# CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY FISCAL COURT MAYOR'S MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 8, 2023

The Campbell County Fiscal Court held a Special Mayors Meeting, for elected officials and representatives, on Tuesday, August 8, 2023, at 6:00 PM, at the Campbell County Administration Building, 1098 Monmouth Street, Newport, Kentucky. The meeting was for informational purposes only, and there were no action items taken.

The Special Fiscal Court Mayors Meeting had two focuses: One was to give updates about local opioid settlement funds, presented by the Campbell County Attorney's Office. The second was to give updates on the regional application for state funding and opportunities to use local funding, presented by the Northern Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy Director, Amanda Peters.

#### **Present:**

County Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery County Commissioner, Geoff Besecker County Commissioner, Tom Lampe County Commissioner, Brian Painter

County Attorney, Steve Franzen
Assistant County Attorney, Michelle Eviston
Economic Development Director, Justin Otto
Community Services Manager, Allyn Reinecke
Fiscal Court Clerk, Janie Patterson
Campbell County Sheriff, Steve Franzen

Campbell County Public Library – JC Morgan

City of Alexandria – Andy Schabell City of Alexandria – David Plummer City of Bellevue – Frank Warnock

City of Bellevue Mayor – Charlie Cleves

City of Dayton – Ben Baker City of Fort Thomas – Eric Haas

City of Highland Heights - Michael Giffen

City of Wilder – Terry Vance

City of Wilder Mayor – Valerie Jones Commonwealth of KY – Angie Cain Commonwealth of KY – Mike Clines Commonwealth of KY – Rachel Roberts Congressman Massie Office – Bob Porter

CVG - Seth Cutter

Duke Energy – Ken Muth EC Learn – Sandy Woodall

Field Rep, Senator Mitch McConnell – Megan Bankemper

Field Rep, Senator Rand Paul – Billy Matthews

KY State Rep 78th HD – Mark Hart

LINK NKY - Haley Parnell

meetNKY - Josh Quinn

NKADD – Tara Johnson Noem

NKODCP – Amanda Peters

NKY Chamber of Commerce – Annemarie Hoopes

NKY Chamber of Commerce - Tami Wilson

NKY Water District – Lindsey Rechtin

SD1 – Andy Aman

Senator – Shelley Funke Frommeyer

TANK – Gina Douthat

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery started the Campbell County Mayors Meeting at 6:00 PM.

#### **Welcome & Introductions**

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery gave everyone the opportunity to introduce themselves.

# **Regional Opioid Settlement Funds**

The Campbell County Attorney's office presented updates on Opioid Settlement Funds.

County Attorney, Steve Franzen opened up the discussion and explained the background information that lead up to the Opioid Settlement.

Assistant County Attorney, Michelle Eviston gave a presentation and spoke in depth about funding, allowable uses, and reporting requirements. She stated cities can join both forces and funding, and it is also encouraged.

Assistant County Attorney, Michelle Eviston gave an opportunity for Q&A at the end of her presentation.

## **Regional Opioid Response/Grant Application**

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery introduced the Northern Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy Director, Amanda Peters. He stated several years ago, there were not many resources easily available to help people with loved ones who struggle with addictions. There is now a hot line to help both family members and users speak with someone about their circumstances and learn how to get connected to the right resources. The Northern Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy assists with the development of substance use policy initiative, coordinates regional efforts, and provides services to Campbell, Boone, and Kenton County Fiscal Courts.

The Director of the Northern Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy, Amanda Peters gave a presentation and spoke about the updates on the Regional Opioid Response/Grant Application for state funding, and opportunities to use local funding. She discussed and explained the Northern Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy's goals and the resources available. She stated if someone wants treatment, they will get it.

She asked that Police and Fire also call the Help Line if they come in contact with someone who needs support and assistance. She stated there are trainings and resources available to help police social workers and even job descriptions to hire social workers.

Commissioner Tom Lampe commented Amanda Peters and her team have done an amazing job to help people with addictions, and said he couldn't thank her enough. He stated educating the community about addictions is important.

#### **Announcements**

Judge/Executive Steve Pendery stated everyone needs to participate in the Opioid Settlement and for most cities it will be a small amount unless we work together.

President/CEO at Northern Kentucky Water District, Lindsey Rechtin announced that SD1 now has a private emergency only number and asked that it not be distributed or shared with the public.

CEO at EC Learn, Sandy Woodall stated EC Learn trains and develops early childhood professionals and educates families and employers to increase their awareness of early childhood education resources. They also help professionals earn their Child Development Associate (CDA) credential. She notified everyone EC Learn is a resource and will be contacting cities to align new legislative language passed in 2021.

Campbell County Public Library Director, JC Morgan stated the Library has partnered with five of the six public schools' districts, and 3,000 kids are enrolled, to receive a free book each month in the mail. He asked that the cities to help advertise the free monthly book program.

NKADD will be hosting a regional meet and greet dinner on August 29, 2023 at 6:00 PM. Online registration will be available.

The school district is looking for people to volunteer 35 minutes once a week to teach first through third graders how to read.

Judge/Executive Steve Pendery stated there are not enough people born to staff the companies in this area, and we are going to need to attract people from other areas, but currently there is not enough housing available. He would like to discuss at the next Mayor's Meeting.

There will be another Mayor's Meeting in October. Campbell County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld will coordinate the date and email the information once finalized.

### **Adjournment**

The Special Fiscal Court Mayors Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Approved: Fun (encley)

STEVE PENDERY

Judge/Executive

Attest:

JANIE PATTERSON Fiscal Court Clerk