

**CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY FISCAL COURT
MAYOR’S MEETING
MINUTES
OCTOBER 12, 2023**

The Campbell County Fiscal Court held a Special Mayor’s Meeting for elected officials and representatives on Thursday, October 12, 2023, at 6:00 PM, at the Campbell County Administration Building, 1098 Monmouth Street, Newport, Kentucky. The meeting was for informational purposes only, and no action was taken

There were two topic discussions presented. The first was Northern Kentucky Area Development District (NKADD) Housing Inventory Study, presented by the Executive Director of NKADD, Tara Johnson-Noem. The second was Regional Workforce Updates, presented by the Associate Director of NKADD, Correy Eimer.

Present:

County Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery
County Commissioner, Brian Painter

County Attorney, Steve Franzen
County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld
Finance Director/Treasurer, Laura Lewis
Economic Development Director, Justin Otto
Planning and Zoning Director, Cindy Minter
Fiscal Court Clerk, Janie Patterson

BeNKY – Sydney Murray
Campbell County Public Library – JC Morgan
City of Alexandria Clerk – Stephanie Tarter
City of Bellevue – Frank Warnock
City of Bellevue Mayor – Charlie Cleves
City of Highland Heights - Michael Giffen
City of Newport Mayor – Tom Guidugli
City of Southgate Mayor – Jim Hamburg
City of Wilder – Terry Vance
City of Wilder Mayor – Valerie Jones
City of Woodlawn Mayor – Corinne Rasche
Commonwealth of KY Representative – Mike Clines
Commonwealth of KY Senator – Shelley Funke Frommeyer
Congressman Massie’s Office – Bob Porter
CVG – Seth Cutter
DLG Commissioner – Dennis Keene
Duke Energy – Ken Muth
EC Learn – Sandy Woodall
meetNKY – Cassie Hurst
Michael Baker International – Rob Hans
Neighborhood Foundations – Dennis Elrod
Neighborhood Foundations – Tom Guidugli Sr
NKADD – Correy Eimer
NKADD – Katie Jo Kirkpatrick
NKADD – Tara Johnson Noem
NKY Chamber of Commerce – Tami Wilson
SD1 – Lydia Wakins
NKY Tribune – Patricia Scheyer

Welcome & Introductions – Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery started the Campbell County Mayor’s Meeting at 6:15 PM a few minutes after the scheduled start time due to traffic delays.

Judge Pendery gave everyone the opportunity to introduce themselves.

NKADD Housing Inventory Study – Tara Johnson-Noem, NKADD Executive Director

The Executive Director of the Northern Kentucky Area Development District, Tara Johnson-Noem gave an overview about the NKADD, their staff, board members, and the services they provide across eight different counties: Boone, Campbell, Carroll, Gallatin, Grant, Kenton, Owen, and Pendleton. The NKADD strives to educate and empower communities by implementing quality services through specific areas of expertise in: Aging, Community Development, Human Services, and Workforce Development.

Director Johnson-Noem presented an extensive housing study across the Northern Kentucky region conducted by Stantec. Findings revealed: The NKADD region will need to build 6,650 housing units to support economic development in the next 5 years, which equates to 1,330 units per year. NKADD’s economic engine is producing jobs but not the appropriate housing. There are currently too few rentals for very low-income renters and future development should steer towards smaller units and away from 4+ bedroom houses. Also, rental properties should account for a larger portion of future development. The complete housing study is available to the public on the NKADD website.

Regional Workforce Update – Correy Eimer, NKADD Associate Director

The Associate Director of the Northern Kentucky Area Development District, Correy Eimer gave an overview of the NKADD Workforce Division. He stated their mission is to drive innovative policy and direct funding for workforce investment through strong community partnerships to promote engaged employees, skilled jobseekers, and collective impact. He explained that there are currently two available job openings for every one available person.

Associate Director Eimer explained the NKADD job seeker services include: career coaching, skill building workshops (resume writing, interviewing, KY essential skills certification), job search/job matching, young adult paid internships, grants for training/credential in a high demand field, and supportive services.

Associate Director Eimer explained the NKADD employer services include: hiring event coordination, incumbent worker training, transitional jobs/wage subsidy, rapid response services, individual support from a business services representative, employer resource guide, and strategic workforce action team (SWAT).

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery inquired how many people go through the program and Associate Director Eimer responded that last year, they served over 14,000 people and 1,376 unique employers.

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld commented that these services are also available to government agencies at no cost due to various grants.

Announcements

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery announced the Life Learning Center, in the recent past, had less than a dozen employers who would hire people with substance abuse and criminal backgrounds and now there are over 200 employers willing to work with people with substance abuse and criminal backgrounds.

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery commented that every single person matters and if we are going to compete, there must be more housing units made available for the low-end rental market.

Meeting Dates 2024

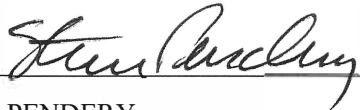
County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld announced the Mayors Meeting dates for 2024:

- January 23, 2024
- April 23, 2024
- October 22, 2023

Adjournment

The Special Fiscal Court Mayors Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Approved:



STEVE PENDERY
Judge/Executive

Attest:



JANIE PATTERSON
Fiscal Court Clerk