport that handles millions of packages and 100's of aircraft in and out daily. Amazon will be doing something similar. It will be using DHL's facilities for a while during construction of its \$400-\$500 million facility. He anticipates that \$1.5 billion will be spent and as many as 3,000 jobs created. They will handle cargo and local traffic. He hopes that the salaries will be good ones. Judge Pendery stated that when CVG lost the Delta hub it went from roughly 660 flights per day to 160 but the airport is recovering. Those numbers did not include cargo flights. After its recent expansion,

DHL accounts for 100's of flights and over one-half of the landed weight at the airport. When the landing fees paid by Amazon are added, the prospect is good that the landing fees on passenger traffic will be reduced, making it more likely that the airport will be able to attract low-cost carriers. Once the most expensive airport in the country, CVG is now number 40 and keeps dropping. The Amazon project will help increase passenger traffic as well as the NKY employment base. This project has the potential to have an impact on the local economy as big or bigger than UPS has on Louisville. He added that Amazon did 51% of all internet sales this past Christmas.

Judge Pendery announced that the Northern Kentucky Legislative Caucus will hold a 2017 Legislative Forum on February 11, 2017 from 10am to noon at Northern Kentucky University, Griffin Hall Auditorium. Senator Wil Schroder of Campbell County is the Chair of the caucus this year.

Marie Schenkel requested a motion to accept the following bids:

1. L&S Contractors for Parkside Subdivision curb and gutter replacement project in the amount of \$76,906.24
2. Jack Gemmer and Sons for Stoneybrook Court storm water improvements in the amount of \$38,500.00

Commissioner Coleman asked if the projects were a cost-share with Sanitation District No. 1. Mr. Elberfeld replied that Stoneybrook Court is a cost-share project so the County will get back \$17,250 from Sanitation District. Motion was made by Commissioner Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

Resolution R-11-17 was read by title and summary given. R-11-17 authorizes a renewal of the agreement with Dever Inc. for lease of golf carts for A J Jolly Golf Course in the amount of \$7,968 per month for seven months per year for each year of the lease. This renewal extends the lease to 2021 and will save the County approximately \$25,000 this year due to waiving of certain payments. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to adopt R-11-17, seconded by Commissioner Painter. Commissioner Coleman asked about the difference in electric and gas-powered carts. Mr. Elberfeld explained that electric carts have to be stored in order to be charged every night. The County does not have storage space to charge the golf carts. He stated that the County has not looked into the difference in cost for electric and gas because they do not have a place to store electric carts. Commissioner Lampe pointed out that the new carts have USB ports which is a good idea. Mr. Elberfeld stated that AJ Jolly will be the first course in the region to have that feature on the carts. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to approve a budget transfer for the County Clerk's 2016 budget. Ms. Schenkel explained that the transfer does not change the overall budget, it just moves funds from regular office expense to the salary and benefits expense. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, 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 February 1, 2017. County Attorney Steve Franzen stated that he has reviewed the claims/supplemental claims and determined that they all appear appropriate. He pointed out that there are claims for the Sanitation District. Motion was made by Commissioner Painter,

seconded by Commissioner Lampe. Commissioner Coleman stated that he still objects to paying Sanitation District No. 1 for storm water runoff at the parks because it flows into the river; he is good with the rest of the bills. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

Ervin Bacon stated that he understands that there has been a change in the protocol for speaking at the meeting. He did not know that he was supposed to sign up before the meeting. Judge Pendery offered to meet with Mr. Bacon after the meeting. Mr. Bacon stated that he will come back to the next meeting.

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 7:45 p.m.

Attachments:

Resolution R-11-17 Renew Lease for Golf Carts
Claims and Supplemental Claims February 1, 2017

Approved:

STEVE PENDERY
Judge/Executive

Attest:

Paula K. Spicer, Fiscal Court Clerk