

KENTON COUNTY FISCAL COURT
Virtual Meeting
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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

May 25, 2023
10:00 A.M.

Call to Order

Judge/Executive Knochelmann called to order the May 25, 2023, meeting of the Kenton County Fiscal Court.

Present: Judge/Executive Kris Knochelmann
Commissioner Beth Sewell, District 1
Commissioner Joe Nienaber, District 3
County Attorney, Stacy Tapke

Staff: Joe Shriver, County Administrator/Deputy Judge
Scott Gunning, Assistant County Administrator
Sue Kaiser, Fiscal Court Clerk
Roy Cox, Treasurer

Ordinance

- A. Ordinance 226.13 - Second Reading**
An Ordinance approving a sublease between the Northern Kentucky Port Authority, as sublessor, and the County of Kenton, Kentucky, as sublessee; creating a sinking fund; and authorizing the execution of various documents related to such sublease.

Judge Knochelmann stated that this is a big thing for Kenton County. This is regarding the OneNKY Center in Covington. It is a consolidation of the growth organizations in Northern Kentucky, and was a collaboration with the Catalytic Fund, the OneNKY Alliance and the Port Authority. We pride ourselves on transparency, and this meeting is available for viewing and listening. This is a building to be built in Covington, and it is relocating agencies to make them more efficient and make the economic development stronger in Northern Kentucky. The County is guaranteeing some back up funding that is going to be paid for thru bonding. It will be paid thru leases to pay for the bonding. If it wasn't for the County stepping up, this couldn't happen. He stated that these are some unique opportunities for the region, and thanked the Commissioners for their support.

Commissioner Nienaber stated that this was not an easy decision to make, and he would like to see more region wide support of this. All of these organizations serve the entire region. This is a great effort, and he appreciates all of the hard work.

Commissioner Sewell stated that she is excited that this opportunity is being brought to life, and she thanked everyone for all of the teamwork, and making the financing work. She is excited that it is in Covington.

Judge Knochelmann stated that the growth organizations involved are; NKY Chamber, MeetNKY, OneKY Alliance, Horizon Fund, Catalytic Fund and the NKY Bar Association. Also, this supports the Covington Life Science Lab. The support of Senator McDaniel and the Governor have been so crucial. If there were a deficit on this, the County would step up but once the money comes in the County would be reimbursed. He then thanked the Northern Kentucky Port Authority and BeNKY who will be in the building as well.

Commissioner Sewell made the motion for approval; seconded by Commissioner Nienaber. Judge Executive Knochelmann called for a roll call vote with the results being Commissioner Sewell, yes, Commissioner Nienaber, yes, and Judge Knochelmann, yes. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0.

Adjournment

Having completed all business before the Court, Commissioner Sewell offered a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Commissioner Nienaber. Judge Knochelmann requested a voice vote whereupon all members present voted in the affirmative with a 3-0 vote.

Text for all proposed and recently passed ordinances may be acquired by accessing the Fiscal Court web page at <http://www.kentoncounty.org> or by contacting the administrative offices at 859.392.1400.

CLERK CERTIFICATION

I, Sue J. Kaiser, having been appointed to the office of Fiscal Court Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true and accurate record of the actions taken by the Kenton County Fiscal Court at the meeting of May 25, 2023.



Sue J. Kaiser
Fiscal Court Clerk