Review

The Commissioners met at 9:00 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, Catherine Cunningham, Jim Bahnsen, Michael Kaper, Ron Osgood, Jason Dolin, Tony Vogel, Jeff Porter, Jon Kochis, Chief Jerry Perrigo, Carl Burnett, Dennis Keller, Aundrea Cordle, and Bill Vance.

- **Legal Update**

  Mr. Dolin reported that he and Dennis Keller met with officials of the City of Lancaster at the Clarence E. Miller Building. The parcel is being split and surveyed in the next couple of weeks. There are no problems to report in the process.

- **Administration and Budget Update/Carri’s List**

  A. **Highlights of Resolutions**

  Ms. Brown reported that there are resolutions to approve the Walnut Township annexation and the Violet Township annexation. Last week, Jason Dolin reported that there were no additional questions surrounding the Walnut Township annexation. This annexation was prepared for the March 24th agenda, as reported earlier.

  The Violet Township annexation is also on the agenda for review. There was previously an annexation agreement approved for this annexation. Ms. Cunningham, attorney for the City of Pickerington, is here today in case there are questions to arise.

  There is a resolution of support for communication with state legislators to request state leadership to restore the state and county partnership indicated by a provision of indigent defense to be funded at a 50% reimbursement level within the state biennium for FY16/17. Commissioner Davis stated that the indigent counsel expenses exceed $1 million a year. Ms. Brown reported that CCAO indicated that co-sponsorship is growing for the support to restore the reimbursement to the 50% level.

  Ms. Brown reported that there is a resolution to approve applications to the State of Ohio for an agricultural easement on properties located in Fairfield County, following the pattern of applications for such easements in the past.

  As discussed last week, there is a financial resolution to reduce the general fund budget of the Sheriff for appropriations that are being accounted for in the police revolving fund instead.
There is a financial resolution for the Utilities Department to appropriate funds for bond supported projects. This resolution when approved fulfills the county requirement to appropriate 10% of the total bond issue within six months of issuance.

The Engineer proposes resolutions for resurfacing and crack sealing projects.

The Utilities Office proposes a contract with URS.

Economic Development proposes a draw for the Port Authority.

There are resolutions to account for interest for the Parks District and health insurance administrative fees. JFS proposed to reimburse the public assistance fund by the child protective services fund, as is the traditional process for reimbursement of costs. Further, there are account to account transfers of appropriations to allow for proper accounting. There are budget adjustments for special revenue funds, and there is the traditional bill list to approve. There is the repayment of an advance from EMA to approve.

B. Administrative Approvals and Budget Update

Ms. Brown reported that the review packet contains a list of administrative approvals for the week. There were no follow up questions about the administrative approvals.

C. Public Safety Facility and Financing Update

Ms. Brown reported that the Administrative staff continues to meet with subject matter experts and contractors. The concept of a construction management at risk delivery method has been under review and an updated timeline (see attached) is being organized. The architect and the legal advisor both recommend this delivery method for efficiency. A three member panel of Dennis Keller, Tony Vogel, and Chief Perrigo will recommend the construction manager-at risk contractor. The request for qualifications will be issued prior to the end of March, if all goes as expected. Site work and renovations at the existing site are planned for the end of June or early in July.

Mr. Keller reported that there is additional drilling going on right now. The drilling is for monitoring wells requested by the City of Lancaster.

D. March 24 - State of the County Address

Ms. Brown reported that the State of the County Address is today, March 24th at Liberty Center. Commissioner Davis reported that reservations for attendance are up this year, and that is nice to see.
E. Training

Ms. Brown reported that March 20th, Ethics Training and Benefits Training were held at Liberty Center. A lot of positive feedback was received about both training sessions. The Benefits Training will be repeated, and there are on-line options for the Ethics Training.

On Friday, April 3, Congressman Stivers is hosting a grant seminar at the Ag Center. The training will begin at 9:30 am. RSVPS need to go to Adam Rapien, Adam.Rapien@mail.house.gov.

- Old Business

  a. Buckeye Lake Dam

Ms. Brown reported that in order to provide a forum to receive information from the voters and taxpayers, the County Commissioners held a public meeting on Tuesday, March 17th, at 7pm at Liberty Center. There were more than 470 people in attendance. We arranged for a transcriptionist and a videographer. The transcribed comments were provided to ODNR in draft form, they are part of the Commission’s minutes in proofread form. The minutes and the video are on the website.

Previously, the Commission requested a meeting with the ODNR Director. In a teleconference, the Commission received contact information for a point of contact, Mr. John Wisse, with ODNR. In addition, the Commission learned that there is to be updates to the ODNR website that are to include a page where members of the public can provide input. The review packet includes correspondence the Commission has received, and that correspondence has also been forwarded to the ODNR point of contact.

The positive news is that the state did take the option of draining the lake off the table, as the Commission had requested on March 12th. In addition, it does appear as if stakeholders will have input to items relating to construction for the state project.

Commissioner Levacy stated that the residents of Buckeye Lake are in great disbelief overall.

Commissioner Davis stated that in his perception there was a short window of time to influence the decision making process. In foresight, the Commission held public meetings on Thursday, March 12th and Tuesday March 17th for the residents to convey their concerns. The Tuesday meeting was probably the largest public meeting held in Fairfield County.
Commissioner Davis reported that the window is now closed. We now have a liaison with the Director of ODNR. We are in process of setting up a meeting with the liaison or point of contact on March 31.

Commissioner Davis invited everyone to review the transcript and the video from the March 17 meeting on the county website @ www.co.fairfield.oh.us.

Commissioner Davis reported that Economic Director Bob Clark is working with various Economic Development organizations to evaluate the economic consequences.

Commissioner Levacy stated that pontoon boats can still operate on Buckeye Lake. His business, Buckeye Lake Marina, recorded a video of one of their pontoon boats operating on the lake. There have been lots of good comments regarding that video.

Commissioner Levacy reported that he has been talking with Senator Troy Balderson about the dredging on the lake. The dredging on the lake begins April 1st. Dredging is not a fast process. He will have ongoing discussions with Senator Balderson.

Emergency Management Agency Director Jon Kochis reported that he had a conversation with ODNR earlier today. There is a proposal for work to identify obstructions under the water. The obstructions will be removed as soon as possible.

Commissioner Davis asked if the evacuation drill that the governor is putting on is for real.

Mr. Kochis reported that they will use live residents for the drill. They can’t force residents to participate but will have other folks sit in if necessary. He has a meeting with Ohio EMA this Friday.

Commissioner Davis asked Mr. Kochis to get more information from an EMA standpoint as he able to do so. Commissioner Davis stated that it is difficult to imagine horrific consequences at winter pool levels. He would like to ask state officials if the residents should still have fear while dredging at winter pool levels. The existence or absence of fear is a factor that will be influential.

Mr. Kochis reported that a request has also been made to ODNR to create models for the new lake level, taking into account rain events. A model is a study of where the water will go. Mr. Kochis stated that FEMA is sending two representatives to Ohio to be stationed here.
Commissioner Levacy stated that accurate reporting was important as not all reports in news are correct. For example, Channel 6 had reported inaccurately on flooding, which was actually not flooding but a leak. Commissioner Davis stated that he appreciated being kept in the loop about the fear factor – should residents have fear or not?

b. Meals On Wheels Budget

Ms. Brown reported that Anna Tobin is scheduled today to review the Meals on Wheels 2016 budget projections with the Board.

• New Business

Commissioner Davis asked if there was any new business to discuss. No new business was discussed.

• General Correspondence Received

  a. Sales Tax report submitted by County Auditor

Commissioner Davis stated that it was premature to extrapolate the three months of sales tax revenue received. It is important to remember that the deposits have a three month lag time from actual sales. An impact of the Buckeye Lake region’s sales tax revenues won’t be seen until September or October, and even then it will be difficult to track for a region. Most of the year’s revenues from a county entity perspective will not show the influence. Property tax revenue should not be impacted in 2015.

Commissioner Levacy reported that Park National Bank has indicated they will support house sales on the lake. Commissioner Davis stated that there will not be a restraint in lending at winter pool, then, from the Park National Bank perspective. He thought that this was good gesture of Park National Bank.

• Calendar Review/Invitations Received

Ms. Brown reported that there is a Legislative Meeting with Auditor of State Representative Tim Craft on Thursday at 2:00 p.m. Ms. Brown may not be able to attend, given the short notice. Treasurer Jim Bahnsen plans to attend.

Ms. Brown also reported that the Celebration of Possibilities Dinner is Thursday night at 6:00 p.m.

Commissioner Davis asked Ms. Knisley to schedule him for a meeting held at the Buckeye Lake Eagles. The meeting is with the Buckeye Lake Area Civic
Association on Wednesday, April 15th. Commissioner Levacy stated that he will also attend this meeting.

**Meeting with Chad Smith a representative with Senator Sherrod Brown’s Office**

The Commissioners met at 9:27 a.m. with Chadd Smith of Senator Brown’s Office. 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, Anna Tobin, Sara Clagg, Terry Borah, Karen Tanner, David Uhl, Catherine Cunningham, Jim Bahnsen, Michael Kaper, Ron Osgood, Jason Dolin, Tony Vogel, Jeff Porter, Jon Kochis, Chief Jerry Perrigo, Carl Burnett, Dennis Keller, Aundrea Cordle, and Bill Vance.

Mr. Smith stated that he requested a meeting with the Commission to get a picture or snapshot of the economic impact of lowering the water level at Buckeye Lake. There may be federal resources that might be of assistance.

Commissioner Davis stated that a study is under consideration with the 33 Alliance and other organizations. The study would provide some specific details. Right now, we are aware of home sales on hold and hiring decisions being delayed. The county is not in a good position to track the impacts of sales tax, conveyance fees, and property taxes, though, given the regional aspect of the variables. Commissioner Davis reported that the Governor stated that there is no safety net for residents in the state budget. The dam project will cost $100-125 million.

Commissioner Davis stated that the perception is that home owners in the region are rich and wealthy people. This is a false perception. About a block away from the million dollar homes are the homes valued at around $40,000. These folks have fewer resources to recover, and many are employed in the area. Commissioner Davis stated that there is a collateral effect on the number of people who plan to visit the lake in the summer, too.

Commissioner Davis asked that Senator Brown’s Office coordinate with FEMA and ODNR about this question: Should residents have fear or not have fear at winter pool? He requested that real science be reviewed in order to calm the fear of the dam collapsing during winter pool.

Commissioner Levacy stated that it would be helpful if Senator Brown’s Office coordinate efforts with Senator Balderson and Congressman Stiver’s Office. There is a huge economic impact to the region. Approximately 354,000 people visit Buckeye Lake every year. If each person would have spent $50, that is more than $17 million not spent in the region’s economy.
Commissioner Davis stated that the plan to repair the dam is fantastic although it is a double-edged sword. Any help Senator Brown’s office can give us would be appreciated.

Mr. Smith stated that there may be grant and loan options to businesses.

Commissioner Kiger stated that the shorter the time the dam takes for repair the better for everyone. He added that the dam needs to be built right.

Commissioner Levacy asked that Senator Brown’s Office help with expediting the permit process. The process of permits can increase costs and extend timelines.

Mr. Smith stated if the county hears of delays, his office can be contacted.

Commissioner Davis stated that the timing and mechanism of funding for the State project is a concern. The State won’t be using any of their rainy day funds but it is pouring right now in Fairfield County. Advancing any federal funding mechanisms would be helpful.

Mr. Smith stated that a letter showing a united from from Senator Brown’s Office, Congressman Stivers’ Office, and Senator Balderson’s Office could help. He will follow up on this type of letter for state officials and others.

Commissioner Davis stated that the Buckeye Lake area is not doing well already economically. The schools have challenges. The million dollar houses on the lake are few and far between, so the perception of the area being a wealthy one is wrong. Any help that can be provided is appreciated.

Commissioner Davis added that the video and transcript of the March 17th public meeting is on the county website @ www.co.fairfield.oh.us. Representatives with ODNR were present. The Fire Department counted 477 people at the meeting.

Mr. Smith asked if there was anything personally Senator Brown could do.

Commissioner Davis asked that it would be nice if the two representatives from FEMA that will be down in Fairfield County during the dam repair could give the residents information based in real science about whether they should have fear or not at the winter pool level.

Commissioner Levacy stated that some statements that have been made are inaccurate. This creates fear.

Commissioner Davis stated that on behalf of the Commission, they thank Mr. Smith and Senator Brown for their concern and efforts to visualize the situation.
Mr. Smith stated that he will be visiting the lake soon and is meeting with the Chamber of Commerce later today.

Commissioner Davis stated that County Administrator Carri Brown will be the Commissioners’ point of contact if there is information needed from Fairfield County.

**Meeting with Meals on Wheels/ Older Adult Agency to review their 2016 Budget**

The Commissioners met at 9:44 a.m. with the Meals on Wheels/Older Adult Agency (MOW/OAA) to review their 2016 Budget, see budget attached to the minutes. 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, Anna Tobin, Sara Clagg, Terry Borah, Karen Tanner, David Uhl, Catherine Cunningham, Jim Bahnsen, Michael Kaper, Ron Osgood, Jason Dolin, Tony Vogel, Jeff Porter, Jon Kochis, Chief Jerry Perrigo, Carl Burnett, Dennis Keller, Aundrea Cordle, and Bill Vance.

Commissioner Davis stated on behalf of the Commission everyone is glad to see the Meals on Wheels officials at the meeting today. This is an opportunity for the MOW/OAA officials to share the budget projections for 2016 and to give an update on operations.

Director of MOW/OAA, Anna Tobin, stated that the agency is moving right along. The agency is growing 8% each year. They have tightened up the budget for 2016 and will be using an estimated of $166,000 of their carryover. In 2017, it is estimated that the carryover will be $849,000.

Ms. Tobin reported that because they are not owners of the property where their agency is located it might be a little difficult to move quickly on their expansion plans. The expansion could cost approximately $1.5-$2 million dollars. This estimate is preliminary. There have been no architectural drawings. The expansion will add about 10,000 square feet.

Commissioner Davis stated that the few times that he has been out to their agency he noticed that their space is not ideal. He looks favorably on the agency plans to improve their space.

Commissioner Davis stated that he loved being out to the agency last week during the “March for Meals’ week. He was surprised the clients were so interested in the Buckeye Lake Dam.

Ms. Tobin stated that their clients enjoyed having Commissioner Davis last week.

Ms. Brown asked if the current projections for 2016 included any aspect of the expansion that is under consideration or review. Ms. Tobin reported that the 2016
budget did not include projections for the expansion. Ms. Tobin added that there are no plans for funding at this point.

Commissioner Kiger stated that he meets once or twice a month with Anna Tobin and Terry Borah to get updates.

Ms. Tobin stated that she appreciated the Commission’s open communication and to give her a call if they need anything.

Commissioner Levacy stated that the Commissioners’ Office will help with grants if needed.

Commissioner Davis thanked Ms. Tobin for coming today.

• **FYI**

Ms. Brown reviewed the following items.

  o Summary of 2015 ODOT District 5 projects
  o OSU Extension letter of summary for 2014, newsletter also attached
  o Fairfield Department of Health Spring 2015 Newsletter
  o CFLP Board of Director’s Agenda for March 27, 2015 meeting
  o CCAO Board of Directors minutes 2.13.15 (in folder)
  o Pickerington Senior Center April 2015 calendar (in folder)

• **Issues Bin**

  a. **Sensory Trail & Park**

Ms. Brown stated that there was nothing new to report following the report last week. She reiterated that she had informed Soil and Water officials and Friends of the Sensory Trail volunteers that the county agreement relating to indemnity was still available if there was donated work to be conducted prior to any ultimate transfer of property to the Parks District. The Parks District is reviewing the plans for a potential transfer.

**Recess**

Commissioner Davis stated at 9:56 a.m. that the Commission would take a recess until the 10:00 regular meeting.
Commissioners’ Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 beginning at 10:02 a.m., with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Mike Kiger, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Staci Knisley, Christina Foster, Anna Tobin, Sara Clagg, Tony Vogel, Jon Kochis, Jonathan Ferbrache, Catherine Cunningham, David Uhl, Park Russell, Carl Burnett, Bill Vance, Linda Kauffman, Jeremiah Upp, Chief Perrigo, Dennis Keller, Jim Bahnsen, Aundrea Cordle, Jeff Porter, Jon Slater, and Tom Hart. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Announcements

Commissioner Davis asked if there were any announcements.

Ms. Knisley stated that there were no announcements.

Public Comment

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

No comments were made.

Approval of Minutes for Tuesday, March 17, 2015, Regular Meeting

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the minutes for the Tuesday, March 17, 2015 Regular Meeting.

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

Approval to remove from the Table, Petition to Annex 7.389 +/- acres of Walnut Township into the Village of Thurston – Tabled Resolution # 2015-02.17.a

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve to remove from the Table, Petition to Annex 7.389 +/- acres of Walnut Township into the Village of Thurston – Tabled Resolution # 2015-02.17.a
Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Mike Kiger, and Steve Davis

**Approval of Commissioners’ Office Resolutions**

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

- **2015-03.24.a** A resolution to approve the annexation of 7.389 +/- Acres, more or less, of Walnut Township into the Village of Thurston, Pursuant to ORC 709.023, Expedited Type 2 Petition, Annexation of Land by the Village of Thurston, Ohio [Commissioners]

  Discussion:
  
  Tom Hart, Agent with the Village of Thurston stated that the annexation presented follows all of the statutory requirements.

- **2015-03.24.b** A resolution to approve the annexation of 38.363 +/- Acres, more or less, of Violet Township into the City of Pickerington, Pursuant to ORC 709.022, Expedited Type 1 Petition, Annexation [Commissioners]

  Discussion:
  
  County Engineer Jeremiah Upp stated that it has been a pleasure working with Violet Township and the City of Pickerington.

  Attorney Catherine Cunningham who represents the City of Pickerington thanked Carri Brown, Jason Dolin, Violet Township, and all staff involved for working through the rough spots along the way. The cooperation for the road maintenance agreement that the County Engineer approved helps future collaboration between agencies.

  Commissioner Levacy stated that he is all for agencies cooperating.

- **2015-03.24.c** A resolution in support of property for the Clean Ohio Local Agricultural Easement Purchase Program [Commissioners]

- **2015-03.24.d** A resolution authorizing a Request to the legislative leadership of the State of Ohio relating to Indigent Defense Reimbursement rates [Commissioners]
2015-03.24.e  A resolution to approve a memo expense for interest allocation reimbursement for Fairfield County Historical Parks – Fund # 7308 [Commissioners]

2015-03.24.f  A resolution to approve a memo expense for interest allocation reimbursement for Fairfield Department of Health – Fund #7012 & Fund# 7321 [Commissioners]

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

Approval of Economic Development Office resolution

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

2015-03.24.g  A resolution authorizing a draw against the 2015 approved allocation –Fairfield County Economic Development/Port Authority [Economic Development]

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

Approval of Emergency Agency Office resolution

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

2015-03.24.h  A resolution authorizing the approval of repayment of an advance to the General Fund from EMA Fund 2735 (subfund 8072) State Homeland Security Grant Program Fund FY14 [EMA]

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

Approval of Engineer’s Office resolutions

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

2015-03.24.i  A Resolution to Approve Advertising for the FAI-CR11/17/53/58 Resurfacing Project. [Engineer]
2015-03.24.j  A Resolution to Approve Advertising for the 2015 Crack Sealing Project [Engineer]

2015-03.24.k  A Resolution to Approve the Construction Drawings for the FAI-CR11/17/53/58 Resurfacing Project. [Engineer]

2015-03.24.l  A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category County Engineer 2024-Motor Vehicle for sign purchases [Engineer]

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

**Approval of Job & Family Services resolution**

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Job & Family Services resolution:

2015-03.24.m  A resolution to approve a memo receipt and expenditure for Fairfield County Job & Family Services, Fund 2072 reimbursing Fund 2018 [JFS]

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

**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:

2015-03.24.n  A resolution authorizing the reduction in major expenditure object categories for the Sheriff’s Office – General Fund # 1001 [Sheriff]

2015-03.24.o  A resolution approving an account to account transfer Fund 1001Sheriff’s Office  [Sheriff]

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

**Approval of Utilities Office resolutions**

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Utilities Office resolutions:
A resolution to authorize the approval of Engineering Services by and between Fairfield County Utilities and URS Corporation for the Allen Road Waterline Project.

A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated into a major expenditure object category – Fund# 5820 Sewer Improvements Sub Fund# 8079, Lakeside Water Project, Sub Fund# 8086, Mingo Estate Phase 1, Sub Fund# 8087, Mingo Estate Phase 2, Fund# 5821, State Route 204/State Route 256, and Fund# 5822, Utility Bond & Roadway Improvement - Utilities

Discussion:

Mr. Vogel stated that the URS contract proposed is for design services to move the waterline to Pickerington Road and Fairfield Developmental Disabilities.

Ms. Brown added that with resolution 2015-03.24.q the county has appropriated over $4 million of the most recent bond issue. There is a requirement to appropriate at least 10% of the bond issuance within a six month period, and this resolution when approved fulfills that requirement. We will track other requirement, such as a spending requirement within a year of issuance.

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

Approval of Veterans Service Commission Office resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Veterans Service Commission Office resolutions:

A resolution approving an account to account transfer in a major object expense category – Fairfield County Veteran’s Services Office

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

Approval of Payment of Bills resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Payment of Bills resolution:
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]

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

Ms. Knisley announced that the next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 31, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.

Recess

Commissioner Davis stated at 10:12 a.m. that the Commission would take short recess. The Commission will reconvene shortly back to review session. There is lunch at 11:30 for the State of the County Address, location is at the Liberty Center.

Back to Regular Session

Commissioner Davis stated at 10:23 a.m. that the Commission was back in session with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Mike Kiger, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown and Staci Knisley.

Review continued

Open Items from Participants/Roundtable

Ms. Brown announced that Patty Ciripompa with Fairfield County Job and Family Services was recently honored by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services as the adult protective services caseworker of the year. Ms. Ciripompa is well known in the community for her advocacy of older adults. She is retiring at month end. Her statewide honor can be announced at the State of County Address later today.

The Commission and Ms. Brown reviewed the State of County Address presentation.

- Buckeye Lake Dam continued

Commissioner Davis stated that there is a huge fear in the Buckeye Lake region.

Commissioner Levacy stated that the fear was feeding into decisions made by banking institutions.

Ms. Brown stated that the state or federal officials won’t likely have a definitive answer to the question surrounding if there should be fear or no fear. If there is a way to answer the question about whether a reasonable person should have fear or not under certain circumstance, that might be a question that could be answered.
Commissioner Kiger stated that he has received very positive emails. There were no negatives at all.

Commissioner Davis stated that in the future the Commission should refer to Buckeye Lake as a State Park because it is a State Park.

Commissioner Levacy stated that the park was the very first State Park in the State of Ohio.

Commissioner Kiger stated that the question about double shift work should be posed to ODNR.

**Recess**

Commissioner Davis stated at 10:33 a.m. that the Commission would take a recess until the State of the County Address.

**State of the County Address**

The State of the County Address was held at 12:00 p.m. at the Liberty Center, with lunch beginning at 11:30 a.m. The address was streamed live with the help of Innerphase Video.

Commissioners Kiger, Levacy, and Davis and County Administrator Brown provided updates on the state of the county. The theme was *Moving Forward: The Keys are Transportation & Infrastructure.* (See attached slide show presentation)

**Adjournment**

With no further business, on the motion of Dave Levacy and a second of Mike Kiger the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn at 1:10 p.m.

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

The next regular meeting for the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, March 31, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.

Motion by: ___________________________ Seconded by: ___________________________

that the March 24, 2015, minutes were approved by the following vote:

YEAS: ___________________________ NAYS: None
ABSTENTIONS: None
*Approved on March 31, 2015

Steven A. Davis     Dave Levacy    Mike Kiger
Commissioner       Commissioner  Commissioner

Rachel A. Elsea, Clerk