

**CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY FISCAL COURT
MINUTES**

SEPTEMBER 21, 2022

A regular meeting of the Campbell County Fiscal Court was held on Wednesday, September 21 2022, 5:30 p.m. at the Campbell County Administration Building, Fiscal Court Chambers, 1098 Monmouth Street, Newport, Kentucky.

In attendance were:

COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE
STEVE PENDERY
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
GEOFF BESECKER
TOM LAMPE
BRIAN PAINTER

County Attorney Steve Franzen,
County Administrator Matt Elberfeld,
Fiscal Court Clerk Paula Spicer,
Finance Director/Treasurer Laura Lewis,
Police Chief Craig Sorrell,
Economic & Community Development Director Justin Otto

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Judge Pendery. Cable Access was present to film the meeting. The meeting was also broadcast live on the Campbell Media website at <https://campbellmedia.org/live/>.

Judge Pendery asked for a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Following roll call, a quorum was declared present.

Minutes from the Fiscal Court regular meeting of September 7, 2022 were presented. Motion was made by Commissioner Besecker, seconded by Commissioner Painter to approve the minutes. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Judge Pendery announced that the community is honoring Mike Bankemper upon his retirement as head coach of the Campbell County Camels wrestling team. He stated that Mr. Bankemper is a graduate of Campbell County High School (CCHS), was a member of the wrestling team there and a member of the Northern Kentucky University wrestling team, and he has been on the staff of the Camels' wrestling team for 42 years taking over as head coach in 1982. In addition to coaching, he served as athletic director for nine years. During his tenure as head coach, the Camels won four state championships, and as a team was ranked in the top 25 nationally, finished as state runner-up five times and placed in the top 10 in the state 29 times, won the northern Kentucky Athletic Conference 24 times and placed second 8 times and won 18 regional championships and finished runner-up in the region 15 times. The Camels won a number of individual championships and seven wrestlers went on to compete at the NCAA Division 1 level.

Judge Pendery then enumerated the many personal awards won by Mr. Bankemper. He was inducted in the Northern Kentucky Sports, Northern Kentucky Director of Athletics and Northern Kentucky Wrestling Coaches Association Halls of Fame. Judge Pendery congratulated him on his accomplishments and retirement. After photos were taken, Mr. Franzen stated that Mr. Bankemper has had an amazing career. The CCHS wrestling program was always successful thanks to him. Commissioner Besecker has known Mr. Bankemper for 30 years. As Athletic Director, Mr. Bankemper was one of the first people that he met at CCHS when he went to work there. Commissioner Besecker was able to coach for 10 years under Mike's tutelage. It has been a blessing to get to know him and Cami. He appreciates the friendship and his work with the children of the community. Commissioner Painter stated that he has known Mr. Bankemper for 46 years having attended high school with him. He recalled that Mr. Bankemper was a wrestler and made friends easily which made an impression on him. The reason why he was able to excel with students and student athletes is because he treated people with respect. Commissioner Lampe stated that he doesn't know Mike personally but knows of his legendary reputation. He thanked him for what he has done for the community; his legacy will live on forever.

Judge Pendery then called on Kentucky Emergency Management Association (KYEMA) President John Allen to begin his presentation. Mr. Allen explained that the KYEMA was formed in 1991 as a non-profit to promote and recognize all things emergency management in the Commonwealth. When he began his emergency management career in eastern Kentucky, a core group of people reached out to provide mentorship and friendship – three of those people are present. Deputy Director Greg Buckler serves in the administrative division of Campbell County Emergency Management and has distinguished himself as a leader in the emergency management community not only in Campbell County but state and nationwide. Mr. Buckler is a Certified Kentucky Emergency Manager (CKEM) and was recently elected to serve as KYEMA region Vice-President representing regions 5 and 6. Mr. Allen noted that to receive the title of CKEM is not easy – it requires a 4-year commitment, dedication to specific training, mutual aid deployments, be published in media and have advanced knowledge of the profession and its practices. All of this in addition to their already hectic work duties as emergency managers. Campbell County has just added another CKEM to their roster. Deputy Director Jamie Sparks serves the community in the operations division and is a great asset. He recently served as deputy team lead in the eastern Kentucky division of the flooding while deployed with the NKY Incident Management Team (NKYIMT). His leadership knowledge and determination are examples of things that every CKEM recipient should strive to represent in their career. All of these attributes helped Deputy Director Sparks lead the NKYIMT in a successful deployment. He was also recently elected as the KYEMA statewide Secretary. Campbell County now is the first County in the Commonwealth to have all of its staff recognized as CKEMs. Mr. Allen explained that the KYEMA President's award is an award that is rarely given and reserved for circumstances and individuals whose work to advance emergency management within and outside the borders of the Commonwealth goes far and beyond the efforts of their peers. Director William Turner exemplifies the spirit of that award. He began his career as director of Owsley County Emergency Management for 2.5 years, before accepting a position of area manager with Kentucky Emergency Management working out of the Hazard office. After ten years in that role he left Kentucky and became Emergency Management Director in Butler County, Ohio for ten years before returning to the Commonwealth as Director of Campbell County where he has served for 14 years. Director Turner has distinguished himself in his efforts regarding emergency management education not only in Campbell County, but state and

nationwide. He hosts a robust education program in Campbell County open to first responders and emergency management professionals from anywhere. Director Turner leads the emergency services conference education committee and is responsible for bringing high-quality, timely and situation appropriate training to Emergency Managers in the Commonwealth and beyond. He was heavily involved in creating the Northern KY All Hazards Incident Management Team which just completed several weeks of deployment working in flood ravaged eastern Kentucky. Director Turner's dedication to his job, his care for peers and subordinates is unmatched. He is a tremendous asset to KYEMA, Campbell County and the Commonwealth. The KYEMA President's Award goes to William "Bill" Turner. After photographs were taken, Judge Pendery stated that there have been two extraordinary calamities in Kentucky in the last so many months and this same group of people performed extraordinary services in both incidents. He has heard from people all over the state about not just the quality of work they did but the leadership that they showed – they were actually placed in charge in most of the places they went. The County has a lot to be proud of and they deserve the recognition they are receiving – the County is very lucky to have them.

Finding that nobody had signed in to address the Fiscal Court, Judge Pendery proceeded with the agenda.

There being no old business, new business was presented with Resolution R-74-22. R-74-22 authorizes the Judge/Executive to enter into an agreement with the Department of Defense to participate in the Military to Law Enforcement Program and Department of Defense Skillbridge Program. Commissioner Painter made a motion to adopt R-74-22, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Resolution R-75-22 was read by title. R-75-22 reallocates five Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing Vouchers from KY136 to KY135. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to adopt R-75-22, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Ordinance O-11-22 was presented for a first reading. O-11-22 adopts the 2022 S-45 Supplement to the Campbell County Code of Ordinances to incorporate certain ordinances/resolutions adopted between January 1, 2022 and June 30, 2022. No vote was taken on the first reading of this ordinance.

Resolution R-76-22 was read by title. R-76-22 authorizes the addition of a full-time Solid Waste Coordinator position and further authorizes corresponding amendments to the Administrative Code. Judge Pendery made a motion to adopt R-76-22, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Judge Pendery then made a motion to authorize staff to advertise, interview and make a hiring recommendation for a full-time Solid Waste Coordinator. Commissioner Lampe seconded the motion. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Resolution R-77-22 was read by title. R-77-22 authorizes updates to the Community Services Manager position, further authorizes corresponding amendments to the Administrative Code and authorizes a pay increase. Judge Pendery made a motion to adopt R-77-22, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

A motion was made by Judge Pendery to execute an employment contract with Amanda Donelan to provide School Resource Officer services for the 2023 Fiscal Year. Commissioner Lampe seconded the motion. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to appoint Payton Fields to the part-time Kennel Technician position effective September 22, 2022 with compensation set at pay grade 2 \$15.72 per hour. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to appoint Devin Allmoslecher to the full-time Building Permit Clerk position effective October 10, 2022 with compensation set at pay grade 4, \$23.00 per hour. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to reappoint Rees Hardy and Tom Ramler to the Campbell County Police Force Merit Board for four-year terms effective September 7, 2022 through September 6, 2026 and November 8, 2022 through November 7, 2026 respectively. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to reappoint the following individuals for two-year terms to the Northern Kentucky Area Development District (NKADD) Council on Aging: Regina Clos, Vera Powell and Marsha Dufeck effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023 and Pam Pangburn effective October 3, 2021 through October 2, 2023. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Neither the County Administrator nor the County Attorney had reports for the meeting.

Commissioner Besecker stated that it was wonderful to celebrate along with the other members of the Fiscal Court, the 225th anniversary of Grants Lick which is the oldest community in the County that is still around. The event was outstanding thanks to the work of Ken Reis and Linda Bray-Schafer and so many others. Having the ability to understand the history of a community lends itself to the growth of a community in terms of its people and heritage. Grants Lick has been a very proud community for centuries and he is proud to call it home.

Commissioner Lampe had no report.

Commissioner Painter stated that he was proud to represent the Fiscal Court at the Dragon Boat races at AJ Jolly Park on Saturday. The event was well attended with over 20 teams participating. All funds raised go to hospitals/facilities in our region that treat breast cancer. He thanked the organizers and participants – everybody had a good time.

Judge Pendery made the following announcements:

1. The 55th Annual Campbell County Senior Citizens’ Picnic will be held on Wednesday, September 28th at Pendery Park from 11:00am to 3:00pm.
2. The fall Campbell County Clean-Up event will be held on Friday, September 30 and Saturday, October 1 from 8:00am to 5:00pm. Residents are encouraged to review the event flyer on the County’s website at www.campbellcountky.gov for a list of accepted items at participating locations as well as other guidelines.

Laura Lewis presented the Finance Director/Treasurer’s report by requesting a motion to accept all bids received from Southeastern Equipment Co., Inc. and Ohio Cat for paving and compaction rollers. This was a joint bidding process with Boone and Kenton Counties. At this time, staff also requests approval to purchase a 47” roller from Southeastern with the extended warranty for a total of \$50,650 which is included in the FY23 budget. Motion was made by Commissioner Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to approve the request of the Campbell County Detention Center and Jailer to update the Bosch camera security system server, licenses and software in the main jail. The vendor, Advanced Digital Solutions is a current state master agreement contractor for this type of project. The estimated cost is \$5,000 for a professional site assessment and approximately \$95,000 for the labor, software and licensing updates and equipment required. This expenditure was included in the FY23 Detention Center budget. Motion was made by Commissioner Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Ms. Lewis then requested a motion to approved the claims and claims paid per standing order dated September 14 and 21, 2022. The County Attorney advised that he has reviewed the claims and determined that they all appear appropriate. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to approve the claims, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

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 6:07 p.m.

Attachments:

- Resolution R-74-22 Agreement – Military to Law Enforcement Program
- Resolution R-75-22 Reallocate HUD-VASH Vouchers
- Ordinance O-11-22 1st Reading – Adopt Code of Ordinances Supplement
- Resolution R-76-22 Add Full-time Solid Waste Coordinator Position
- Resolution R-77-22 Update Community Services Manager Position Description
- Claims and Claims Paid Per Standing Order dated September 14 and 21, 2022

Approved:

STEVE PENDERY
Judge/Executive

Attest:

Paula K. Spicer, Fiscal Court Clerk