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Review

The Commissioners met at 9:03 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, Rachel Elsea, Josh Horacek, Amy Brown-Thompson, Jon Kochis, Tony Vogel, Todd McCullough, Annie Cordle, Mary Jo Fox, Laura Holton, Becca Montgomery, Angel Conrad, Michael Kaper, Jim Bahnens, Loudan Klein, Holly Mattei, Spencer Remoquillo, Lt. Alex Lape, Donna Stalter, Becca Montgomery, David Uhl, and Jeremiah Upp.

- Legal Update
  
  Mr. Horacek stated he did not have a legal update.

- Administration and Budget Update/Carri’s List
  
  a. Announcements

  Ms. Brown welcomed, Ms. Donna Stalter, new public information specialist at JFS.

  Ms. Cordle introduced the JFS Fraud Investigation team of Mary Jo Fox, Laura Holton, and Becca Montgomery.

  Save the Dates! The review packet will contain the “Save the Date” notices and the flier of all event dates.
  
  - The June 17th Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Jail and Public Safety Facility is 11 am – 2 pm.
  
  - The Formal Building dedication is Friday, September 29th at 12 noon.

  b. Highlights of Resolutions

  Ms. Brown provided highlights of resolutions proposed for the voting agenda.

  We had five proclamations scheduled for approval.

  One was to honor Fairfield Medical Center for a workplace award, and the other four were to honor National Supervised Visitation month, Foster Care Appreciation month, Fraud Prevention Awareness month, and Economic Development week. (We invited all the appropriate people to attend the voting meeting. The FMC proclamation will be presented at the State of the Center address.)

  We proposed the reappointment of Jeff Sauer to the Fairfield County Port Authority Board. Mr. Sauer is willing to continue to serve through December 2020. We also proposed resolutions to release collateral.

  JFS proposed a contract for network placement services with Fox Run.

  The County Engineer proposed the award of contracts and commencement for a Bloom Township bridge improvement and a crack sealing project. The County Engineer also proposed advertising for a culvert replacement project on Revenge Road.

  Regional Planning proposed extending the deadline for the Storage One Sidewalk project to July 1, 2017, to allow time for review and approval of the amended plat.

  There were financial resolutions to approve, such as:
- Accounting transactions to close a grant and appropriations for a special revenue fund for the Major Crimes Unit and to repay a related advance (two resolutions);
- Appropriations for the water fund (enterprise fund) relating to aquifer testing for future county services;
- Appropriations from unappropriated funds and account to account transfers of appropriations for EMA special revenue funds; and
- The payment of bills (including the UHC payment for the health benefit plan & approval and payment of then and now certifications or substitute then and now certifications, as needed).

c. Administrative Approvals & Budget Update

- **Budget Update**

  The review packet contained a list of administrative approvals for the week. Ms. Brown asked if there were any questions, and none were posed.

  We have contacted Senator Balderson multiple times requesting his prioritization of the state budget requests to include complete and permanent replacement of Medicaid Managed Care Organization sales tax revenue (as well as additional funding to restore the 50/50 partnership with counties in providing indigent defense services). The MCO issue is the most pressing one, of course. The Medicaid MCO sales tax proposal in the SFY 18/19 Executive Budget replaced lost revenue to the state, but only provided counties and transit authorities a one-time allocation. We, of course, seek parity, and we urge a plan be adopted that provides equal treatment to the state, local governments, and transit authorities. Ms. Brown reported that she did not see significant change to the Executive’s proposal from the House relating to the MCO issue, but there could have been some changes, in particular to the indigent defense services allocation, likely bringing the reimbursement rate to an estimated 45%. She reported that Senator Balderson demonstrated interest and willingness to take on the issue. House leaders previously indicated the complex issue was something that they wanted to help address.

  Casino revenues for the year are right on track, with 50% of revenues received with two of four deposits reflected. $875,737 of $1.75 M estimated has been reflected.

  In terms of a quick local budget update about plans for the courthouse roof and soffit repairs, we have dedicated $75,000 in 2017 for repairs, which should last about 5-10 years. (This will not be new appropriations.) By 2022, we plan to have capital appropriations for the complete building exterior restoration and a new roof, which is estimated $3.5 Million, but this is an early estimate. We will conduct research and report back. For now, the repairs are planned for 2017, and we are using a conservative approach for the repairs.

  The budget hearings have been set for 2017 (for the 2018 budget). Ms. Brown reminded everyone of the deadline for 2018 budget entry in level 2, the tax budget. The deadline is June 21.

  Mr. Davis added that the Commission correctly anticipated that the state’s response to the MCO sales tax issue would be inadequate. Since there will be a gap between occupying the jail and leasing bed space to surrounding counties, a revenue gap will exist. This will create a revenue disruption which the county is aware of and working to address.

- **Administrative Update**
Ms. Brown reported she received an update from IT about the cybersecurity training. As of now, 56% of users have completed the training. IT will send reminders. They have also created a training activity that will be a part of the HR onboarding process.

Meals on Wheels Update: Dennis Schwallie, county bond counsel, indicated that Meals on Wheels is not a qualifying entity for the Treasurer to buy their debt as we did with a political subdivision, City of Lancaster. We suspected that this would be the answer, but we wanted to be sure in our evaluation of the request. As long as Meals is a 501 C 3 not for profit entity, they will qualify for conduit debt, and Ms. Brown previously sent definitional and example information of how conduit debt works. However, the issuance cost for $800,000 of debt may be rather pricey. The not for profit organization should discuss with their bond counsel what the actual cost would be. Ms. Brown offered to talk with Ms. Tobin about this suggestion.

d. Jail and Public Safety Facility Update

FYI: The new public safety and jail facility is located at 345 Lincoln Avenue, Lancaster, Ohio.

Thank you to the Dennis Keller, Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Sheriff Phalen, Lt. Churchill, Val Carpico, Todd Butler, and Rob Train for the event planning meeting on May 4th.

The event flier is the review packet. The June 17 public is to celebrate the milestone of the facility opening. This is considered a ribbon cutting. The Chamber will be supporting the event with their communications and ribbon cutting process.

The September 29 event is the formal building dedication. There will be a bronze plate for the building with the names of the Commissioners and Sheriff at the building dedication. There will be a full commemoration in the lobby of the building (along with list of historical Sheriffs if the Sheriff chooses).

The most recent report on the jail population shows the population is 263.

The project is on time and within its budget. The most recent construction report from Granger is in the review packet. Project goals are being met, and key milestones are right on track.

Dennis Keller had some pictures to share of the project progress including sidewalks and subgrade work.

Paving should begin in the next week. The demo of the Wheeling Street jail is scheduled for the first two weeks of July and inmates will be moved in the later part of June. The ODRC did another preliminary review of the site last week and they are now addressing the minor issues that need resolved.

Ms. Cordle added that Warren County will be building a jail in the near future and Fairfield County has shared their documents with them.

e. Roundtable Meeting – May 18th

An elected official and department head roundtable meeting is scheduled May 18th at 8:30 a.m. An HR update will include information about ESS/Executime and onboarding. There is also a presentation planned from the Attorney General’s office. The speaker will be Jennifer Lloyd. She is the AG’s Director of Drug Abuse Outreach Initiatives. A draft agenda was in the review packet.
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At 3 pm on May 18th, there will be a tour of the jail for elected officials and department heads (and their guests). No RSVP is necessary.

f. Bravos

Bravo to Rachel Elsea for serving as the event planner for the jail ribbon cutting and building dedication events.

Thank you to Annie Cordle, JFS Director, for holding a JFS senior leadership retreat on May 8th. Ms. Cordle thanked Tony Vogel for hosting the JFS retreat at the Utilities Administrative Building.

ADAMH recently announced a multi-county collaborative grant project aimed at behavioral health services for ages 8-24. Ms. Brown will invite Rhonda Myers to speak to the Board of Commissioners about this announcement.

• Old Business

a. Baltimore Firing Range

On May 3, we sent correspondence to the Mocks to follow up. We also have a thank you note for Baltimore officials for their time in addressing the issues with us. Administratively, we will meet to evaluate the agreement for use and will be ready to evaluate support for Baltimore if officials request that for improving the site. We will follow up when there is new information.

In addition, Mr. Jerry Mock has a copy of the draft meeting minutes from May 2, 2017, and he requested a time to meet with the Commissioners because he stated he had additional information to provide. That meeting is May 16, 2017, at 10:30 a.m.

Mr. Davis stated that when the Commissioners are approached with a complaint, they need to see how they can be helpful. While the county does not own the land or the range, the Sheriff uses the facility. The Commissioners have offered to be helpful in regards to the operations and safety of the facility. The Commissioners will not tell Baltimore what to do and will continue to communicate their desire to be helpful.

b. Meeting re: Picktown Palooza

Chris Stein requested a meeting and will come prepared to answer questions. We anticipate he will ask for county support relating to economic development. We asked that he bring proof of 501 3c existence. Mr. Stein indicated that Mayor Gray and other city of Pickerington officials were in support of the new festival, the Picktown Palooza.

• New Business

a. Annexation Received – 18.480 +/- acres from Liberty Township to the Village of Baltimore

We received a petition for annexation of 18.480 acres more or less in Liberty Township into the Village of Baltimore, utilizing the special procedure of ORC 709.023 where land is not excluded from the township. Ms. Elsea provided the submission to subject matter experts for review.

• General Correspondence Received (none)

• Calendar Review/Invitations Received
a. Pickerington Chamber Lunch – Thursday, May 18th at 11:30 a.m.

b. DD Resource Fair – Thursday May 18th at Crossroads and Tuesday, May 23rd at DD Regional Office in Pickerington

c. Peace Officers Memorial Ceremony – Friday, May 19th at 12:00 p.m. at the downtown gazebo
   1. Commissioner Levacy will attend.

d. Forest Rose Graduation Commencement – Tuesday, May 30th at 1:00 p.m. at Forest Rose
   1. Commissioner Levacy will attend.

Mr. Davis stated that he understood that schools were trying to integrate individuals with disabilities as much as they could and asked who attended Forest Rose.

Dr. Uhl replied that Forest Rose educates those who have needs are too complex for district schools. Schools are continually finding new ways to educate students with disabilities which has resulted in a steady decrease in enrollment at Forest Rose. Currently they have 55 students enrolled.

- FYI
  a. BlueLine Rental Open House – Thursday, May 18th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Columbus

- Issues Bin (none)

- Open Items (none)

Transportation update

The Commissioners met at 9:32 a.m. to for an update on the Transportation Improvement District. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Dave Levacy, and Mike Kiger. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Josh Horacek, Amy Brown-Thompson, Jon Kochis, Tony Vogel, Todd McCullough, Annie Cordle, Mary Jo Fox, Laura Holton, Becca Montgomery, Angel Conrad, Michael Kaper, Jim Bahnens, Loudan Klein, Holly Mattei, Spencer Remoquillo, Lt. Alex Lape, Donna Stalter, Becca Montgomery, David Uhl, and Jeremiah Upp.

Ms. Mattie presented information on the Transportation Improvement District including the purpose and advantages; other successful TIDs in Ohio; history of the Fairfield County TID; and current board members.

Mr. Upp highlighted their potential projects which are:
- Ety Road & Bridge Improvements
- CR33A/Election House Road Intersection Upgrade
- Refugee/Pickerington Road Intersection Project
- Coonpath Road Improvements – SR 158 to CR 33
- Coonpath Road Reconstruction from Carroll Southern Road to US 33
- Plum – Coonpath Road Connector
- Lithopolis/Old Columbus/Collins Road Intersection Improvements
- Basil Western Road Project

The TID is focusing their priorities on projects that involve multiple entities and joint economic development opportunities.

Mr. Davis asked why the Pickerington Road interchange was not on the list.
Mr. Upp added that everyone on the TID thought it should be on the list, but it is probably too far out in time for completion to be included. The projects on the list could all be done in a reasonable amount of time.

Mr. Levacy asked if a roundabout was still planning for the Refugee/Pickerington Road intersection.

Mr. Upp replied that it was unless the study suggests differently.

Mr. Levacy stated that these projects were very important as Fairfield County is projected to increase in population by 35% in the next 20 years.

Mr. Upp agreed.

Mr. Davis asked how the TID is funded.

Ms. Mathei replied that when the Commissioners created the TID they funded it with $100,000. $80,000 has been spent on a few studies and legal fees. The $20,000 that remains is all the money they have. If they move a project forward that is bonded with debt service, they could have agreements with a service fee.

Mr. Davis asked how other TIDs were funded.

Ms. Mathei replied that in Clermont County they received yearly contributions from many entities.

Ms. Brown added that Butler County’s TID uses the same legal counsel as Fairfield County’s TID, and this has been helpful.

Commissioner Davis stated at 9:53 a.m. that the Commission would be in recess until the 10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting.

**Commissioners’ Regular Meeting**

A regular meeting of the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 beginning at 10:01 a.m., with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Dave Levacy, and Mike Kiger. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Staci Knisley, Jeremiah Upp, Loudan Klein, L.t. Alex Lape, Josh Horacek, Amy Brown-Thompson, Jon Kochis, and Tony Vogel. Kristi Burre, Mary Jo Fox, Jon Slater, Laura Holton, Donna Stalter, Becca Montgomery, Jennifer Baum, David Uhl, Todd McCullough, Mandi Crist, Johanna Pearce, Anicie Cordle, Rick Szbrak, Michael Kaper, Dave Henwood, Ruth Hoch, Ashley Duffy, Tracey Hall, and Ed Laramee.

**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.

There were no announcements.

**Public Comment**

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

There were no public comments.

**Approval of Minutes for Tuesday, May 2, 2017**

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On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the minutes for the Tuesday, May 2, 2017, Regular Meeting.

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 Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Commissioners' Office resolution authorizing the approval of a proclamation; see resolution 2017-05.09.a.

Discussion: Mr. Levacy presented the proclamation to Mandi Crist and thanked her for her work at the Visitation Center. There were over 1,000 visits in 2016. The Visitation Center is a joint effort between DR Court and the Commissioners Office.

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

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Commissioners' Office resolution authorizing the approval of a proclamation recognizing May as Foster Care & Adoption Recognition and Recruitment Month; see resolution 2017-05.09.b.

Discussion: Mr. Levacy presented the proclamation to the JFS staff. The daily mission of the department is to find permanent homes for youth. The Commissioners were very appreciative of the department's work.

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

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Commissioners' Office resolution authorizing the approval of a proclamation; see resolution 2017-05.09.c.

Discussion: Mr. Levacy presented the proclamation to Rick Szabراك and Angel Conrad. The Commissioners are appreciative of the office's combination of workforce development and economic development. As economic development thrives so does local government.

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

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Commissioners' Office resolution authorizing the approval of a proclamation; see resolution 2017-05.09.d.

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

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Commissioners' Office resolution authorizing the approval of a proclamation recognizing May as Public Assistance Fraud Awareness Month; see resolution 2017-05.09.e.

Discussion: Mr. Levacy presented the proclamation to the JFS Fraud Prevention and Investigation team and thanked them for their work. Mr. Davis added that it is important to protect the services you want to provide.

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

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Approval of the Economic Development Resolutions

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

2017-05.09.f A resolution approving the appointment of Jeff Sauer to the Fairfield County Port Authority Board (FCPA). [Economic Development]

2017-05.09.g A resolution authorizing the release of collateral from the Fairfield County Economic Development Administration Revolving Loan Fund Program RLF/EDA [Economic Development] [Economic Development]

2017-05.09.h A resolution authorizing the release of collateral from the Fairfield County Economic Development Administration Revolving Loan Fund Program RLF/EDA [Economic Development] [Economic Development]

Discussion: Mr. Szabrak stated that Mr. Sauer is currently serving as the chair of the Port Authority.

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

Approval of the EMA Resolutions

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

2017-05.09.i A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category EMA (Subfund 8123) 2707 Emergency Management Performance Grant Fund [EMA]

2017-05.09.j A resolution authorizing an account to account transfer for EMA Fund 2707 (Subfund 8123) Emergency Management Performance Grant Fund [EMA]

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

Approval of the Engineer’s Office Resolutions

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

2017-05.09.k A Resolution to Approve the Contract with Shaw & Holter, Inc. for the BLO-14, FAI-CR23-4.502 Winchester Road Bridge Replacement Project. [Engineer]

2017-05.09.l A Resolution to Approve the Notice to Commence for the BLO-14 Bridge Replacement [Engineer]

2017-05.09.m A Resolution to Approve the Contract with Scodeller Construction, Inc. for the 2017 Crack Sealing. [Engineer]

2017-05.09.n A Resolution to Approve the Notice to Commence for the 2017 Crack Sealing [Engineer]

2017-05.09.o A Resolution to Approve Advertising for the FAI-CR26-3.920 Revenge Road Replacement Box Culvert & Installation Project. [Engineer]
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Discussion: Mr. Upp stated they were thrilled to be working with Shaw & Holter again on a (competitively bid) project as they are great to work with and one of the most honest contractors the office has worked with.

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

**Approval of the JFS Resolution**

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the JFS resolution regarding Network Placement and Related Services Agreement between Fox Run-The Center for Children & Adolescents, Child Protective Services Department; see resolution 2017-05.09.p.

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

**Approval of the 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 Major Crimes Unit resolutions:

2017-05.09.q A resolution to approve the transfer of unexpended fund balances in DLEF FY16 7830 (sub-fund 8122) to Federal Equitable Fund. Major Crimes Unit [Sheriff - Major Crimes Unit]

2017-05.09.r A Resolution to Appropriate from Unappropriated and a Fund to Fund Transfer for 2017 DLEF 7830-8124 Grant [Major Crimes Unit] [Sheriff - Major Crimes Unit]

2017-05.09.s A resolution authorizing the approval of repayment of an advance to Federal Equitable Sharing Fund -7619. [Major Crimes Unit] [Sheriff - Major Crimes Unit]

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

**Approval of the Regional Planning Commission Resolution**

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Regional Planning Commission resolution to approve an extension to the time frame for completing the sidewalk construction for the Storage One/Spring Creek Business Complex Subdivision per the Development Agreement executed on October 28, 2014 by and between the Board of Commissioners and Storage One; see resolution 2017-05.09.t.

Discussion: Mr. Klein stated he hoped this was the last extension as they are hammering out final details.

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

**Approval of the Utilities Office Resolutions**

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Utilities Office resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in an expenditure object category Utilities Water Fund 5046; see resolution 2017-05.09.u.

Discussion: Mr. Vogel stated this was to transfer funds for a contract to test a wellfield for supply for future use. The production test will show how much water it can pump in a day. They expect around 5 million gallons per day (compared to the 3 million at their current facility in
Pickerington). Mr. Davis thanked Mr. Vogel for thinking ahead instead of just solving problems happening today.

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

2017-05.09.v 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]

2017-05.09.w A resolution authorizing payment(s) to United Health Care for purposes of the Fairfield County Health Benefits Plan – Fairfield County Board of Commissioners [Commissioners]

2017-05.09.x A resolution authorizing the approval of payment of invoices for departments that need Board of Commissioners’ approval [Commissioners]

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

Commissioner Davis stated at 10:22 a.m. that the Commission would be in recess until the 10:30 a.m. meeting with Chris Stein.

Meeting with Chris Stein re: Picktown Palooza Allocation Request

The Commissioners met at 10:31 a.m. with Chris Stein regarding the Picktown Palooza allocation request. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Dave Levacy, and Mike Kiger. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Amy Brown-Thompson, Joshua Horacek, Rick Szabrac, Ed Laramee, Jon Slater, Michael Kaper, Auntie Cordle, Jim Bahnsen, and Chris Stein.

Mr. Davis thanked Mr. Stein for coming and asked him to provide an overview of his request.

Mr. Stein replied that he was approached in February by Mayor Gray to start a new event to replace the Violet Festival. Mr. Stein asked Mayor Gray to get four things in order before he could start a new festival. Once Mr. Gray got those things accomplished they filed their articles of incorporation and applied for 501(c)3 status. The event will be in the same tradition as the Violet Festival and the presenting sponsor was just nailed down as IGS Energy.

Mr. Davis asked if Mr. Stein had any idea as to what the financial standing of the Violet Festival was.

Mr. Stein replied that all he knew was what he read in the press release stating they were dissolving. A few individuals he spoke with said that the one vendor that was not paid had worked out a deal with the Violet Festival.

Mr. Szabrac stated that the County Engineer’s office is also still owed $2,500 for their services.

Mr. Davis asked when the event would be held.

Mr. Stein replied it would be Thursday, July 13th – Sunday, July 16th. All expenses are being covered by sponsorship. They will not plan on using other revenues to pay for expenses. The current cost v. income calculations has them short $313 which will be made up for as they still have ten organizations interested in sponsoring the event. They will be using Victory Park and the practice fields. They have 15 food vendors and carnival rides lined up. The music acts will
be local artists unless there is enough raised to pay for a national act. They currently have enough funds to pay for one national artist. Mr. Stein asked the Commissioners to consider being a sponsor as they have in the past for the Violet Festival. Sponsorships start as low as $150 and go up to $30,000 (for the presenting sponsor, which is IGS Energy). Historically, the Commissioners have provided $5,000 (the silver level).

Mr. Levacy asked if the City of Pickerington was sponsoring the event.

Mr. Stein replied that was one of the criteria he had given Mayor Gray. They are sponsoring at the gold level ($10,000) as well as providing in kind donations (security, grounds, etc.)

Mr. Kiger asked how they planned to keep the grounds from being left in bad shape.

Mr. Stein replied that funds have been set aside for cleaning up the grounds and that they have insurance.

Ms. Brown asked how the group was formally organized.

Mr. Stein replied they received notice of their 501(c)3 status on April 14th and do not expect any issues.

Ms. Brown asked if he would be able to provide a copy of their bylaws and board members.

Mr. Stein replied he would be happy to send that along with a copy of their press release. Their legal name is “Panger Productions” (a combination of Panthers and Tigers). This event will be called Picktown Palooza.

Mr. Davis stated that the Commission wanted to be helpful but was also not thrilled with the prior experiences.

Ms. Brown asked what happens to the residual funds if the event is not held again.

Mr. Stein replied that they have the ability to hold another event under a different name, and if they were to dissolve, their bylaws call for the remaining funds to be donated to charities.

Mr. Davis thanked Mr. Stein for the time and stated the Commissioners would take the request under advisement.

Ms. Brown added that next year, allocation requests like this will be included in the economic development budget.

Mr. Davis stated that while he wants to be supportive of the northern portion of the county’s effort to have a festival, the Commission needs to be prudent to their support at some level.

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 10:51 a.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, May 16, 2017, at 10:00 a.m.

Motion by: Seconded by:

that the May 9, 2017, minutes were approved by the following vote:

YEAS: NAYS: None

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ABSTENTIONS: None
*Approved on May 16, 2017

Steven A. Davis
Commissioner

Dave Levacy
Commissioner

Mike Kiger
Commissioner

Rachel A. Elsea, Clerk