

**CAMPBELL COUNTY FISCAL COURT
MINUTES**

SEPTEMBER 18, 2019

A regular meeting of the Campbell County Fiscal Court was held on Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the Campbell County Administration Building, Fiscal Court Chambers, 1098 Monmouth Street, Newport, Kentucky.

In attendance at the meeting were:

COUNTY/JUDGE EXECUTIVE
STEVE PENDERY

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
GEOFF BESECKER
TOM LAMPE
BRIAN PAINTER

County Attorney Steve Franzen,
Assistant County Administrator Kim Serra,
Fiscal Court Clerk Paula Spicer,
Finance Director/Treasurer Marie Schenkel,
Police Chief Colonel Craig Sorrell,
Human Resources Director Mary Stowers,
Campbell County Jailer Jim Daley

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 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 special meeting of August 29, 2019 and regular meeting of September 4, 2019 were presented. Commissioner Besecker made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

Finding that no one had signed in to address the Fiscal Court, Judge Pendery proceeded with the agenda.

There being no old business, Paula Spicer presented new business with a first reading of Ordinance O-11-19 by title. O-11-19 enacts and adopts the 2019 S-39 Supplement to the Code of Ordinances of the County of Campbell, Kentucky to include legislation adopted between January 1, 2019 and June 30, 2019. No vote was taken on the first reading of the ordinance.

Resolution R-98-19 was read by title. R-98-19 amends the Campbell County Police Policy and Procedure Manual. Commissioner Besecker made a motion to adopt R-98-19, seconded by Judge Pendery. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Ordinance O-12-19 was presented for a first reading by title. O-12-19 establishes the Campbell County Home Incarceration Program. Jim Daley, Jailer was present to explain the Home Incarceration Program (HIP). He first introduced Matt Seyfried who was hired by the jail to run the program. Several months ago, Judges Thomas and Blau contacted Mr. Daley to see if he had interest in having a HIP. The benefits of the program are: it is another way to control jail population, inmates are charged a fee which should pay for the program, the Judges like the program, it is good for inmates that have medical issues and it allows inmates to keep their jobs. He explained that inmates will be fitted with ankle monitors and a private company will monitor them. Mr. Seyfried further explained how the ankle monitors work. Mr. Daley expressed reservations about allowing persons charged with domestic violence to be on the HIP. Commissioner Besecker stated that this will free-up some resources at the jail, and allow people with jobs to continue their employment and be productive members of society while going through the justice system. Mr. Daley added that it costs the County \$40-45 per day to house an inmate, so that money will be saved. Commissioner Besecker asked if a very low-income person can participate in the Program if he is otherwise eligible. Mr. Daley replied that the fee is based on a sliding scale adopted by the Kentucky Supreme Court. The fee for ankle monitoring does not exceed \$20 and indigent people could pay nothing. Mr. Seyfried stated that Kenton County has had a HIP for a while as well as Madison County whose program is doing very well. Judge Pendery asked about eligibility requirements. Mr. Daley explained that the Judges will put who they want on the HIP with input from the prosecutors' office. Mr. Seyfried added that these are typically nonviolent, low level misdemeanor offenders. Mr. Daley stated that Mr. Seyfried has been operating a HIP for a long time. He stated that they have about 24 inmates that can go on the program as soon as it is approved. Mr. Seyfried stated that with better technology, HIP's are more cost effective now. Commissioner Painter asked if a person can be placed on home incarceration only on the judge's order. Mr. Daley stated that the judge will ultimately determine who is on the program and he, as jailer, will determine whether the jail will be involved in the program. Mr. Seyfried stated that often a judge doubles or triples the person's sentence if they are placed on the HIP. It may also be used in lieu of bond and used if a person has medical issues or needs hospitalization. Mr. Franzen stated that his office will have input. He then complimented Jailer Daley on his credentials, background and experience. These factors make the judges and prosecutors comfortable implementing this program. He thinks that it is a good idea as long as the jail can handle it. Mr. Daley stated that he is unsure how medical costs will be handled under this program.

A motion was requested to appoint William Hertenberg as a Golf Attendant effective September 19, 2019 at an hourly rate of \$11.10. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to appoint Brigid Conn to the Human Resources Specialist position effective September 19, 2019 at Pay Grade 4, \$54,000 annually (\$25.96/hour). Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to advance Police Officer Kyle Gray from PO5 (\$25.53/hour or \$53,104 annually) to PO6 (\$27.31/hour or \$56,821 annually) effective September 4, 2019 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 reappoint Joe Strange and David Boden to the Board of the Pendleton County Water District for a four-year term effective November 1, 2019 through October 31, 2023. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to reappoint Vera Powell, Regina Clos and Marsha Dufleck to the NKADD Council on Aging for a two-year term each effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Steve Franzen advised that he gave a presentation at the Citizens Academy this week. He urged people to look into it. He thinks that people get a lot out of it.

Judge Pendery made the following announcements:

The 2019 Campbell County Senior Picnic will be held on Wednesday, September 25th from 11 AM to 3PM at Pendery Park. Pre-sale tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased at the Senior Center or Administration Building.

The Campbell County Fall Clean-Up event will be held on Friday and Saturday, October 11 and 12 from 8am to 5pm at the Campbell County Police Department, Pendery Park and the Campbell County Transportation Center. More information on these events is available on the County’s website.

Marie Schenkel requested a motion to accept the bid of JPS Construction in the amount of \$722,113 for reconstruction of Hillview Drive. The sole bid of JPS came in over estimates. The engineer thinks that it is due to other construction projects in progress i.e. Amazon. The thickness of the pavement was changed to 8 inches on the recommendation of the engineer and County Road Supervisor in keeping with the subdivision regulations. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to approve budget transfers dated September 23, 2019. Ms. Schenkel explained that the transfers do not increase the overall budget they only reallocate certain funds. Motion was made by Commissioner Besecker, seconded by Judge Pendery. All voted “AYE” and the motion passed.

Ms. Schenkel then requested a motion to approve the claims and supplemental claims dated September 23, 2019. County Attorney Steve Franzen advised that the County Attorney has reviewed the claims and supplemental claims and determined that they all appear appropriate. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to approve the claims, seconded by Commissioner Painter. 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 Judge Pendery. All voted “AYE” and the meeting adjourned at 5:58 pm.

Attachments:

Ordinance O-11-19 Adopt Code of Ordinances Supplement

Resolution R-98-19 Amend Campbell County Police Policy and Procedure Manual

Ordinance O-12-19 Establish a Home Incarceration Program

Budget Transfers dated September 18, 2019

Claims and Supplemental Claims dated September 9, 18 and 19, 2019

Approved:

STEVE PENDERY
Judge/Executive

Attest:

Paula K. Spicer, Fiscal Court Clerk