

Regular Meeting #5 - 2021
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 Levacy called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Jon Kochis, Thomas Lininger, Amy Brown-Thompson,

Attending virtually were: Jim Bahnsen, Chris Wagner, Dave Burgei, Jason Doling, Jeff Porter, Joshua Horacek, Lisa McKenzie, Nikki Drake, Stacy Hicks, Jim Shaw, Jon Slater, Rick Szabrak, Tony Vogel, Dennis Keller, Tony Howard, Jeff Barron,

- Welcome
- COVID-19 Update

Jon Kochis, EMA Director, updated the Board on COVID-19 responses.

Hospital admissions across central Ohio are relatively low and case counts continue to decrease. There was a pretty high percentage rate in the older population (in nursing homes and that age range in general) previously. Now, vaccinations are being scheduled for individuals in the 79 years of age range. There are 600 vaccinations scheduled for this week (first and second doses). The first clinic in Violet Township will begin on Saturday, February 20th at the Violet Township Service Center. In the next three weeks they will do 1,200 second doses with Health Department clinics. They hope to continue to get a few hundred per week of new doses.

Mr. Davis asked if demand still exceeded supply.

Mr. Kochis replied there are 20,000 who have signed up for the vaccine, while the entire county is projected to get around 1,200 for the entire county this week. Yes, demand exceeds supply at this point.

Mr. Davis asked if it was possible to see what areas had signed up for the vaccine over others.

Mr. Kochis replied that it follows the heat map from a geography standpoint. The current 20,000 heavily tilts toward seniors as that is who is allowed to receive the vaccine. There are no strong variances with geography.

Mr. Fix asked if they did not want to encourage people to register.

Mr. Kochis replied that they want people to register, but with the understanding that the vaccine will not necessarily be available for their age.

Mr. Fix asked why the Commission should not push to have everyone register.

Mr. Kochis replied that the downside with a premature push is that you sign up and expect you are getting the vaccine soon. That then creates additional calls that would burden the system and creates unmet expectations. He believes that will create a negative connotation and could result in a lack of trust and actually impact some people in way that would have them turn away from the option altogether. Pushing too early could lead to overall mistrust in the system.

Dr. Brown believes a time is coming when a massive push can be done. She explained some support offered to the Board of Health for the near future. Dr. Brown highlighted the communications plan for masking up, which has met the original objectives, as an example of communications. Dr. Brown also reported that the Commission was willing to contract on behalf of the Board of Health for professional communication services for the purpose of encouraging community vaccinations.

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Larry Hanna will be connecting with Angela Krile with Krile Communications to outline the terms of what the Board of Health would like for those communication services.

\$40,000 is available for this purpose to support the Board of Health, which is in addition to other grants and support services provided.

Once the Board of Health has determined the services, a contract can be let on behalf of the Board of Health.

With the contracted services, the Board of Health will approve invoices prior to the invoices being paid. This is the path selected because when encouraging vaccinations, there are actions that the Board of Health will need to approve and coordinate with their communications.

Mr. Kochis stressed they are not urging people not to sign up, but they are allowing it and are focusing on those who are currently eligible – based on the current supply.

Mr. Fix asked if there was a difference between the second dose and first dose.

Mr. Kochis replied there was no scientific difference. People may have different experiences with the doses, though.

Commissioner Fix shared that he had a conversation with the Franklin County Health Commissioner. In that conversation, he learned that vaccination doses were assigned based on population, as opposed to service area. So, that is a factor when thinking about how people residing in the NW portion of the county are typically served by Franklin. The thought is that because of the population factor, it would not make sense to request doses from Franklin.

Jon Kochis reported the vaccination clinics continue to operate in a smooth manner. The Board of Health is initiating a call center. There are several county leaders volunteering for the call center and for the vaccination clinics.

Dr. Brown indicated we sent a note of thanks to Jim Marcinko for the partnership with the fairgrounds. We know that the partnership with the fairgrounds is important as they are willing to rent their space for convenient access for the drive-thru clinics.

She also mentioned how the state (in a CCAO call recently) expressed the frustration with the scarcity of supply of vaccination doses. The Governor predicted we would collectively be dealing with a scarcity problem for months.

We have heard of reports of people getting vaccinations in other counties. We have advised that if you have the opportunity to get a vaccination, please do so!

- CARES Act Update

While we have completed the formal accounting for the CARES Act Relief Funds, we are working on documenting the end of the year inventory of the assets purchased with the funds. We will conduct an annual inventory of these assets.

- Legal Update

Ms. Brown-Thompson did not have a legal update.

- Administration and Budget Update/Carri's List

- a. Announcements

Anyone can email or text a question anytime:

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Dates of Interest

Feb 9 Lunch n Learn – EMA
Feb 11 EO/DH Virtual Roundtable
Feb 15 Presidents Day
Feb 23 Commissioner Levacy – Commissioner Connection video

There is a new lunch n learn session added for Economic Development to highlight some of the great tools for businesses with the RLFs and grants the county has been awarded.

We are now working with EDA to make some adjustments for the grants to be of support. You will recall that we have a new RLF relating to the CARES Act resources of about \$830K (for interest free loans). We are also aware of grants the state plans to issue and additional PPP the federal government plans to issue. In the past, Fairfield County businesses have availed themselves of the resources such as these.

Also, for a Workforce Center announcement, there was a flyer in the review packet about HVAC courses at the Center beginning in March. The fee for those courses is \$2,070, and the courses will run for a 16-week period.

Mr. Fix asked about the training and who receives the fee.

Dr. Brown replied it went to Hocking College and should qualify for the Tech Cred Grant. There is also financial aid available. There is a target of about 10 people for this first course, yet no one will be turned away due to space. The courses are in the evening and on Saturday.

In other economic development news, following up to an earlier press release from Worthington Industries, we understand that Ten Oaks (as Westermans) is interested in training incentives, which is a good sign for the community.

The State of the County Address is scheduled for September 28 at the WigWam.

b. Highlights of Resolutions

Dr. Brown reviewed the 18 resolutions for the voting meeting.

(The items highlighted in yellow on the agenda increase or potentially could increase the general fund budget. They are in boldface below. The new appropriations, or the financial resolution, relates to a CARES Act adjustment at the end of the year, when we did not know if the transport vehicle would be received by December 30 in compliance with former federal rules. The other item is to include Probate adoption or termination of parental rights cases for indigent parties. This is based on an Ohio Supreme Court ruling.)

The County Engineer proposes approval of advertising and a drawing for an Amanda bridge replacement project.

JFS proposes a contract for protective placement in network.

We propose a resolution to add a category of cases (for Probate Court, adoption/termination of parental rights) to the attorney fee schedule. There is no change in rates to the schedule. This addition is based on OPD communication, included with the resolution.

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(While this is not a resolution to directly increase the general fund budget, it will have an immaterial effect in that there will be additional cases eligible for indigent defense, and these expenses are not fully reimbursed. The reimbursement rate is now at 75%. There are relatively few cases that are expected to be added.)

In thinking about attorney fee reimbursement, we are aware of the effort to increase the reimbursement to counties, with some legislative support as well as support from Governor DeWine. We are monitoring that situation and understand its history.

RPC proposes a resolution to approve a Development Agreement for the necessary Pickerington Road Improvements associated with the Heron Crossing West Subdivision.

There are 13 *financial and grant related resolutions* to approve:

- Appropriations for the West Buckeye Lake improvement project, reimbursing the County Engineer;
- Appropriations for grant accounting for CFLP;
- Two resolutions for appropriations and memo transactions for County Engineer projects;
- Appropriations from unappropriated funds for the Clerk of Courts – non-general fund appropriations for equipment;
- An advance for a grant of MCU;
- An account-to-account transfer of appropriations to correct a clerical error from interim budget preparation to final budget preparation for 2021 (\$5K keying error with no net change in appropriations);
- RPC proposes five participation agreements for CDBG projects; and
- **Appropriations from unappropriated funds for the County Sheriff for a transport vehicle relating to pandemic needs - (This was discussed last week relative to CARES Act changes at the end of 2020. This is an increase in appropriations to the general fund offset by the CARES Act reimbursement made in January for public safety support; the reimbursement was about \$110K, and the new appropriations are \$52,665. The net effect was positive for the general fund, but the appropriations in 2021 will increase with this resolution).**

Mr. Davis asked what the transport vehicle was transporting.

Dr. Brown replied it was for a van for the safe transport of inmates and to keep the cruisers in regular rotation for public safety. There are barriers installed with the transport van to keep inmates and deputies safer during the pandemic. This was an additional need as the vehicles currently on inventory were insufficient.

Dr. Brown went on to describe that there were financial (account-to-account transfers of appropriations for the Sheriff, for example, and appropriations for the Major Crimes Unit, non-general fund) and contracting resolutions (and administrative approvals) in queue.

For Thursday, following the roundtable meeting, there are two resolutions about lowering speed limits and one about signing a certificate of confidential funds for the MCU.

Mr. Davis stated he asked to have every resolution highlighted that concerns increases of expenditures for the general revenue fund. He stated this was because there are several things on the horizon, and some of those are quite pricey. He is getting an eerie feeling about how the county might move too quickly on general fund expenditures.

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Dr. Brown clarified she understood the direction to be to always highlight those things that will be an increase to the budget, but some items, such as account to account transfers, which will not impact the GRF, were not viewed in the same light. However, she will point out any potential impacts.

c. Administrative Approvals, Program, & Budget Update

Administrative Update

Administrative Approvals and Updates

The review packet contained a list of *administrative approvals*. There were no questions posed.

Interviews for the *ADAMH Board* are scheduled February 9 (today). We alerted the ADAMH Director to the interviews.

There is a *Lunch n Learn with EMA* on February 9th (today) at 11:30 a.m. There will be a time to review the importance of getting the COVID-19 vaccination.

We have *work group meetings* set to review Clerk of Courts Title space; Information Technology templates for programmatic improvements; renting jail space; and recruitment and retention. Other work groups for environmental stewardship and training continue. As we think about a time of hope and coming out of the pandemic, we are planning special events to welcome workers to downtown, to thank employees and health care workers, to provide updates and to be with one another in physical spaces. We are open to ideas and will likely form a work group for this topic, too.

Commissioner Davis shared he had spoken with Judge Berens about the effort to potentially rent beds at the jail.

Budget Update

Thinking about sales tax, we *projected an increase of 3%* for the calendar year of 2021. We realize there are multiple variables impacting consumer behavior. The overall increase for February receipts will be about 8%, and we will monitor this. The latest information shows Non-auto sales tax for December sales receipted in March for Fairfield County is relatively flat, with an increase of .33%, whereas the state experienced a decrease of .06%.

Last week, we discussed the casino revenues for February (for activity of October – December 2020) which have been received. They were \$457,414, similar to 2019 (October – December of 2018) and just below 2020 (October – December of 2019) – and on target for the projected \$1.75 M for the calendar year. There is no change recommended to the projection.

We are aware of the efforts to *increase the future reimbursement percentage* to counties for indigent defense.

We received an update from Moody's about the *county bond rating* on the afternoon of February 2. The county rating was affirmed at a Aa2 rating. This is a positive outcome, and we will examine any opportunities for refinancing in 2021, along with the review of the energy conservation project part 2, for which there are existing appropriations as a placeholder in the 2021 budget.

Mr. Davis reviewed how the previous bond ratings had gone and the amount of preparation that goes into the presentation. He applauded Dr. Brown's work.

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d. BRAVOs

Bravo to Jon Kochis for his leadership with EMA and the Airport. In a recent administrative update, Carri Brown was able to see a preview of the long-term strategic plan for the Airport, and there are some exciting projects in store for the future. (The Airport will be reissuing its recent request for proposals for a storage garage as the bids came in more than 10% higher than the estimate.) Thank you to Staci Knisley for her support of the Airport Board as Airport Clerk, which has been an in-kind contribution from the Commission.

Bravo to Juvenile Court for the skill with grant administration. We recently received a notice from the Department of Youth Services that FY2021 grant application met requirements and was approved.

Thank you to Lisa McKenzie for finding an easement from January 1995 as potential questions were arising.

Thank you to multiple county leaders who have been volunteering for the Board of Health, helping with vaccination clinics. Aunie Cordle and Rick Szabrak have loaned staff to help with their call center.

Thank you to Mark Conrad for helping Judge Smith with computer access this weekend.

- Old Business

- a. Commissioner Communications

Commissioner Davis connected with Judge Berens who affirmed his opinion about the *appropriateness of the current attorney fee schedule*.

Mr. Fix stated that *state representatives* conveyed their support for full reimbursement, and the current iteration of the proposed legislation is for a 95% reimbursement rate.

Mr. Levacy noted that the *indigent defense reimbursement* is much better than it used to be.

Mr. Fix also spoke with the Chairman of the Finance committee regarding the Workforce Center. Our most recent request was not granted in the capital budget bill, but there does seem to be *interest in future funding for this effort*.

Dr. Brown commented that CCAO hosted call last Friday with Governor DeWine. There was discussion about the state budget, state broadband improvement efforts, and the state COVID-19 vaccination plans. The issue of the scarcity of the vaccination does was a main concern. The "Come to Ohio" approach was also discussed, and that was featured in an article in the media. That article was in the review packet.

- New Business

- General Correspondence Received

- a. CFLP Report Received

- Calendar Review/Invitations Received

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- FYI
 - a. Jail Population – 200
 - b. Workforce Study Press Release – Link for Business and Stakeholder Participation
 - c. ODJFS Hotline Re: Unemployment Fraud
 - d. Violet Township Zoning Notice
 - e. Roundtable Agenda for February 11th
 - f. Thank you from the Human Society for annual allocation
- Open Items (None)

Commissioners' Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, February 9, 2021 beginning at 9:57 a.m., with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Jon Kochis, Amy Brown-Thompson, and Thomas Lininger.

Attending virtually were: Jim Bahnsen, Dave Burgei, Jeff Barron, Jim Shaw, Jon Slater, Joshua Horacek, Nikki Drake, Stacy Hicks, Tony Howard, and Tony Vogel.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Announcements

Commissioner Levacy asked if there were any announcements. There were no announcements.

Public Comment

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

Approval of Minutes for Tuesday, February 2, 2021

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the minutes for the Tuesday, February 2, 2021 Regular Meeting.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis, and Dave Levacy

Approval of the Clerk of Courts - Legal Resolution

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Clerk of Courts – Legal resolution to approve additional appropriations by appropriating from unappropriated into a major expense object category – Fund # 2873, NCHIP LIVESCAN PURCHASE – Fairfield County Clerk of Courts; see resolution 2021-02.09.a.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis, and Dave Levacy

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Approval of the Commissioners' Resolutions

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Commissioners' Office resolutions:

- 2021-02.09.b A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated funds in a major expenditure object category for capital outlay for the Fairfield County Sheriff Department, Fund# 1001 – Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners]
- 2021-02.09.c A resolution authorizing an account to account transfer into a major expenditure object category & fund to fund transfer for Probate Guardianship - Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners]
- 2021-02.09.d A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category for Fund# 2736, Subfund# 8231 FY2020 CFLP Grant [Fairfield County Commissioners] [Commissioners]
- 2021-02.09.e A resolution to approve appropriations from unappropriated into a major expenditure object category & a memo expense for W. Buckeye Lake/Ballard Lane expenses – Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners]
- 2021-02.09.f A resolution to approve reimbursement rates for appointed counsel [Commissioners]

Discussion: Mr. Davis asked for more details on the Sheriff's vehicle.

Dr. Brown replied the appropriations needed for the new asset, a transport van (equipped with safeguarding barriers), totaled \$52,665. This would not remove a cruiser from service and is based on needs as a result of the pandemic. It is an increase to the appropriations for the general revenue fund, but the budget ramification is offset by CARES Act reimbursement of more than \$100,000 also not budgeted. Therefore, the budget ramifications overall are minor and slightly to the positive end. Mr. Davis asked if there was ongoing tracking for potential future CARES Act eligible expenses. Dr. Brown stated that there was an ability for ongoing tracking, particularly for public safety payroll support. She will continue to monitor expenditures should there be another round of CARES Act funding for reimbursement.

Mr. Davis stated he would support this purchase as it was already in the works and was not finalized prior to the former CARES Act spending deadline. He also expects Washington to spend more on local governments. However, he will continue to express concern with any spending that would put expenses over revenues for the current year.

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

Approval of the Engineer's Office Resolutions

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

- 2021-02.09.g A Resolution to Approve Advertising for the AMA-33 FAI-C.R. 6-0.79 Cedar Hill Road Bridge Replacement Project. [Engineer]
- 2021-02.09.h A resolution to request for appropriations for additional unanticipated receipts of Memo receipts and memo expenses for fund 2050 for annual inspections in various subdivisions as of 2/4/21 [Engineer]
- 2021-02.09.i A Resolution to Approve the Construction Drawings for the AMA-33 FAI-C.R. 6-0.79 Cedar Hill Road Bridge Replacement Project. [Engineer]

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2021-02.09.j A resolution to request for appropriations for additional unanticipated receipts of Memo receipts and memo expenses for fund 2058 for subdivision inspections of Views at Pine Hill, Spring Creek and Heron West [Engineer]

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

Approval of the JFS Resolutions

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the JFS resolutions regarding Network Placement and Related Services Agreement between Youth Advocate Services., Child Protective Services Department; see resolution 2021-02.09.k.

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

Approval of the Major Crimes Unit Resolution

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Major Crimes Unit resolution authorizing the approval of an advance from the Fairfield County General Fund to DLEF 7830, Recovery Ohio 7864, JAG 7829. - Major Crimes Unit; see resolution 2021-02.09.l.

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

Approval of the Regional Planning Commission Resolutions

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Regional Planning Commission resolutions:

2021-02.09.m A resolution to approve the participation agreement with Walnut Township for the FY2020 CDBG Allocation Program Grant Funding [Regional Planning Commission]

2021-02.09.n A resolution to approve the Development Agreement for the necessary Pickerington Road Improvements associated with the Heron Crossing West Subdivision [Regional Planning Commission]

2021-02.09.o A resolution to approve the participation agreement with the Village Of Bremen for the FY2020 CDBG Allocation Program Funds [Regional Planning Commission]

2021-02.09.p A resolution to approve the participation agreement with The Village of Thurston for the FY2020 CDBG Allocation Program Grant Funding [Regional Planning Commission]

2021-02.09.q A resolution to approve the participation agreement with the Fairfield County Adult and Children First Council for the FY2020 CDBG Allocation Program Funds [Regional Planning Commission]

2021-02.09.r A resolution to approve the participation agreement with The Village of Carroll for the FY2020 CDBG Allocation and Critical Infrastructure Programs Grant Funding [Regional Planning Commission]

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

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Open Items

Mr. Kochis reported that yesterday, FMC's lab had 91 tests received and had no positive tests. This was using the new equipment purchased with CARES Act funds.

Commissioner Levacy stated at 10:04 a.m. that the Commission would be in recess until the ADAMH interviews.

ADAMH Board Vacancy Interview – Whitney Babbert

The Commissioners met at 10:15 a.m. for an interview with Whitney Babbert. Commissioner Levacy called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown and Rachel Elsea.

Attending virtually were: Dennis Keller, Rhonda Myers, and Whitney Babbert.

Ms. Babbert provided a history of her qualifications and what she would bring to the board.

The Commissioners thanked her for her service.

Mr. Fix asked what she would like to accomplish should she be appointed to the ADAMH board.

Ms. Babbert replied she was still fairly new to the what the board does. She has done some research and in talking to her supervisor, she is aware of the services provided.

Ms. Babbert explained her experience in her current job and desire to serve and give back to the community.

Mr. Fix asked her to expand on her day-to-day dealings as a probation officer.

Ms. Babbert replied her day-to-day work is very stressful, but very rewarding as she sees her probations make progress. She highlighted one of her probationer's success stories. She indicated she remained interested in the ADAMH Board even if not selected for this current opening.

ADAMH Board Vacancy Interview – Christie Torchia

The Commissioners met at 10:29 a.m. for an interview with Christie Torchia. Commissioner Levacy called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown and Rachel Elsea.

Attending virtually were: Dennis Keller, Rhonda Myers, and Christie Torchia.

Ms. Torchia reviewed her background and qualifications. In the last year, she has been wanting to get more involved in the community. She recently joined the Joseph's Coat Board of Directors. She is interested in the ADAMH Board as the pandemic has brought mental health issues to the forefront. She stated she was interested in serving if not chosen this time around.

Mr. Fix asked what Ms. Torchia would want to do on the ADMAH Board.

Ms. Torchia replied she is not as familiar with the board as she could be, but at a high level, there are so many amazing things happening. She would bring a fresh lens as she learns.

Ms. Torchia asked about the time commitment involved.

Dr. Brown stated there were monthly meetings, but there were also weekly subcommittee meetings. Right now, the time commitment is intense as they have projects in the works and are implementing some new strategies. She expects the number of meetings (or the length of meetings) will decrease over time.

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Ms. Torchia indicated she appreciated the opportunity to apply and provided some additional details of her leadership skills and how they would relate to ADAMH services.

ADAMH Board Vacancy Interview – Alicia Briggs

The Commissioners met at 10:48 a.m. for an interview with Alicia Briggs. Commissioner Levacy called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown and Rachel Elsea.

Attending virtually were: Rhonda Myers and Alicia Briggs.

Mr. Levacy thanked Ms. Briggs for her willingness to serve and asked her to tell a bit about herself.

Ms. Briggs replied she is 34 years old and has been living with bipolar disorder for the last six years. She has served on many leadership positions throughout her life at church and in scouting groups. She has also taught Financial Peace through her church.

Mr. Davis thanked Ms. Briggs for her willingness to serve.

Mr. Fix asked Ms. Myers is there was an opportunity to be a qualifier for one of the state positions. He asked her to talk about her mental health as much as she feels comfortable.

Ms. Briggs spoke to her experience with mental health treatment.

Ms. Briggs asked what the Commission is hoping the new member would bring to the board.

Mr. Fix replied he would like the ability to assess the board operations with an open mind. There is a lot of opportunity.

Ms. Briggs indicated she would remain interested in the ADAMH Board even if not selected for this current opening.

ADAMH Board Vacancy Interview – David Rostorfer

The Commissioners met at 10:17 a.m. for an interview with David Rostorfer. Commissioner Levacy called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown and Rachel Elsea.

Attending virtually were: Rhonda Myers and David Rostorfer.

Mr. Levacy welcomed Mr. Rostorfer and asked him to tell a little bit more about himself.

Mr. Rostorfer stated he is a licensed social worker with a masters' degree in public administration. Most of his career has been in the corrections environment. More recently his career has focused on program funding and grant applications.

Mr. Fix asked if he interacted with the ADAMH Board while a county employee.

Mr. Rostorfer replied he did work with many agencies, such as the ADAMH Board, while employed with Fairfield County.

He believes the ADAMH Board is currently in a good position in that they received additional levy funds. They can now look at those financial resources and see how they can maximize the county's return on investment to make sur that access is available to everyone to address the needs of the community. Mr. Rostorfer described his personal family experience and the importance of aftercare.

He also commented that he remained interested in the ADAMH Board even if not selected for this current opening.

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The Commissioners met at 11:18 a.m. to review legal issues and pending or future action items and correspondence. Commissioner Levacy called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown and Rachel Elsea.

Attending virtually were: Rhonda Myers.

The Commissioners discussed the ADAMH board interviews.

Dr. Brown can refer those that may be eligible for a state appointment in the future to Ms. Myers. We can also keep the applications on file in our office.

Everyone was very impressed with the applicants.

Approval of the Commissioners Resolution

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Commissioners resolution to approve the appointment of Ms. Christie Torchia to the ADAMH Board; see resolution 2021-02.09.s.

Discussion: Mr. Fix noted that the Commission was very impressed with the candidate pool and hopes there is a way to have others appointed in the future.

Dr. Brown requested that Ms. Myers keep the applications on file for potential state appointments, even if none are open today.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis, and Dave Levacy

Open Items

Dr. Brown reported that there is a target of ten participants for the HVAC training to begin in March. The flyer in the review packet contains a phone number for referrals, as well. She also added that we would be sure to provide the opportunity to employees who might be interested in this training.

