Viewing- Pickerington Road/Refugee Road Intersection Realignment

Pursuant to Resolution 11-09.13.h [In the matter of establishing, altering and widening of Hamburg Road, Fairfield County, Ohio declaration of necessity and setting a hearing Commissioner viewing date of November 1, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. and a final hearing date of November 1, 2011 at 11:00 a.m.]. Commissioner Kiger opened the hearing at 9:03 a.m. with the following Commissioners present: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger. Also present were Frank Anderson, Jeff Baird, Greg Butcher, Dan Davis, Dave Decsman, Dave England, Tim Malone, Harry Myers, Dave Stiles, Phil Stringer, and Vince Utterback.

Mr. Anderson stated that the signal was installed in 2005; there had been one fatality near this intersection. He stated that the project will cost $600,000-$700,000, ballpark cost including the right of way, which will include a new turn lane and replace two culverts. Construction will begin in 2014, with the grant request being submitted in 2013.

Mr. Butcher asked who would be funding this project.

Mr. Anderson stated that this project would be funded by the motor vehicle fund and an Ohio Public Works Grant.

Ms. Mattei stated that the problem is that large semi-trucks travel east bound on Refugee Road.

Mr. Baird stated that the radiuses will be made larger.

Mr. Myers asked what it would take to increase the angle of the road.

Mr. Baird stated it would take a lot more land. He stated that they will use truck templates to see whether the distance is sufficient. He stated that they tried to pick a good balance with a good fix and the cost. He stated that they will try to keep the construction within a short amount of time.

Mr. Baird stated that they will have to re-do the Engineer’s estimate to reflect the new costs. He stated that they will apply for the grant in 2013.

The viewing concluded at 9:24 a.m.

Commissioners’ Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, November 1, 2011 beginning at 10:09 a.m., with the following Commissioners present: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger. Also present were Jeff Baird, Aunie Cordle, Jason Dolin, Ed Laramee, Dave Levacy, Holly Mattei, and Branden Meyer.

Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Kiger asked everyone to rise and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcements

No announcements made.
Public Comment

No public comment.

Approval of Minutes from the Regular Meeting for Tuesday, October 11, 2011

On the motion of Judith Shupe and second of Steven Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of minutes from the Regular Meeting for Tuesday, October 11, 2011.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger

Approval of the Appointment of Holly Mattei to the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission Transportation Advisory Committee and Policy Committee [Fairfield County Commissioners]

On the motion of Judith Shupe and second of Steven Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of the Appointment of Holly Mattei to the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission Transportation Advisory Committee and Policy Committee [Fairfield County Commissioners], see Resolution 11-11.01.a.

Ms. Mattei stated that she has served on this committee for three years and would like to continue. She stated that this committee reviews the projects that received federal funding.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger

Approval of Delinquent Sewer Rentals [Fairfield County Auditor]

On the motion of Judith Shupe and second of Steven Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of Delinquent Sewer Rentals [Fairfield County Auditor], see Resolution 11-11.01.b.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger

Approval of Approval of a IV-D Contract Amendment between the Fairfield County Job & Family Services, Child Support Enforcement Agency and Mary Ann Boone [Fairfield County Job & Family Services]

On the motion of Judith Shupe and second of Steven Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of approval of a IV-D Contract Amendment between the Fairfield County Job & Family Services, Child Support Enforcement Agency and Mary Ann Boone [Fairfield County Job & Family Services], see Resolution 11-11.01.c.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger

Approval of Approval of the Plat Authorization and Dedication of a Relocated Portion of Election House Road [Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission]

On the motion of Judith Shupe and second of Steven Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of the Plat Authorization and Dedication of a Relocated Portion of Election House Road [Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission]see Resolution 11-11.01.d.

Ms. Mattei stated that the Commissioners must take two actions regarding this. She stated that they must execute the plat, then sign it again.
Commissioner Kiger asked whether the road will be open next Wednesday.

Ms. Mattei stated there will be an open house Monday at the airport from 12:00-2:00 p.m. and at the Eversole section of the road from 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger

Approval of the six-month report for the Fiscal Year 2010 Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) completed September 2011 [Fairfield County Commissioners]

On the motion of Judith Shupe and second of Steven Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of the six-month report for the Fiscal Year 2010 Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) completed September 2011 [Fairfield County Commissioners], see Resolution 11-11.01.e.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger

Approval of Contract and Approval of a Notice to Proceed and Notice of Commencement- CDBG FY 2010 Fairfield County, Village of Amanda & Village of Pleasantville Street & Sidewalk Improvements [Fairfield County Commissioners]

On the motion of Judith Shupe and second of Steven Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of Contract and Approval of a Notice to Proceed and Notice of Commencement- CDBG FY 2010 Fairfield County, Village of Amanda & Village of Pleasantville Street & Sidewalk Improvements [Fairfield County Commissioners], see Resolution 11-11.01.f.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger

Approval of Sheriff’s Resolutions

On the motion of Judith Shupe and second of Steven Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of the following Sheriff’s resolutions:

11-11.01.g Approval to Ratify Previously Approved Account to Account Transfer- Fairfield County Commissioners [Fairfield County Commissioners]

11-11.01.h Approval to Ratify Previously Approved Financial Resolutions for Various Departments [Fairfield County Commissioners]

11-11.01.i Approval to Ratify Previously Approved Financial Resolution- Fairfield County Sheriff [Fairfield County Sheriff]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis, and Mike Kiger

Approval of Fiscal Resolutions

On the motion of Judith Shupe and second of Steven Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of the following fiscal resolutions:

11-11.01.j Approval of Account to Account Transfer (10202200 REA) [Fairfield County Auditor]

11-11.01.k Approval of Account to Account Transfer (1001 General Fund) [Fairfield County Auditor]
11-11.01.l  Approval of Account to Account Transfer- Fairfield County Commissioners [Fairfield County Commissioners]

11-11.01.m  Approval of Account to Account Transfer- Domestic Relations Court [Fairfield County DR Court]

11-11.01.n  Approval of Account to Account Transfer (2002/122000200 Dog & Kennel) [Fairfield County Dog Shelter]

11-11.01.o  Approval of Increase in Estimated Receipts and Amend the Certificate, Also Approve Appropriate from Unappropriated 2735- EMA State Homeland Security Grant Fund [Fairfield County EMA]

11-11.01.p  Approval to Appropriate from Unappropriated Funds, Motor Vehicle Fund 2024, the County Engineer [Fairfield County Engineer]

11-11.01.q  Approval of Amended Certificate (Fund #7521 Family, Adult & Children First Council) [Fairfield County FACF]

11-11.01.r  Approval of Payment of a Voucher without an Appropriate Carry-over Purchase Order for the 7521 FACF [Fairfield County FACF]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis, and Mike Kiger

Approval of Authorization for Payment of Bills, November 1, 2011 [Fairfield County Commissioners]

On the motion of Judith Shupe and second of Steven Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of Authorization for Payment of Bills, November 1, 2011 [Fairfield County Commissioners], see Resolution 11-11.01.s.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger

Approval to Appropriate from Unappropriated Money (10202200 Real Estate) [Fairfield County Auditor]

On the motion of Judith Shupe and second of Steven Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval to appropriate from unappropriated Money (10202200 Real Estate) [Fairfield County Auditor], see Resolution 11-11.01.t.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger

The Regular Meeting ended at 10:12 a.m.

Meeting with Mark Pfister

The Commissioners met with Mark Pfister from Table Rock Land Services. Commissioner Kiger called the meeting to order at 10:20 a.m. with the following Commissioners present: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger. Also present were Jeff Baird, Dan Barham, Jeff Barron, Aunie Cordle, Jason Dolin, Steve Kersey, Ed Laramee, Dave Levacy, Branden Meyer, and Mark Pfister.

Commissioner Davis stated that he has been asked to represent farmers and if the Commissioners need to take action, he will recuse himself from those decisions.
Mr. Pfister stated that a feasibility study needs to be done for the ethane pipeline project. He stated that he would like the Commissioners’ permission to do preliminary surveys including archeological and environmental surveys. He stated that there will be a corridor of 250 feet on each side.

Commissioner Davis stated that a few of the landowners thought that 250 feet was the width of the permanent easement.

Mr. Pfister stated that the easement is generally 50 feet wide; they just want to do the preliminary survey.

Commissioner Shupe asked what the project moving forward “hinges on.”

Mr. Pfister stated this survey that they are requesting to complete.

Commissioner Shupe asked what the size of the pipeline is.

Mr. Pfister stated that the pipes will be 16 inches in diameter, but could potentially be 24 inches. He stated that the pipeline comes from Pennsylvania to the South.

Mr. Dolin asked how long the survey will take.

Mr. Kersey stated that it depends on how long it takes for the survey to start and through the winter time. He stated that they be doing survey work on the county’s parcels about one day, possibly two. He stated that there are 9 parcels around the airport area, parcels on the west side of State Route 33.

Commissioner Davis asked whether this work would be on the North of Rockies Line.

Mr. Kersey stated that the 500 feet will be north of the Rockies Line.

Commissioner Shupe asked where the pipeline turns north.

Commissioner Davis stated most likely near the Smith Family Farm.

Mr. Pfister showed the pipeline on a map.

Commissioner Kiger stated that he would want to make sure that the pipeline doesn’t hit the new intersection.

Mr. Pfister stated that they will try to go around it if they are able.

Mr. Kersey stated that they will obtain permits for all road crossings. He stated that his company is handling segment 2 and another company will handle segment 1 and 3, which are located outside of Ohio. He stated that the pipeline will pull ethane from Pennsylvania to Texas and other places in the United States.

The meeting concluded at 10:34 a.m.

**Review Session**

The Board of Commissioners met at 10:35 a.m. to review legal issues, pending and future action items and correspondence. Commissioners present were Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger. Also present were Dan Barham, Aunie Cordle, Staci Knisley, Ed Laramee, Dave Levacy, and Branden Meyer.

**Legal Questions Under Review and Prosecutor’s Pending Items**

- No pending items.
Other Pending Items

• Public Safety Committee Report
Nothing new to report.

• MAPSYS Software/3SG
Mr. Meyer stated that Mr. Dolin has approved the 3SG contract, which should be ready for approval at the next Commissioners’ meeting.

• X-ray Machine at Hall of Justice
Mr. Meyer stated that he received an email from Stephanie Tansill stating that she had spoken with Justin, her tech in Sylvania, Ohio and he is unable to assist us with that equipment because he is in Florida and North Carolina. However, she said that she is in the process of getting the necessary information from him that may help her fix that equipment.

Items that Need New Action/Attention- Requests and Review

• MCU Property in Muskingum County
Commissioner Shupe asked where we are regarding this.
Mr. Meyer stated that no bids have been received and the deadline is coming up next Monday on November 7.
Commissioner Kiger stated that if no bids are received that the property could be offered to the township fire department.
Mr. Laramee suggested that the county appeal the property value to the Muskingum County’s Board of Revision.
Mr. Dolin stated that he would be willing to appear in this matter.

Invitations

• Press Release received from Sheriff’s Office, re: Open House at County Jail Annex (SCI/Camp Reams), Wednesday, November 2 (10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.)

Informational

• Letter received from Enterprise Liquids Pipeline, LLC, re: Marcellus Project, Proposed Pipeline
• Letter received from Fairfield County EMA: Jon Kochis, re: Fairfield County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan 2011 Update
• Thank You letter received from Dave Benson

Additional Items Placed on Review*

*Workers Compensation
Commissioner Davis stated that a Worker’s Comp Review Board voted last Friday for a 5% reduction for public entities for 2012. He stated that he would like to know how this will affect the budget numbers.
Ms. Cordle stated that there will be a group meeting on November 30. She stated that Fairfield County does not perform as an individual county, but rather as a collective with other counties. She stated that the departments have been given a percent and each department is charged on their claims history. She stated that they are using the 2011 figures as an estimate.
Commissioner Davis gave an example stating that someone could have paid $1.00 for 2011 and told to budget $1.04 for 2012 and then told that the number will actually be $0.95 for 2012.
Ms. Cordle stated yes.
Ms. Knisley stated that the total from the General Fund is $239,000. She stated that there was about a $12,000 reduction.
Commissioner Davis stated that he would like to know the actual figure when available.
Ms. Cordle stated that Developmental Disabilities, the Engineer’s Office and the Sheriff’s Office have the most claims and are effected the most by this.
Commissioner Shupe asked whether the amount for the Engineer's Office comes from the General Fund.

Ms. Knisley stated that the Engineer's Office pays for their own Worker's Comp. She asked whether Ms. Cordle anticipates having the figures in December.

Ms. Cordle stated yes.

Ms. Knisley stated that it is difficult to know the accurate numbers before a decision is made.

*OSU Extension*
Commissioner Shupe stated that OSU Extension has an advisory Committee meeting on Thursday, November 3.

Commissioner Davis stated that the Commissioners were told that the dollars not expended go into an account at OSU "earmarked" for Fairfield County.

Commissioner Shupe stated that the carryover should be "healthy" because two of the educators have left the office.

Commissioner Davis stated that there should be at least $50,000 left in the account. He stated that he would like to know what the number is and what the prioritization is.

Commissioner Shupe suggested that the 4-H position should be left full-time. She stated that the Consumer Science educator could either be full-time or part-time. She suggested using some carryover funds and possibly taking a reduced budget from the Commissioners. She further stated that there may be upcoming retirements in the support staff.

Commissioner Davis stated that there no question that our county has a "very robust" program and would like to know what their priorities are.

Commissioner Shupe stated that the following departments have re-hearings: Engineer, Sheriff, and OSU Extension.

Review Session ended at 10:55 a.m.

**Executive Session**

On the motion of Steven Davis and second of Judith Shupe, the Board of Commissioners voted to enter into Executive Session at 10:55 a.m. for the purpose of discussing labor negotiations. Commissioners present were Judith Shupe, Steve Davis and Mike Kiger. Also present were Aunie Cordle, Jason Dolin, and Branden Meyer.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon:  Steven Davis and Mike Kiger

On the motion of Judith Shupe and second of Steven Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn from Executive Session at 11:02 a.m.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon:  Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger.

No formal actions were taken.

**Hearing- Pickerington Road/Refugee Road Intersection Realignment**

Pursuant to Resolution 11-09.13.h [In the matter of establishing, altering and widening of Hamburg Road, Fairfield County, Ohio declaration of necessity and setting a hearing Commissioner viewing date of November 1, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. and a final hearing date of November 1, 2011 at 11:00 a.m.] a viewing for this road project was held by the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners on Tuesday, November 1, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Kiger opened the hearing at 11:04 a.m. with the following Commissioners present: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger. Also present were Mike Arter, Greg Bachman, Jeff Baird, Dan Barham, Jeff Barron, Jason Dolin, Ed Laramee, Dave Levacy, and Branden Meyer.

Mr. Meyer read Resolution 11-09.13.h.
Mr. Baird stated that the Engineer’s office will be working to correct the intersection angle and widen the radiuses. He stated that the intersection angle is 53 degrees and the proposed change is 60 degrees.

Mr. Bachman stated that the plans are good, but he suggested that future plans such as this that the Engineer consider the use of a roundabout. He stated that the reduced speed would do some good. He stated that it would require more right of way. He stated that roundabouts have 40% less crashes and 70%-80% less serious accidents and fatalities. He stated the many safety benefits to them. He stated that there are safety funds available for construction projects involving roundabouts. He stated that in a previous job he received 90% ODOT safety grant on another project. He stated that ODOT funding lot of roundabouts.

Mr. Laramee asked whether 60% is the best angle that can be used.

Mr. Baird stated yes.

Mr. Laramee stated that the angle is still a terrible angle.

Mr. Baird stated that the radiuses are better in the proposed plan than the current situation. He stated that the additional criteria would be harder to justify the cost to make the radiuses larger.

Mr. Laramee stated that the cost would be significant because of the power station on one side and the creek on the other side. He stated that 60 degrees is the angle because of the traffic light and if there was no traffic light, the angle would be 70 degrees.

On the motion of Judith Shupe and a second of Steven Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn at 11:15 a.m.

Roll call vote on the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger

Budget Hearing: Family, Adult and Children First Council- Becky Edwards

The Commissioners met to discuss an allocation for the Family, Adult and Children First Council (FACF). Commissioner Kiger called the meeting to order at 11:19 a.m. with the following Commissioners present: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger. Also present were Jason Dolin, Becky Edwards, Staci Knisley, Ed Laramee, Dave Levacy, Holly Mattei, Branden Meyer, and Tessie Swain.

Ms. Edwards stated that she understands the position that the Commissioners are in regarding the County’s budget. She stated that she just would like to discuss child placement funding; the other operating costs come from the special revenue fund. ORC 121.37 requires that the Commissioners fund FACF. She stated that SB 192 amended ORC 121.37. She stated that FACF serves children 21 years and younger, 60 families per year and second, the high risk families, 96 families per year. She stated that in 2004, the Multi-System Youth Committee moved towards an in home counseling, preventive program; which is funded by grant funding.

Ms. Edwards stated that there is a pooled fund, which shows the community support when applying for grants. She stated that they were receiving $200,000 per year, which cannot be used for out of home placement. She stated that she would like the Commissioners’ allocation to be given directly to FACF, not from Child Protective Services (CPS).

Ms. Knisley stated that FACF does not want to receive the money from CPS.
Ms. Edwards stated yes. She stated that they would rather receive the money directly.

Commissioner Shupe stated that there are several agencies giving money to FACF and asked whether they are giving the money.

Ms. Edwards stated yes, but the money used for preventive things. She stated that the money has been pooled for intensive home based therapy.

Ms. Swain stated that they try to get the services in place prior to them coming home.

Ms. Edwards stated that the children involved

Commissioner Davis asked whether the $100,000 was in the request that JFS submitted.

Commissioner Kiger stated that the amount was $400,000.

Ms. Edwards stated that JFS was forced to allocate $100,000.

Commissioner Shupe agreed.

Commissioner Davis asked if the $100,000 is received from CPS whether there are restrictions on what the money can be used for.

Ms. Edwards stated no.

Commissioner Davis asked whether there was a difference whether the money can from CPS or from the General Fund.

Ms. Edwards stated no.

Commissioner Davis stated that $100,000 for four placements is a large amount to spend to serve such a small population.

Commissioner Shupe stated that parents have been advised to turn over custody to CPS.

Ms. Edwards stated that more money would be paid if the therapy is not done.

Ms. Swain stated that when home visits increase, therapy increases.

Mr. Laramee stated that several years ago when the Budget Retreat was held at Wagnall’s Memorial Michael Orlando was the speaker. He stated that he spoke about the levy explaining that part of the funding would go to fund children who were not funded by CPS.

Ms. Edwards stated that the levy cannot provide for children who are not in CPS custody.

Mr. Laramee stated that there is nothing in the levy ballot language to prevent this. The levy does not say children’s services. He stated that Mr. Orlando discussed helping children prior to them reaching the JFS system.

Commissioner Davis asked when she had a conversation with JFS about funding.

Ms. Edwards stated that the discussion with JFS regarding funding is on-going.

Commissioner Davis stated that if there is $100,000 that is not getting spent, that he thought it would have been discussed at the JFS Budget Hearing.

The meeting concluded at 11:58 a.m.
Meeting with Holly Mattei and James Mako

The Commissioners met with Holly Mattei and James Mako from the Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission. Commissioner Kiger called the meeting to order at 11:58 a.m. with the following Commissioners present: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger. Also present were Staci Knisley, Ed Laramee, Dave Levacy, James Mako, Holly Mattei, and Branden Meyer.

Mr. Mako discussed last year’s CDBG project regarding a Thurston sidewalk project.

Commissioner Davis asked what year this project would be for.

Ms. Mako stated that the project was a FY2010 Grant for the work to be completed in 2011. He stated that no bids were received on the project. He stated that the Engineer’s estimates were off; the project bids came in lower. He suggested that the Commissioners can decide to do other projects in Pleasantville or take the money do do projects in Thurston.

Ms. Mattei suggested that current projects not be taken away from Pleasantville that they have been promised.

Commissioner Davis stated that the Thurston project has been underfunded and Pleasantville came in under the estimate.

Ms. Mattei stated that the Thurston project is now $120,000.

Commissioner Davis asked whether the Pleasantville project $69,000 and $53,000 for Thurston.

Ms. Mattei stated yes and asked whether the Commissioners prefer to move the money from the Pleasantville project to the Thurston project.

Commissioner Shupe suggested that Thurston could have a scaled back project.

Ms. Mattei suggested “scooting” money over to Thurston.

Commissioner Davis stated that taking money away from Pleasantville may not be a good decision.

Ms. Mattei asked for direction from the Commissioners.

Commissioner Davis suggested that Ms. Mattei meet with Jack Widener in person to ask if the other project can be done as well.

Ms. Mattei stated that a lot of money has been sent to Pleasantville.

Mr. Mako stated that Pleasantville has received a lot of funding.

Commissioner Davis stated that he agrees with Ms. Mattei’s suggestion, recommending that “diplomacy is used to get there.”

Commissioners Kiger and Shupe agree.

The meeting concluded at 12:11 p.m.
Adjournment

With no more business to discuss, on the motion of Judith Shupe and a second of Steven Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn at 12:13 p.m.

Roll call vote on the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis and Mike Kiger

The next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, November 8, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

Motion by: Judith Shupe   Seconded by: Steven Davis

that the minutes were approved by the following vote:

YEAS: Judith Shupe, Steven Davis, Mike Kiger            NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

*Approved on November 22, 2011

Mike Kiger   Judith K. Shupe   Steven A. Davis
Commissioner  Commissioner  Commissioner

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Branden C. Meyer, Clerk