Regular Meeting #21 - 2015
Fairfield County Commissioners’ Office
May 12, 2015

Review

The Commissioners met at 9:07 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, Jason Dolin, Staci Knisley, Jeff Porter, Michael Kaper, Jon Kochis, Todd McCullough, Tony Vogel, Dennis Keller, Carl Burnett, Ron Osgood, Bob Clark, Aunie Cordle, Chief Perrigo, and Branden Meyer.

- Legal Update

  Mr. Dolin stated he did not have a legal update.

- Administration and Budget Update/Carri’s List

  a. Highlights of Resolutions/Proclamations

  Ms. Brown reported on resolutions presented for approval.
  
  The Regional Planning Commission proposed the approval of G & M replat in Greenfield Township, with RPC having approved the replat in March of this year.
  
  There was an approval of an EPA grant administered by Community Action.
  
  In financial resolutions, proposed were the following: a CDBG draw; memo expense and fund to fund transfers for the Engineer; account to account transfers for the Airport, Human Resources, and the Prosecutor; and appropriations for the Public Assistance Fund and the Sheriff. The appropriations for JFS are based on budget adjustments as more information in the state year is known and for the Sheriff are based on new revenues for a IV-D contract for security services and a donation for the K-9 unit.
  
  The BWC refund was proposed for processing, and finally, there were the traditional bill list items proposed for approval.
  
  Mr. Davis asked Mr. Porter for a refresher on the BWC litigation.
  
  Mr. Porter stated that the “billion back” occurred in October. The lawsuit was for private employers only (employers are now evaluating the decision). The refund proposed for processing relates to the group retro which is based on program performance. The county is preparing to go to perspective billing in the coming years.
b. Administrative Approvals

The review packet contained a list of administrative approvals for the week. There were no questions about the administrative approvals.

c. Public Safety Facility and Financing Update

Ms. Brown reported that the “request for qualifications” responses were narrowed by consensus of a panel of subject matter experts. The top four responses were from Lend Lease, Granger, Walsh, and Smoot. Each of these will now prepare their responses to the request for proposals. Ken Fisher is serving as legal counsel for the process and will be available at a future Board of Commissioners meeting to provide an update.

Mr. Davis asked what testing was being done that day.

Mr. Keller replied they were doing asbestos testing at the Kings Furniture building.

d. Roundtable – May 14th

The review packet contained an agenda for the Roundtable meeting at 8:30 am on Thursday, May 14. We will prepare packets and a checklist for the attendees.

e. BRAVOS!

Thank you to Dennis Keller for leading the small group in narrowing the RFQ responses so quickly. Ms. Brown indicated that the group worked very hard to narrow the responses in one day.

Bravo to Rachel Elsea for organizing the playground equipment chart for the CFLP meeting.

Thanks to the administrative staff of the Commission for good customer service skills. Problem solving is key when making referrals, and the staff is focusing on being helpful in multiple areas. An example is the administrative goal for document imaging with MAPSYS, which will supplement the AIMS project.

Mr. Davis thanked those involved in narrowing down the RFQs to RFPs for the Construction Manager at Risk. He also echoed the sentiments of Ms. Brown relating to administrative staff.
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Mr. Kiger thanked Ms. Cordle for joining Rotary.

- Old Business
  
a. Buckeye Lake State Park Dam

  Mr. Davis stated that the dredging at the lake had been stopped due to a lack of locations to store the dredged materials.

  Mr. Levacy replied he has had conversations with ODNR regarding the operations. They have the equipment but no place for storage. Mr. Levacy believes it is because the farmers aren’t offered enough to store the material and thinks if they increase the amount offered they’d have more storage options. He asked Mr. Clark for an update on the economic impact study.

  Mr. Clark replied that he spoke to Silverload Consulting on Monday to review the preliminary data and scientific models. The end product will be a “best guess scenario.” Assuming there are no curve balls, they will be done in the next 8-10 days.

  Mr. Davis asked for an example of the data points they are looking at.

  Mr. Clark replied there were three key areas evaluated for the overall economic impact: job loss, property devaluations, and tourism. It is harder for them to pinpoint the tourism impact as the numbers are county wide, not by region, and Perry County does not have any tourism numbers. He added that the report will also include total sales and loss of revenue for the counties, villages, townships, etc.

b. Utilities Access Road

  Mr. Davis asked Mr. Vogel to discuss the road options map he distributed.

  Mr. Vogel stated that the four options were varying road and bridge lengths. The longer the bridge, the higher the costs.

  Mr. Davis suggested it would be helpful to have a developer look at residential and commercial options once the area is opened up. He asked about the maturity of the trees.

  Mr. Vogel replied he would contact a developer and that the trees were very mature.

- New Business
  
a. May 11th Storm Surveys
Mr. Kochis reported there was isolated storm damage in Stoutsville the night before. He is unsure if the National Weather Service will follow up or not.

Mr. Davis asked for a refresher on how the tornado sirens operate.

Mr. Kochis replied they were activated when a tornado warning was issued. This is triggered by the National Weather Service warning which is based on radar rotation or a visual spotter. The sirens will run for three minutes and be off for seven minutes. The alarm is automatic when a warning is received, and the Sheriff and City of Lancaster dispatchers serve as the system backup.

Mr. Kiger asked how the alarms work should there be a breach at Buckeye Lake State Park.

Mr. Kochis replied those alarmed were handled by the Licking County dispatchers as they are closer to the Buckeye Lake State Park Dam.

- **General Correspondence Received**
  - a. Prosecutor’s Budget Request
    
    A request for a budget increase was received from the Prosecutor. A meeting has been set for May 19th to discuss this request.

- **Calendar Review/Invitations Received**
  - a. Sheriff’s Annual Staff Appreciation Lunch – Thursday, May 14th at 12:00 p.m. at the Liberty Center.
    
    1. Commissioners Davis and Levacy will attend.
  
  b. Pickerington Chamber Lunch – Thursday, May 21st at 11:30 a.m.
  
  c. Rutherford House Dedication – Thursday, June 4th at 2:00 p.m.
    
    1. Commissioners Kiger and Levacy will attend.
  
  d. 4-H Legacy Dinner – Thursday, June 4th at 6:00 p.m. at 6385 Reynoldsburg-Baltimore Road, Pickerington

- **FYI**
  - a. Casino and Sales Tax Report
Mr. Davis stated the casino report was right on track with the Commissioners’ projections. The sales tax report is very healthy and is currently up 8.1% from this time last year. The conveyance numbers are also strong. The Commissioners will continue to monitor revenues, but at this time no adjustments to the estimates are necessary.

b. Upcoming Ribbon Cuttings
   1. Commissioner Kiger will attend the Mount Pleasant School ribbon cutting on May 28th

c. ODNR Equipment Demo – May 30th

Mr. Kochis reported that ODNR will have a rescue equipment demonstration on Saturday, May 30th at Leibs Island.

d. Congressman Stivers Job Fair Update

Mike Miller with Job and Family Services attended Congressman Stiver’s job fair and reported that it was well organized and well attended.

e. Notification of Eric Brown’s New Position

Commander Brown will be the Deputy Director of the Ohio High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area. Ms. Elsea will contact him and ask that he come in to share about his new position. This will give everyone an opportunity to thank him for his service, too.

- Issues Bin

  a. Sensory Trail & Park – the Commissioners await the report from the Parks Department and others.

  b. Transparency Workgroup – A meeting will be held next week. The three factors in making a decision will be accessibility, searchability, and user friendliness.

- Open Items

Executive Session to discuss the Potential Sale or Acquisition of Property

On the motion of Steve Davis and second of Dave Levacy, the Board voted to enter into Executive Session to discuss the Potential Sale or Acquisition of Property at 9:44 a.m.
Discussion: Commissioner Davis stated that the following people be present: Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Levacy, Commissioner Kiger, Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Jason Dolin, and Tony Vogel.

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

On the motion of Mike Kiger and second of Dave Levacy, the Board voted to exit Executive Session at 9:54 a.m.

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

Review Continued

The Commissioners met at 9:54 a.m. to continue 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, Jason Dolin, and Tony Vogel.

At 9:54 a.m. Commissioner Davis stated 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 12, 2015 beginning at 10:09 a.m., with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Dave Levacy and Mike Kiger. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Staci Knisley, Carl Burnett, Jason Dolin, Annie Cordle, James Camechis, Jon Kochis, Jeff Porter, Todd McCullough, Jon Slater, and Branden Meyer.

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.
Approval of Minutes for Thursday, May 7, 2015

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the minutes for the Thursday, May 7, 2015 Regular Meeting.

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

Approval of the Auditor’s Office Resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Auditor’s Office resolution to approve a refund as a memo expenditure for fund #7428; see resolution 2015-05.12.a.

Discussion: Ms. Brown stated this was discussed in review for the past two weeks, and a press release was issued at the end of April.

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 following Commissioners’ Office resolutions:

2015-05.12.b A resolution authorizing the approval of a request for payment and status of funds report, Draw # 2 – FY2014 CDBG Allocation - $9,508 [Commissioners]

2015-05.12.c A resolution approving an account to account transfer in a major object expense category – Fairfield County Commissioner/Human Resources [Commissioners]

2015-05.12.d A resolution approving the agreement with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for the 2015 Community Grant - Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners]

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

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Emergency Management Agency resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category EMA 2090 EMA General Fund; see resolution 2015-05.12.e.

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 Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Engineer’s Office resolutions:

2015-05.12.f A resolution authorizing a fund to fund transfer. [Engineer]

2015-05.12.g A resolution to request for appropriations for additional unanticipated receipts of memo receipts and memo expenses for fund 3445 HOC-26 Bridge Replacement Project [Engineer]

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

Approval of the Job & Family Services Resolutions

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Job & Family Services resolution to request for appropriations for additional unanticipated receipts for fund 2018 PA Fund, Job & Family Services; see resolution 2015-05.12.h.

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

Approval of the Prosecutor’s Office Resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Prosecutor’s Office resolution authorizing an account to account transfer into a major expense category; see resolution 2015-05.12.i.

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's Resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Regional Planning Commission's resolution to approve the G&M Subdivision Replat for Lot 4; see resolution 2015-05.12.j.

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

Approval of the 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:

2015-05.12.k A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category Sheriff's Office Fund 1001 General Fund [Sheriff]

2015-05.12.l A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in major expenditure object categories for the Fairfield County Sheriff Fund # 1001 [Sheriff]

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 Payment of Bills resolutions to approve the payment of vouchers without appropriate carry-over purchase orders for all Departments that are approved by the Commissioners; see resolution 2015-05.12.m.

2015-05.07.aa 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

Ms. Elsea announced that the next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 14, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.

At 10:15 a.m. Commissioner Davis stated the Commissioners would be in recess.
Meeting with Chelsea Faulkner re: Online Voter Registration

The Commissioners met at 10:22 a.m. with Chelsea Faulkner, representative from Secretary of State Husted’s Office, regarding Online Voter Registration. 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, Carl Burnett, Chelsea Faulkner, Branden Meyer, Aunie Cordle, and Jon Slater.

Ms. Faulkner thanked the Commissioners for allowing her to join them. The Secretary of State is asking for support from counties for Online Voter Registration. Secretary Husted has been a long supporter of this initiative. This would not eliminate the use of paper registrations, but it would provide another alternative that is more accurate and costs less money. It is estimated that Fairfield County would save between $0.50 and $1.00 per registration. This legislation (Senate Bill 63) is supported by the CCAO.

Mr. Davis asked how online registration was more secure than paper registration.

Ms. Faulkner replied that both the driver’s license number as well as the last four digits of the social security number are required, and the license numbers are verified through the State BMV system.

Mr. Davis asked if this would evolve into online voting.

Ms. Faulkner replied that at this time it would not.

Ms. Cordle stated that this would be great for JFS as they encourage voter registration. She asked if anything would be needed other than the link.

Ms. Faulkner replied the link was all that would be needed.

Mr. Davis asked if the legislation was politicized.

Ms. Faulkner replied that it was not and they were still early in the process which is why they were coming to the counties for support.

Ms. Cordle added that the JFS Directors Association may be additional support as well.

Mr. Davis thanked Ms. Faulkner for her time.

Executive Session to discuss Pending Litigation

On the motion of Steve Davis and second of Dave Levacy, the Board voted to enter into Executive Session to discuss Pending Litigation at 10:43 a.m.
Discussion: Commissioner Davis stated that the following people be present: Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Levacy, Commissioner Kiger, Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Jason Dolin, Gregg Marx, Jeff Porter, and Dan Downey.

Roll call on the motion as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Steve Davis, Dave Levacy, and Mike Kiger.

On the motion of Dave Levacy and second of Mike Kiger, the Board voted to exit Executive Session at 11:11 a.m.

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

**Review Continued**

The Commissioners met at 11:11 a.m. to continue 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 and Mike Kiger. Also present were Carri Brown and Rachel Elsea.

**Adjournment**

With no further business, on the motion of Mike Kiger and a second of Dave Levacy the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn at 11:11 a.m.

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

The next regular meeting for the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, May 14, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.

Motion by: Seconded by:

that the May 12, 2015, minutes were approved by the following vote:

**YEAS:**
ABSTENTIONS: None
NAYS: None

*Approved on May 19, 2015

Steven A. Davis
Commissioner

Dave Levacy
Commissioner

Mike Kiger
Commissioner