

**CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY FISCAL COURT  
MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 15, 2023**

A regular meeting of the Campbell County Fiscal Court was held on Wednesday, February 15, 2023, 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

Assistant County Attorney Pat Walsh,  
County Administrator Matt Elberfeld,  
Fiscal Court Clerk Paula Spicer,  
Assistant County Administrator Kim Serra,  
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 February 1, 2023 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 Campbell County is hosting the statewide convention of the Kentucky Chapter of Elks on February 16-18. Ray Pauley Jr. a lifelong Campbell County resident will be inducted as the President-elect of the State Chapter. Judge Pendery read a commendation honoring Mr. Pauley then introduced him and his wife Vicki. Julie Kirkpatrick, President/CEO of meetNKY acknowledged how important meetings and events are to northern Kentucky/Campbell County and thanked the Paulys for bringing the Elks convention to northern Kentucky which will have a big economic impact especially on the Holiday Inn in Wilder and other local businesses. She stated that Mr. Pauley's lifetime of service is an inspiration. Mr.

Pauly was truly honored and thanked the Fiscal Court for the recognition – it means more to him than they would think.

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

Paula Spicer presented new business beginning with Resolution R-21-23 by title. R-21-23 authorizes the Judge/Executive to enter into a mobile Command Vehicle User Agreement with the City of Florence, Kentucky. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to adopt R-21-23, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Resolution R-22-23 was read by title. R-22-23 authorizes the Judge/Executive to execute any contracts or award documents related to the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security Grant Program for funding to support the purchase of a Hazardous Materials and Weapons of Mass Destruction Response Truck for the Northern Kentucky Hazmat/WMD Unit 3 Response team serving Campbell and Kenton Counties. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to adopt R-22-23, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Resolution R-23-23 was read by title. R-23-23 acknowledges the annual review of the Campbell County Detention Center Policy and Procedure Manual as required by the Kentucky Department of Corrections. Commissioner Lampe made a motion to adopt R-23-23, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Resolution R-25-23 was read by title. R-25-23 authorizes the Judge/Executive to execute an agreement with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Department of Rural and Municipal Aid for 80/20 bridge funds in an amount not to exceed \$80,000 for replacement of the bridge on Barrs Branch Road (CR 1100). Commissioner Besecker made a motion to adopt R-25-23, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Resolution R-24-23 was read by title. R-24-23 authorizes the execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge #10 representing Campbell County Police effective February 15, 2023. Judge Pendery made a motion to adopt R-24-23, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to appoint Paul Wagner to the position of Police Officer (PO1) with the Campbell County Police Department effective February 28, 2023 with base compensation set at \$50,564.80 annually (\$24.31 hourly). Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to appoint the following seasonal employees effective March 1, 2023 with actual start dates determined by department need:

NAME	JOB TITLE	RATE/ HOUR	EFFECTIVE DATE
Anthony Rapp	Golf Course Assistant	\$16.50	03/01/2023
Nolan Owen	Parks & Recreation Maintenance Worker (SBE)	\$16.00	03/01/2023

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 salary compensation set by the Kentucky Department for Local Government for calendar year 2023 for the Judge/Executive and County Jailer at \$141,952.83 annually retroactive to January 1, 2023. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to set the compensation for Campbell County Commissioners at \$45,594.33 annually as calculated by the Kentucky Department for Local Government retroactive to January 1, 2023. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to set the compensation from the Campbell County Fiscal Court for Steve Franzen, County Attorney at \$57,319.68 annually as calculated by the Kentucky Department for Local Government retroactive to January 1, 2023. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to set the compensation from the Campbell County Fiscal Court for Mark Schweitzer, County Coroner at \$57,653.48 annually as calculated by the Kentucky Department for Local Government retroactive to January 1, 2023. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

A motion was requested to reappoint Roger Peterman to the Northern Kentucky Port Authority Board of Directors for a four-year term effective March 1, 2023 through February 28, 2027. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

County Administrator Elberfeld explained that the March Fiscal Court meeting schedule needed to be adjusted due to the absence of a member. He recommends that the Wednesday, March 1, 2023 meeting at 9:00am in Alexandria be moved to Monday, February 27, 2023 at 9:00am in Alexandria and the Wednesday, March 15, 2023 meeting at 5:30pm in Newport be moved to Wednesday, March 22, 2023 at 5:30pm in Newport. Motion was made by Judge Pendery, seconded by Commissioner Besecker to adjust the meeting schedule as set out by Mr. Elberfeld. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

The Assistant County Attorney had no report for the meeting.

Commissioner Besecker advised that he attended the Kentucky Association of Counties (KACo) legislative day in Frankfort and spent a couple of days visiting both the House and Senate at committee hearings and had an opportunity to talk to several legislators. Education is on their list among other issues in this nonbudget year. He was able to welcome two of the newest legislators Representative Clines and Senator Funke Frommeyer.

Commissioner Besecker stated that yesterday he went to the park to see the progress being made on installation of the new yurts. It was good to have a couple of nice days to do this. The yurts

will be a great addition located next to the new bathhouse. Mike Braun and his team and Larry Harrod were working away.

Commissioners Lampe and Painter had no reports for the meeting.

Judge Pendery advised that he was part of a group that visited the technical school at Campbell County High School. He heard that some of the students will help with building the new yurts at the park.

Laura Lewis presented the Finance Director/Treasurer's report by requesting a motion to authorize staff to issue a request for proposals for the provision of inmate medical services at the Campbell County Detention Center. The current agreement with Southern Health Partners was last bid in 2013 and new terms and improved services are desired. The current rate is \$103,052.32 monthly for the base medical services contract. The County is required to provide these services to inmates. Motion was made by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Lampe. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

Ms. Lewis then requested a motion to approve the claims and claims paid per standing order dated February 8 and 15, 2023. The Assistant County Attorney advised that the County Attorney has reviewed the claims and determined that they all appear appropriate. Commissioner Besecker 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 Painter. All voted "Aye" and the meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Attachments:

Resolution R-21-23 Mobile Command Vehicle User Agreement  
Resolution R-22-23 KY Office of Homeland Security Grant  
Resolution R-23-23 Annual Review of Detention Center Policy & Procedure Manual  
Resolution R-25-23 Agreement with KYTC for 80/20 Bridge Funds  
Resolution R-24-23 Memorandum of Agreement with FOP Lodge #10  
Claims and Claims Paid Per Standing Order dated February 8 and 15, 2023

Approved:

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STEVE PENDERY  
Judge/Executive

Attest:

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Paula K. Spicer, Fiscal Court Clerk