

**Regular Meeting #2 - 2015
Fairfield County Commissioners' Office
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Review

The Commissioners met at 9:04 a.m. to review legal issues and pending or future action items and correspondence. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Dave Levacy, and Mike Kiger. Also present were Carri Brown, Staci Knisley, Jason Dolin, Michael Kaper, Jim Bahnsen, Jeff Porter, Ray Stemen, Bob Clark, Jon Kochis, Holly Mattei, Chief Jerry Perrigo, Lisa Notestone, Dennis Keller, Carl Burnett, and Aundrea Cordle.

- Legal Update

Mr. Dolin stated that there were no legal updates at this time.

- Administration and Budget Updates/Carri's List

- a. Highlights of Resolutions for the Voting Agenda

Ms. Brown reported on the resolutions proposed.

There was an annexation relating to Lighthouse Memorial Church. This was a type 1 expedited annexation of which all petitions and documents had been received properly.

There were various financial resolutions, such as resolutions to correct the debt accounting structure, account for interest, document Licking County sewer assessments, repay an advance, appropriate for settlement expenses, approve then and now certificates, and authorize the payment of bills exceeding \$50,000.

There were grant related documents to approve for CDBG, Major Crimes, and Victims' Advocates.

The Airport Note was proposed for renewal, and there was a meeting with Dennis Schwallie scheduled to review this item.

The Sheriff's contracts with Bremen and Violet Township were proposed for approval.

The contract with the Lancaster City Law Director was proposed for renewal.

There was a resolution to approve the Board of Commissioners serving as administrative agent for FCFACFC.

The Utilities Department proposed a resolution to document the proper public purpose of wellness expenditures for equipment open to all employees.

There were multiple allocations proposed for approval, such as for Lancaster Public Transit, Municipal Court and the Humane Society.

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Economic Development proposed approval of committee appointments.

The Engineer proposed approval of projects and advertising.

b. Administrative and Budget Update

1. Administrative Approvals

Ms. Brown reported that the review packet contained a list of all administrative approvals for the week.

2. Year-end General Fund Cash Highlights

Ms. Brown reported upon the year end general fund cash highlights – the year end cash balances are as anticipated. The packet contained a short summary. The year-end unencumbered cash was \$12.499 Million. Ms. Brown thanked Ms. Knisley for her work in preparing the summary.

Ms. Brown also reported that the \$2 million budgeted for the public safety capital/debt transfer for 2015 will exceed the debt payment due.

Commissioner Davis stated that he is happy with the revenues exceeding expenses in 2014. The expenses included the \$2 million public safety capital transfer. The transfer amount was part of planning, acting as if it were the debt service payments due. This is incredibly powerful in terms of planning and is consistent with the presentation provided to Moody's in New York in November of 2014. In the future, the county will continue to budget the \$2 million for the public safety facility. About \$1.65 million of this transfer will be actual debt service, and \$350,000 will be allocated for the public safety capital project fund.

c. Public Safety Facility and Financing Update

Ms. Brown reported that we have received the final vapor report, which removes concern regarding those potential issues. Dennis Keller read into the record the executive summary of the Bennett and Williams report: *"Neither naphthalene nor mercury was detected in either the sub-slab vapor or indoor air samples collected during the August 2014 and November 2014 sampling events. Therefore, no concentrations of naphthalene or mercury are attributed to a vapor intrusion pathway. Risk assessments using both the sub-slab vapor data and the ambient air data demonstrated that the vapor intrusion pathway was not complete and that there was no increased risk to workers or residents at the existing Sheriff's Office and MSMJ."* Further, the report is posted on the website.

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Ms. Brown went on to state that we have a debriefing scheduled with Rockmill Financial. The review packet contains the amortization schedules. The all in rate for the most recent issue was 3.53%, and the true interest rate was 3.35%.

Executive Session to discuss Pending Litigation

On the motion of Steve Davis and second of Dave Levacy, the Board voted to enter into Executive Session to discuss Pending Litigation at 9:14 a.m.

Discussion: Commissioner Davis stated that the following be present: Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Levacy and Commissioner Kiger, Carri Brown, Staci Knisley, Jason Dolin, Jeff Porter, Tony Vogel, and Holly Mattei.

Roll call on the motion as follows:

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

On the motion of Mike Kiger and second of Dave Levacy, the Board voted to exit Executive Session at 9:33 a.m.

Roll call on the motion as follows:

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

Review Continued

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Meeting to discuss the Airport Note

The Commissioners met with Bond Counsel Dennis Schwallie with Dinsmore & Shohl LLP to discuss the Airport Note that is on the Board of Commissioners' voting agenda today.

Mr. Schwallie reported that the Airport is renewing their Note with the County Treasurer Jim Bahnsen. The renewal note is for the 2006 & 2008 hangars. The Airport is paying their note due this week with a \$50,000 principle payment. The Airport is borrowing \$1,145,000 from the Treasurer with an interest rate of 0.5%.

Auditor Slater stated that from a historical perspective, notes are meant as a short-term loan until the project is completed, and then the notes usually turn into a bond. He suggests that a long term bond be researched for this purpose in the future.

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Treasurer Bahnsen reported that he went to market, talked with Rockmill Financial Consultants, and Fifth Third Bank to come up with the interest rate of 0.5%.

(Administration and Budget Updates/Carri's List continued)

Commissioner Davis repeated for Auditor Slater that he is happy with the revenue exceeding expenses in 2014. The expenses included the \$2 million public safety capital transfer. The transfer amount was part of planning, acting as if it were the debt service payments due. This is incredibly powerful in terms of planning and is consistent with the presentation provided to Moody's in New York in November of 2014. In the future, the county will continue to budget the \$2 million for the public safety facility. About \$1.65 million of this transfer will be actual debt service, and \$350,000 will be allocated for the public safety capital project fund.

Auditor Slater congratulated Ms. Brown and Ms. Knisley for their work on the cash carryover projection for 2014: it was spot on.

- Administration and Budget Updates/Carri's List Continued

- d. Family Adult and Children First Council

Ms. Brown reported that Becky Edwards, Executive Director, will be transitioning to a new position with Juvenile Court. Congratulations to Becky and thanks to her for her exceptional work with the council.

Ms. Brown reported that she and Jeff Porter will be meeting this week to review the next steps for posting of the director position. Several county executives have indicated they would help with that process.

- e. Request from Shelly Sands re: Carroll Interchange Project

Ms. Brown reported that Tony Vogel received a request from Shelly Sands to have trailers on our property while they are working on the Carroll Interchange Project. We have requested a standard agreement with the inclusion of an indemnity clause for the county.

Commissioner Davis asked Mr. Vogel if he has received any responses. Mr. Vogel reported that no responses but he anticipates the request may need modified. A water and sewer tap may be needed. Commissioner Davis stated that after final analysis, the State cooperated with our concerns and we want to be cooperative, as well. Ms. Brown added that the agreement can be ultimately approved administratively providing the Prosecutor's office has no concerns with the indemnification. We will await the agreement that we receive from the company.

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Executive Session to discuss the potential purchase of property

On the motion of Mike Kiger and second of Dave Levacy, the Board voted to enter into Executive Session to discuss Purchase of Property at 9:46 a.m.

Discussion: Commissioner Davis stated that the following be present: Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Levacy and Commissioner Kiger, Carri Brown, Staci Knisley, Dennis Keller, Tony Vogel, and Jason Dolin.

Roll call on the motion as follows:

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

On the motion of Mike Kiger and second of Dave Levacy, the Board voted to exit Executive Session at 10:03 a.m.

Roll call on the motion as follows:

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

Commissioners' Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, January 13, 2015 beginning at 10:08 a.m., with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Mike Kiger, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Staci Knisley, Jason Dolin, Dennis Keller, Tony Vogel, David Uhl, Jon Slater, Jeff Porter, Aundrea Cordle, Holly Mattei, Carl Burnett, Michael Kaper, Jim Bahnsen, Bob Clark, Branden Meyer, and Billy Phillips.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Announcements

Commissioner Davis asked Ms. Knisley if there were any announcements.

Ms. Knisley stated that she had no announcements.

Public Comments

Commissioner Davis asked if anyone from the public who would like to speak or offer comments.

No comments were made.

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Approval of Minutes for Tuesday, December 16, 2014

On the motion of Mike Kiger and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the minutes for Tuesday, December 16, 2014.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of the Auditor's Office Resolutions

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Auditor's Office resolutions:

- 2015-01.13.a A Resolution to approve to rescind Resolution # 2014-12.16.hh, authorization to establish new funds for the County's sanitary sewer collection, treatment and disposal system improvement Lakeside Water project and the County's water supply, treatment, storage and distribution system improvement route 256 – Utilities Department [Auditor- Finance]
- 2015-01.13.b A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category Commissioner Fund #4819 Public Safety Facility Jail Project Debt Service and Utilities Fund #5817 Mingo Estates/Lakeside Water Reclamation Debt Service, Fund #5818 Rt. 204 and 256 Water Project Debt Service, Fund #5823 Utility Road Improvement Bond Retirement [Auditor- Finance]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of the Commissioners' Office Resolutions

On the motion of Dave Mike Kiger and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Commissioners' Office resolutions:

- 2015-01.13.c A resolution authorizing the approval of a request for payment and status of funds report for the FY2013 CDBG Formula Funds, Drawdown for \$6,020 – Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners]
- 2015-01.13.d A resolution to approve the annexation of 2.2960+/- Acres, more or less, of Walnut Township into the Village of Pleasantville, Pursuant to ORC709.022, Expedited Type 1 Petition, Annexation of Land by Lighthouse Memorial Church [Commissioners]

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- 2015-01.13.e A resolution authorizing the issuance of \$1,145,000 of Notes to renew previously issued notes for Airport Hangars[Fairfield County Commissioners]
- 2015-01.13.f A resolution to ratify the approval of financial resolutions previously approved outside of a regular meeting. [Commissioners]
- 2015-01.13.g A resolution to approve to appropriate from unappropriated into a major expenditure category – Fund # 1001 General Fund [Commissioners]
- 2015-01.13.h A resolution to approve to appropriate from unappropriated into a major expenditure category – Fund # 2730 subfund# 8032, FY12CHIP/CDBG [Commissioners]
- 2015-01.13.i A resolution to approve a memo expense for interest allocation reimbursement for Fairfield Department of Health – Fund #7012 & Fund# 7321 [Commissioners]
- 2015-01.13.j A resolution to approve a memo expense for interest allocation reimbursement for Fairfield County Historical Parks – Fund # 7308 [Commissioners]
- 2015-01.13.k A resolution certifying to the County Auditor delinquent water and sewer rentals on tax duplicate – Buckeye Lake Sewer System – Water & Wastewater Department. [Commissioners]
- 2015-01.13.l A resolution authorizing the County Auditor to assess and place on the tax duplicate delinquent sewer rentals for the Buckeye Lake Sewer System for the dates of September 15, 2014 through October 15, 2014 [Commissioners]
- 2015-01.13.m A resolution authorizing the 2015 allocation to the Lancaster Public Transit for 2015 - Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners]
- 2015-01.13.n A resolution approving a contract with the City of Lancaster and the Board of Commissioners, for Criminal Prosecution Services [Commissioners]
- 2015-01.13.o A resolution authorizing the 2015 allocation to the Fairfield County Municipal Court [Commissioners]
- 2015-01.13.p A resolution authorizing the 2015 allocation to the Fairfield County Humane Society [Fairfield County Commissioners]

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2015-01.13.q A resolution authorizing the release of liens for assistance provided through the Fiscal Year 2000 Community Housing Impact and Preservation (CHIP) Program for Homeownership [Commissioners]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of Fairfield County Economic Development Resolutions

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Economic Development resolutions:

2015-01.13.r A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category (Fund # 2717) Revolving Loan Fund-Sequestered Segment # 8052) [Economic Development]

2015-01.13.s A resolution approving the appointments of Vic Christopher, Richard Ricketts and Greg Wise to the Loan Review Committee of the Revolving Loan Fund. [Economic Development]

2015-01.13.t A resolution approving the reappointment of Robert Maynard to the Fairfield County Port Authority Board [Economic Development]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of Fairfield County Engineer's Resolutions

On the motion of Mike Kiger and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Engineer's office resolutions:

2015-01.13.u A Resolution to Authorize the Use of Force Account by the Fairfield County Engineer. [Engineer]

2015-01.13.v A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category County Engineer 2024-Motor Vehicle for sick leave payout [Engineer]

2015-01.13.w A Resolution to Approve Advertising for the GRE-37, FAI-CR17-3.266 Pleasantville Road over a Tributary to Walnut Creek Bridge Replacement Project.[Engineer]

2015-01.13.x A Resolution to Approve Advertising for the MAD-33, FAI-CR24-5.22 Clearport Road Bridge Replacement Project. [Engineer]

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2015-01.13.y A Resolution to Approve Advertising by the County Engineer to Sell ScrapMetal and Aluminum. [Engineer]

2015-01.13.z A Resolution to Approve Advertising for the AMA-04, FAI-CR57-3.762 Rock Mill Road over Sand Run Bridge Replacement Project. [Engineer]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of Emergency Management Agency Resolutions

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Emergency Management Agency resolutions:

2015-01.13.aa A resolution authorizing the approval of repayment of an advance to the General Fund from EMA Fund 2091 (subfund 8051) Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant [EMA]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of Family Adult Children First Council Resolutions

On the motion of Mike Kiger and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Family Adult Children First Council resolutions:

2015-01.13.bb A resolution to approve designation of the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners as administrative agent of the Fairfield County Family, Adult and Children First Council. [Family, Adult and Children First Council]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of Fairfield-Hocking Major Crimes Unit Resolutions

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Fairfield-Hocking Major Crimes Unit resolutions:

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- 2015-01.13.cc A resolution complying with the 2014 JAG Grant Award Agreement for the Fairfield-Hocking Major Crimes Unit [Prosecutor- Major Crimes Unit]
- 2015-01.13.dd A resolution authorizing the reduction in major expenditure object category appropriations and to align with estimated receipts. [Fairfield Hocking Major Crimes Unit – Fund 2765 DLEF Grant] [Prosecutor- Major Crimes Unit]
- 2015-01.13.ee A resolution complying with the 2014 DLEF Grant Award Agreement for the Fairfield-Hocking Major Crimes Unit [Prosecutor- Major Crimes Unit]
- 2015-01.13.ff A resolution authorizing the reduction in major expenditure object category appropriations and to align with estimated receipts. [Fairfield Hocking Major Crimes Unit – Fund 2764 JAG Grant] [Prosecutor- Major Crimes Unit]
- 2015-01.13.gg A resolution authorizing the reduction in major expenditure object category appropriations and to align with estimated receipts. [Fairfield Hocking Major Crimes Unit – Fund 2764 JAG Grant] [Prosecutor- Major Crimes Unit]
- 2015-01.13.hh A resolution to authorize certification of confidential funds related to Office of Justice Programs for the Major Crimes [Prosecutor- Major Crimes Unit]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of Prosecutor's Office Resolutions

On the motion of Mike Kiger and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Prosecutor's resolutions:

- 2015-01.13.ii A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category Prosecuting Attorney Victim Assistance Fund 2785 Sub-Fund 8038 State Victims Assistance Act Grant 2013/14 [Prosecutor]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

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Approval of Sheriff's Office Resolutions

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Sheriff's Office resolutions:

- 2015-01.13.jj A resolution authorizing the approval of a service agreement by and between Fairfield County Sheriff's Office and the Village of Bremen [Sheriff]
- 2015-01.13.kk A resolution authorizing the approval of a service agreement by and between Fairfield County Sheriff's Office and the Township of Violet [Sheriff]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of Fairfield County Utilities Resolutions

On the motion of Mike Kiger and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Utilities Office resolutions:

- 2015-01.13.ll A resolution to approve wellness program expenditure - Utilities [Utilities]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of Payment of Bills Resolutions

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following payment of bills resolutions:

- 2015-01.13.mm A resolution authorizing the approval of payment of invoices for departments that need Board of Commissioners' approval [Commissioners]
- 2015-01.13.nn A resolution to approve the payment of vouchers without appropriate carry-over purchase orders for all Departments that are approved by the Commissioners [Auditor- Finance]

Discussion: Ms. Brown clarified that the bills presented for approval for the Board of Commissioners will include "Then & Now" situations and all purchases above \$50,000.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

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Ms. Knisley announced that following the voting meeting, the next meetings in Commissioner Kiger's office are:

- **10:30 a.m. – Meeting with Veterans Services Office**
- **11:00 a.m. – Meeting with Marie Ward, ESC Superintendent**
- **11:30 a.m. – Meeting with Rockmill Financial Consulting**

Ms. Knisley also announced that the next regular scheduled meeting for the Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, January 20, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Davis stated at 10:14 a.m. the Commission would take a short recess for five minutes followed by the meeting with Veterans Services Commission in Commissioner Kiger's Office.

Meeting with the Veteran Service Commission

The Commissioners met at 10:25 a.m. with the Veteran Service Commission. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Mike Kiger and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Staci Knisley, Albert Moller, Kenneth Gregg, Mike Gavin, Chuck Keller, Park Russell, Bob Clark, Aundrea Cordle, Jeff Porter, Carl Burnett, David Uhl, and Ray Stemen.

Commissioner Davis stated that the Board of Commissioners appreciated receiving the minutes from the Veteran Service Commission (VSC) meetings, although the minutes don't always capture essence of the meetings. Having additional discussion face to face is always helpful.

Commissioner Davis asked what the VSC status was on the RFP for renting a new space.

Mr. Russell reported that originally the VSC looked at the Cedar Hill location and the Hocking Valley Mall location, given the responses to the RFP. The Cedar Hill location had issues with IT connections, and the Hocking Valley Mall location wasn't what they were looking for ultimately.

Mr. Russell reported that there was another location at the Hocking Valley Mall that was available. This location is two doors down from the Veteran Affairs office and is almost \$30,000 more a year. The location is something the VSC is thoughtfully considering as it is critical to serving veterans, especially as numbers of veterans to be served from Iraq and Afghanistan increase.

Mr. Russell reported that veterans are seeking healthcare and the location should be coordinated to help serve veterans in the best way possible. Outreach to the veterans

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prevents issues such as veterans in jail, veterans splitting with families, and veterans seeking food stamps.

Mr. Russell reported that the VSC budget for 2014 was \$1.2 million. Expenditures for 2014 were \$850 thousand.

Mr. Russell asked the Board if a new RFP was necessary to secure the location at the Hocking Valley Mall. Ms. Brown reported that a new RFP would be required as the deadlines associated with the former RFP had passed and it appeared as if the requirements of the RFP might have changed from a VSC perspective. Ms. Brown reported that another RFP would have to be issued according to procedure and the Ohio Revised Code.

Commissioner Davis stated that the Board of Commissioners appreciated and respected the VSC. It is important to make sure that developers and landowners know the status of the RFP before they proceed.

Mr. Gavin stated that the VSC were indecisive and new at the process of seeking a new location for the office. Because of the VSC lack of understanding the process, they lost the property they originally wanted on West Fair Avenue. The VSC have been uncertain about their next steps and apologized if this was a bad reflection of the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Davis stated that the Board wants to be helpful with the process.

Mr. Gavin stated that the Cedar Hill location was what the VSC originally wanted to proceed with but issues did arise. They wanted to make sure they were making the right decision so they did not select that location.

Commissioner Davis stated that the Board of Commissioners will not interfere with the location that the VSC selects.

Mr. Russell stated that the original RFP that he created was not accurate ultimately. The VSC decided that they needed five offices, accessible restrooms, and a storage area. If the Cedar Hill location was selected, there could have been further problems in the future.

Commissioner Davis stated that the Board of Commissioners was in no hurry to have the VSC move out of their current location.

Mr. Moller stated that the VSC has outgrown their current space. A better place to support veterans is what they are seeking. Mr. Gavin stated that the VSC will step back and re-evaluate their needs.

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Commissioner Kiger stated that there is good ADA access and parking at the Hocking Valley Mall.

Commissioner Davis stated that the County Facilities Director Dennis Keller will provide help as a support role. The VSC will make the decision of the location.

Mr. Russell reported that market research showed the additional location at the Hocking Valley Mall is 3290 square feet. The amount is \$17 a square foot, about \$4,661 a month.

Commissioner Davis stated that having the VSC office near the clinic at Veteran Affairs could be a good thing.

Mr. Gavin stated that being near bus routes would be an advantage.

Commissioner Kiger stated that the Board of Commissioners does not have the authority to say no to the higher amount of rent. The VSC knows where their office should be located to help serve their clients.

Mr. Moller stated that money given to the VSC is multiplied to the community. He stated that he was born in New Jersey and in the Air Force for 20 Years. He appreciates the State of Ohio for their support of Veterans, which he finds to be helpful as compared to other states.

Ms. Brown stated that if the VSC's budget did not work to support their selection that Mr. Russell should reach out to her so that adjustments can be considered.

Dennis Keller stated that he and Mr. Russell will connect and revise the RFP to match the VSC current needs.

Mr. Stemen stated that he is a veteran and has lived in the community for 40 years. He appreciates the VSC. There is a greater need now for helping the veterans than there used to be.

Mr. Gavin stated that Dennis Keller has helped them a lot with this process.

Commissioner Davis asked the VSC to stay in touch with the Board of Commissioners.

Review Continued

The Commissioners met at 10:51 a.m. to continue review of legal issues and pending or future action items and correspondence. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Mike Kiger and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Staci Knisley, Bob Clark, Aundrea Cordle, Jeff Porter, Carl Burnett, David Uhl, and Ray Stemen.

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Old Business

Ms. Brown reported that she and Dennis Keller will meet with the City of Lancaster to have further discussions regarding the Clarence E. Miller building and will report back to the Board at a later date.

New Business

Commissioner Kiger reported that he met with representatives from the Mid-Ohio Food Bank and LFCAA's food bank. Mid-Ohio Food bank will be in contact with our local food bank regarding future benefits. Ms. Brown reported that LFCAA provided a nice thank you note for the participation in the Stuff-A-Bus Campaign.

- General Correspondence Received
 - a. *CCAO appointment of Standing Committees for 2015*
Commissioner Kiger stated he would like to serve again on the financial and Justice & Public Safety committee.
Commissioner Davis appreciated his willingness to serve.
 - b. *CFLP Policy Committee, President of Board by ORC serves on the committee unless a designee is appointed*
Commissioner Davis stated that he would serve on the committee.
 - c. *CCAO new member or current member training seminar – February 8-10 @ the Sheraton Columbus Hotel at Capitol Square*

New Business continued

Approval of declaring January 13, 2015 as "Buckeyes Day" recognizing the Ohio State Buckeyes National Football Champions.

On motion of Dave Levacy and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to declare January 13, 2015, as "Buckeyes Day" in Fairfield County, recognizing the Ohio State Buckeyes National Football Champions.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

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- Calendar Review/Invitations Received
 - a. Special Dates 2015 Planning
 - b. 2015 Prevention Works Annual Meeting – Wednesday, January 21st at 8:30 a.m. at Fairfield Medical Center, Assembly Room 2. RSVP by 1/14
Commissioner Levacy will attend.
 - c. 2015 Annual Meeting for Meals on Wheels – Thursday, January 22nd @ 5:30 p.m. at Sister Lucille's (MOW Dining Room). RSVP by 1/15
 - d. 2015 Lancaster-Fairfield County Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner, Trade Show & Awards Ceremony – Saturday, January 24 @ Fisher Catholic High School (5-6:45 Tradeshow in the Alumni Hall, 7:00 p.m. Dinner in the gymnasium)
Commissioner Levacy will attend. Commissioner Kiger will attend the tradeshow only.
 - e. United Way Campaign Awards Banquet – Wednesday, February 4th @ 5:45 p.m. at the Lodge - RSVP by 1/28
 - f. 2014 Pickerington Area Chamber Annual Dinner and Celebration - Saturday, February 7th @ 5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. @ Hickory Lakes
Commissioner Davis and Commissioner Levacy will attend. Mr. Bob Clark will also attend.
 - g. Save the Date – Open House & Luncheon sponsored by Columbus/Central Ohio Building & Construction Trades Council – Tuesday, February 10th (invitation to follow)
Commissioner Davis reported that he has a meeting scheduled on February 3rd with their Secretary/Treasurer.
 - h. Celebration of Possibilities, Fairfield DD Awards Program – Thursday, March 26th @ 6:00 p.m. @ the Crossroads Event Center

Meeting with Marie Ward, ESC Superintendent

The Commissioners met at 11:04 a.m. with Marie Ward, the ESC Superintendent. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Mike Kiger and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Staci Knisley, Ray Stemen, Dennis Keller, Carl Burnett, Bob Clark, Aundrea Cordle, Jason Dolin.

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Ms. Ward asked to address the Board of Commissioners to update them on the projects that are connected with the Straight A Fund. She provided executive summaries on each of the projects, including Data Strong, Project Fast Forward, Math Matters, and Growing Soil. (Please see the attached summaries.)

Ms. Ward has been successful in obtaining grant funding of more than \$18 Million. Commissioner Davis suggested that she continue to work with Bob Clark, Economic Development Director, regarding the search for available property in connection with the grant projects.

Ray Stemen indicated that he was a retired teacher and encouraged the community to continue to come together to support the important goal of literacy.

Commissioner Davis stated that the Board would take a brief recess at 11:31 a.m.

Meeting with Rockmill Financial Consultants

The Commissioners met at 11:36 a.m. with Rockmill Financial Consultants. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Mike Kiger and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Staci Knisley, David Conley, Scott Erickson, Jason Dolin, Carl Burnett, Jon Slater, Jim Bahnsen, Michael Kaper, and Ray Stemen.

David Conley with Rockmill Financial Consultants led a discussion as a debriefing of the recent process to issue bonds. (Please see the attached summary.) Mr. Conley indicated that the presentation in New York City was the best presentation he had ever witnessed, and he was so proud to witness it. He also indicated that the county had achieved its goal of maintaining an exceptional credit rating while also issuing debt. He was positive about how the county realized an "all in" interest rate for the most recent issue at 3.53%, with the true interest rate was 3.35%. Further, he indicated that he would reach out to Ms. Brown to present a future contract. Commissioner Davis thanked Mr. Conley and his associated for their work and summary.

Review continued

The Commissioners met at 12:07 p.m. to continue review of legal issues and pending or future action items and correspondence. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Mike Kiger and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Staci Knisley, Bob Clark, Aundrea Cordle, Carl Burnett, David Uhl, and Ray Stemen.

- FYI
 - a. *Prosecuting Attorney Furtherance of Justice (FOJ) Report for 2014*
Ms. Brown reported that there was a question at the Prosecutor budget hearing regarding how temporary staff was paid. This report reflects at least a portion of the temporary staff was paid out of the FOJ.
 - b. *Sheriff Furtherance of Justice Report for 2014*

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- c. *Head Count and Contraband collection report for 2014, submitted by Deputy Jeff Marvin -
Commissioner Kiger reported that the count is down.*
- d. *Notice of Cancellation/Termination of Bond for Enterprise Liquids Pipeline, LLC*
- e. *Thank you note from LFCAA for the Stuff-A-Bus 2014*
- f. *Ohio University Lancaster/Pickerington Schedule of Events*
- g. *Conveyance fee information from County Auditor*
- h. *Thank you note from Judge Martin*
- i. *A proclamation has been prepared for January 20th to honor Representative Jerry Stebelton's retirement*

- Issues Bin
No issues.

- Open Items
No open items.

Adjournment

With no further business, on the motion of Mike Kiger and a second of Dave Levacy the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn 12:09 p.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, January 20, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

Motion by:

Seconded by:

that the January 13, 2015, minutes were approved by the following vote:

YEAS:

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

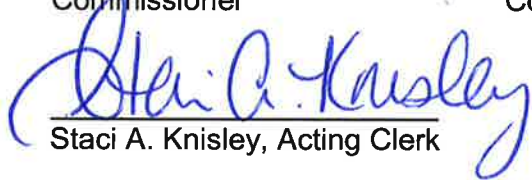
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Steven A. Davis
Commissioner


Dave Levacy
Commissioner


Mike Kiger
Commissioner


Staci A. Knisley, Acting Clerk