

**Regular Meeting #34 - 2021**  
**Fairfield County Commissioners' Office**  
**August 10, 2021**

**Review**

The Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. to review legal issues and pending or future action items and correspondence. Commissioner Levacy called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Staci Knisley, Tony Vogel, Corey Clark, Josh Horacek, Jeff Porter, Amy Brown-Thompson, Chris Wagner, Deputy Norris, Dennis Keller, Aundrea Cordle, Ray Stemen, Judy Stemen, and other members of the public.

Attending virtually were: Thomas Lininger, S. Herdman, Tony Howard, Ned Albasha, Jason Dolin, Lisa McKenzie, Dave Burgei, James Bahnsen, Jeff Barron, Mark Conrad, JM, Britney Lee, Rick Szabrak, Dumitru Sabaiduc, Ashley Arter, Donna Fox-Moore, Bennett Nicewanger, Jeff Camechis, and other callers.

- Welcome

Commissioner Levacy welcomed everyone.

- Fairfield Forward

**Teamwork and Leadership**

Dr. Brown commented that *teamwork* is a strong value of Fairfield County. We are highlighting good examples of teamwork. Certain offices of the County Auditor were formerly housed in mezzanines were moved to the second floor for safety and access reasons. Thanks to Facilities for moving these projects along. We shared some pictures from the move and are appreciative of the increased safety and access.

The space for the County Auditor was made available by the move of the County Auditor's Real Estate Offices to 108 N. High Street, for which there will be an open house in September.

The interior of the building which houses the County Auditor's Real Estate Offices includes a colorful mural honoring the history of the building. It was designed by Remo Remo Designs. We shared some pictures of that mural to build some energy for the September Open House.

Mr. Keller reviewed some additional pictures. They showed progress of the shooting range project. Commissioner Davis stated that the shooting range was a great project and is being completed in such a short time. Commissioner Levacy added that Chief Collins asked for a new shooting range many years ago. This will be a good training facility for many decades to come. He is thankful for the donation of the property and is thankful for the project.

*Good news!* Fairfield County continues to support the NACo Leadership Academy as an opportunity for employees at all levels.

Carri Brown, Aunie Cordle, and Jon Kochis were the first attendees of the Academy, followed by more than 70 employees (and Commissioner Fix) in 2021 – and even more in 2022, we surmise. Along with Franklin and Hamilton Counties, Fairfield County will be given an award from NACo for its support of leadership principles and coaching within the public sector. There will be an awards ceremony on Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. More details will be forthcoming.

**Special Events**

There was a flier in the review packet about Fairfield Forward community events. There was an article of interest about the Baltimore festival. Also, there were fliers in the hearing room to promote the Millersport Sweet Corn Festival.

The dedication of the Patriotic Mural is August 17<sup>th</sup>. An invitation was in the review packet and was discussed previously.

There is an open house tentatively planned for 108 N. High on September 21.

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We held an administrative meeting with members of the Agricultural Society to plan for the grand opening of the Fair in October. We are planning some ways to encourage tourism and promote the Fair in Fairfield County. The grand opening is October 11. The County Fair Day is October 15.

On August 14<sup>th</sup>, children can color the outlines of the Foster the Future mural at the Farmers' Market. Spencer Remoquillo ( with Remo Remo Designs and formerly with the Lancaster Eagle Gazette) had this idea, and we loved it. This mural is being sealed today.

*Main Uses of the ARP Fiscal Recovery Funds*

We will continue using the Fairfield Forward theme for strategic planning. We had fact sheets on the table to show how we anticipate catalytic uses of the ARP fiscal recovery funds. There are two main uses for us:

1. Responding to the public health emergency with respect to the COVID19 or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality.
2. Making necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

As we think about the first purpose, we will need to:

- Identify a need or negative impact of the public health emergency.
- Identify how the county investment would specifically address that need, and
- Readily explain how the investment helps the county respond to the disease or the harmful economic consequences of the economic disruption.

*Communications about ARP Funding & Related Funding for Pandemic Responses*

Aunie Cordle participated in an interview with Sunny 95 about Fairfield County's plans for fiscal recovery with the American Rescue Plan. She highlighted these main priorities and the strategic visioning plans. The interview link was shared globally and tweeted.

Also, Aunie Cordle conducted a presentation at the Regional Planning Commission about ARP uses. RPC President Betsy Ault and others expressed gratitude for the use of funds to support tourism and the County Fair and for support of the townships.

During that RPC presentation, Tony Vogel offered to help townships and villages apply for the state water and wastewater grants connected to ARP funding. He has reached out to them personally to offer help.

Also, Dr. Brown communicated with Walnut Township, highlighting that their subgrant has not been executed, yet the appropriations have been approved. There is a subgrant anticipated; there will be an additional approval of an agreement.

The review packet contained a summary of the fiscal recovery funds.

There were two resolutions for ARP appropriations for the voting meeting, and there are others prepared and in queue.

Finally, with respect to *rent assistance*, Dr. Brown reached out to Community Action to obtain a little information about their current rent assistance program. They reported they are currently operating a COVID-19 related rent support program funded by the Consolidate Appropriations Act. This Community Action program can help income eligible households (with eligibility at or below 80% of the Area Median Income) who have had an impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. Support is available for back rent payments, going back to April of 2020.

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According to Community Action Director Clint Davis, this grant program is well-funded, and there is no additional need in that particular area at this time. We will continue to check in with Community Action about this topic. If anyone wants to make a referral to Community Action, their phone number is (740) 653-4146.

Commissioner Davis stated that he drives by the homeless shelter every day. He has no data, but his perception is that the shelter is full. He expressed support for efforts through ARP or other funding to reduce homelessness. In the past they have discussed the housing market, and how it relates to homelessness.

Ms. Cordle stated that she and Dr. Brown met with Eddie Rapp with Lutheran Social Services to discuss their previous plans relating to COVID-19. They are definitely on the county's radar and will be included in the strategic planning process.

Commissioner Levacy stated that it was not uncommon for him to see homeless people under bridges or railroad tracks. He, too, has no data, but it looks like it is a problem to him. Commissioner Levacy stated that with the housing market escalating, it does affect the scenario related to more homelessness.

Mr. Kochis stated that there is a lot of homeless activity on the bike path. The police are increasing their enforcement.

Dr. Brown added that she was aware from Lutheran Social Services that they have done an examination on the allowability of uses of ARP fiscal recovery funds for a community project to address homelessness at the LSS site. She was impressed with their review and commented on the organization's ability to manage large projects.

Commissioner Levacy went on to state that he appreciated Mr. Vogel's time in volunteering to help with Water & Wastewater grant applications for the state grants.

Mr. Vogel stated that Department of Development put out new guidelines. They have given the County Engineer authority to rank the projects. The top 12 projects will be sent to the state on a priority list. The biggest project is \$5 million. Mr. Vogel stated that many of the villages and townships did not realize this funding was available.

- Legal Update

*Legal Opinion Regarding Annexations*

The Commission received a memo from the County Prosecutor dated August 9, 2021. The memo outlines how the Commission's authority to affect annexation petitions is only expressly conferred by statute or necessarily implied therefrom. Mr. Horacek stated that the Commissioners role is making sure all requirements are met.

Commissioner Davis thanked the Prosecutor's Office for the opinion. He understands there is opposition of one annexation under review, but the Commission must review how the requirements were met. He recognizes that he is one-third of the Commission, and he stated he is in favor of and is ready for the draft resolution for the annexation to be presented on the Commission's agenda.

Commissioner Fix stated that the opponents thought the Commission had authority to amend the petition, but the legal opinion is that the Commission cannot.

*Opioid Settlement*

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Dr. Brown reported that for the voting agenda, we have a resolution to accept the material terms of the One Ohio Subdivision Settlement pursuant to the One Ohio Memorandum of Understanding and consistent with the terms of the July 21, 2021, National Opioid Settlement Agreement.

Commissioner Davis stated that he is in favor of the proposed settlement because he does not see a viable alternative. He stated we can either join them or go in alone. He does not appreciate the terms and conditions of the settlement and he does not appreciate the state not thinking of what this does to local governments. He does not like the "big brother" concept. Going alone is not favorable for Fairfield County, though.

- Administration and Budget Update/Carri's List

- a. Announcements & Dates of Interest

- Announcements

Anyone can email or text a question anytime:

[Carri.Brown@FairfieldCountyOhio.gov](mailto:Carri.Brown@FairfieldCountyOhio.gov) or (740) 777-8552

- Later today, there is a Lunch n Learn meeting about the Land Bank, as well as a Land Bank meeting following the Commission meetings. Thanks to the Treasurer's Office for their team effort in preparing for the Lunch n Learn.
- People may notice that we now have table tents with names on the tables in the hearing room. Often, we see people wondering who a person is. This happens a lot with people asking about the Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys. The name tags will help identify the elected officials and department heads who are participating in review meetings.
- The purpose of the review meeting prior to the voting pattern is for information gathering and reporting to the Commission. Participants are elected officials, department heads, and those who have scheduled meetings with the Commission. The voting pattern is also known as the regular meeting. Both meetings are open to the public.
- The Commission will receive public comments as usual during the voting pattern or regular meeting. Each commenter is given three minutes to address the Commission. There will soon be a microphone at the podium. Please direct public comments to the Commission. Please provide your name and address when providing comments. Commenters are expressing their own views. The topics may or may not be about county business.
- The Commission has taken an open approach in permitting public comments. The Clerk for the Commission will announce the public comment period prior to the voting meeting. Individuals may request private audience with the Commissioners on a one-on-one basis anytime.

- Dates/Events of Interest

August 17 – Patriotic Mural Dedication

**August 19 – EO/DH Roundtable Meeting (Please see the review packet for a draft agenda)**

August 31- Commission Connection Taping – Dave Levacy

August 31 – Board of Elections Lunch n Learn

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

- b. Highlights of Resolutions

Dr. Brown highlighted nine resolutions for the voting meeting.

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- We had a resolution to accept the material terms of the One Ohio Subdivision Settlement pursuant to the One Ohio Memorandum of Understanding and consistent with the terms of the July 21, 2021, National Opioid Settlement Agreement.
- RPC proposed a change order to allow more time for the completion of the Carroll CDBG Sanitary Sewer project. This is within the terms and conditions of the CDBG program. The Village of Carroll continues to be appreciative of the CDBG project.
- The County Engineer proposed approval of a change order for the GRE-03 FAI-T114-0.610 Carroll-Eastern Road Bridge Replacement Project.

There were six *financial and grant related resolutions* to approve:

- Appropriations from ARP fiscal recovery funds for the Grant Hampton water line project (This was previously discussed, and there is a public meeting for project on August 18. *The review packet will contain a sample letter of invitation to the public meeting*);
- Appropriations from ARP fiscal recovery funds for public health equipment;
- Advances for Juvenile Court and for JFS;
- Appropriations for FCFACF Council; and
- Repayment of an advance by Common Pleas Court.

In queue, there remained multiple resolutions:

- Approvals of additional uses of ARP fiscal recovery funds;
- An approval of an expedited resolution for an annexation into the village of Lithopolis;
- A resolution to vote upon the regular annexation into the City of Lancaster (following deliberation and within 30 days of July 27, 2021); and
- Other contracting and financial resolutions.

Commissioner Levacy stated that he appreciates Dr. Brown's prepared analysis on the ARP funding which was in the review packet. To date \$2.918 million of the \$15 million has been appropriated. There are other uses being brainstormed.

a. Administrative, Program, and Budget Update

Administrative & Program Updates

*Administrative Approvals*

Dr. Brown highlighted the administrative approvals. There approvals were for:

- The award of a contract for the equipment to improve air quality for DD and Utilities buildings;
- The award of a contract for service for the strategic plan for Fairfield Growing as the agricultural community deals with the effects of the pandemic; and
- Authorization of Meals on Wheels capital purchases with grant funds (state CARES Act funds).

There were no questions posed about the administrative approvals.

*IT Strategic Plan*

After the voting meeting, there will be an executive session to review cybersecurity.

This past week, Dr. Brown held administrative meetings to identify needs for the IT strategic plan implementation. For the nation, there has been an increase of 273% if cybercrime in the first quarter of 2020, as compared to the first quarter of 2019 (Hughes, K. "Three cybercrime trends to prepare for in 2021," *AICPA Communications*, Feb.5, 2021.) The weakest entry point

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into a system or network is a person already connected; this is why focus is placed on cybersecurity training at all levels of an organization.

In addition, Dr. Brown has recommended a cybersecurity team engaging county administration, compliance officers, legal representation, finance, risk management, and IT administration. This will allow a focus on cybersecurity approaches as part of a framework, as opposed to perimeter focused approaches. One lesson from the pandemic is the importance of a cybersecurity framework. There are webinars offered by NACo for best practices.

October is Cybersecurity month, and there will be announcements about training during that month for employees.

Dr. Brown met with LeAnna Schaeffer, Randy Carter, and Branden Meyer about court project needs. These projects will not burden core IT staff. There are programmatic leads attached to the projects. The IT templates are nearly complete. The Juvenile Court project fits criteria for the American Rescue Plan given the information that is at hand. The projects will continue to be evaluated for implementation in the latter part of 2021 or the early part of 2022.

The computer aided dispatch (CAD) program's IT template is also nearly complete. Mr. Kochis stated that he and Mr. Joe Morris with the Sheriff's Department will lead the CAD project.

Dr. Brown also met with Jon Kochis and Dan Neeley about the conference room equipment RFP. Jon Kochis visited multiple public buildings to firm up the RFP. Dan Neeley prepared the advertisement which was sent to the media by Staci Knisley for publication on August 12<sup>th</sup>. Implementation costs are included in the RFP. We will update the ARP funding level if needed.

*Invitation to Bid/Requests for Proposals*

The county website includes an invitation to bid for entry plaza and sidewalk improvements (as well as bollards) for Liberty Center. Dennis Keller reported the bids are due August 20.

The request for proposals for the conference room equipment is in progress as noted above. We received a note of thanks from Marcy Fields with ADAMH for including ADAMH in that RFP. Multiple county buildings were included in the request. The responses are due August 26.

Responses to the RFP for the township (and other entity) and business support using ARP fiscal recovery funds are due September 8.

*Meeting with Geenex*

On Wednesday, August 4, Dr. Brown and Rick Szabrak held an administrative meeting with Geenex who provided an update on the Cottontail project in Ohio. The Commissioners will recall from an earlier presentation that Geenex is pursuing a private solar project in Fairfield County (mostly in the Fairfield Union School District). They have about 65% of the participants needed.

Geenex will be hosting a broad educational event for all of Ohio on September 1 in Dublin. There may be a virtual option, and the event will likely be taped. Dennis Keller indicated he would attend the event.

*Meeting with Lindy Jackson with Hunters Run Conservancy District*

Dr. Brown met with Lindy Jackson with the Hunters Run Conservancy District, and she provided copies of the resolution for support of the stormwater planning project so that others may join in on that effort in the future, potentially. Mr. Jackson was very grateful for the loan from the

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Commission, too. The loan helps the HRCD with cash flow while they are managing multiple grants and projects.

Dr. Brown also offered up space in the courthouse for HRCD. There is no space at the Baldwin building.

Budget Update

*Ongoing Sales Tax Review & Budget Review*

The sales tax estimate for 2021 in Fairfield County is \$23.6 M, or 3% above the sales tax revenues of 2020. We are tracking ahead of that estimate, but we have not changed the projection or planning tool.

The non-auto sales tax estimate for the receipt of September for June sales for Fairfield County is \$1.9 M, up 10% over the previous year. The overall state receipts for the same time period are up 11%. In 2019, Fairfield County full sales tax receipts were \$2 M for the same month. Auto sales tax receipts for the month at \$220 K would result in a 3% increase in 2019 and 2020. Overall, the county receipts are tracking ahead of estimates. We do expect the sales tax rates to normalize to their historical patterns.

There was a Budget Commission hearing on August 9<sup>th</sup>. Information that was presented in multiple public Commission meetings was reiterated. A slide show presentation was reviewed.

Budget entry for level three has been extended to September 9 (instead of September 2). ADAMH provided a letter to describe their ability to pay the debt service on the internal debt under consideration.

b. BRAVOS

- Congratulations to Fairfield County TeenWorks and Juvenile Court for the \$25,000 grant earned from the Governor's Office of Faith Based and Community Initiatives. This grant will support the Subsidized Youth Employment Program, which allows the Court to place hard to serve youth in jobs and help subsidize their wages for 12 weeks. The goal is for 75% of those youth to be able to be retained by the employer after the 12 weeks or obtain other employment based upon a favorable job reference from the subsidized employer. Congratulations to the leadership of our partner, TeenWorks, and to the Juvenile Court team for their collaboration and hard work to support youth employment. Job & Family Services Director Corey Clark stated that he works closely with TeenWorks and Juvenile Court. He spoke positively of the program for youth employment.
- Thanks to Jeff Porter, HR and Risk Management Director, for preparing some relevant options for in-services for our teams that face compassion fatigue, such as Protective Services, law enforcement, court staff, dog shelter employees, and others. Also, in the past, there were multiple reports or complaints about problems in applying for jobs with the Tyler system. Those complaints have disappeared with the NeoGov system, and thanks to HR for working hard to implement the first modules. It is really important to have a high functioning application system. Right now, on the county website, there are postings for a Deputy Recorder, Accounting Assistant for ADAMH, multiple educator and aide positions for DD, a Nurse for DD, Case Manager in Training for Juvenile Court, and a Social Services Worker 2 position for Protective Services. We have recently filled all Human Resource Officer positions that were posted. The County Auditor has filled their payroll officer position. Thanks to HR for their work in filling vacancies.
- Old Business

a. Commissioner Communications

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Commissioner Davis reported he had been in touch with Jack Janoso, and FMC is managing the uptick in COVID-19 cases. Fairfield County is experiencing an increase in cases. He will continue to be interested in the capacity of FMC.

Commissioner Davis reported that he and Jeff Porter will be at the mediation session with the Court of Appeals relating to the Franklin County judgment.

Commissioner Levacy asked about the “red” designation for Fairfield County. Mr. Kochis reported that CDC designated Fairfield County as “red” relating to COVID-19 for high transmission, and this does not align with the state’s former designations. Mr. Kochis reported people in the healthcare field have changed their thinking to be more reactive. The percentage increase mirrors the same as last year although the raw numbers are lower. The delta variant cases are less deadly because half of the population is vaccinated. 98% of the hospitalizations are with people who have not safeguarded with the vaccination.

Dr. Brown stated there was an article of interest in the review packet about the increase in cases in Fairfield County and the encouragement from the Health Commissioner to accept vaccinations as safeguarding.

- New Business
- General Correspondence
- Invitations
  - a. Pickerington Chamber Lunch – Thursday, August 19th at 11:30 a.m. at the Pickerington Senior Center – Speaker: Randy Gerber (There is a conflict with Commission meetings.)
  - b. August 21 – 7 pm 4-H Summerfest at the Ed Sands Building  
*Commissioner Levacy will attend.*
  - c. August 25 - With grant funding, the Court has scheduled presenters from Cleveland to come down and present on the science of addiction and how medical-assisted treatment works. The training will be held on August 25 from 12 – 4 at the Records Center, here in Lancaster. Commissioners are invited to attend.
  - d. September 1 - Geenex Seminar on Solar Utility Scale Projects (Dennis Keller will attend.)
  - e. September 29 - Legislative Reception at the Ohio Statehouse Museum Gallery and Map Room. *Commissioner Levacy & Commissioner Fix will attend.*

FYI

- a. Jail Population – 259
- b. Letter of support for the South Licking Watershed Conservancy District’s request for grant funding to support a watershed planning study
- c. Presentation for the Budget Commission & ADAMH letter
- d. Tour de Buckeye Lake

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- e. ADAMH newsletter (electronic)

**Commissioners' Regular Meeting**

A regular meeting of the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, August 10, 2021, beginning at 9:46 a.m. Commissioner Levacy called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, and Dave Levacy.

Also present were Carri Brown, Staci Knisley, Tony Vogel, Corey Clark, Josh Horacek, Jeff Porter, Amy Brown-Thompson, Chris Wagner, Deputy Norris, Dennis Keller, Aundrea Cordle, Ray Stemen, Judy Stemen, and other members of the public.

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**Pledge of Allegiance**

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

**Announcements**

Commissioner Levacy asked if there were any announcements.

Commissioner Davis reported that county resident John Meadows passed away. His passing was unexpected. It is heartwarming to see tens of thousands of people around the world celebrate his life. He wanted to do more for Fairfield County. He had made conversations with others to begin doing more for Fairfield County. He could have been helpful to Fairfield County in the future. Commissioner Davis is saddened by the loss. He asked everyone to take a moment to think of his wife and children.

Ms. Knisley stated that there were no additional announcements except that the minutes for July 27, 2021, will not be on the agenda for approval today. We are waiting on the transcript for the annexation hearing on that day.

She stated the next item on the agenda was a time for public comments. As a reminder, public comments are to be limited to three minutes. Comments may or may not be about county business. While this is a time for the public to offer comments, this is not a time for questions and answers. Comments represent the view of the person commenting.

**Public Comment**

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

Mr. Ray Stemen of 2444 West Point Road in Lancaster spoke about his concern relating to the US Constitution and its origination from the Christian faith. He mentioned the schools were concerned with masking policies and practices. He stated he wanted to yield some of his time in speaking to his wife, Judy Stemen.

Ms. Judy Stemen of 2444 West Point Road in Lancaster reviewed the attached handouts related to COVID-19 and related topics. Please see the attachments to the minutes.

Mr. Fix stated that the Governor issued communication: Of the total hospitalizations of COVID-19 patients since January 1<sup>st</sup>, 18,367 individuals were not fully vaccinated. Just 295 patients had received the vaccine. He stated this as a fact he wanted to have in the record.

**Approval of Minutes for Tuesday, August 3, 2021**

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On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the minutes for the August 3, 2021, Regular Meeting.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

**Approval of the Commissioners' Resolutions**

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

- 2021-08.10.a            A resolution to approve an authorized use of American Rescue Plan fiscal recovery funding and appropriate from unappropriated funds for the County ARP fiscal recovery fund, #2876, for capital improvements that respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency. [Commissioners]
- 2021-08.10.b            A resolution to accept the material terms of the One Ohio Subdivision Settlement pursuant to the One Ohio Memorandum of Understanding and consistent with the terms of the July 21, 2021, National Opioid Settlement Agreement

Discussion:

Commissioner Fix commented on Resolution 2021-08.10.b. He is voting in favor of the opioid settlement. It is disappointing to him that the state led us down the path and gave us no other choice. There have been a number of lives taken and ruined. There have been families damaged, and we are backed into a corner. The settlement does not scratch the surface.

Commissioner Levacy stated that he agreed with both Commissioner Davis and Commissioner Fix's comments. (Commissioner Davis commented earlier in the day.) Commissioner Levacy added the biggest effect of the settlement is that the drug companies will not be able to behave like they did in the past.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

**Approval of the Common Pleas Court Resolution**

On the motion Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Common Pleas Court Resolution.:

- 2021-08.10.c            A resolution authorizing the approval of repayment of an advance to the General Fund #8220 FY19 ADULT Based Corrections. Common Pleas Adult Probation [Common Pleas Court]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

**Approval of the Engineer's Office Resolution**

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

- 2021-08.10.d            A resolution to approve a Change Order for the GRE-03 FAI-T114-0.610 Carroll-Eastern Road Bridge Replacement Project. [Engineer]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

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**Approval of the Family, Adult, and Children First Council Resolutions**

On the motion Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Family, Adult, and Children First Council resolution:

2021-08.10.e            A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated funds in a major category expense for the Fund# 7521, subfund# 8280 – Family Adult Children First (FACF) [Family, Adult and Children First Council]

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

**Approval of the Job and Family Services**

On the motion Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Job and Family Services resolution:

2021-08.10.f            A resolution authorizing the approval of an advance from the General Fund to Ohio Starts Grant fund #2843. Fairfield County JFS. [JFS]

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

**Approval of the Juvenile/Probate Court**

On the motion Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Juvenile/Probate Court resolution:

2021-08.10.g            A resolution authorizing the approval of an advance from the General Fund to #2856 Child Abuse and Neglect Discretionary Activities Fund and appropriate from unappropriated [Juvenile Court] [Juvenile/Probate Court]

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

**Approval of the Regional Planning**

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

2021-08.10.h            A resolution authorizing approval of a change order for the Fairfield County CDBG – the Village of Carroll FY2020 Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project [Regional Planning] [Regional Planning Commission]

Discussion: Dr. Brown stated that this is a date extension to complete the project. The Village of Carroll appreciates the support of the project.

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

**Approval of the Utilities**

On the motion Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Utilities resolution:

2021-08.10.i            A resolution to approve an authorized use of American Rescue Plan fiscal recovery funding and appropriate from unappropriated funds for the

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County ARP fiscal recovery fund, #2876, the Grant Lane and Hampton Lane Waterline Project with Fairfield County Utilities [Utilities]

Discussion: Mr. Vogel stated that there will be a public meeting next week to talk to property owners. Commissioner Davis asked how many people would be impacted by the project. Mr. Vogel stated about 60 residents that will have the ability to be added to the county water system if they choose to do so. For the last project on Allen Road, about 85-90% of participants did come on to the county system. This project will help the citizens. There will be an ability to assess remaining costs over time.

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

**Open Items**

*CLFP Meeting*

Commissioner Davis stated that he, Tony Vogel, and others are scheduled to be at the CFLP Solid Waste finance committee meeting this Friday. This is for the 10-year plan to the Ohio EPA. Commissioner Davis will not be able to attend. He asked Mr. Vogel if it was important that the time be rescheduled since he could not attend, and other Commissioners could not attend due to the MCJDC board meeting also on Friday.

Mr. Vogel stated that there will be additional meetings. Things will not be resolved this Friday. He recommended keeping the meeting for the CFLP Solid Waste finance committee for this Friday. He will be in attendance.

**Executive Session to discuss security**

On the motion of Commissioner Steve Davis and second of Commissioner Jeff Fix, the Board voted to enter into Executive Session to discuss security at 10:11 a.m.

Discussion: Commissioner Steve Davis stated that the following people be included in the executive session: Commissioner Fix, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Levacy, County Administrator Brown, Deputy County Administrator Aundrea Cordle, Jon Kochis, Branden Meyer, representatives of Human Resources, representatives of Information Technology, Auditor Jon Slater, and representatives of the Prosecutor's Office.

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

On the motion of Commissioner Jeff Fix and second of Commissioner Steve Davis, the Board voted to exit Executive Session at 10:54 a.m.

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

**Adjournment**

With no further business, on the motion of Jeff Fix and a second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn at 10:54 a.m.

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



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## Commissioners' Meeting 08-10-21

### **CDC: 11,940 DEAD 618,648 Injuries and 1,175 Unborn Babies DEAD Following COVID-19 Shots**

<https://healthimpactnews.com/2021/cdc-11940-dead-618648-injuries-and-1175-unborn-babies-dead-following-covid-19-shots/print/>

\*\*\*\*That's a 8676% increase of recorded deaths following the COVID-19 shots, compared to deaths following all previous FDA-approved vaccines.

\*\*\*\*What are the statistical odds that these are all "coincidences"?

\*\*\*\*Pretty much ZERO. The CDC is lying to you. They serve the pharmaceutical companies, not the American people, and the sooner you figure that out, the better, because your life is at stake, and your life is meaningless to them

Aug 3, 2021

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### **'Stop the Shot': Watch townhall exposing dangers of COVID vaccines**

**Dr. Peter McCullough among prominent experts countering media narrative**

<https://www.wnd.com/2021/08/4935515/>

By WND Staff

Published August 3, 2021

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### **2 days after CDC suggests vaccinated people mask up, Biden says masks not needed if enough people vaxxed**

<https://www.wnd.com/2021/08/2-days-cdc-suggests-vaccinated-people-mask-biden-says-masks-not-needed-enough-people-vaxxed/>

By C. Douglas Golden

The Western Journal

Published August 3, 2021

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### **Tucker Carlson Scorches New York Times For Flacking For China, Covering Up COVID Origins**

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**Paper also took steps to make sure Wuhan Lab origin theory wasn't seriously investigated.**

<https://www.infowars.com/posts/tucker-carlson-scorches-new-york-times-for-flacking-for-china-covering-up-covid-origins/>

Infowars.com

August 4th 2021

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### **The Facts About Masks**

[info@randpaul4sen.com](mailto:info@randpaul4sen.com)

By Rand Paul

Aug 4, 2021

\*\*\*\*Big tech is saying they want to crack down on "misinformation," but they're doing EXACTLY the opposite.

That's why they're censoring my video discussing the actual facts about masks.

\*\*\*\*YouTube won't play it, but you can hear it right from me here:

[https://secure.winred.com/randpaul/action-](https://secure.winred.com/randpaul/action-2678093?amount=25&utm_campaign=2678093&utm_content=hf&utm_medium=direct&utm_source=iterable&utm_term=science)

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### **YouTube suspends major news outlet for videos of COVID treatments**

**'We have clear and established COVID-19 medical misinformation policies'**

<https://www.wnd.com/2021/08/youtube-suspends-major-news-outlet-videos-covid-treatments/>

By WND News Services

Published August 4, 2021

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## Livestream: International Leaders Reveal New Data on Vaccine Risks

Townhall conference features prominent physicians, scientists, attorneys & religious leaders discussing vital information related to COVID jab, clinical trials, and more.

<https://www.infowars.com/posts/livestream-stop-the-shot-press-conference-from-the-truth-for-health-foundation/>

Infowars.com

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## >>>>>Thousands of COVID-positive migrants have inundated just 1 Texas city

Federal government had released over 7,000 infected illegals since February

<https://www.wnd.com/2021/08/fox-reporter-reveals-thousands-covid-positive-migrants-inundated-just-1-texas-city/>

By Jacob Gurney,

The Western Journal

Published August 5, 2021

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## Tax-Funded Covid Vaccine Commercial So Strange People Thought It Was Satire

<https://www.infowars.com/posts/tax-funded-covid-vaccine-commercial-so-strange-people-thought-it-was-satire/>

by Kelen McBreen

August 5th 2021

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## SHOT HURT 'ROUND THE WORLD

**Bombshell German pathologist's vaccine autopsy report being censored**

**Mainstream media refuses to cover report of vaccine deaths**

<https://www.wnd.com/2021/08/bombshell-german-pathologists-vaccine-autopsy-report-censored/>

By WND News Services

Published August 5, 2021

\*\*\*\*\*Bottom line, this professor and doctor understands pathology like very few on the planet.

This is why it's so perplexing that a bombshell report he released this week has been absolutely censored.

Mainstream media won't report on it and Big Tech has eliminated accounts who attempt to share it.

Considering the incessant push towards universal vaccinations by government, academia, media, and Big Tech, it really shouldn't be perplexing at all that his work is being quashed because it details mind-blowing data about the dangers of the so-called Covid "vaccines."

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## Fox News Whistleblower: My Boss Told Me 'Do Not Report Deaths After Vaccination'

<https://www.infowars.com/posts/fox-news-whistleblower-my-boss-told-me-do-not-report-deaths-after-vaccination/>

Infowars.com

August 5th 2021

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## Virologist who got Nobel Prize admits COVID may have been 'manipulated'

**'I don't really think there's a smoking gun in the genome itself'**

"America's Newsroom" on Friday

<https://www.wnd.com/2021/08/virologist-got-nobel-prize-admits-covid-may-manipulated/>

By WND News Services

Published August 4, 2021

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## Texans forced to build isolation camp after Biden flooded town with COVID-infected illegals

**Mayor Javier Villalobos -- a Hispanic Republican -- has had enough. He told Fox News' that the isolation camp is necessary to protect the city because of the COVID-19 infection rate among the illegals.**

<https://www.wnd.com/2021/08/texans-forced-build-isolation-camp-biden-flooded-town-covid-infected-illegals/>

By C. Douglas Golden, The Western Journal

Published August 8, 2021

## **Shock executive order greenlights quarantines, involuntary commitment amid COVID fears**

**'The pieces add up to a very scary picture! People need to wake up'**

<https://www.wnd.com/2021/08/shock-executive-order-greenlights-quarantines-involuntary-commitment-amid-covid-fears/>

By Joe Koyacs

Published August 8

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## **Must Watch: Doctor Educates School Board On Covid Vaccines & Masks, Slams CDC, NIH**

**"The CDC and NIH have chosen to ignore the very science that they paid to have done,"**

<https://www.infowars.com/posts/watch-doctor-educates-school-board-on-covid-vaccines-masks-slams-cdc-nih/>

Infowars.com

August 9th 2021

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## **Doctors could have medical licenses revoked for COVID 'misinformation'**

**Physicians offending official perception would be dealt with in immediate fashion**

By Bob Unruh

Published August 9, 2021

\*\*\*\*\* The report explained the federation represents all U.S. state medical boards and threatened that anyone offending its perception of "vaccine misinformation" would be dealt with in an immediate fashion.

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## **Florida Gov. DeSantis Threatens To Withhold Salaries of School Board Members Who Push Mask Mandates**

**"The State Board of Education could move to withhold the salary of the district superintendent or school board members...to address the decision-makers who led to the violation of law."**

<https://www.infowars.com/posts/florida-gov-desantis-threatens-to-withhold-salaries-of-school-board-members-who-push-mask-mandates/>

by Jamie White

August 9th 2021

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## **6 governors stripped of power because of COVID overreach**

**46 states introduce legislation limiting emergency authority**

<https://www.wnd.com/2021/08/6-governors-stripped-power-covid-overreach/>

By WND News Services

Published August 9, 2021

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## **Bizarre: White House Deploys Gen-Z 'Influencer' To Push Experimental COVID Jab**

**This isn't the first cringeworthy government-backed vaccine propaganda push.**

<https://www.infowars.com/posts/bizarre-white-house-deploys-gen-z-influencer-to-push-experimental-covid-jab/>

Infowars.com

August 9th 2021

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## **Doctor Destroys the Entire COVID Narrative**

**Dr Dan Stock spoke at Ohio's Mt. Vernon school board meeting and it's the most important and powerful video you will watch today**

[gabnews@mailier.gab.com](mailto:gabnews@mailier.gab.com)

Aug 9, 2021

Gab News

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## **Facebook steps in, reportedly tells police organization that ad honoring Officer of the Year is against the rules**

**"The way we see it is Facebook thinks it's wrong to honor a brave police officer who suffered serious wounds while protecting his central Illinois city. How is that remotely political?" Wojcicki queried, according to NewsBusters.**

By Garion Frankel,  
The Western Journal  
Published August 8, 2021

# Hospitalizations and Vaccination Status

Number of people hospitalized in Ohio since  
Jan. 1, 2021, due to COVID-19.

Total hospitalizations 18,662

Hospitalizations among people who  
are not fully vaccinated\* 18,367

Hospitalizations among people who  
are fully vaccinated\* 295

\*A person is fully vaccinated against COVID-19 two weeks after receiving a one-dose vaccine (such as the Johnson & Johnson vaccine) or two weeks after receiving the second dose of a two-dose vaccine (such as the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine).

