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Fairfield County Commissioners' Office
August 19, 2014

Review

The Commissioners met at 8:59 a.m. to review legal issues and pending or future action items and correspondence. Commissioner Kiger called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Mike Kiger, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Jason Dolin, Mary Beth Lane, Staci Knisley, Chief Perrigo, Dennis Keller, Carl Burnett, Todd McCullough, Patty Bratton, Chad Reed, Lisa Notestone, Jeff Porter, Tony Vogel, Jon Kochis, Ray Stemen, Aunie Cordle, Bob Clark, and Ed Laramée.

- Legal Update

Mr. Dolin stated that with the former Clerk of Courts entering a guilty plea, amounts to be considered for recovery were to be submitted to the judge. Bonding companies were notified in July. At this point we are to wait to see if restitution is ordered.

- Administration and Budget Updates/Carri's List

- a. Debriefing of the August Roundtable – Looking Ahead to December

On Thursday, August 14th, there was an Elected Official and Department Head Roundtable. There have been positive comments received about the conduct and content of the meeting.

During the meeting, Aunie Cordle mentioned that food pantries were challenged to meet community needs. Lisa McKenzie took that comment to heart, and she suggested that the Courthouse and Hall of Justice employees join together to supplement the Stuff a Bus campaign to come in November. Rachel Elsea prepared a flyer to help communicate the opportunity to bring in food or a monetary donation in connection with showing spirit for the OSU buckeyes.

In advance of the December 4th Roundtable, we remind everyone of the communications seminar that will be a part of the December 4th Roundtable. All political subdivisions are invited to attend.

Ms. Brown asked for feedback and suggestions for changes to the future roundtable meetings.

Mr. Davis stated he thought it was a very good meeting and appreciated the participation and information provided.

Mr. Kiger added that pertinent information is always provided at the Roundtables.

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Ms. Brown encouraged anyone with topics for future roundtables to let her know.

- b. The Leadership Connection/Storage & Clarence E. Miller Workgroup Update.

Ms. Brown reported that The Leadership Connection is the name given to the Commissioners' department head strategic planning sessions. The first meeting will be held this week August 21 at the Administrative Offices of Utilities. Following that meeting, there will be a visit of the storage area now used by the Sheriff for SWAT equipment.

The Storage Work Group continues to examine options for storage of assets and records, and there are very different needs for storage of assets and records.

Further, the Clarence E. Miller work group awaits the Attorney General opinion about the maintenance of the cemetery. In the meantime, there is information that leads us to extend the markers of the cemetery prior to examining any alternatives for the use of the vacant Clarence E. Miller building. A paranormal research group recently videotaped footage at the building.

Mr. Davis fully supports the efforts being made to locate the bodies on the property but added he did not want to keep pouring money into a site that had no return and that at some point enough was enough.

- c. Follow up to the meeting with Rockmill Financial

As a follow up to the meeting with Rockmill Financial, Ms. Brown reported that she communicated over the weekend with David Conley with Rockmill Financial. Recently, the Pickerington Local School District recently obtained a bond rating from Moody's of Aa2, and their report has elements within it that are informative for us. It is good to be aware of the perspectives relating to local political subdivisions.

Mr. Davis stated that he looked favorably on the continued relationship with Rockmill and was very encouraged by their recommendations and presentation.

- d. Highlights of Resolutions and Proclamations/Voting Agenda

Ms. Brown reported there was a resolution on the voting agenda to affirm the participation of Kelly Fuller on the Workforce Investment Board. She

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has been participating in a variety of capacities over time. She has known Ms. Fuller for years, and she is a quality individual who contributes well to WIA initiatives.

There are also resolutions to review a CDBG contract, CFLP grants, Engineer grants and change orders, and advances for special revenue funds. There is a contract for services with the State Auditor relating to regular processes. There are three viewings proposed by the County Engineer. More grant resolutions are expected in the future.

Further there is a resolution to dispose of telephones that are obsolete. The items were proposed on govdeals.com, to no avail. The recommendation is to recycle the phones.

Regarding the CFLP grants, Ms. Bratton stated that one was for education and litter collection (which continues to grow and expand) while the other was for recycling services (such as drop off and pick up). She appreciates the Commissioners' support.

- Old Business

- a. Jail Population Count

Mr. Davis reported that the jail population count for the day was 190 inmates.

- New Business

- a. Soccer Field Lease

Mr. Davis reported that he recently met with Steve Gayfield who works with Lancaster City Parks regarding the soccer fields on East Main Street. The City is contemplating upgrading the facilities (a rather sizeable investment). Both Mr. Davis and Mr. Gayfield both went back to look at their records to see what contracts were on file. The most recent (and only) contract was created in 1999 and effective from 2000-2004. Mr. Davis told Mr. Gayfield it would be helpful for the City Parks to meet with the Commissioners to discuss the improvement plans. They mutually agreed that the contract needed renewed (and then placed on the contract monitoring log).

Mr. Levacy noted that the Commissioners continue to cooperate with the City of Lancaster.

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Mr. Kiger added that they needed to remember there was a high pressure gas main under the fields.

Ms. Brown stated they would add the lease to the issues bin.

Ms. Cordle stated that the local fields pale in comparison to the other fields in central Ohio. Upgrades would allow for the city to host tournaments and bring in revenue opportunities.

- General Correspondence Received

- a. ODNR Buckeye Lake Dam Assessment

Ms. Brown announced that ODNR has entered into an agreement with the US Army Corps of Engineers to provide an assessment of the current condition of the Buckeye Lake Dam. The assessment begins with a four day inspection beginning August 25. Residents are encouraged to stake and flag any areas on their property they would like to point out to the dam inspection team. There are more details and phases of the assessment.

Mr. Levacy has met with the ODNR Director on the dam issue. The state is very cooperative with the public, and the Army Corps of Engineers must sign off on any plans. Mr. Levacy was happy to see the Army Corp of Engineers already involved.

- b. Notice from CTL Engineering re: proposed Verizon Wireless tower

Mr. Vogel stated they would need to go through building permitting, and that he would check on the item.

- c. Permissive Sales and Use Tax report

Ms. Brown reported that at two-thirds of the way through the year the numbers were at 65.62%, just below 66%, but still an increase over last year.

Mr. Laramée stated they would probably just hit the budget commission's yearly estimate.

- d. BWC Refund

Mr. Porter reported that he had received correspondence from comp management regarding a BWC refund. The rebate is 60% of the premium which would result in a \$473,000 refund, with about \$82,000

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refund to the general fund. This is for the period beginning January 1, 2012 and ending December 31, 2012. The refund will be effective in October. There is a distribution process already in place which helps with the process.

Mr. Davis noted that the article mentioned a third billion dollars.

Mr. Porter stated that was a separate court order being appealed that could result in an additional refund depending on litigation.

Mr. Davis asked when the 2nd half premium was paid.

Mr. Porter replied that it was due September 1st and had already been paid. The 2nd half premium must be paid prior to refunds being issued.

Ms. Cordle added that they are also setting aside money to help employers transition to the prospective payment process.

Ms. Brown stated they were pleased to receive the refund even though it wouldn't change the budgeted numbers holistically for the county.

Mr. Porter stated he would be attending the annual CORSA meeting later in the week and would report back.

Mr. Kiger asked when they expect HR to move to the courthouse.

Mr. Porter and Mr. Keller replied the move was projected to occur within two to three weeks.

- Calendar Review/Invitations Received

- a. Cinemark River Valley Mall Ribbon Cutting – Thursday, August 21st at 6:30 p.m.
- b. Bremen Chamber Lunch – Tuesday, August 26th at 11:30 a.m.
- c. United Way Campaign Kick-Off Breakfast – Tuesday, September 9th at 7:45 a.m.
- d. Tarhe Trails Elementary Groundbreaking – Wednesday, September 17th at 4:30 p.m.

- FYI

- a. CFLP Draft Meeting Minutes from August 8th

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- b. Example of Juvenile Detention decoration

Mr. Kiger reported that the picture in review was an example of a mural to be installed at MCJDC that would help improve morale.

- Issues Bi

- a. Resolution to Confer Authority to County Administrator
- b. HB 483, publications procedures
- c. Airport Vacancy – Press Release sent 8.15.14
- d. Lease relating to Beavers Field
- e. Lease relating to Soccer Field and City of Lancaster

- Open Items

Commissioner Kiger stated at 9:41 a.m. that the Commission would be in recess until the Regular Meeting.

Commissioners' Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, August 19, 2014 beginning at 9:59 a.m., with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Mike Kiger and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Jason Dolin, Ed Laramée, Jon Slater, Lisa Notestone, Holly Mattei, Carl Burnett, Jon Kochis, Dennis Keller, Dave Fey, Chief Perrigo, Patty Bratton, Chad Reed, Ray Stemen, Jeff Camechis, Lt. Churchill, and Todd McCullough.

Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Kiger asked everyone to rise as able, and he led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcements

Commissioner Kiger asked Ms. Elsea if there were any announcements. There were no announcements.

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Public Comment

Commissioner Kiger asked if anyone from the public who would like to speak or offer comments. There were no public comments.

Approval of Minutes for Tuesday, August 12, 2014 and Thursday, August 14, 2014

O On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Minutes for Tuesday, August 12, 2014 and Thursday, August 19, 2014.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Steve Davis, and Mike Kiger

Approval of the Adult Probation Resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Adult Probation resolution for an account to account transfer - Fund 2689 and to appropriate from unappropriated in Fund 2689 Adult Community Based correction - Fund 13268900 - Common Pleas Probation; see resolution 2014-08.19.a.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Steve Davis, and Mike Kiger

Approval of the Auditor's Office Resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Auditor's Office resolution authorizing the approval of an engagement letter for 2014 and 2015 CAFR compilation provided by Local Government Services of the Auditor of State – Auditor; see resolution 2014-08.19.b

Discussion: Mr. Slater reported this was a two year contract and was a good rate. They would assist in preparing the CAFR. Ms. Notestone added that the fee has been \$57,000 since 2011.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Steve Davis, and Mike Kiger

Approval of the Commissioners' Office Resolutions

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Commissioners Office resolutions:

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- 2014-08.19.c A resolution authorizing the approval of an advance from the General Fund to the FY2013 CDBG Formula Fund # 2788 – Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners]
- 2014-08.19.d A resolution authorizing the contract to Darby Creek Excavating, Inc., Notice to Proceed and Notice of Commencement for a CDBG Formula FY2013 project for the Village of Carroll CDBG Park Street Improvement Project – Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners]
- 2014-08.19.e A resolution approving the submission of the Fiscal Year 2015 CFLP Solid Waste District Recycling Drives, Litter Law Enforcement, and Solid Waste Enforcement Grant Applications to CFLP. [Commissioners]
- 2014-08.19.f A resolution approving the submission of the Fiscal Year 2015 CFLP Solid Waste District Recycling Services Contract for Fairfield County to CFLP. [Commissioners]
- 2014-08.19.g A resolution authorizing the approval of a request for payment and status of funds report for the FY2013 CDBG Formula Funds, Drawdown for \$60,150 – Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners]
- 2014-08.19.h A resolution to approve a change order for the Fairfield County FY2013 CDBG Formula Walnut Township Cedar Road Paving Project – Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners]
- 2014-08.19.i A resolution authorizing certifying Drainage Maintenance Districts to the Fairfield County Auditor's Office [Commissioners]
- 2014-08.19.j A resolution for disposal of unneeded and obsolete personal property, Telephones - Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners]
- 2014-08.19.k A resolution authorizing the approval of an advance from the General Fund to the FY12 OHTF/CHIP # 2732, Subfund # 8034 Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners]
- 2014-08.19.l A resolution authorizing the approval of a request for payment and status of funds report–FY2012 HOME, CDBG & OHTF Funds – Drawdown for \$7,778 [Commissioners]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Steve Davis, and Mike Kiger

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Approval of the Engineer's Office Resolutions

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Engineer's Office resolutions:

- 2014-08.19.m A resolution to amend the certificate, update receipt line item & request for appropriations for additional unanticipated receipts of memo receipts and memo expenses for fund 3445 (2014 Guardrail Repair/Improvement) [Engineer]
- 2014-08.19.n A Resolution to set a Commissioner's viewing date of September 9, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. and a final hearing date of September 9, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. to determine the necessity for establishing, altering, and widening of Lithopolis-Winchester Road, Bloom Township, Fairfield County, Ohio. [Engineer]
- 2014-08.19.o A Resolution to set a Commissioner's viewing date of September 23, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. and a final hearing date of September 23, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. to determine the necessity for establishing, altering, and widening of Spires Road, Hocking Township, Fairfield County, Ohio. [Engineer]
- 2014-08.19.p A resolution authorizing Jeremiah D. Upp, Fairfield County Engineer, to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement Program and to execute contracts as required. [Engineer]
- 2014-08.19.q A resolution to approve a Change Order for the HOC-30, FAI-TR148-5.67 Westfall Road over a Tributary to Muddy Prairie Bridge Replacement Project [Engineer]
- 2014-08.19.r A Resolution to set a Commissioner's viewing date of September 9, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. and a final hearing date of September 9, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. to determine the necessity for establishing, altering, and widening of Winchester Road, Bloom Township, Fairfield County, Ohio. [Engineer]

Discussion: Mr. Camechis stated that resolutions N, O, and R would be combined for an OPWC grant.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Steve Davis, and Mike Kiger

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Approval of the JFS – HR Resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the JFS – HR resolution to approve the appointment of a WIA Area 20 WIB Representative; see resolution 2014-08.19.s.

Discussion: Ms. Brown stated this appointment was discussed in review earlier in the morning and formally appointed Kelly Fuller to the Workforce Investment Board.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Steve Davis, and Mike Kiger

Approval of the Law Library Resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Law Library resolution to amend the certificate and appropriate from unappropriated funds for the Fairfield County Law Library Resources Board; see resolution 2014-08.19.t.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Steve Davis, and Mike Kiger

Approval of the Regional Planning Commission Resolutions

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Regional Planning Commission resolution to support the use of Clean Ohio funds by Fairfield County Historical Parks District for the purpose of acquiring three parcels to create the Stoney Hill Nature Preserve; see resolution 2014-08.19.u.

Discussion: Mr. Fey stated this was a great piece of property. An individual has stepped forward and offered to donate 42 acres if the parks district can secure 78 additional acres. The area shows the glacier entrance into Fairfield County and will be a living laboratory. Mr. Davis stated he would be interested in an afternoon tour of the facilities should Mr. Fey be willing. Mr. Fey replied he be more than happy to do so.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Steve Davis, and Mike Kiger

Approval of the Sheriff's Office Resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Sheriff's Office resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category Sheriff's Office Fund 2042 Enforcement and Education; see resolution 2014-08.19.v.

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Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Steve Davis, and Mike Kiger

Approval of the Payment of Bills Resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Payment of Bills resolution authorizing the approval of payment of invoices for departments that need Board of Commissioners' approval; see resolution 2014-08.19.w.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Steve Davis, and Mike Kiger

Ms. Elsea announced that the next regular scheduled meeting for the Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, August 26, 2014 at 10: 0 a.m.

Commissioner Kiger stated at 10:09 a.m. that the Commission would take a short recess followed by the continuation of review in Commissioner Kiger's office.

Meeting with Jerry Rainey

The Commissioners met with Jerry Rainey at 10:35 a.m. to discuss his interest in serving on the Regional Planning Commission. Commissioner Kiger called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Mike Kiger, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Jason Dolin, Ray Stemen, Holly Mattei, Jerry Rainey, Ed Laramée, Dennis Keller, and Jon Slater.

Ms. Mattei stated Mr. Rainey was highly recommended by Ms. Brown and that RPC was looking for a board member with a background in education. He is highly qualified to serve, and RPC would love to have him as a member.

Mr. Rainey stated he had reviewed the RPC minutes on the website and feels serving would also help him in his current job with Lancaster City Schools. He has helped acquire sites for the new Lancaster City Schools and is now the liaison between the schools and construction companies. He has previous experience in transportation and hopes he'd be able to provide meaningful input to the RPC.

Mr. Kiger stated assured clear distance issues are a hot button topic and asked how Mr. Rainey would handle an issue in which he received a call asking for an assured clear distance to be changed.

Mr. Rainey stated he would refer those calls to Ms. Mattei.

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Mr. Levacy stated he was pro-economic development and believed that government should help instead of being a road block. He asked Mr. Rainey his views on this.

Mr. Rainey stated he completely agreed.

Mr. Davis thanked Mr. Rainey for his interest in serving.

Ms. Brown stated a resolution would be ready for next Tuesday.

Ms. Mattei stated the first meeting Mr. Rainey could attend would be September 2nd.

Mr. Davis asked Mr. Rainey if he could provide an update on the status of the city schools building project.

Mr. Rainey stated they are on schedule and this time next year will have three new buildings ready. They will demolish Medill and Tallmadge schools next summer.

Mr. Levacy mentioned that Millersport had applied for some of the playground equipment.

Ms. Brown asked if West School would be occupied through 2017.

Mr. Rainey stated that was correct. The Tallmadge students will go to West after the demolition and the Medill students will go to East. Preschool students will go to South school.

Adjournment

With no further business, on the motion of Dave Levacy and a second of Steve Davis the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn 10:47 a.m.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Steve Davis, and Mike Kiger

The next regular meeting for the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, August 26, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

Motion by:

Seconded by:

that the August 19, 2014, minutes were approved by the following vote:

YEAS:

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

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*Approved on August 26, 2014

		
Steven A. Davis Commissioner	Dave Levacy Commissioner	Mike Kiger Commissioner
		
Rachel Elsea, Clerk		