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Fairfield County Commissioners' Office
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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, Jeff Fix, Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Joshua Horacek, Jeremiah Upp, Tony Vogel, Todd McCullough, Belinda Nebbergall, Jeff Barron, Jake Tharp, Jon Kochis, Michael Kaper, Loudan Klein, Jim Bahnsen, Rick Szabrak, Mark Conrad, Lt. Churchill, Aunie Cordle, John Pekar, Ray Stemen, Dennis Keller, Henry Hoisington, Brin Leigh Hoisington, Djouby Hoisington, Jack Kaper, Rachel Sponseller, Charlie Sponseller, and Sam Sponseller.

- Welcome
- Legal Update (none)
- Administration and Budget Update/Carri's List

a. Announcements

July 23 – Employee Recognition Breakfast (Records Center)

July 26 – Bike Races at Government Services Center on Main Street in Lancaster

August 1 – Roundtable for Elected Officials and Department Heads

We welcomed Michael Kaper and his son's 4-H club members:

Henry Hoisington
Brin Leigh Hoisington
Djouby Hoisington
Jack Kaper
Rachel Sponseller
Charlie Sponseller
Sam Sponseller
Anna Wolfe - arriving at 11:30
Tommy Wolfe - arriving at 11:30

Jack Kaper presented the Commissioners with a thank you note.

b. Highlights of Resolutions

Dr. Brown provided highlights of 30 resolutions for the voting meeting.

The County Auditor proposed an amendment (for \$4,000 – expenditures are likely to be less than that) for a contract with the State Auditor relative to additional work required for preparation of financial statements. The amendment is the first time ever for such a request, and it was warranted based on financial reporting changes with the County Airport and with enterprise funds.

We proposed setting a viewing and hearing for a vacation of a road.

The County Engineer proposed nine resolutions: setting the ditch maintenance project estimates for 2019; advertising for a "33A" improvement project; contracting with The Shelly Company for resurfacing (and providing a notice of commencement); contracting with Kokosing for the Leib's Island and Sellers Drive improvements; contracting with Dura Mark for pavement markings (and providing a notice of commencement); and contracting with Seals Construction for a Lake Road Culvert project (and providing a notice of commencement).

There were financial resolutions to approve, such as:

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- A resolution certifying to the County Auditor delinquent water and sewer rentals on tax duplicate - Buckeye Lake Sewer System - Water & Wastewater Department (a correction for July 2019);
- Approval of the tax budget;
- Appropriations from unappropriated funds for the County Airport, JFS, the Major Crimes Unit, the County Engineer (with memo transactions, too), FCFAF, the Utilities Department, and the Clerk of Courts Computer Fund;
- Account to account transfers of appropriations to properly classify equipment expenditures (new computers) for the Clerk of Courts, a grant match for the County Airport, and to further EMA operations (two for EMA grants);
- A resolution to authorize the Fairfield County Commissioners to sign the Fairfield-Hocking Athens Major Crimes Unit Subgrant Award Agreement;
- A fund to fund transfer and appropriations from unappropriated funds to support a ditch maintenance repair project;
- Repayment of an advance by Juvenile/Probate Court;
- A new special revenue fund for the Board of Elections for a cybersecurity implementation grant; and
- The payment of bills (two lists).

We forecasted a resolution amending the lease agreement between the Fairfield County Board of County Commissioners and the Fairfield County Board of Developmental Disabilities, amending resolution 05-01.k, regarding 4465 Coonpath Road, Carroll, Ohio.

We forecasted a resolution to release a right of way or easement for property purchased for a Utilities purpose. The adjacent property owner needs the release so that he can install a septic system. We are not sure if the release will involve other property owners, but we have given information to the property owner to indicate we would release our right of way or easement in this circumstance.

There were additional financial resolutions in queue.

Also, in queue were JFS proposals for contracts for protective placement in network, an agreement for the Wendy's Wonderful Kids program, and an agreement with the Eastland Career Center (WIOA related). Finally, the Sheriff will propose renewal of a contract for services of the Sheriff for Canal Winchester Schools.

In addition to the projects mentioned today, Mr. Upp commented on future projects. The Engineer's Office recently secured \$2.1 million in safety funding to improve four intersections on Refugee Road. They will also work with MORPC to put bike paths along the areas.

c. Administrative Approvals, Program, & Budget Update

Administrative Update

Administrative Approvals

The review packet contained lists of administrative approvals for two weeks. No questions were posed.

Targeting Community Alternatives to Prison

The final Targeting Community to Alternative to Prison grant reports were emailed to ODRC on July 3, 2019. We await information on the application for the next TCAP grant.

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There is evidence of positive impact to recidivism with TCAP cognitive behavior therapy classes in place. In 2019, for a group of 169 participants, 139 had not returned to the county jail within one year. That means that 82% had not returned to jail within one year.

With reentry, at the end of 2016, among a cohort of 190 (different) participants (who had graduated or were no longer participating in the voluntary program), 152, or 80%, had not returned to jail for a three-year period.

This means the recidivism rate was about 20% or less for both groups, which is less than previous county experiences and less than reported state averages of 27%. The national average is about 40%. While recidivism measures are difficult to define and track, we do have evidence to suggest TCAP classes and reentry efforts are positive variables. We will continue to track participation.

Dr. Brown is training Common Pleas Court staff on grants management as the next grant (if awarded) is dedicated to Common Pleas Court staff and programs for most funds. The classes and mental health services will continue.

To Dr. Brown, Chief Lape provided some of his thoughts about a community effort and the name Project Hope.

Also, by behavior, we have approved the renewal of the contract for services for Canal Winchester to use the Fairfield County jail; we are documenting that mutual agreement through December 31, 2019.

Mr. Davis asked if all inmates participate in TCAP.

Lt. Churchill replied that while participation is voluntary, most of the inmates do participate. The exceptions are those in for only a weekend. He added that JAMIN (jail tracking software) can calculate recidivism prior to the TCAP program, but the calculations are imperfect.

Journal Entry from the Common Pleas Court

We received a copy of the certified journal entry of the Common Pleas Court regarding the candidacy of Alex W. Lape for County Sheriff, as required by the Ohio Revised Code.

Hunters Run Conservancy District Support

We already have purchase orders for Noxious Vegetation Control, TD Landscaping Inc., and Fee Corp in conjunction with the agreement and advice of the Hunters Run Conservancy District. An informal invitation to bid was distributed to engineering firms. One engineering firm, Hull, replied and provided a proposal within the targeted project amount (\$7,700.00). Dr. Brown requested contractual documents from Hull. Also, we are working on a potential of an EMA grant for the District while the District is reviewing options for increasing their special assessment revenue.

Budget Update

Second Quarter 2019 Update

Dr. Brown provided an overview of the revenues and expenditures for the general fund as of the close of the second quarter of 2019. There were no changes recommended.

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Tax Budget Hearing

We held a tax budget hearing on Monday, July 9, at 9 am in the hearing room. The draft budget (level 2 within the accounting system of MUNIS) was presented. Departments were communicated guidelines for entering budgeted amounts for 2020. The draft is considered a starting point for evaluation and analysis. The draft was filed with the County Auditor on June 20, 2019.

Budget hearings with the Board of Commissioners are set on the calendar and have also been communicated.

With the level 2 draft, the general fund expenditure budget is \$49.2 million. The all funds budget is \$185.6 million. Revenues are estimated at \$ 39.6 million and \$167.2 million, respectively. Carry-over cash amounts are required to cover the difference between the estimates of revenue and expenditures.

There will be additional review and evaluation of all amounts.

The parameters for insurance increases may change as more information is known.

The county is managing a self-funded health insurance plan.

There are merit-based raises expected for most departments.

There are 27 pay in 2020. This means there is a timing issue which will result in an increase of more than \$743,000 in the 2020 general fund budget; all county funds will experience this variable.

We can adjust as more information and specific details are known. In projections, both for the tax budget and for planning purposes, adjustments are expected. With early projections, there is an expectation for changes, both for corrections (some keying errors are noticed) and for more substantive changes.

Given the tax budget process has not been waived, the hearing was required. We renewed our request for the Budget Commission to waive the formal process.

We are aligning our county budget with goals. With the implementation of the 20 recommendations for recruitment and retention of employees, there is an opportunity for merit-based increases. To participate in merit-based increases, departments must use the county performance assessment tools and comply with the county compensation plan. There will be an administrative review of budget matters relative to these variables.

The formal filing of the tax budget was proposed on the voting agenda.

Mr. Davis stated that Auditor Jon Slater had indicated he was not willing to get rid of the archaic tax budget process.

NACo Expense Tracking

No expenses were incurred by Commissioner Davis for hotel or flight, as he was unable to attend the conference. (\$990.38 was paid to the general fund on July 12, credited on July 15, for reimbursement formerly provided to Commissioner Davis.) We have requested a credit from NACo for the conference registration. The expenses for Commissioner Fix for conference registration, awards lunch, hotel, and flight, collectively are less than the estimates of June 11, 2019. Commissioner Fix is not submitting any other expenses, bringing total expenditures below the estimate.

Mr. Fix reported the conference was well run and he would provide an update next week.

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d. August 1 Roundtable

The Board of County Commissioners will be hosting a quarterly roundtable for elected officials and department heads on August 1, beginning at 8:30 a.m. The roundtable meeting will be held in the Board of Commissioners Hearing Room. There is a placeholder for a Board of Commissioners meeting scheduled at 10 am following the roundtable. A draft agenda was in the review packet.

Mr. Davis stated he would be flying out on August 1st and would return on August 8th. He will be able to attend the August 1st meeting.

e. BRAVOs

Thanks to the IT team for managing several MUNIS issues and to Mark Conrad and Jay Mattlin for correcting some issues surrounding emails and migration to the cloud.

Making sure the mail process is running smoothly is an ongoing task. Thanks to Christy Barker and Christina Foster for helping on July 3. Christy ran the machine and Christina took care of dropping things off.

Thanks to Rick Szabrak, Rachel Elsea, and others who participated in the manufacturing day celebration. Senator Brown was very impressed. There was a feature on Channel 6. The kids were amazing!

Mr. Davis thanked the local Clerk of Courts Title Office for the great service he received during a recent visit.

- Old Business

- a. DD Board Member Interviews

We have interviews scheduled with four applicants, of which there are two Board of Commission appointees open (of which at least one should have an adult family member eligible for DD services). Probate Court has one appointee open. We have invited the Probate Court to participate in the interviews.

- b. Complete County Committee – US Census 2020

Email notification was sent to all complete count committee members. The first meeting will be an educational meeting at the RPC meeting on August 6 at 5:30 p.m. We have received positive feedback from those who have indicated they would be attending the August 6th meeting. We have also completed the “new construction” form based on an alert from MORPC. Thanks for MORPC for the heads up on this matter.

- c. MCJDC connections – rightsizing the contribution

We will be continuing to evaluate all options available for the conversion of beds for treatment. The next MCJDC Joint Board of Commissioners meeting is on Friday, July 19.

- New Business

- a. Email from July 7 & 8 re: East Waterloo and Hill Roads

Will Bennett, a Canal Winchester City Council Member, sent email about a concern about traffic on E. Waterloo Road and Hill Road. The concern was immediately forwarded to the County Engineer for review and consideration, as we are aware of a formal process for a change in the speed limit.

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The County Engineer had previous awareness of the concern and provided a detailed response, and those details were provided to Will Bennett. Dr. Brown also called him. Mr. Bennett is going to take information back to the City Council for Canal Winchester, and he will also be in touch with us if there are any questions about annexations.

The request for the county to lower the speed limit does not fit with the authority of the County Engineer or County Commissioners; a study showed the speed limit warranted for the area was 45 mph; the current limit is 40 mph. Therefore, the City is going to think about potentially annexing the area and imposing its own limits. Mr. Bennett has been in touch with Mr. Eric McCrady, who has offered to help with the process, too.

b. Memo about the use of Liberty Hall from BOE Directors

Upon request, we received a memo describing the Board of Elections use of Liberty Hall. The memo demonstrates the critical services conducted in Liberty Hall for targeted timeframes before and after an election. The memo was in the review packet.

- General Correspondence Received

- Calendar Review/Invitations Received

- a. Lancaster Festival Welcome Reception & Hall of Fame Induction – Tuesday, July 16th at 5:30 p.m. at the OU-L Gymnasium
- b. Pickerington Chamber Lunch – Thursday, July 18th at 11:30 a.m. at Zion Pickerington
- c. Bremen Chamber Lunch – Thursday, July 25th at 12:00 p.m. at Bremen United Methodist
- d. American Legion Baseball Banquet – Tuesday, July 30th at 6:00 p.m. at Crossroads

1. Commissioner Davis will attend.

- e. Land Bank Conference – September 19-20, 2019 – The Westin Cincinnati

- FYI

- a. Jail Population – 290
- b. Fairgrounds Article of Interest – CORSA claim filed
- c. Violet Township Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting – July 18th 7:30 p.m.
- d. Letter to Sonny Perdue
- e. Career Signing Day Press Release
- f. Sheriff's Office Article of Interest – Bicycle Patrol Program
- g. DD August 2019 Newsletter (in newsletter folder)

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- Open Items

Interview with Chris Miller

The Commissioners met at 9:30 a.m. to for an interview with Chris Miller for a DD Board vacancy. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Joshua Horacek, Tony Vogel, Todd McCullough, Belinda Nebbergall, Jeff Barron, Michael Kaper, Jim Bahnsen, Rick Szabrak, Lt. Churchill, Aunie Cordle, Michael Orlando, Christopher Miller, John Pekar, Ray Stemen, Dennis Keller, Henry Hoisington, Brin Leigh Hoisington, Djouby Hoisington, Jack Kaper, Rachel Sponseller, Charlie Sponseller, and Sam Sponseller.

Mr. Miller stated he has been a Pickerington resident for 19 years and has a 23-year-old special needs son. He and his wife are very impressed with the Special Olympics. He would like to serve on the DD board to address the issues he has seen his son face. These issues include transportation to work (a 1.5-hour transport to a location 3 miles away) and finding employment. He is currently the VP of a third-party collections company.

Mr. Fix stated he has known Mr. Miller for some time and considers him a good friend. He stated Mr. Miller's son Zack is a wonderful kid. He asked Mr. Miller to apply because he was aware of his passion and time volunteering for Special Olympics.

Mr. Levacy asked if Mr. Miller had the time necessary to dedicate to serving on the board.

Mr. Miller replied he worked from home and set his own schedule and did have the time to serve.

Dr. Brown stated the term was through 2022. She thanked him for his willingness to serve and asked how his financial expertise would specifically help with the Board.

Mr. Miller replied that he oversees \$3.9 billion in assets and a staff of 400 individuals in multiple states. This will bring experiences with financial and HR services to the board. He also explained how he would deal with different personalities on the board.

Mr. Davis thanked Mr. Miller for his time and courtesy.

Interview with Greg Russell

The Commissioners met at 9:41 a.m. to for an interview with Greg Russell for a DD Board vacancy. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Joshua Horacek, Tony Vogel, Todd McCullough, Belinda Nebbergall, Jeff Barron, Michael Kaper, Jim Bahnsen, Rick Szabrak, Lt. Churchill, Aunie Cordle, Michael Orlando, Greg Russell, Jake Tharp, John Pekar, Ray Stemen, Dennis Keller, Henry Hoisington, Brin Leigh Hoisington, Djouby Hoisington, Jack Kaper, Rachel Sponseller, Charlie Sponseller, and Sam Sponseller.

Mr. Russell stated he has been a resident of Fairfield County his entire life. He worked as the manager of Tiki Lanes for 29 years and is currently looking for new employment. He has been very active in Charity Newsies and previously served on the Fairfield Industries Board. Mr. Russell was proud to provide free bowling to individuals with disabilities while working at Tiki. He has a passion to serve these individuals and give back to his community.

Mr. Davis stated it was difficult to imagine Tiki without Mr. Russell's leadership. He commented on what a wonderful job Mr. Russell did at Tiki.

Mr. Levacy thanked Mr. Russell for applying and asked what the number one quality he would bring to the board was.

Mr. Russell replied he would bring a new perspective to the board. He would look at the entire picture. He is a previous member of City Council serving as the Public Works chair.

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Mr. Fix thanked Mr. Russell for his service. He noted that Mr. Russell has served on many boards and asked why he wanted to serve on the DD board.

Mr. Russell replied this population was near to his heart and reiterated the involvement he had while at Tiki. There is a bowling league on Wednesdays with over 100 individuals with disabilities. They also have other counties coming to use their facilities.

Mr. Fix asked what skill sets Mr. Russell had.

Mr. Russell replied he would provide financial and management expertise.

Dr. Brown asked if Mr. Russell was ready to serve right away, and he replied that he was ready to serve right away.

Mr. Orlando thanked Mr. Russell for his work with at risk children in the county. He is honored to have a man he admires so much apply for this position.

Mr. Russel stated he would be honored and excited to serve on the board.

Commissioner Davis stated at 9:58 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, July 16, 2019 beginning at 10:00 a.m., with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Staci Knisley, Joshua Horacek, Dennis Keller, Ray Stemen, Rick Szabrak, Tony Vogel, Todd McCullough, Belinda Nebbergall, Michael Kaper, Lt. Churchill, Jake Tharp, Jon Kochis, Jeff Barron, Aunie Cordle, Jeremiah Upp, Ed Laramée, John Pekar, Henry Hoisington, Brin Leigh Hoisington, Djouby Hoisington, Jack Kaper, Rachel Sponseller, Charlie Sponseller, and Sam Sponseller.

Moments of Silence

Commissioner Davis asked for a moment of silence for the passing of Aaron Levacy.

Commissioner Davis asked for a moment of silence for the passing of John Eisel.

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, July 2 2019

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the minutes for the Tuesday, July 2, 2019 Regular Meeting.

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

Approval of the Auditor's Office Resolution

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Auditor's Office resolution authorizing the approval of an amendment to the engagement letter for preparation of the 2018 CAFR financial statement provided by Local Government Services of the Auditor of State; see resolution 2019-07.16.a.

Discussion: Auditor Slater indicated he believed the resolution and request was appropriate for the new reporting relating to the Airport and enterprise funds.

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

Approval of the Board of Elections Resolution

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Board of Elections resolution approving a new fund for the Board of Elections to deposit grant funds; see resolution 2019-07.16.b.

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

Approval of the Clerk of Courts – Legal Resolutions

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Clerk of Courts – Legal resolutions:

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| 2019-07.16.c | A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category (Clerk of Courts Legal) (2318 Computer Fund) [Clerk of CourtsLegal] |
| 2019-07.16.d | A resolution approving an account to account transfer in a major object expense category – Clerk of Courts Title Division [Clerk of Courts- Legal] |

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

Approval of the Commissioners' Resolution

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

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| 2019-07.16.e | A resolution to consider a petition to vacate a portion of public road, Circle North, and establish a viewing and hearing date. [Commissioners] |
| 2019-07.16.f | A resolution approving an account to account transfer in a major object expense category for the General Fund# 1001 – Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners] |
| 2019-07.16.g | A resolution for a fund to fund transfer from the General Fund# 1001 to Special Assessment Rushcreek Estates Drainage Maintenance District Fund# 2819 & to appropriate from unappropriated into a major expenditure object category for Fund#2819 – Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners] |

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- 2019-07.16.h A resolution certifying to the County Auditor delinquent water and sewer rentals on tax duplicate - Buckeye Lake Sewer System - Water & Wastewater Department [Commissioners]
- 2019-07.16.i A resolution approving the adoption of Tax Budget for Fiscal Year 2020 [Commissioners]
- 2019-07.16.j A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in major expenditure object category for the Fund# 2800 – Fairfield County Commissioners/Airport [Commissioners]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of the Emergency Management Agency Resolutions

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

- 2019-07.16.k A resolution authorizing an account to account transfer for EMA Fund 2090 General Emergency Management [EMA] [EMA]
- 2019-07.16.l A resolution authorizing an account to account transfer for EMA Fund 2707 Emergency Management Performance Grant (Subfund 8149) [EMA]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of the Engineer's Office Resolutions

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

- 2019-07.16.m A Resolution to Submit Drainage Improvement Estimates. [Engineer]
- 2019-07.16.n 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 7/11/19 [Engineer]
- 2019-07.16.o A Resolution to Approve the Contract with The Shelly Company for the FAI-CR2/12/16/22/36/58/TR475 Resurfacing Project. [Engineer]
- 2019-07.16.p A Resolution to Approve the Notice to Commence for the 2019 Resurfacing Project [Engineer]
- 2019-07.16.q A Resolution to Approve the Contract with Seals Construction, Inc. for the FAI-CR60-5.223 Lake Road over a Tributary to Raccoon Run Culvert Replacement Project. [Engineer]
- 2019-07.16.r A Resolution to Approve the Notice to Commence for the FAI-CR60-5.223 Lake Road Culvert Replacement Project [Engineer]
- 2019-07.16.s A Resolution to Approve the Contract with Kokosing Construction Company, Inc. for the Leib's Island Road & Sellers Drive Improvement Project. [Engineer]
- 2019-07.16.t A Resolution to Approve the Notice to Commence for the Leib's Island Road & Sellers Drive Improvement Project [Engineer]
- 2019-07.16.u A Resolution to Approve Advertising for the FAI-CR33A-3.26 Intersection Improvement Project. [Engineer]

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2019-07.16.v A Resolution to Approve the Contract Bid Award for the 2019 Pavement Markings Project. [Engineer]

Discussion: Mr. Upp stated resolutions “s and t” were for the two projects at Buckeye Lake reflected by the settlement with ODNR. Resolution “u” was for the Election House Road project with the City of Lancaster and Lancaster City Schools. Mr. Davis thanked Mr. Upp for his work.

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

Approval of the Family, Adult, and Children First Council Resolution

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Family, Adult, and Children First Council resolution to approval appropriations by appropriating from unappropriated into a major expense object category – Fund #7521, Family, Adult, and Children First Council; see resolution 2019-07.16.w.

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

Approval of the JFS Resolution

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the JFS resolution to approve additional appropriations by appropriating from unappropriated into a major expense object category – Fund #2072 – Children Services Fund; see resolution 2019-07.16.x

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

Approval of the Juvenile/Probate Court Resolution

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Juvenile/Probate Court resolution authorizing approval of repayment of an advance to the General Fund from Fund #2856 Child Abuse and Neglect Discretionary Fund; see resolution 2019-07.16.y.

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

Approval of Major Crimes Unit Resolutions

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Major Crimes Unit resolutions:

2019-07.16.z A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category COAP Grant 7858 [Major Crimes Unit] [Sheriff - Major Crimes Unit]

2019-07.16.aa A resolution to authorize the Fairfield County Commissioners to sign the Fairfield-Hocking Athens Major Crimes Unit Subgrant Award Agreement [Sheriff - Major Crimes Unit]

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

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Approval of the Utilities Resolution

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Utilities resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category Utilities Fund 5044 Sewer Admin; see resolution 2019-07.16.bb.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of Payment of Bills

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Payment of Bills resolutions:

2019-07.16.cc A resolution authorizing the approval of payment of invoices for departments that need Board of Commissioners' approval [Commissioners]

2019-07.16.dd 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: Jeff Fix, Dave Levacy, and Steve Davis

Dr. Brown asked if the Commission would like to consider a resolution to appoint Mr. Miller to the DD Board, given the interview the position requiring an adult family member had been conducted earlier in the day.

Mr. Davos replied he thought Mr. Miller was very qualified and willing to serve.

Mr. Fix stated he has known Mr. Miller for a long time and thanked the Commissioners for considering him.

The Board decided to proceed with adding a resolution to appoint Mr. Miller to the DD Board.

Approval of the Commissioners Resolution

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Commissioners resolution approving the appointment of Mr. Christopher Miller to the Fairfield County Board of Developmental Disabilities; see resolution 2019-07.16.ee.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Commissioner Davis stated at 10:14 a.m. that the Commission would be in recess until the 10:30 a.m. interview with Chief Ward.

Interview with Chief Dave Ward

The Commissioners met at 10:30 a.m. to for an interview with Chief Ward for a DD Board vacancy. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, John Pekar, Chief Ward, Michael Kaper, Ray Stemen, Henry Hoisington, Brin Leigh Hoisington, Djouby Hoisington, Jack Kaper, Rachel Sponseller, Charlie Sponseller, and Sam Sponseller.

Mr. Ward stated he was approached by David Uhl regarding a board vacancy. He stated that firefighters see all aspects of life and have a heart to help people. As chief he has run a \$10m operation, and he has been able to maintain services through periods of strict budget cuts. He would bring management skills to the board in his service.

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Mr. Levacy stated that firefighters experience many things that others don't or can't. This is invaluable. He is impressed with Chief Ward's service and management despite budget cuts. He asked if Chief Ward would be able to commit the necessary time to the board.

Chief Ward replied that he would.

Mr. Fix asked why Chief Ward was interested in the DD Board.

The Chief replied that his wife is a teacher and he has seen her serve this population. He also has a heart for service to the community in many ways. He has talked about firefighters to multiple populations, including the DD clients. It is his way to give back to the community, and he enjoys giving to the community in which he lives.

Dr. Brown asked what Chief Ward's first action would be as a new board member.

Chief Ward replied he would do whatever was needed. He sees the role of the Board as one of support to the DD administration and would provide them with any assistance they need to perform their jobs. He wants to be a tool to help Mr. Pekar accomplish his goals.

Mr. Davis stated he has a tremendous amount of respect for Chief Ward and mentioned the multiple number of candidates for a board position.

Chief Ward replied that while he is willing and eager to serve, he will be not be offended if the Commission finds a better fit. He is simply willing to serve in any capacity for his community.

Commissioner Davis thanked him for his service.

Interview with Teresa Mowen

The Commissioners met at 10:45 a.m. to for an interview with Ms. Teresa Mowen for a DD Board vacancy. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, John Pekar, Teresa Mowen, Michael Kaper, Ray Stemen, Henry Hoisington, Brin Leigh Hoisington, Djouby Hoisington, Jack Kaper, Rachel Sponseller, Charlie Sponseller, and Sam Sponseller.

Ms. Mowen thanked the Commissioners for the opportunity to interview. She provided a brief synopsis of her background, including her work in mental health and with her family, including her six-year-old son with developmental disabilities.

Mr. Levacy stated Ms. Mowen's resume was impressive and asked what top skill set she would bring to the Board of DD.

Ms. Mowen replied that she would bring her skills and training in social work, with abilities in conducting needs assessments and community building.

Mr. Levacy asked Ms. Mowen if her son received services from DD.

Ms. Mowen replied that he has attended Forest Rose for the last two years. She could not speak highly enough of the school adding that her son has blossomed here. She has been very impressed with the services from DD and appreciative of them.

Mr. Fix appreciated Ms. Mowen's passion and stated sometimes parents serving can be myopic in only advocating for their kids needs. He asked what she would do to avoid this.

Ms. Mowen acknowledged that her view of the developmental disability world was limited to her experience with her son but stated with her knowledge base and work history, she would be able to advocate for everyone served by the Board of DD.

Dr. Brown thanked Ms. Mowen for her interest and asked if she would be interested in serving in another role, if not appointed to this one.

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Ms. Mowen replied she would.

Mr. Davis thanked her for her time.

Commissioner Davis stated at 11:06 a.m. that the Commission would be in recess until the 11:30 a.m. Time with the Commissioners.

Time with the Commissioners

The Commissioners met at 11:30 a.m. for a Time with the Commissioners session at the Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, and Dave Levacy. Also present were various county employees.

The Commissioners and others met for a Time with the Commissioners session to discuss topics of interest, such as the Baldwin building, current MCJDC issues, and the employee retention and recruitment workgroup. Questions from those in attendance were answered.

Adjournment

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

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 9²³, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____
that the July 16, 2019 minutes were approved by the following vote:

YEAS: NAYS: None
ABSTENTIONS: None
*Approved on July 23, 2019


Steven A. Davis
Commissioner


Dave Levacy
Commissioner


Jeff Fix
Commissioner

Rachel Elsea
Rachel Elsea, Clerk