

**CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY FISCAL COURT
MINUTES**

December 20, 2023

The Campbell County Fiscal Court held a regular meeting on Wednesday, December 20, 2023, at 5:30 PM, at the Campbell County Administration Building, 1098 Monmouth Street, Newport, Kentucky. Campbell Media recorded the regular meeting and broadcasted it on the Campbell Media website.

Present:

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

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

Regular Meeting

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery called the meeting to order 5:30 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 December 6, 2023.

Motion was made to approve the minutes from the Regular Fiscal Court Meeting on December 6, 2023 by Commissioner Geoff Besecker, seconded by Commissioner Tom Lampe. All voted "Aye" and the motion passed.

GUESTS

Campbell County Police Department

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery read the Oath of Office and swore in Police Officer Christopher Mullins.

Police Chief Craig Sorrell said Officer Mullins was the runner up for the Coordinator's Pick at the Police Academy.

Judge Executive Steve Pendery said that from all appearances and from what we know, Christopher Mullins should make a great addition to our Police Department and welcomed him.

Recognition of Citizens/Public Officials

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery asked if there was anyone who would like to address the court. No one came forward and the meeting moved to new business.

New Business

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld presented new business.

R-90-23

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld read the title summary of Resolution R-90-23, "A Resolution of the Campbell County Fiscal Court approving AJ Jolly and Pendery Park fees for the 2024 Park Season." Mr. Elberfeld said the fees went up across the board one to two dollars to keep up with expenses.

Motion was made to adopt Resolution R-90-23 by Commissioner Geoff Besecker, seconded by Commissioner Tom Lampe. All voted "Aye" and Resolution R-90-23 passed.

R-91-23

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld read the title summary of Resolution R-91-23, "A Resolution of the Campbell County Fiscal Court authorizing execution of a Memorandum of Understanding and execution of a deed of sale of Morscher Park to the City of Silver Grove." Mr. Elberfeld stated the park is located in the City of Silver Grove and Campbell County will sell the park for \$1, which includes the field leases, and the property will remain a public park owned and operated by the City of Silver Grove.

Motion was made to adopt Resolution R-91-23 by Commissioner Tom Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Brian Painter.

Commissioner Brian Painter applauded the City of Silver Grove Mayor, Neal Bedel, and said he was impressed with the common-sense solutions and improvements that Silver Grove plans to make.

All voted "Aye" and Resolution R-91-23 passed.

Motion

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld read a motion to enter into an agreement with Welcome House, Inc. for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2024 to provide funding for overnight temporary shelter in Campbell County. Mr. Elberfeld said in the event of extreme cold weather this would provide room if there is a need for overflow sheltering and the Fiscal Court would provide the funding, Welcome House, Inc. will offer staff and manage the operation, and Holy Spirit Church is where the physical location would be. The cost would be around \$2,000 each night.

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

Personnel

Executive Order

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld read a motion requesting to advance Benjamin Scaggs from Building Inspector Trainee to Building Inspector I effective December 31, 2023.

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

Board Appointments

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld read a motion to reappoint Kathy Lauer and Jennifer Teipel to the Campbell County Cooperative Extension District Board for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027.

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

County Administrator Report

Executive Session

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld requested a motion to enter into executive session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(c).

County Attorney, Steve Franzen stated this executive session was to discuss pending litigation.

Motion was made to enter into Executive Session by Commissioner Geoff Besecker, seconded by Commissioner Tom Lampe. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

Motion was made to come out of Executive Session by Commissioner Brian Painter, seconded by Commissioner Geoff Besecker. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

R-92-23

County Administrator, Matt Elberfeld requested a motion to approve Resolution R-92-23 authorizing the execution of a litigation settlement agreement.

Motion was made to adopt Resolution R-92-23 by Commissioner Geoff Besecker, seconded by Commissioner Brian Painter. All voted “Aye” and Resolution R-94-23 passed.

County Commissioners’ Reports

Commissioner Geoff Besecker wished everyone a Merry Christmas. He said Campbell County and Bishop Brossart High School had been competing in a food drive contest called the Crosstown Foodout which benefited the Care Mission. He said they collected over 10,000 pounds of food and that it was one of the biggest collection years ever. He gave a shout out to the kids, the teachers, Chris Davis at Brossart, Donnie Scheid at Campbell County Highschool, and all the staff involved.

Commissioner Tom Lampe wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year, and said he looked forward to working with the citizens and business partners in Campbell County.

Commissioner Brian Painter wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. He also gave condolences to a former conservative Campbell County Judge/Executive, Lloyd K. Rogers. He said Llyod was a well-known conservative voice for a number of issues and that his visitation would be at Immanuel Baptist Church on Thursday, December 28, starting at 9:30 AM.

Commissioner Tom Lampe thanked Commissioner Brian Painter for recognizing Lloyd K. Rogers and that Lloyd was a good friend, and his family was in his thoughts and prayers.

Judge/Executive Report

Christmas Tree Recycling Program

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery announced the Campbell County Christmas Tree Recycling Program will begin Tuesday, December 26th, and run through Sunday, January 14th. He explained residents can drop off natural Christmas trees at the designated area in Pendery Park during daylight hours, and the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife will collect the trees to be used as fish habitats in lakes throughout the Commonwealth.

Holiday Light Recycling Program

Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery announced Campbell County Solid Waste is partnering with Cohen Electronics to host the Holiday Light Recycling Program from December 1st – February 1st. He explained, residents can drop off unwanted string lights at six convenient locations: Campbell County Administration Building (1098 Monmouth Street, Newport), Campbell County Clerk’s Office (8330 W Main Street, Alexandria), and all Campbell County Public Library locations.

Finance Director/Treasurer Report

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

R-93-23

Finance Director/Treasurer, Laura Lewis read the title summary of Resolution R-93-23, “A Resolution of the Campbell County Fiscal Court authorizing the Judge/Executive to execute any grant contract documents related to a rescue aid program grant with the Kentucky Division of Emergency Management for the Campbell County LANDSAR Team.”

Mrs. Lewis explained the grant award was \$7,038.36 for the purchase of sixteen G4 Single Band P25 Voice Pagers to improve emergency response by the Campbell County LANDSAR team. The County had been awarded a Rescue Aid grant by KYEM for the purchase of (16) G4 Single Band P25 Voice Pagers for a total cost of \$9,576. The award is for 73.5% of the cost or \$7,038.36 with a local match of at least \$2,537.64 to be paid by the County.

Motion was made to adopt Resolution R-93-23 by Commissioner Brian Painter, seconded by Commissioner Geoff Besecker. All voted “Aye” and Resolution R-93-23 passed.

R-94-23

Finance Director/Treasurer, Laura Lewis read the title summary of Resolution R-94-23, “A Resolution of the Campbell County Fiscal Court authorizing the Judge/Executive to enter into a contract with the Commonwealth of Kentucky to accept emergency management assistance program grant funds to support the operation of the Campbell County Office of Emergency Management.” Mrs. Lewis stated the grant funds would provide a fifty percent match for OEM administrative expenses on a reimbursement basis and the county files a monthly report to receive the funding.

Motion was made to adopt Resolution R-94-23 by Commissioner Geoff Besecker, seconded by Judge/Executive, Steve Pendery. All voted “Aye” and Resolution R-94-23 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:

- December 13, 2023
- December 20, 2023

County Attorney, Steve Franzen commented that he had reviewed the Claims, and had determined that everything appeared to be appropriate.

Motion was made to approve the claims by Commissioner Tom Lampe, seconded by Commissioner Brian Painter. All voted “Aye” and the motion passed.

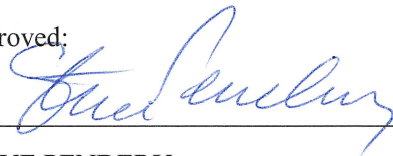
Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Fiscal Court, Commissioner Geoff Besecker made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Brian Painter offered a second to the motion. All voted “Aye” and the meeting adjourned at 6:07 PM.

Attachments

- Resolution R-90-23: Park Fees for the 2024 Park Season
- Resolution R-91-23: MOU and Deed of Sale of Morscher Park to the City of Silver Grove
- Resolution R-92-23: Authorize Litigation Settlement Agreement
- Resolution R-93-23: Grant Award from KYEM to Purchase Voice Pagers
- Resolution R-94-23: Contract to Accept Emergency Management Assistance Program Grant Funds
- Claims & Claims Paid per Standing Order:
 - December 13, 2023
 - December 20, 2023

Approved:



STEVE PENDERY
Judge/Executive

Attest:



JANIE PATTERSON
Fiscal Court Clerk