

**CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY FISCAL COURT
MINUTES**

March 20, 2024

The Campbell County Fiscal Court held a public hearing and a regular meeting on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 5:30 PM, at the Campbell County Administration Building, 1098 Monmouth Street, Newport, Kentucky. Campbell Media recorded the public hearing and the regular meeting and broadcasted both on the Campbell Media website.

Present:

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

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

Public Hearing

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery called the Public Hearing to order at 5:30 PM.

The purpose of the Public Hearing was to discuss the merger of the Alexandria Fire District and Southern Campbell Fire District.

Judge Pendery lead the Public Hearing and asked the court if there were any questions or comments about the merger of the Alexandria Fire District and Southern Campbell Fire District, and there were none.

Judge Pendery stated there will be another Public Hearing to discuss the merger of the Alexandria Fire District and Southern Campbell Fire District on Wednesday, April 3, 2024

The Public Hearing was adjourned at 5:31 PM.

Regular Meeting

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM.

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 March 6, 2024.

Motion was made to approve the minutes from the Regular Fiscal Court Meeting on March 6, 2024 by Commissioner Geoff Besecker, seconded by Commissioner Tom Lampe. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Guests

Bob Bowlds, retiring from the Road Department with 27 years of service to Campbell County

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery announced Bob Bowlds will be retiring after 27 years of service to Campbell County. Road Supervisor, Luke Mantle highlighted Mr. Bowlds career and said it had been a great honor to work along beside each other and wished him a safe and happy retirement. Director Mantle said anything Bob touched or worked on always ended up better. Mr. Bowlds introduced each of his family members who were present.

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery said he’s proud Bob Bowlds served with us for 27 years and thanked him for his service.

Old Business

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld presented old business.

O-03-24: Second Reading

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

Motion was made to adopt Ordinance O-03-24 by Commissioner Tom Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Geoff Besecker. All voted “Aye” and Ordinance O-03-24 passed.

New Business

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld presented new business.

R-16-24

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld read the title summary of Resolution R-10-24, of the Campbell County Fiscal Court authorizing the County Judge/Executive to execute a contract with the Campbell County Fire Protection Association for FY 2025 funding.”

Motion was made to adopt Resolution R-16-24 by Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Geoff Besecker. All voted “Aye” and Resolution R-16-24 passed.

Personnel***Executive Order***

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld read a motion to appoint the following seasonal employees for the 2024 Facilities Maintenance, Parks and Golf season effective March 1, 2024.

- Eric Arbogast, Camping & Concessions Worker (PTNB), \$14.25, Rate/Hour
- Brian Clos, Golf Course Attendant II (PTNB), \$15.25 Rate/Hour
- Peter Schilling, Clubhouse Maintenance Worker (PTNB), \$14.25 Rate/Hour

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

Boards***Executive Order***

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld read a motion to appoint Chris McMillian to the Campbell County Fire District #1 Board of Trustees as a Judge/Executive appointee effective March 21, 2024 through June 30, 2025. Chris Fuchs wishes to step down from the Board after many years of service and Chris McMillian will serve the remainder of the term.

Motion was made by Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Geoff Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Executive Order

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld read a motion to appoint Alisha Schweitzer, Michael Sutton, and James Morgan Jr. to the Campbell County Ethics Commission for a one-year term effective February 1, 2024 through January 31, 2025.

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

County Administrator Report

R-17-24

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld read the title summary of Resolution R-17-24, “A Resolution of the Campbell County Fiscal Court approving and entering into an Interlocal Agreement for Raise Planning Grant Services for Northern Kentucky Riverfront Commons with Southbank Partners and participating cities and authorizing the Judge/Executive to sign said Interlocal Agreement on behalf of the Fiscal Court, as well as all other necessary and appropriate documents.”

Mr. Elberfeld said the grant will fund the planning, permitting and design of the complete twenty-mile Riverfront Commons corridor from the City of Bromley to unincorporated Campbell County. The total planning cost is approximately \$4.7M and the Fiscal Court’s share of the 20% local match is \$141,888.

Motion was made to adopt Resolution R-17-24 by Commissioner Geoff Besecker, seconded by Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery.

Commissioner Geoff Besecker asked Mr. Elberfeld for clarification that the local match is going to be from Ludlow across the river cities, and all of those entities are putting into the match for this grant, and this is going to allow this long sought after project to connect to the riverfront commons for recreational opportunities. Mr. Elberfeld said yes it would connect the missing pieces of the riverfront commons to connect Ludlow down through Pendery Park.

All voted “Aye” and Resolution R-17-24 passed.

County Commissioners’ Report

Commissioner Geoff Besecker commented that two of our local basketball teams, the 9th Region in Newport, and the 10th Region in Campbell County will square off tomorrow night, and he wished the families, players, and coaches a lot of luck and to enjoy this moment.

Commissioner Brian Painter commented that the Campbell County Conservation District held their Education Awards Dinner. He said it’s a good program which offers each elementary school the opportunity to have an art contest and to win a prize and be recognized at the dinner. It also allows and the high school students to write essays on Conservation to compete for prizes. Teachers are also recognized and can win up to \$300 donated by private enterprises. Commissioner Painter said he would like to recognize the Conservation District for hosting and teaching our county’s younger people.

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery said that he also attended and it was a very nice event.

Judge/Executive Report

Solid Waste Spring Cleanup Event

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery announced the Solid Waste Spring Cleanup Event is scheduled for Friday, April 26th and Saturday, April 27th from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. He said residents could visit the Campbell County website to review the event flyer which lists event locations, guidelines and acceptable items.

Finance Director/Treasurer Reports

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

R-18-24 Resolution

Finance Director/Treasurer, Laura Lewis read the title summary of Resolution R-18-24, "Adoption of a resolution of the Campbell County Fiscal Court authorizing the filing of a Kentucky House Bill (HB) 1 Jail Arraignment Equipment Phase II Grant Application for up to \$44,018.00 in HB 1 project funds with the Department for Local Government (DLG); authorizing and directing the Campbell County Judge/Executive to execute any documents which are deemed necessary by DLG to carry out this project; and authorizing the Judge/Executive to act as the authorized correspondent for this project."

Motion was made to adopt Resolution R-18-24 by Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Geoff Besecker. All voted "Aye" and Resolution R-18-24 passed.

R-19-24 Resolution

Finance Director/Treasurer, Laura Lewis read the title summary of Resolution R-19-24, "A Resolution of the Campbell County Fiscal Court authorizing the Judge/Executive to execute a service agreement with Trane for a three-year term effective April 1, 2024."

Motion was made to adopt Resolution R-19-24 by Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Geoff Besecker. All voted "Aye" and Resolution R-19-24 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:

- March 13, 2024
- March 20, 2024

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 Tom Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Geoff Besecker All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

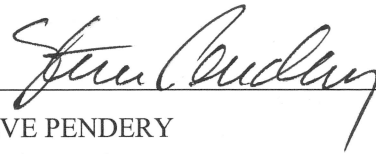
Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Fiscal Court, Commissioner Geoff Besecker made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery offered a second to the motion. All voted "Aye" and the meeting adjourned at 5:56 PM.

Attachments


- O-03-24 Road Harvest Trail
- R-16-24 CCFPA FY25 Funding Contract
- R-17-24 Southbank RAISE Planning Grant ILA
- R-18-24 JE-122 Resolution Authorizing HB1 Jail Arraignment Phase II
- R-19-24 Trane Controls HVAC 1098 Monmouth & Service Agreement
- Claims & Claims Paid per Standing Order:
 - March 13, 2024
 - March 20, 2024

Approved:



STEVE PENDERY
Judge/Executive

Attest:



JANIE PATTERSON
Fiscal Court Clerk