CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY FISCAL COURT MINUTES

March 6, 2024

The Campbell County Fiscal Court held a regular meeting on Wednesday, March 6, 2024, at 9:00 AM, at the Campbell County Courthouse, 8352 East Main Street, Alexandria, Kentucky. Campbell Media recorded the regular meeting and broadcasted it on the Campbell Media website.

Present:

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

County Attorney, Steve Franzen County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld Fiscal Court Clerk, Janie Patterson Finance Director/Treasurer, Laura Lewis Assistant County Administrator, Kim Serra Police Chief, Craig Sorrell

Regular Meeting

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery asked for a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Following the roll call, a quorum was declared present.

Minutes

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery requested a motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Fiscal Court Meeting on February 21, 2024.

Motion was made to approve the minutes from the Regular Fiscal Court Meeting on February 21, 2024 by Commissioner Geoff Besecker, seconded by Commissioner Tom Lampe. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Guests

BeNKY

BeNKY President & CEO, Lee Crume, with assistance from the Vice President of Economic Development, Kimberly Rossetti, gave an update on the work BeNKY is doing. He explained they were established in 1987 and were the first regional Economic Development entity in Kentucky. Their vision is providing opportunity and prosperity for all of Northern Kentucky. Their target clusters are advance manufacturing, supply chain management, support services, information technology, and life sciences. They build and elevate Northern Kentucky by data-informed community decision making, delivering customized workforce solutions, activating the Northern Kentucky Port Authority, and targeted business growth. Their vision one year from now is: (1) identify the top risks or challenges facing NKY, (2) develop a data-driven understanding of those risks, (3) build a coalition of private sector, legislative community, and public sector partners to develop policies and solutions to address risks.

Commissioner Brian Painter inquired about the manufacturing facilities Campbell County attracts and being a better fit than other types of businesses. CEO, Lee Crume explained manufacture type jobs have a multiplying effect.

Judge/Executive Steve Pendery said he appreciated them presenting. He said business growth is something we want to foster and we want to grow a great community.

Campbell County Police Officer of the Year Award

Police Chief, Craig Sorrell honored Major Jeremy Newberry with the "Officer of the Year Award". The award recipient is nominated by the Police Officers and voted on by the Police Merit Board. Chief Sorrell said Major Newberry does an excellent job and we are very fortunate to have him.

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery said Major Newberry is second in command and we have a great department that we are very proud of. He thanked Major Newberry and said his work is exceptional.

Recognition of Citizens/Public Officials

Campbell County resident, Phil Sauerbeck, extended a thank you to the Fiscal Court, especially Commissioner Geoff Besecker, for coordinating a meeting with Transit Authority of Northern Kentucky (TANK) to discuss getting more public transportation access to the rural areas.

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery thanked Phil Sauerbeck and explained why funding public transportation is a real issue.

Old Business

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld presented old business.

O-02-24: Second Reading

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld read the title summary for the second reading of Ordinance O-02-24, "An Ordinance of the Campbell County Fiscal Court enacting and adopting the S-47 supplement to the Code of Ordinances of the County of Campbell Kentucky (May 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023)." The first reading occurred at the Regular Fiscal Court Meeting on February 21, 2023.

Motion was made to adopt Ordinance O-02-24 by Commissioner Geoff Besecker, seconded by Commissioner Tom Lampe. All voted "Aye" and Ordinance O-02-24 passed.

New Business

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld presented new business.

Ordinance O-03-24

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld read the title summary for the first reading of Ordinance O-03-24, "An Ordinance updating the official County Maintained Road List in Campbell County, Kentucky removing Harvest Trail."

There will be a request for a motion to adopt Ordinance O-03-24 after the second reading.

R-15-24

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld read the title summary of Resolution R-15-24, "A Resolution of the Fiscal Court authorizing the Judge Executive to enter into a lease agreement with the Northern Kentucky Fast Pitch League for non-exclusive use of softball fields in AJ Jolly Park Beiting Sports Complex." The current lease expires on March 31, 2024 and the updated lease will be for a term of five years ending March 31, 2029 unless otherwise terminated by the parties.

Motion was made to adopt Resolution R-15-24 by Commissioner Geoff Besecker, seconded by Commissioner Brian Painter. All voted "Aye" and Resolution R-15-24 passed.

Personnel

Executive Order

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld read a motion to appoint Patricia Allen as the part-time Senior Center Assistant at the Campbell County Senior Center effective March 11, 2024.

Motion was made by Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Tom Lampe. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Board Appointments

Executive Order

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld read a motion to accept the resignation of William Voelker from the Transit Authority of Northern Kentucky (TANK) Board of Directors effective March 1, 2024. Mr. Elberfeld stated Mr. Voelker had served over 20 years on the TANK Board.

Motion was made by Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Tom Lampe.

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery complimented and thanked Mr. Voelker for his service.

Commissioner Geoff Besecker said Bill's services are wonderful and he will be missed.

Motion was made by Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Tom Lampe.

All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Executive Order

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld read a motion to appoint Lisa Cooper to the Transit Authority of Northern Kentucky (TANK) Board of Directors to fill the unexpired term of William Voelker effective March 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

Motion was made by Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Tom Lampe. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

County Attorney Report

County Attorney, Steve Franzen did not have a report but he commented that he appreciates everyone's hard work and the change of pace from his everyday routine. He said as the County Attorney he attends a lot of meeting that are not always pleasant but this meeting was uplifting and joyful.

County Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Geoff Besecker commented that he has known Police Major Jeremy Newberry since he was 14 or 15 years old as a high school student and coached him in baseball. He said in the entirety that he has known him, Jeremy has had a servant's heart and a humble demeanor and has continued to carry that on to our citizens. He thanked Jeremy's family for giving him to us on loan.

Commissioner Tom Lampe commented that he has a lot of respect for Major Jeremy Newberry and that he is a great representation of our unit, our force, our county, and to be chosen among his peers as "Officer of the Year" is quite an honor. Commission Lampe thanked and congratulated him and his family.

Commissioner Brian Painter said that he wanted to mark the event of the acquisition of the 30-acre Kremer property and the 2 million dollars grant from the state to get the site ready for a new manufacturer to come in or an already existing one to expand. He said there are approximately 500 people who work at Tyson Foods and that the facility is an added value to our culture in Campbell County. Commissioner Painter said additional manufacturing to the middle part of our county is a monumental moment in time. He said he is very pleased with the work Economic & Community Development Director, Justin Otto did to get our project known and acknowledged and he is also pleased with how much Tyson Foods has done for Kentucky.

Judge/Executive Report

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery announced that the Campbell County's Trash for Cash Program begins April 1 and will run through October 31. He said applications are available on the Campbell County website to nonprofit groups interested in picking up roadside litter, and questions should be directed to the Solid Waste Coordinator.

Finance Director/Treasurer Report

Finance Director/Treasurer, Laura Lewis presented the Finance/Director Treasurer's Report.

Motion

Finance Director/Treasurer, Laura Lewis requested a motion for permission to bid the rebuilding of Marl Rich Lane due to the age and condition of the street which is beyond further maintenance.

Motion was made by Commissioner Geoff Besecker, seconded by Commissioner Brian Painter. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Motion

Finance Director/Treasurer, Laura Lewis requested a motion to authorize staff to purchase a 2024 Ford Explorer from State Master Agreement 758-2300000801 from Paul Miller Ford. The 2010 Jeep Liberty currently in service has high mileage and will be returned to the vehicle pool. The cost of \$42,663 is included in the FY24 Fleet Replacement budget.

Interfund Transfers

Finance Director/Treasurer, Laura Lewis requested a motion to approve Interfund Transfers dated February 29, 2024.

Motion was made by Commissioner Geoff Besecker, seconded by Commissioner Brian Painter. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Budget Transfers

Finance Director/Treasurer, Laura Lewis requested a motion to approve Budget Transfers dated February 29, 2024.

Motion was made by Commissioner Brian Painter, seconded by Commissioner Geoff Besecker. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Claims & Claims Paid per Standing Order and Benefits Claims

Finance Director/Treasurer, Laura Lewis requested a motion to approve the Claims and Claims Paid per Standing Order dated:

- February 28, 2024
- March 6, 2024
- March 2, 2024 (Employee Benefits)

County Attorney, Steve Franzen commented that he had reviewed the Claims, and had determined that everything appeared appropriate.

Motion was made to approve the claims by Commissioner Brian Painter, seconded by Commissioner Geoff Besecker.

Commissioner Tom Lampe agreed with payment of the claims however, recused himself from approving any claims related to employee benefits due to his employer's relationship with those companies.

All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Adjournment

Police Chief Craig Sorrell explained that for various reasons it has been difficult to find police vehicles to purchase and he thanked Finance Director/Treasurer, Laura Lewis for her help to get police vehicles in.

There being no further business to come before the Fiscal Court, Commissioner Brian Painter made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Geoff Besecker offered a second to the motion. All voted "Aye" and the meeting adjourned at 9:56 AM.

Attachments

- O-02-24: Adopt S-47 Code of Ordinances Supplement
- R-15-24: Lease Agreement, NKY Fast Pitch Beiting
- Interfund Transfers: February 29, 2024
- Budget Transfers: February 29, 2024
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STEVE PENDERY Judge/Executive

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JANIE PATTERSON Fiscal Court Clerk