

**CAMPBELL COUNTY FISCAL COURT
MINUTES**

FEBRUARY 5, 2020

A regular meeting of the Campbell County Fiscal Court was held on Wednesday, February 5, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at the Campbell County Courthouse located at 8352 East Main Street, Alexandria, Kentucky.

COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE
STEVE PENDERY

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
GEOFF BESECKER
TOM LAMPE
BRIAN PAINTER

Assistant County Attorney Tom Edge,
County Administrator Matt Elberfeld,
Assistant County Administrator Kim Serra,
Fiscal Court Clerk Paula Spicer,
Finance Director/Treasurer Marie Schenkel,
Police Chief Craig Sorrell,
Human Resources Director Mary Stowers,

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Judge Pendery. Cable Access was present to film the meeting.

Judge Pendery asked for a moment of silence noting that David Sandfoss a 31-year member of the Campbell County Police Department including some years as Police Chief, passed away and asked that Mr. Sandfoss and his family be kept in everyone's thoughts and prayers. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Following roll call, a quorum was declared present.

Minutes from the Fiscal Court regular meeting of January 15, 2020 were presented. Motion was made by Commissioner Besecker, seconded by Commissioner Lampe to approve the minutes. All voted "AYE" and the motion passed.

Judge Pendery joined Police Chief Craig Sorrell to present awards to three Campbell County Police Officers. Detective Rob Dieman was presented with the Officer of the Year Award and Officers Curtis and Linville were presented with the Outstanding Achievement Award. Officer French who will also receive the Outstanding Achievement Award was unable to attend the meeting. Detective Dieman introduced his family members that were present and Officer Linville introduced his wife. Judge Pendery stated that we all need to be grateful that there are still people of this quality who are willing to make sacrifices for the rest of us and engage in public service of this type. He urged the community to appreciate what police officers do

because they stand between us and harms way. He offered his gratitude and congratulations and thanked them for all they do for the people of Campbell County.

Larry Harrod, Parks and Recreation Manager expressed his appreciation of the Campbell County Police Officers that respond to A J Jolly Park whenever needed. He then began his year-end report on the Parks and Recreation Department. 2019 was another successful year for the parks offering more programs, increased patronage, increase sales of park passes and season passes and an increase in camping site rentals all resulting in an increase in revenues. He thanked the parks partners including Campbell County Knothole, soccer, Girl Scouts, YMCA, public library, Extension office, police force, Southern Campbell Fire District, Campbell County Schools and Jolly Community Development Council without which they could not offer the number of programs that are offered at the parks. Mr. Harrod listed the programs/events held in 2019: season kick-off event, Jolly Thursdays, Country Fest, Bluegrass Festival, Festival on the Lake, Dragon Boat Festival, Indiana outboard mini boat races, Bishop Brossert hosted races, US archery championship, Halloween Spooktacular and Camping With the Library. Improvements to the park include paving of roads to the campground, new shelter, new bathhouse in the RV campground, addition of a second yurt, addition of water spigots at two shelter houses, addition of pickleball courts at the tennis courts and an easy dock for kayaks. Kayak rentals and use of kayaks on the lake continue to be very popular. Proposed improvements for this year include repair of culverts, paving roads, additional sites for equestrian campers, replacement of roofs on small shelters, repair/replace ADA dock and adding music nights. There will be no Country Fest this year.

Donna Grey, Jolly Community Development Council (CDC), provided an update on the tree replacement program at the golf course. The CDC planted 19 trees then sought people to pay for the right to name a tree in honor or memory of someone. A year later all 19 trees have been sold. She thanked everyone who participated. Because of the program's success, they are considering a Phase II in the fall and other naming opportunities at the golf course. The CDC is also working on offering trees along the walking path beside Racetrack Road. The tree replacement program applies to other County parks as well. Judge Pendery complimented Mr. Harrod for his work and extended his appreciation to the CDC.

Judge Pendery called on Richard Fryer who had signed in to address the Fiscal Court. Mr. Fryer stated that he is a 35-year resident of 922 Nagel Road, some of his neighbors have lived on the road for 25-30 years. There are some new younger residents in the area that have harassed them. He requested that the speed limit on Nagel Road be lowered to 25 mph on the section from the top of the hill to US 27. He handed in some photos of the road. Mr. Fryer added that this particular section of road is narrow and it is hard for two cars to pass at the same time. He stated that he was almost forced off the road twice. He asked if they would please consider lowering the speed limit.

Paula Spicer presented old business with a second reading of Ordinance O-01-20. O-01-20 relates to 815 KAR 7:120 Kentucky Building Code and 815 KAR 7:125 Kentucky Residential Code as adopted by the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to adopt O-01-20, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Ordinance O-02-20 was then presented for a second reading. O-02-20 adopts the 2018 edition of *The Kentucky Residential Code*, regulating and controlling the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, repair, location, relocation, replacement, addition to, use or maintenance of one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses in Campbell County, providing for the issuance of permits and collection of fees therefore when used with money; repealing Campbell County Ordinance No. O-02-09 and all other ordinances or parts thereof in conflict therewith. Commissioner Besecker made a motion to adopt O-02-20, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

New business was presented next beginning with Resolution R-11-20. R-11-20 sets the 2020 fees for A J Jolly Park and Pendery Park. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to adopt R-11-20, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Ordinance O-03-20 was presented for a first reading. O-03-20 amends Title VII, Chapter 72 entitled Parking Regulations, of the Campbell County Code of Ordinances, to prohibit parking on a portion of Bob Huber Drive. Mr. Elberfeld explained that Tyson Foods requested this action. Bud Pogue Way comes off of US27 then Bob Huber Drive is off of that and runs back to the Tyson plant. The first 350 feet of the road are on a curve. Tyson has had problems with their semi-trucks getting stuck when parking on the curve. He and Luke Mantle met with Tyson and hopefully prohibiting parking in the area will help. They will monitor it for six months to determine if further restrictions are necessary. Commissioner Besecker stated that he sees multiple trucks parked there daily. No vote was taken on the first reading of this ordinance.

Resolution R-07-20 was read by title. R-07-20 adopts and approves the execution of a County Road Aid Coop Program Contract between the Fiscal Court and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, Department of Rural and Municipal Aid, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020, as provided in the Kentucky Revised Statutes and accepting all roads and streets referred to therein as being a part of the County Road System. Commissioner Painter made a motion to adopt R-07-20, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. Mr. Elberfeld agreed that the amount of funds that the County will receive is a little more than last year. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to advance Sergeant Donald Dornheggen from SG1 (\$33.4543/hour or \$69,584.93 annually) to SG2 (\$34.4579/hour or \$71,672.48 annually) effective February 2, 2020 in accordance with the current Fraternal Order of Police working agreement. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to advance Officer Timothy French from PO5 (\$25.5310/hour or \$53,104.57 annually) to PO6 (\$27.3182/hour or \$56,821.89 annually) effective February 11, 2020 in accordance with the current Fraternal Order of Police working agreement. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to acknowledge and accept the annual compensation for Judge/Executive Steve Pendery and Jailer James Daley at \$122,906.21 as set in accordance with

KRS 64.5275 by the Kentucky Department for Local Government for the 2020 calendar year. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to set the annual compensation for County Attorney Steve Franzen at \$49,605.80 as calculated by the Kentucky Department of Local Government based on the CPI rate of 2.3% over the previous twelve-month period. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to set the annual compensation for County Coroner Mark Schweitzer at \$49,894.66 as calculated by the Kentucky Department of Local Government based on the CPI rate of 2.3% over the previous twelve-month period. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to set the annual compensation for the Campbell County Commissioners at \$40,990.77 as calculated by the Kentucky Department of Local Government based on the CPI rate of 2.3% over the previous twelve-month period. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Painter. Commissioners Lampe and Painter and Judge Pendery voted “Aye”, Commissioner Besecker voted “Nay” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to accept the resignation of Lisa Ketron, part-time Senior Center Assistant effective February 14, 2020. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to authorize staff to advertise, interview and hire a part-time Senior Center Assistant to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Ms. Ketron. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Matt Elberfeld read Resolution R-08-20 by title. R-08-20 authorizes the Campbell County Police Department to enter into a Management Control Agreement with the Campbell County Consolidated Dispatch Center for continued access to the Law Information Network of Kentucky (LINK). He explained that this is a database that police departments use many times a day. The Dispatch Center has a license for the database. For a long time, the Dispatch Center board, composed of a majority law enforcement, was sufficient to maintain the license. Recently the FBI and Kentucky State Police changed the requirements to no longer allow a majority board to hold the license, it must be held by a single law enforcement agency. It was determined that the Campbell County Police Department was the best agency for this. The County Attorney drafted the agreement and the Dispatch Center board understands the reasons for this action. They do not know why the requirements were changed but this database is needed. Chief Sorrell added that other agencies in Kentucky, i.e. Lexington, are in a similar situation. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to adopt R-08-20, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to authorize the Campbell County Police Chief to advertise, interview and hire two additional School Resource Officers to be located at Grant’s Lick Elementary and

Reiley Elementary schools, both located in unincorporated Campbell County. The total estimated year one cost for both officers is \$130,000 and estimated recurring annual cost is \$110,000. The cost will be split 50-50 with the Campbell County School District. Upon approval, the Police Department and School will begin the hiring process. The goal is to start next school year. Mr. Elberfeld stated that currently there are two SRO's at the high school. The conversation to add SRO's started about two years ago with a meeting of all school districts. Since then he and Dr. Rust have discussed expanding the Campbell County SRO Program. Campbell County School District is unique in that it crosses three cities and the unincorporated County. The County feels that it is responsible for providing SRO's in areas that are in its primary police jurisdiction. The SRO program provides a lot of benefits to the schools. He stated that Dr. Rust is working with elementary schools in the Cities of Alexandria and Cold Spring and the County has offered to help facilitate their programs. Dr. David Rust, Campbell County Schools Superintendent, thanked the Fiscal Court for considering this. He stated that in 2019 the General Assembly passed SB1 (KRS 158) providing that "local Boards of Education, School District Superintendents and local and state law enforcement agencies shall cooperate to assign one or more certified SROs to each school within a school district as funds and qualified personnel become available." The school district is still working with the Cities of Alexandria and Cold Spring to bring the same level of security and service to the schools within those city limits. He thanked the Fiscal Court for placing the second SRO at the high school this past year. One recommendation as a result of the Marshall County High School shooting was to have a second SRO in large high schools. Dr. Rust explained the course curriculum and training for SRO's employed on or after the effective date of SB1. Chief Sorrell talked about a local human trafficking case and other cases that evolve from SRO's relationships with students which enable students to talk to and confide in the SRO's. He then explained the "Handle With Care" program that Campbell County officers have adopted. Sgt. Mark Dill stated that he appreciates the support from the Fiscal Court, its staff and the School District. He has served 30 years as a Police Officer and nine years as an SRO. The addition of SRO's will help fulfil the requirements of SB1, the School Safety Act. The program has come a long way. Sgt. Dill stated that Kentucky has more school age children living with someone other than a parent than any other state in the country, mostly as a result of the opioid epidemic. Providing resources at the elementary level of education is forward thinking and he appreciates them moving forward with it. Chief Sorrell added that Sgt. Dill planned to leave but when the SRO program was expanded and the Sergeant position created, he wanted to stay and see it through. He is the backbone of the program and will be instrumental in its expansion. Commissioner Lampe stated that in his years of public service Mark Dill has always been part of law enforcement organization – he thanked him for what he does for the community and children. Commissioner Besecker who has taught 27 years at Campbell County High School stated that the SRO's provide an integral part of what is done as a community to help raise children. He has had a great relationship with Sgt. Dill as the SRO and watched him grow in that role. It takes a special person to work every day in a high school or elementary school environment. He thanked Sgt. Dill and his willingness to work with the expanded program. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Commissioner Besecker thanked all of the officers recognized this evening and all officers that make Campbell County a place to feel safe and a great place to raise a family. In his interactions

with Detective Dieman, he found him to be incredibly professional and thorough in his investigation. The award this evening was well deserved.

Commissioner Lampe stated that Governor Beshear was in Newport this week to deliver grant funds to the community including a \$90,000+ grant to the City of Dayton and a \$250,000 Grant to the City of Wilder from the Recreational Trails Grant Program (part of the Department of Local Government). Campbell County was a recipient of one of those grants the prior fiscal year that was used for the bathhouse at A J Jolly Park in the amount of about \$75,000. The County applied this year but did not get funded; it will apply again.

Judge Pendery announced that Campbell County was upgraded in its financial rating to an AA1 rating. One of the benefits of this is that the County will pay less interest when borrowing money or refinancing. He then listed the criteria met by the County to obtain this rating.

Marie Schenkel requested a motion to authorize staff to solicit bids for a 4-wheel drive heavy duty turf utility vehicle and a 200-gallon bed mounted spray system for use at the A J Jolly Golf Course. The purchase is estimated to cost \$45,000 which has been budgeted. The new equipment will save on chemical costs and provide safer operation. She added that A J Jolly Golf Course is ranked in the top five courses in the State and its finances have been trending upward. Motion was made by Commissioner Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Resolution R-10-20 was read by title. R-10-20 authorizes the Judge/Executive to execute a service agreement with Toro NSN to provide computer hardware and software support for the irrigation system at A J Jolly Golf Course for a three-year term effective March 1, 2020. This is an expansion of an existing agreement. Commissioner Besecker made a motion to adopt R-10-20, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Resolution R-09-20 was read by title. R-09-20 declares County-owned real estate located on West Third Street, in Silver Grove, Kentucky as surplus and authorizes its disposition by donation to the Campbell County Board of Education. Mr. Elberfeld explained that the Fiscal Court was not aware that it owned this lot which was used by the Silver Grove School. The property may have been in the Fiscal Court's name due to an old bond issue. It was discovered during a title search when Silver Grove Schools was transferring its assets to Campbell County Schools. There is no consideration for this transaction. Motion was made by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to approve the interfund transfers dated January 30, 2020. Motion was made by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted "Aye" And the motion passed.

Ms. Schenkel then requested a motion to approve the claims dated February 5, 2020, supplemental claims dated January 29, 2020 and claims paid per the standing order dated January 22 and January 31, 2020. Assistant County Attorney Tom Edge advised that he has reviewed the claims and supplemental claims and determined that they all appear appropriate.

Commissioner Lampe made a motion to approve the claims and supplemental claims, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Judge Pendery pointed out that Marie Schenkel and her staff can take some of the credit for the improved bond rating. The Commissioners thanked her as well.

There being no further business to come before the Fiscal Court, Commissioner Besecker made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “AYE” and the meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Attachments:

- Ordinance R-01-20 Adopt Kentucky Building Code
- Ordinance R-02-20 Adopt Kentucky Residential Code
- Resolution R-11-20 Set 2020 Fees for Campbell County Parks
- Ordinance O-03-20 Amend Parking Regulations
- Resolution R-07-20 Agreement with KYTC for County Road Aid Funds
- Resolution R-08-20 Agreement with Campbell County Consolidated Dispatch Center
- Resolution R-10-20 Authorize Service Agreement with Toro NSN
- Resolution R-09-20 Authorize Disposal of County-owned Real Property
- Interfund Transfers
- Claims, Supplemental Claims and Claims Paid Per Standing Order

Approved:

STEVE PENDERY
Judge/Executive

Attest:

Paula K. Spicer, Fiscal Court Clerk