

CAMPBELL COUNTY FISCAL COURT MINUTES

October 4, 2006

A meeting of the Campbell County Fiscal Court was held on Wednesday, October 4, 2006, at 7:00 p.m., at the Campbell County Courthouse, located at 8352 East Main Street, Alexandria, 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
Keith Hill	Chief, Campbell County Police Department
Todd Straman	Lt. Col., Campbell County Police Department
Justin Verst	County Attorney
Susan Prather	Fiscal Court Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. by Judge Pendery. Cable Access was present and filmed the meeting.

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 special meeting of September 19, 2006, were presented by Judge Pendery. Commissioner Otto made a motion and Commissioner Rechtin seconded to approve the minutes of September 19, 2006, as presented. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Judge Pendery recognized citizens or public officials wishing to address the Court. Ms. Angela Tucker, representing several spouses of Campbell County Police Officers, requested to address the Court. She stated that due to a poor work environment, many officers are experiencing elevated stress levels which are negatively impacting the Officers' families and home life. She requested that Staff and Fiscal Court members review procedures of the Campbell County Police Department to ensure proper procedures are being followed to protect the health and well-being of their loved ones. Judge Pendery stated that the concerns expressed would be reviewed.

Mr. Pat Lucas of Wilder, Kentucky, questioned whether the issue of a proposed pedestrian bicycle bridge connecting Kenton County with Campbell County has been brought before the Court for their consideration. Judge Pendery stated that no such issue has been presented. Mr. Lucas requested that should the issue be brought before the Fiscal Court, members vote “no” for the construction of the bridge. Commissioner Rehtin noted that some discussion has taken place within the Southbank Committee over several years but no plans are imminent for the construction of such a bridge.

There being no other citizen wishing to address the Court, Judge Pendery continued with the agenda by inviting the presentation of the Northern Kentucky Drug Strike Force. Mr. Jim Liles, Director of the Northern Kentucky Drug Strike Force, thanked the Fiscal Court for the opportunity to address the Court. He offered an overview of the Strike Force providing the history, current funding and budget restrictions of the organization. He detailed current drug trends within the region along with the goals and objectives of the Strike Force in reducing and eradicating drug use in Boone, Kenton and Campbell Counties. Discussion continued regarding the participation, and lack thereof, of local governmental entities in providing funding to the Strike Force and the means in which to encourage their monetary participation. Mr. Horine, County Administrator, thanked Mr. Liles for his strong leadership of the Strike Force. He noted that the information contained within the weekly reports supplied by Mr. Liles reinforces the need for such an organization.

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.

Melissa Williams, Director of Administration, requested a motion to acknowledge the proclamation declaring September 23, 2006, as SGT. JAMES PAPE DAY in Campbell County. Sgt. Pape recently returned from serving in Iraq where he served with the 400th Quarter Master Company from Maysville, Kentucky. He is a member of the US Army Reserves and is employed as a Firefighter/EMT for the Alexandria Fire District. The proclamation was presented by Commissioner Otto on behalf of the County at a reception held in his honor on Saturday, September 23, 2006. Commissioner Otto made a motion which was seconded by Commissioner Rehtin. There being no further discussion, all voted “AYE” and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion to proclaim October 8-15, 2006, as FIRE PREVENTION WEEK in Campbell County, Kentucky, was then requested by Ms. Williams. The proclamation urges Campbell County citizens to be aware of the importance of maintaining high quality timber in Kentucky and to protect their woodlands from the damages of wildfire. Ms. Williams explained that the proclamation is requested annually by the Kentucky Department of Forestry. Motion was made by Commissioner Rehtin and seconded by Judge Pendery. There being no further discussion, all voted “AYE” and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams presented Resolution R-130-06 which she read by title and provided a summary to the Court for its consideration; the resolution acknowledges an application made by the County Judge/Executive for a grant from the Murray and Agnes Seasongood Good Government Foundation. She stated that the application is for \$30,000 to be used for funding the Administrative Intern Program. The County has been successfully funded for the program for the past two years. Commissioner Rechtin made a motion and Commissioner Otto seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution R-131-06 was next presented by Ms. Williams which she read by title providing a summary to the Court for its consideration; the resolution acknowledges a grant application to the National Association of Counties to provide funding in the amount of \$5000 to support the investigation of a Northern Kentucky Mental Health Court. She pointed out that the grant was submitted jointly by the Judge/Executive and Jailer Greg Buckler. 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-132-06 which she read by title providing a summary to the Court for its consideration; the resolution acknowledges the execution of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Kentucky Environmental & Public Protection Cabinet (KY EPA) to provide \$7500 in funding to the Campbell County Mercury Collection Program. The event will be held on November 18, 2006, in conjunction with the Computer Collection Clean Up for Campbell, Kenton and Boone Counties. Commissioner Otto made motion and Commissioner Rechtin seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Next, Ms. Williams presented Resolution R-133-06 which she read by title providing a summary to the Court for its consideration; the resolution authorizes the Judge/Executive to accept grant funds from Kentucky's Office of Transportation Enhancement Programs for construction of a multi-use pathway connecting the Parkside Subdivision to A. J. Jolly Park and execute all related contracts. Grant funds in the amount of \$89,000 would be utilized to construct the trail which would connect the Parkside Subdivision to A. J. Jolly Park and would be constructed on Park property along Racetrack Road. Judge Pendery made motion and Commissioner Rechtin seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution R-134-06 was then presented by Ms. Williams which she read by title providing a summary to the Court for its consideration; the resolution expresses the intent to name the new connector road at the Campbell County Industrial Park "BUD POGUE WAY" in honor of community leader Henry "Bud" Pogue. Ms. Williams explained that Mr. Pogue has recently resigned from the Campbell County Economic Progress Authority, formerly the Campbell County Industrial Board, where he was a founding member. Mr. Pogue has been an extremely good friend to Campbell County. Motion was made by Judge Pendery and seconded by Commissioner Rechtin. Judge Pendery stated that the naming is a small token of appreciation

for the services and advice Mr. Pogue has provided over many years. There being no further discussion, all voted “AYE” and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams next presented personnel items to the Commission for their consideration. She requested a motion to accept the resignation of Bridget Dischar, Part –Time Kennel Technician at the Campbell County Animal Shelter, effective October 23, 2006. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Rehtin. There being no further discussion, all voted “AYE” and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion to appoint Jenna Torres to the position of Part-Time Kennel Technician effective October 6, 2006, with compensation set at \$9.86/hr (Grade 6D) was requested by Ms. Williams. Judge Pendery made motion and Commissioner Rehtin seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted “AYE” and the motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Williams requested a motion to appoint Renee Morin to the position of Part-Time Kennel Technician effective October 19, 2006, with compensation set at \$9.86/hr (Grade 6D). Judge Pendery made motion and Commissioner Rehtin seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted “AYE” and the motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Williams next requested a motion to increase the annual compensation of Gail Willhelm-Olsen, Administrative Assistant at the Road Department, from Grade 9D (\$26,920.00) to Grade 9F (\$28,283.00) to more accurately compensate for additional duties and responsibilities. Judge Pendery made motion and Commissioner Rehtin seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted “AYE” and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams stated motions were needed for several appointments to County Boards and Commissions. The first motion requested was for the reappointment of Ralph Cooper, David Wormald, Timothy Seaman, Robert Keller, James Doecker, and Michael Hargis to the Campbell County Building Appeals Board. The reappointment is for a four year term effective November 1, 2006 through October 31, 2010. Motion was made by Judge Pendery and seconded by Commissioner Hayden. There being no further discussion, all voted “AYE” and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion to appoint Justin M. Verst to the Campbell County Appeals Board was then requested. The appointment is for a four year term effective November 1, 2006 through October 31, 2010. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Rehtin. There being no further discussion, all voted “AYE” and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Williams requested a motion to appoint Mr. Thomas Quirk to the Campbell County Cable Board to fill the unexpired appointment of Reno Deaton who has resigned, effective immediately through June 30, 2007. Motion was made by Judge Pendery and Commissioner Hayden seconded. There being no further discussion, all voted “AYE” and the motion passed unanimously.

Upon completion of New Business, Judge Pendery called for the reports from Staff. Mr. Robert Horine, County Administrator, requested a motion to accept the bid of Woeste Builders, Inc., to complete the renovation work at the Alexandria Clerk's Office. This bid is the lower of two bids that were received with the bid amount being \$59,999.00. Both Brett Ruschman, Project Manager, and Jerry Noran, Cardinal Engineering, recommend that the Fiscal Court accept the bid of Woeste Builders, Inc. Commissioner Otto made a motion and Commissioner Rechtin seconded to accept the bid of Woeste Builders, Inc. There being no further discussion, all voted "AYE" and the motion passed unanimously.

Justin Verst, County Attorney, had no report to submit.

Reports from the Commissioners were then requested by Judge Pendery. Commissioner Rechtin presented an article entitled "Cut Phone Lines" to the Court for their review. The article states that the numbers of telephone land lines are declining in favor of wireless communication. Commissioner Rechtin expressed concern that revenue received by the County from the 911 surcharge placed on land lines will be reduced creating difficulties in funding the 911 Emergency Dispatch Center. Commissioner Hayden stated that as technology continues to change, a stable 911 funding source needs to be identified. Discussion continued regarding the means to ensure continued funding of the 911 system.

Judge Pendery announced that the Tall Stacks celebration will take place October 4 through October 8 and will be occurring on both sides of the Ohio River; a Comprehensive Plan Update meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 10, 2006, 7:00 P.M. at the Alexandria Court House; the I-471 Corridor Study will hold an Advisory Meeting on October 10, 2006, 2:00 P.M. at the Highland Heights City Building; the I-471 Corridor Study will hold a public meeting on October 26, 2006, from 4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. at the Highland Heights City Building to explain the study's purpose to the public along with obtaining public input on what they perceive to be the problems in the corridor; and the Campbell County Clean-Up Weekend is October 27, 28 and 29, 2006. Sites will be open 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. at the Campbell County Police Department, Pendery Park and the Campbell County Transportation Center.

Judge Pendery then requested the report of the Fiscal Director. Mr. Jim Seibert, Director of Fiscal Affairs, had no business to bring before the Court other than to request approval of the Claims presented. Justin Verst, County Attorney, stated he reviewed the Claims and they appeared to be appropriate. Commissioner Otto made a motion that the Claims be approved and paid. Commissioner Hayden seconded the motion. 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 Otto, that the meeting be adjourned. All voted "AYE" and the meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Attachments:

Proclamation	SGT. JAMES PAPE DAY
Proclamation	FIRE PREVENTION WEEK
Resolution R-130-06	Grant Application for Administrative Intern Program
Resolution R-131-06	Grant Application for Mental Health Court
Resolution R-132-06	MOA with KY EPA for Mercury Collection Program
Resolution R-133-06	Agreement to Construct A. J. Jolly Bike Trail
Resolution R-134-06	Campbell County Industrial Park – Road Name
Claims	October 4, 2006

Approved:

STEVE PENDERY
Campbell County Judge/Executive

Attest:

SUSAN A. PRATHER
Fiscal Court Clerk