

**CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY FISCAL COURT
SPECIAL MAYOR’S MEETING
MINUTES
APRIL 23, 2024**

The Campbell County Fiscal Court held a Special Mayor’s Meeting for elected officials and representatives on Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 6:00 PM, at the Campbell County Administration Building, 1098 Monmouth Street, Newport, Kentucky. The meeting was for informational purposes only, and no action was taken.

There speakers presented:

1. Northern Kentucky Drug Strike Force,
Scott Hardcorn, Director
2. Northern Kentucky Water District,
Lindsey Rehtin, President/CEO
3. CVG Airport,
Seth Cutter, Vice President of Public Affairs

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
County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld
Finance Director/Treasurer, Laura Lewis
Economic & Community Development Director,
Justin Otto
Planning and Zoning Director, Cindy Minter
Police Chief, Craig Sorrell
Community Services Manager, Allyn Reinecke
Fiscal Court Clerk, Janie Patterson

Campbell County Public Library – Chantelle Phillips
City of Bellevue – Frank Warnock
City of Bellevue Mayor – Charlie Cleves
City of Fort Thomas Mayor– Eric Haas
City of Highland Heights Mayor – Greg Meyers
City of Wilder Mayor – Valerie Jones
Congressman Massie’s Office – Bob Porter
CVG – Seth Cutter
Field Rep, Senator Mitch McConnell – Megan
Bankemper
Field Rep, Senator Rand Paul – Billy Matthews
HD67 Candidate – Matt Lehman
Link NKY – Haley Parnell
NKADD – Chris Courtney
NKODCP – Amanda Peters
NKWD Drug Strike Force – Scott Hardcorn
NKWD President/CEO – Lindsey Rehtin
NKY Chamber of Commerce – Tami Wilson
SD1 – Sara Sgantas
Senator – Shelley Funke Frommeyer

Welcome & Introductions – Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery started the Campbell County Mayor’s Meeting at 6:00 PM, and asked everyone present to introduce themselves.

Northern Kentucky Drug Strike Force, Scott Hardcorn, Director

The Director of the Northern Kentucky Drug Strike Force, Scott Hardcorn, gave an overview of work being done by the NKDSF. He highlighted the difference between hemp vs. marijuana and explained some background information about the 2018 U.S. Agriculture Improvement Act, more commonly known as the farm bill. He said this bill created a loophole which legalized the manufacturing and sale of highly intoxicating hemp products that are dangerous, contaminated from high levels of toxins, totally unregulated, marketed as “legal hemp” to kids, with no age limits, and sold in places like gas stations, smoke shops, and online. He said every dollar of marijuana tax revenue is associated with \$4.50 in costs. Director Hardcorn also discussed other street drugs such as counterfeit pills, fentanyl, xylazine, and hallucinogens.

Northern Kentucky Water District, Lindsey Rehtin, President/CEO

The President/CEO of the Northern Kentucky Water District, Lindsey Rehtin gave an overview about the district, 2023 accomplishments & impactful developments, and the upcoming work NKWD plans to do.

She explained NKWD is the largest water district in Kentucky and the third largest water provider in Kentucky. She provided stats to give specific examples of NKWDs 2023 accomplishments:

- Produced 9.74 billion gallons of water
- Tested 31,400 parameters
- Replaced 2.77 miles of water main
- Distribution completed 2,464 work orders
- Engineering completed 3,079 underground locate requests
- Customer Service completed 66,582 customer visits
- Tested 6,630 meters
- Posted 47 bids & 16 RFPs
- Account Services participated in 72,172 calls
- Sent 384,260 bills

Ms. Rehtin gave an overview of NKWD current and upcoming projects:

- Memorial Parkway North Reservoir Restoration, estimated to be completed by September 2024
- Lead & Copper Rule which focuses on locating lead pipes
- Newport Ovation to replace nearly 5 miles of water main
- New Subdistrict – NKWD was recently awarded federal grant funds to extend water main in their service area

CVG Airport,
Seth Cutter, Vice President of Public Affairs

The CVG Airport Vice President of Public Affairs, Seth Cutter gave an overview of Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG). Some of the topics he highlighted included: passenger air service information, British Airways success in the first year, air cargo updates, DHL Hub which is the 2nd largest global super hub, Amazon Hub in which Amazon has made a \$1.5 billion investment, FEAM Aero which is a maintenance hangar facility, Epic Academy which is a private aircraft mechanic school, and DHL Hangar.

Mr. Cutter also highlighted some of CVG's projects on the horizon which include: hangar row development, cargo village development, terminal modernization, and concessions updates.

CVG's vision and action toward multi-modal mobility include: development beyond airport, foreign trade zone management, advanced air mobility, SAF & SAF-related infrastructure, connected and autonomous vehicles.

Mr. Cutter discussed CVG's workforce and labor challenges and highlighted that CVG supports 49,000+ jobs. CVG's total economic impact includes direct and indirect spending related to airport operation expenditures, capital construction projects, and visitor spending. The growth of CVG's economic impact in the last decade is a result of smart business investments and strategic growth. Mr. Cutter said as a job hub for the region, despite the pandemic, the airport's position as a regional leader will continue.

Announcements

Campbell County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld announced the Water District had prepared informational flyers that were available for everyone to take. He also announced there would be an HB 55 Training, "Addressing Housing Needs Through Planning and Zoning" on May 21, at 6:00 PM, at Campbell County Administration Building, 1098 Monmouth Street, Newport, Kentucky

Upcoming Meeting Dates

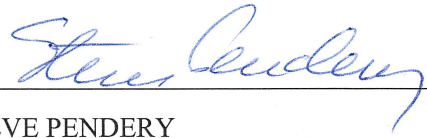
Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery announced the upcoming Mayor's Meeting dates:

- Tuesday, October 29, 2024
- Tuesday, January 28, 2025

Adjournment

The Special Fiscal Court Mayor's Meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Approved:



STEVE PENDERY
Judge/Executive

Attest:



JANIE PATTERSON
Fiscal Court Clerk