

**Regular Meeting #37 - 2017**  
**Fairfield County Commissioners' Office**  
**August 22, 2017**

**Review**

The Commissioners met at 9:06 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, Joshua Horacek, Amy Brown-Thompson, Jon Kochis, Todd McCullough, Aunie Cordle, Chief Perrigo, Mary Beth Lane, Jeff Porter, Loudan Klein, Jim Bahnsen, Carrie Williams, Michael Kaper, Ray Stemen, Dennis Keller, Tony Vogel, and Branden Meyer.

- Legal Update

There was no legal update.

- Administration and Budget Update/Carri's List

- a. Announcements

There are no Commissioners' meetings on August 29; there are Commissioners' meetings on **August 31** (at the regular times of 9 am and 10 am for review and regular meetings, respectively).

The office will be closed for Labor Day on September 4.

United Way Day is September 14. (Thank you to Branden Meyer and his staff for their leadership.)

The leadership conference is Thursday, September 28, at 8:30 am at FMC.

There is a job fair at OU-L on September 29<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9 am.

The formal building dedication for the jail and public safety facility is Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon.

- b. Highlights of Resolutions

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

There was a proclamation for Hunger Awareness, and while there will be no one to accept the resolution in person, we are happy to proclaim support for hunger awareness and thank the many faith based organizations, governments, and community groups who fight hunger.

We proposed the holiday schedule for 2018, following the same pattern as previous years. We proposed this in advance of the leadership conference in September, to provide information to help all departments plan for 2018. We proposed a resolution to name the next Transportation Improvement District board member. There were two very qualified candidates, and the candidate not selected this time can be placed on a waiting list for the next vacancy. We are fortunate to have two qualified candidates, and the candidate recommended this time is Fairfield County resident and City Engineer, Mitch Noland. Scott Tourville, also a City Engineer, is on the "approved waiting list" for the next vacancy on the TID board.

Mr. Davis noted that he spoke with Mr. Tourville earlier in the morning and told him the Commissioners were looking forward to continuing to work with Mr. Tourville in one way or another.

The resolution for the acquisition of the Greenfield Water and Sewer District was proposed. (The press release issued recently will be in the review packet.) Joshua Horacek provided a legal update on the acquisition previously.

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There were financial resolutions proposed, such as:

- Appropriations from unappropriated funds for the Dog Adoption Center and Shelter and Juvenile Court (special revenue funds, for multiple contractual services, including a lease anticipated for next week, to improve veterinarian related services; the lease follows the request for proposals for such a lease; a draft is in the review packet);
- Multiple additional resolutions for appropriations from unappropriated funds for non-general fund accounts of Juvenile Court (two resolutions), the Law Library, and FCFACFC;
- Multiple grant adjustments (as more information is known about grants) for EMA, including appropriations from unappropriated funds and a reduction in appropriations;
- Account to account transfers of appropriations to properly classify expenditures for Economic and Workforce Development; FCFACFC, and Domestic Relations Court;
- An advance for FCFACFC; and
- The payment of bills (including the UHC payment for the health benefit plan & approval and payment of then and now certifications or substitute then and now certifications, as needed).

Mr. Davis thanked Mr. Vogel for his work with the Greenfield Water and Sewer District acquisition. This is a meaningful and impactful step in better serving constituents.

c. Administrative Approvals & Budget Update

*Administration Update*

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

The closing for the property on Chestnut Street is scheduled the afternoon of August 24<sup>th</sup>.

*County Budget Update*

Budgeting is a fluid process: The next level access for 2018 changes is level 3, and the deadline for those changes is September 1. This September 1 deadline is the final time for the general fund departments to make changes within the data entry process. Many departments have already firmed up their submissions, are following parameters, and are planning.

The sales tax report was received and as is expected. The Commissioners' budgeted flat for the remainder of the year due to the MCO Sales Tax issues.

Mr. Davis added that he divested his interest in Gannett.

Mr. Davis also said that if and/or when the Senate does override the Governor's veto there will still be additional steps in the process. The Commission remains hopeful of an override.

d. Bravos

Bravo to Todd McCullough and his team for participating in the Clear the Shelter event.

Mr. McCullough stated that they had a great turnout. Not as many dogs were adopted as they hoped, but they realize they must be a good fit with their new homes.

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Bravo to the Juvenile Court team for their mentoring efforts and for the successful “hiking event” held in support of youth.

Bravo to Rick Szabrak, Corey Clark, and Aunie Cordle (and their teams) for excellent files for ODJFS to audit for workforce development. ODJFS officials stated the WIOA files were the best they had encountered.

e. Ohio EPA’s Encouraging Environmental Excellence Program

Congratulations to Fairfield County for earning an achievement level recognition for participation in the Ohio EPA Encouraging Environmental Excellence Program.

During the May 2, 2017, public meeting with Joy Padgett, Outreach and Customer Support Specialist for the Ohio EPA, we learned of the Ohio EPA Encouraging Environmental Excellence Program.

On May 8, 2017, Ms. Brown applied for achievement level recognition of the Ohio EPA Encouraging Environmental Excellence Program.

On August 16, 2017, Ms. Brown received a letter from Mike Kelley, an officer of the Ohio EPA, Office of Compliance Assistance and Pollution Prevention, Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance, notifying her that the Fairfield County Commission had been awarded achievement level recognition for successfully participating in the Ohio EPA Encouraging Environmental Excellence Program.

The Ohio EPA will be highlighting the county’s efforts in one of their future publications. The Fairfield County Commission will be listed as an achievement level participant on the Ohio EPA website.

Building upon these efforts, there will be a proposed resolution at the leadership conference to bring awareness to the value of encouraging environmental excellence in the county, and we will place information about the Ohio EPA Encouraging Environmental Excellence Program in the leadership conference packets.

Congratulations to everyone who works so hard to further environmental stewardship every day.

We wish to acknowledge the many stakeholders who have been a part of Fairfield County’s environmental stewardship: the citizens of Fairfield County; all elected officials, department heads, and employees, with a special mention of Dennis Keller, Facilities Manager; and our private sector stakeholders and partners (such as Dynamix Energy Partners, Granger Construction, Wachtel & McAnally, Prater Engineering, 2LMN Engineering, Bennett & Williams; and Lancaster-Fairfield Community Action).

We have decals to place in county buildings and a framed certificate in the Commissioners’ Office.

The Commission thanked Ms. Brown for her leadership, forward thinking, and execution of so many of her ideas.

- Old Business

- a. Security of Courthouses

Mr. Kiger thanked the Sheriff for providing an additional deputy at the Hall of Justice. This extra security is appreciated, especially given a judge in Jefferson County was shot on his way to work on Monday.

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Mr. Davis stated that they were not accustomed to seeing things like that happen in smaller towns and that currently it is so easy to find personal information on people. The Commissioners will make a continual effort to review safety matters to help ensure safety of all public servants.

Mr. Stemen stated he heard a group was planning to protest at the Sheridan statue downtown.

Mr. Davis replied that he had heard rumors of possible protests and that he had full confidence in the Sheriff's Office in managing such circumstances as needed.

b. Jail & Public Safety Facility Update

Mr. Keller reported that Phase 2 of the jail project was scheduled for completion later in the week. The project will then be complete.

- New Business (none)
- General Correspondence Received (none)
- Calendar Review/Invitations Received (none)

- a. Retirement Reception for Angie Crawford – Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup>
- b. Soil & Water Annual Banquet – Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. at Alley Park.

Commissioners Levacy and Kiger will attend

- FYI
  - a. The Jail population is 274.
  - b. Pickerington Senior Center September 2017 Newsletter
  - c. Columbus Dispatch article re: 33 Alliance
  - d. Family, Adult, and Children First Council Fall calendar of parenting classes and other events
  - e. AG's effort in promoting Foster Parent due to shortage and opioid epidemic

Mr. Levacy stated that he was aware that the opioid epidemic effects foster parent numbers which brought up the bigger issue of needing to pass the CPS/APS levy. This is of no fault of the children or elderly.

Ms. Cordle reported that levy efforts are strong and steady. They continue to gear up and would appreciate all hands-on deck as this affects everyone. They recognize the need to be diligent in conveying the importance of this levy.

Mr. Davis stated that these days you see people in need everywhere you look and he looks forward to being supportive of the levy as a private citizen.

- Issues Bin (none)
- Open Items (none)

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**Update on the Tuition Reimbursement Program**

The Commissioners met at 9:32 a.m. for an update of the Tuition Reimbursement Program. 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, Joshua Horacek, Amy Brown-Thompson, Jon Kochis, Todd McCullough, Aunie Cordle, Chief Perrigo, Mary Beth Lane, Jeff Porter, Loudan Klein, Jim Bahnsen, Carrie Williams, Michael Kaper, Ray Stemen, Dennis Keller, Tony Vogel, and Branden Meyer.

Mr. Porter provided a summary of the program. The program started in 2014 and has seen significant participation. Mr. Porter reviewed the participation numbers which have steadily increased. The program was designed to retain employees, better educate the workforce, and aid in recruitment. He reviewed the costs per year and the statistics of the amount of wages lost if an organization needs to replace and retrain a new employee. Degrees that have been obtained by employees include Masters in Public Administration, Accounting Technology, Law, and Human Resource Management. Numerous bachelor degrees are being pursued. With the tightening of the job market, there is a renewed focus on benefits, and the tuition reimbursement program is frequently mentioned.

Ms. Cordle stated that Ms. Carrie Williams is the HR manager at JFS. She completed her Master's degree a year ago which has given her an extra edge, confidence, and knowledge. She hopes Ms. Williams is around Fairfield County for a while.

Mr. Williams stated that she always knew she wanted to get her Master's degree and that \$15,000 of her \$22,000 in expenses was paid by the county. She continues to use the program as a recruitment tool when hiring at JFS.

Mr. Porter stated that having a small HR staff they must be as efficient and effective as they can be across multiple departments. These advanced degrees are a great resource to the department.

Ms. Brown congratulated Mr. McCullough on receiving his MPA last week and thanked him for his service to Fairfield County. He holds academic excellence close to his heart and she knows he will be around for long time.

Mr. McCullough stated that he learns new techniques every day. His goal was to take what Fairfield County invested in him and invest that back into the county. He also uses the program as a recruitment tool.

Mr. Davis expressed his appreciation for both Ms. Williams and Mr. McCullough. When the private sector is able to pay more, tools like tuition reimbursement are very helpful. He appreciates the program, and the Commission will continue to support it.

Mr. Porter thanked the Commissioners for their willingness to get things and programs done quickly.

Commissioner Davis stated at 9:46 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, August 22, 2017 beginning at 10:02 a.m., with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Dave Levacy, and Mike Kiger. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Staci Knisley, Mary Beth Lane, Joshua Horacek, Amy Brown-Thompson, Ray Stemen, Ray Stemen, Loudan Klein, Aunie Cordle, Ed Laramée, Jim Bahnsen, Jeremiah Upp, Tony Vogel, Tim Morris, Branden Meyer, Jon Kochis, Jon Slater, Jennifer Sitterly-Baum, Jonathan Ferbrache, and Amy Boyer.

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**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, August 15, 2017**

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the minutes for the Tuesday, August 15, 2017 Regular Meetings.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Mike Kiger, and Steve Davis

**Approval of the Clerk of Courts - Legal Office Resolution**

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Clerk of Courts – Legal resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category (Clerk of Courts Legal) (2318 Computer Fund); see resolution 2017-08.22.a.

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:

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| 2017-08.22.b | A resolution to approve the Holiday Schedule for 2018. [Commissioners]   |
| 2017-08.22.c | A resolution approving the appointment of Mr. Mitch Noland to the Fairfield County Transportation Improvement District Board.<br>[Commissioners] |
| 2017-08.22.d | A resolution to proclaim September Hunger Action Month.<br>[Commissioners]   |

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Mike Kiger, and Steve Davis

**Approval of the Dog Shelter Resolution**

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Dog Shelter resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in major expenditure object categories for the Fairfield County Dog Shelter, #2002, Contractual Services; see resolution 2017-08.22.e.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Mike Kiger, and Steve Davis

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**Approval of the Domestic Relations Court Resolution**

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Domestic Relations Court resolution authorizing an account to account transfer for the adjustment of Contractual Services; see resolution 2017-08.22.f.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Mike Kiger, and Steve Davis

**Approval of the Economic Development Resolution**

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Economic Development resolution approving account to account transfer in a major object expense category; see resolution 2017-08.22.g.

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 Resolutions**

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

2017-08.22.h            A resolution authorizing the reduction in major expenditure object category appropriations and estimated receipts for EMA 2090 (Subfund 8053). [EMA]

2017-08.22.i            A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category EMA 2091 Local Emergency Planning Committee Fund [EMA]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Mike Kiger, and Steve Davis

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

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Family, Adult, and Children First Council resolutions:

2017-08.22.j            A resolution authorizing the approval of an advance from the General Fund to 60752104 Family Centered Services and Support. Family, Adult & Children First Council [Family, Adult and Children First Council]

2017-08.22.k            A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category Family, Adult & Children First Council Fund 7521, Healthier Buckeye Council [Family, Adult and Children First Council]

2017-08.22.l            A resolution approving an account to account transfer Fund 7521 Family Adult Children First Council. [Family, Adult and Children First Council]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Mike Kiger, and Steve Davis

**Approval of the Juvenile/Probate Court Resolutions**

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Juvenile/Probate Court resolutions:

2017-08.22.m            A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category – Juvenile Court Fund #2630 Special Projects Fund [Juvenile/Probate Court]

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2017-08.22.n            A resolution to approve additional appropriations by appropriating from unappropriated into a major expense object category – Fund #2036 Department of Youth Services Fund [Juvenile/Probate Court]

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

**Approval of the Law Library Resolution**

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Law Library resolution to appropriate from unappropriated funds for the Fairfield County Law Library Resources Board (Fund 2761); see resolution 2017-08.22.o.

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

**Approval of the Utilities Resolution**

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Utilities resolution to approve an Asset Transfer Agreement between Greenfield Township Water and Sewer District and the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners; see resolution 2017-08.22.p.

Discussion: Mr. Vogel stated this was the first step in taking over operations. It allows for them to set a budget for next year. The next step will be for the court to disband the sewer district. Users will be notified several times, and they will slowly transition to the county systems. A public forum will be held if needed, but Mr. Vogel does not anticipate many issues as many users will not notice a difference. They will work with individual issues as they arise. Mr. Levacy stated he thought this acquisition made a lot of sense.

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

**Approval of Payment of Bills Resolutions**

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

2017-08.22.q            A resolution authorizing payment(s) to United Health Care for purposes of the Fairfield County Health Benefits Plan – Fairfield County Board of Commissioners [Commissioners]

2017-08.22.r            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

**Motion to Return to Public Comment**

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to return to the public comment section of the meeting.

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

Mr. Davis asked if there were any additional public comments. There were no additional public comments.

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Commissioner Davis stated at 10:12 a.m. that the Commission would be in recess until the 10:30 a.m. public hearing.

**Public Hearing – Ballard Land Ditch Petition**

The Commissioners met at 9:30 a.m. to interview Scott Tourville for the TID Board vacancy. 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, Dennis Keller, Jonathan Ferbrache, Amy Boyer, Jon Slater, Ray Stemen, Joshua Horacek, Amy Brown-Thompson, Jon Kochis, Brad Smith, Ron Craig, Trudy Craig, Rodney Osborn, Cynthia Osburn, Tim Morris, Steve Romine, Paula McMurray-Schwarz, Mary Sue Slater, Robin Thompson, Carl Thompson, Kathy Pontious, Don Pontious, Jeremiah Upp, Mary Beth Lane, and Ed Laramee.

Mr. Davis opened the hearing and reviewed the process of a public hearing. He asked Mr. Upp to provide an overview of the project.

Mr. Upp stated that this project was the result of a mandate from ODNR regarding not being able to penetrate the dam to pump out water. Instead the proposal is to travel north through Mr. Slater's field to the Lateral A Ditch. They would replace the current outlet into the dam. While this solution works, it is not the best solution as the Lateral A backs up in the event of a significant rain storm. They are actively looking for a better solution and continue to pressure ODNR to be able to penetrate the dam. They are moving forward with this process as to not lose any time should no other solution be allowed. The Ohio Revised Code does allow for changes to the petition. Mr. Upp presented his preliminary report and cost estimates.

Mr. Davis asked for comments in favor of the project.

Mr. Steve Romine of 130009 West Bank Road stated that if there was no other option, he was supportive of this option. While not the best option, it is an option.

Ms. Elsea read written remarks submitted from Mr. Bob Slater. (Those remarks are attached.)

Mr. Davis asked for comments in opposition to the project.

Ms. Robin Thompson of 3295 Lakeside Drive stated she owns several rental houses in the area. She provided a picture of the lake at full capacity from 1988. She said the pipe to pump to Lateral A would need to be a very large pump. She has been attending meetings about this issue since she was 16 years old. The Licking River cannot accommodate this additional water and must be dug deeper. The spillway ditches are also not deep enough for this plan. She offered to personally walk the Commissioners around this area.

Mr. Rod Osburn of 13054 West Bank Road stated that he has his own pump that can only keep up during dry weather. During rain, he must bring in additional pumps to constantly run. This proposal will cost a lot of money and won't solve the problem. The Commissioners need to go to the state to get permission to penetrate the dam. Discussions and suggestions for a fix need to continue.

Mr. Davis asked if there were any additional comments.

Mr. Steve Romine asked if the Commission had heard from ODNR especially given the fact they allowed the Buckeye Lake Yacht Club to penetrate the dam.

Mr. Davis replied that they had had continuing discussions but did not yet have a firm answer that will satisfy the Commissioners. They have some reason to believe that the discussion will continue and have a ray of hope those discussions will be fruitful.

Ms. Judy Craig of 3400 South Bank Drive stated that Licking Sewer System was also allowed to penetrate the dam as it goes under the lake.

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Ms. Robin Thompson stated that the last big rain event a few weeks ago caused major backup and reiterated that the Later A Ditch, Canal, and Licking River must be deeper.

Mr. Upp stated that he had witnessed those areas after the rain storms.

Mr. Davis reviewed the public hearing process and reiterated that they were listening to the comments instead of debating with those in attendance.

Ms. Paula McMurray-Schwarz of 13038 West Bank Road stated that this has been an issue for a long time. This issue isn't about those who agree or disagree, but those who signed the petition signed it for a solution to a problem. They just want to solve the problem. She believes all in attendance have the same drainage issues, and this is the first attempt to try to fix those issues. The area is already breached where ODNR has said they will cap off the dam. She asked why they put the breach there in the first place. She added the residents did send a letter to ODNR asking that the capping be delayed, but they had not heard back.

Ms. Cynthia Osburn of 13054 West Bank Road stated that the pump is right next to their property. Should they keep it, she would like it to be safer.

Mr. Brad Smith of 12720 West Bank Drive thanked Mr. Ferbrache, Ms. Boyer, and Mr. Upp for all their help. This is obviously a band-aid to the problem, but they are dealing with the hand they were dealt. Fortunately, the discharge has not been capped yet. He added that there are not really any good alternatives to not penetrating the dam. They are also working with Ed Parrish, as the water can only go one direction. It is sad to see everyone scrambling and working so hard for a temporary fix.

Mr. Upp provided his closing remarks. He stated he understood the issues with the south fork of the Licking River and reiterated that while this is not the best option, it is the last hope. There is no intent to spend money if a better option is available, and they continue to try to get ODNR to allow them to penetrate the dam. They are moving forward with this so they do not get behind should their efforts to penetrate the dam fail. If they can penetrate the dam the new system that meets all safety standards.

Mr. Davis stated that every now and then a problem appears where you are not sure who to call for a solution. In this case Mr. Upp and Soil and Water officials have stepped up, and that is greatly appreciated. From the moment the Commission learned of these plans, they have tried to be as helpful as possible. They are aware this is an inadequate solution and know the challenges of implementing a better solution.

Mr. Levacy stated he has witnessed many issues on Buckeye Lake during his time up there. The Commissioners sent a letter to the ODNR Director requesting this allowance. He has had conversations with staff but has not heard anything back. Three weeks ago, he met with Senator Portman and Congressman Stivers and asked both to contact the Army Corps of Engineers. A lot of effort is being made to find a solution that works. The Commission is aware that draining into Lateral A is not the best solution, but it may be the only solution as Columbia Gas will not allow the water to flow south. He added that this was not typically in the jurisdiction of the Engineer or Soil and Water, but since there is potential flooding of a county road, the Engineer could get involved.

Mr. Davis thanked everyone for attending and commended them for their comments. He added that the Commissioners, Engineer, and Soil and Water are struggling with those who live at the lake to find an acceptable solution.

The public hearing was closed at 11:03 a.m.

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**Adjournment**

With no further business, on the motion of Dave Levacy and a second of Mike Kiger the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn at 11:04 a.m.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy, Mike Kiger, and Steve Davis

The next regular meeting for the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, August 31, 2017, at 10:09 a.m.

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Motion by: *Dave Levacy*      Seconded by: *Mike Kiger*

that the August 22, 2017, minutes were approved by the following vote:

YEAS: *Levacy, Kiger, Davis*

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

\*Approved on August 31, 2017



Steven A. Davis  
Commissioner



Dave Levacy  
Commissioner



Mike Kiger  
Commissioner



Rachel A. Elsea, Clerk