

Regular Meeting #40 - 2017
Fairfield County Commissioners' Office
September 12, 2017

Review

The Commissioners met at 9:05 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 and Mike Kiger. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Dennis Keller, Jon Kochis, Joshua Horacek, Amy Brown-Thompson, Patrick O'Malia, Chief Perrigo, Ray Stemen, Jeff Porter, Jeff Barron, and Tony Vogel.

- Legal Update

Mr. Horacek reported back on the question Mr. Davis had last week regarding the increase in the jail population over Labor Day. The primary driver was an increase in enforcement over Labor Day as there was a lot of traffic activity that day.

Mr. Davis thanked Mr. Horacek for the update. The inmate count is currently down to 309.

- Administration and Budget Update/Carri's List

- a. Announcements

The United Way event and cook-out is Thursday – September 14th. (Many people are participating in the Community Care Day today.)

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

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

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

- b. Highlights of Resolutions

Ms. Brown highlighted the resolutions proposed for the voting agenda.

There were two resolutions for proclamations to approve. The first was to ratify a proclamation in honor of constitution week. Such proclamation will be presented at a City of Lancaster council meeting. The second was to honor Peter Oesterling, a Fulbright Scholar. Mr. Oesterling, family members, and guests will be at the regular meeting. (They understand this is a short presentation; the request for the proclamation came from the mother of Peter Oesterling.)

Ms. Brown reviewed the Fulbright Scholarship program:

The Fulbright Program was established in 1946 under legislation introduced by then-Senator J. William Fulbright of Arkansas. The Fulbright Program is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

The Fulbright Program awards approximately 8,000 grants annually. Roughly 1,600 U.S. students, 4,000 foreign students, 1,200 U.S. scholars, and 900 visiting scholars receive awards, in addition to several hundred teachers and professionals. Approximately 370,000 "Fulbright" have participated in the Program since its inception in 1946.

Economic and Workforce Development proposes a resolution to approve two appointments for the Area 20 Workforce Development Board. The appointments are recommended by multiple officials.

JFS proposed a transportation related contract with the Center for Disabilities, a contract renewal. (Two other transportation contracts are pending. One of those is with Creative Coach; the other is with Carealot.)

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The County Engineer proposed a change order for the Winchester Road bridge replacement project.

There were financial resolutions proposed, such as:

- An account to account transfer of appropriations to properly classify expenditures for the Visitation Center (general fund department) and the Dog Shelter (a special revenue fund department);
- A reduction of appropriations and a memo expenditure for EMA, with special revenue funds;
- A resolution permitting the County Administrator to sign OFCF grant documents for FCFACF programs;
- A memo expenditure for a BWC related allocation of direct costs of administration;
- A resolution authorizing the County Auditor to assess and place on the tax duplicate delinquent sewer rentals for the Buckeye Lake Sewer System for the dates of May 15, 2017 through June 15, 2017 -and- a resolution for a correction, removing a parcel from the tax duplicate.
- WIOA reimbursements to the Board of Commissioners (a memo expenditure);
- A resolution to amend the certificate, conversion of prior year 2015 & 2016 encumbrance (X-mode) to current year appropriation, reduce current year appropriations for the Public Safety Facility Fund# 3810 (final accounting measures);
- A resolution to assess 2017 water/sewer delinquencies and a resolution for the assessment of water and sewer connections on property tax; and
- The payment of bills (including the UHC payment for the health benefit plan & approval and payment of then and now certifications or substitute then and now certifications, as needed).

c. Administrative Approvals & Budget Update

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. She highlighted the EMA related agreement which will allow for Jon Kochis, EMA Director, to participate in emergency management activities in Florida if called upon to do so.

County Budget Update

Departmental budget hearing dates have been scheduled.

We do not have any additional news on resolution of the MCO sales tax issue.

We are planning for multiple year end processes.

Motion to permit the County Administrator to approve payments to UHC as needed in December 2017 and January 2018 when there are no available Commissioners' meetings, provided the payments are reviewed during the first regular meeting of January 2018.

On the motion of Steve Davis and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to permit the County Administrator to approve payments to UHC as needed in December 2017 and January 2018 when there are no available Commissioners' meetings, provided the payments are reviewed during the first regular meeting of January 2018.

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

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Mr. Davis stated that he has remained in contact with Senator Balderson and CCAO regarding their ongoing efforts regarding the MCO sales tax. He is not encouraged by the information he's receiving.

d. Bravos

- Thank you to everyone who has helped plan for the United Way event and cookout – and thanks in advance to everyone for participating.
- Thank you to Dave Burgei and the GIS team for supporting the US Census process by helping to ensure accurate and complete addresses are reflected for Fairfield County. GIS participated in a project a decade ago, and they will be participating again. GIS will be communicating to all county entities through the RPC contacts.
- Congratulations to the Major Crimes Unit for receiving a grant from the Attorney General to focus on a pre-arrest environment in relationship to the opioid epidemic.
- Thanks to Jon Kochis, EMA Director, for coordinating with state officials to be supportive of the state of Florida during their time of need.
- Thanks to Dennis Keller and the ServiceMaster team for the terrific job in cleaning the hearing room carpet.

- Old Business

- a. Baltimore Gun Range

Mr. Davis reported that there was recently an article in the Eagle Gazette regarding the Baltimore firing range. The County is not involved in this litigation, and we await the memo from Baltimore answering questions regarding the parcels. We also await additional information from the Sheriff on their needs in relocating to a new fire range.

- New Business (none)

- General Correspondence Received

- a. 2016 PAFR – Ms. Brown thanked the County Auditor staff for the Popular Annual Financial Report and commented upon its multiple uses, such as to address public inquiries and respond to grant invitations.

- Calendar Review/Invitations Received

- a. United Way Cook Out & Silent Auction – Thursday, September 14th
 - b. Community Action Annual Dinner & Board Meeting – Thursday, September 28th at 6:00 p.m. at Alley Park Lodge
 - 1. Commissioner Kiger will attend.
 - c. Fishel Hass Open House – Thursday, October 5th – New Albany, Ohio
 - d. Violet Township Fire Department Open House – Sunday, October 15th from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at 8700 Refugee Road, Pickerington
 - e. Homeport 30th Voice & Vision Award Celebration – Thursday, October 19th at 5:30 p.m. at St. Charles in Columbus

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- FYI
 - a. The Jail population is 309. An updated table of expenditures will be included in the next review packet.
 - b. Violet Township Zoning Notice re: Meadowmoore Reserve – Planned District Modification (sent to RPC)
 - c. DD September 2017 Newsletter
- Issues Bin (none)
- Open Items (none)

Commissioner Davis stated at 9:16 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, September 12, 2017 beginning at 10:00 a.m., with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Dave Levacy, and Mike Kiger. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Staci Knisley, Jennifer Sitterly-Baum, Jon Kochis, Jon Slater, Dennis Keller, Ray Stemen, Joshua Horacek, Amy Brown-Thompson, Michael Orlando, Patrick O'Malia, Tony Vogel, Jeff Barron, Todd McCullough, Matt McPhail, Chad Belville, Jill Hoshier, Kelly Chestnut, Sally Ayers, Jerry Ayers, Gerry Seehurst, Peter Oesterling, Gloria Oesterling, Angie Ausec, Cynthia Herd, Sally Karns, Pattie Frohnapfel, Sue McCollister, Mary Travis, Mary Green, Joyce Smith, Cory Boone, and Jordan Hope.

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.

Mr. Ray Stemen of 2444 West Point Road in Lancaster stated there is a concealed carry bill in the House of Representatives that has been signed by 210 Congressmen, yet the Speaker of the House is keeping it off the floor and has not done anything to promote the President's agenda. This is a second amendment right.

Mr. Jerry Ayers of 205 South Company Street in Baltimore spoke on behalf of property owners who owned 65 acres of land in Fairfield County. He said he was speaking about trespassing. He stated their issues are with the gun range, and the only solution against the lying Mayor of Baltimore is to find another way to shut down the dangerous gun range. Mr. Ayer's father-in-law originally donated in 1958 the property the sewage plant sits on. Access was given to the plant for reasons of serving the plant. The former Mayor of Baltimore remembers that a gate used to be on the property. They later took down the gate as it was an inconvenience. When the mayor and chief of police started the gun range they asked several people to trespass so they could access the range. Despite what was reported in the paper, the chain has not been put across the access road yet. Mr. Ayers went on to say this access road is not in Baltimore, but in Fairfield County. A committee was formed asking the village to close the gun range, and it was brought up that they could go back to the original entry method. Mr. Ayers filed a complaint

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with the Sheriff's Office and believes Mayor Nicodemus followed him there. The mayor then had an injunction filed against Mr. Ayers. He believes the mayor is trying to cost them money by taking them to court and wonders how this is legal. He asked where they should go for help and how they should protect themselves. He has been accused of many things that are not true. Mr. Ayers reiterated that this is all about the gun range and not about trespassing. They chain is in place but has never been locked. He asked how Baltimore can fight this.

Mr. Davis stated that the public comments section of the Regular Meeting was an opportunity for the tax payers and voters to address the Commissioners without a back and forth between the two.

Mr. Ayers asked if it cost money to take this issue to the voters and stated they would be requesting the state auditor to get involved. He referred to the mayor as a slick attorney and then asked the Commissioners if they could not help them.

Approval of Minutes for Tuesday, September 5, 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, September 5, 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 Auditor's Office Resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Auditor's Office resolution to approve allocation of BWC Specialist direct administrative cost as a memo expenditure for various funds; see resolution 2017-09.12.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 Commissioners' Office resolution authorizing the approval of a proclamation; see resolution 2017-09-12.b.

Discussion: Mr. Davis presented the proclamation to Mr. Oesterling and stated how impressed he was of his accomplishments. Mr. Oesterling thanked the Commissioners and appreciated the opportunity to represent Fairfield County abroad in Peru. It was quite the experience to think of his time at Fairfield Union while serving abroad.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Commissioners' Office resolution to ratify the approval of a proclamation; see resolution 2017-09.12.c.

Mr. Davis stated that the proclamation was presented the night before. Mr. Levacy stated he presented the proclamation honoring Constitution Week.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

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

2017-09.12.d A resolution to amend the certificate, conversion of prior year 2015 & 2016 encumbrance (X-mode) to current year appropriation, reduce current

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year appropriations for the Public Safety Facility Fund# 3810 – Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners]

- 2017-09.12.e A resolution approving an account to account transfer into a major expense category – Commissioners Visitation Center [Commissioners]
- 2017-09.12.f A resolution certifying to the County Auditor delinquent water and sewer rentals on tax duplicate – Buckeye Lake Sewer System – Water & Wastewater Department. [Commissioners]
- 2017-09.12.g A resolution to approve conferring contracting and financial signatory authority to the County Administrator on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners for Ohio Family and Children First agreements. [Commissioners]
- 2017-09.12.h A resolution authorizing the County Auditor to assess and place on the tax duplicate delinquent sewer rentals for the Buckeye Lake Sewer System for the dates of May 15, 2017 through June 15, 2017 [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 approving an account to account transfer; see resolution 2017-09.12.i.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of the Economic Development Resolutions

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

- 2017-09.12.j A resolution to approve the reimbursement of expenses incurred by Board of County Commissioners Economic Development Department, the administrative and fiscal agent for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Area 20/21 for administering the program as a memo expenditure for fund 7831 Workforce Innovation OPP Act 20/21 [Economic & Workforce Development]
- 2017-09.12.k A resolution to approve the appointment of Ms. Angela Ward to the Area 20 Workforce Development Board (WDB). [Economic & Workforce Development]
- 2017-09.12.l A resolution approving the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities representative to the WIOA Board [Economic & Workforce Development]

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:

- 2017-09.12.m A resolution authorizing the reduction in major expenditure object category appropriations and to align with estimated receipts. EMA Fund 2707 Emergency Management Performance Grant Fund [EMA]

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2017-09.12.n A resolution to approve a memo expenditure for EMA fund 2091 [EMA]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of the Engineer's Office Resolutions

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Engineer's Office resolution to approve a change order for the BLO-14 FAI-CR23-4.502 Winchester Road Bridge Replacement Project; see resolution 2017-09.12.o

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of the JFS Resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the JFS resolution regarding approval of a Purchase of Service Contract by and between Fairfield County Job & Family Services and Fairfield Center for disAbilities and Cerebral Palsy, Inc; see resolution 2017-09.12.p.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of the Utilities Resolutions

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

2017-09.12.q A resolution For the Assessment of Water and Sewer Connection on Property Tax. [Utilities]

2017-09.12.r A Resolution to Assess 2017 Water/Sewer Delinquencies. [Utilities]

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:

2017-09.12.s A resolution to approve the payment of the vouchers without appropriate carry-over purchase orders for all Departments that are approved by the Commissioners [Auditor- Finance]

2017-09.12.t A resolution authorizing payment(s) to United Health Care for purposes of the Fairfield County Health Benefits Plan – Fairfield County Board of Commissioners [Commissioners]

2017-09.12.u 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

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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 10:21 a.m.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

The next regular meeting for the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, September 19, 2017, at 10:00 a.m.

Motion by:

Seconded by:

that the September 12, 2017, minutes were approved by the following vote:

YEAS:

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

*Approved on September 19, 2017



Steven A. Davis
Commissioner



Dave Levacy
Commissioner



Mike Kiger
Commissioner



Rachel A. Elsea, Clerk