Meeting with Chris Stein

The Commissioners met at 9:01 a.m. with Mr. Chris Stein to discuss the Violet Festival. Commissioner Kiger called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Dave Levacy, and Mike Kiger. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Staci Knisley, Jason Dolin, Bob Clark, Jeff Barron, Jim Bahnsen, Todd McCullough, Ray Stemen, Jon Kochis, Mary Beth Lane, Patty Bratton, Chief Perrigo, Aunie Cordle, Dennis Keller, Chris Stein, and Tony Vogel.

Mr. Stein introduced himself as the President of the Violet Festival and stated he had some exciting updates for 2015. The festival board and Board of Education have agreed on a new location at Tollgate Elementary and Middle schools in Violet Township (not in Pickerington). They have also met with the Sheriff and Township and have the full support of all involved. They announced this a few weeks ago and have received great feedback.

Mr. Levacy asked if there was cooperation with the city of Pickerington.

Mr. Stein stated he met with the City Council president and would like to promote the City's bicentennial event during the festival. While some council members support the cooperation, the Council President and others are not interested in cooperation.

Mr. Davis asked how long Mr. Stein has been involved with the festival.

Mr. Stein replied that he has been involved for four years. The new location and support came together very quickly. They are also working with the neighborhood civic association to make sure they have no concerns.

Mr. Kiger asked who owns the property where the festival will be held.

Mr. Stein replied that the school district owned the property and were on board with the festival. The concern with the previous location was that the grounds could not be repaired in time, but that will not be a problem at the new location.

Mr. Kiger asked what the dates of the festival were.

Mr. Stein replied it would be July 29 – August 1. They are trying to not compete with the Lancaster Festival but recently learned the festival was pushed back a few days this year. In the future they'd like to work with the new director to avoid this.

Everyone thanked Mr. Stein for his update.

Review

The Commissioners met at 9:11 a.m. to review legal issues and pending or future action items and correspondence. Commissioner Kiger called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Dave Levacy, and Mike Kiger. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Staci Knisley, Jason Dolin, Bob Clark, Jeff Barron, Jim Bahnsen, Todd McCullough, Ray Stemen, Jon Kochis, Mary Beth Lane, Patty Bratton, Chief Perrigo, Aunie Cordle, Dennis Keller, Jeff Porter, and Tony Vogel..

Legal Update

Mr. Dolin thanked everyone for his or her expression of condolences at the passing of his mother. Everyone indicated that they were thinking of Mr. Dolin and his family.

Administration and Budget Updates/Carri's List

a. Highlights of Resolutions for the Voting Agenda

Ms. Brown reported there was a resolution to approve the wire for debt service payments due on December 1. There were contracts for services for the Clerk of Courts (fireproofing services), JFS (IV-D administrative hearing officer, Hope Grant services with the Sheriff and Recovery Center, and GED services) and the countywide telecommunications plan. She thanked Mr. Dolin for his patience and help in approving the telecommunications agreement to form.

There was the property donation plan proposed for approval. This was discussed several months ago, and the objective was to have a plan in place by the end of the year. This allows for donations to non-profit organizations. The process is modeled after Delaware County's program. Ms. Brown thanked Ms. Elsea for her leadership on this project.

There were resolutions relating to the CDBG draw down and various account to account transfers. There were adjustments for the CFLP budget. Ms. Bratton was available for questions. DD has proposed a fund to fund transfer, which has been approved by the County Auditor previously to being placed on the voting agenda.

Regional Planning proposed the acceptance of Violet Meadows. The Engineer proposed change orders for resurfacing projects and financial resolutions.

There was a resolution to transfer interest to the Park District for October.

There was the traditional process for paying bills.

Finally, there was a proclamation to honor National Adoption Day, and officials from JFS will be present to accept this proclamation. For more information about adoption possibilities, please visit www.fcjfs.org or call Job and Family Services anytime.

b. Public Safety Facility/Jail Update

The bond rating meeting with Moody's was conducted on November 20 and 21. The presentation went well and was as expected. Fairfield County has done all that it can to protect its rating. There has been thoughtful preparation and analysis. Thanks to everyone who participated on the 20th and 21st: Commissioners Kiger, Davis, and Levacy, Carri Brown, Tony Vogel, Jon Slater, Jim Bahnsen, David Conley, Scott Ericson, Emily Cannon, and Michael Burns. Within the short term, we will hear from Moody's.

Ms. Brown and David Conley will be meeting on Wednesday to review the timeline and other aspects for issuing debt.

Mr. Davis stated they would need flexibility in the debt structure timing that accounts for various structures in terms of bid returns.

Ms. Brown reported that she and Dennis Keller met with Linda Aller of Bennett and Williams yesterday, and Bennett and Williams has provided an updated list of recommendations. The updated list will be posted on the website. The recommendations are fewer than what was provided as the original recommendations from Bennett and Williams, given more information is now known. The shorter, less burdensome list is a positive development as we look toward the bidding process.

Further, we have verbal confirmation of the "non-detects" for the final air quality tests. We will be receiving that final report from Bennett and Williams.

Mr. Kiger stated that copies of the reported and updates were available on the website. He encouraged interested parties to visit the website.

He also thanked the team who went to NYC last week (David Conley, Dennis Schwallie, Dave Levacy, Steve Davis, Carri Brown, Tony Vogel, Jim Bahnsen, and Jon Slater) as they did a great job on the presentation in his opinion. Mr. Conley told Mr. Kiger it was the best presentation he had seen in 30 years. It left Mr. Kiger with a very good feeling in thinking about protecting the county's rating.

Mr. Davis stated they expect the report on December 2nd and will see what it says then.

Ms. Brown thanked the administrative staff of multiple departments for their support as well.

c. Budget Hearings

Ms. Brown reported that most departments have been very cooperative with the communicated parameters.

There was a follow up hearing scheduled with the County Prosecutor later in the day.

It is possible that additional hearings could be needed.

Further, HR and the County Auditor's Office coordinated on the communication regarding the planned insurance rate change (approximately 6.2% for the year).

A flyer was included in the review packet.

With level 4 access in MUNIS ending December 1, if anyone needs any help with adjustments, he or she can call Carri Brown or Staci Knisley.

The plan is to pass the 2015 budget on December 9th.

d. Land Bank Meeting – November 25th at 2:00 p.m.

The review packet contained the agenda for the Land Bank Meeting. There is an executive team meeting planned following the Land Bank Meeting.

e. December 4 Roundtable

A draft agenda for the December 4th Roundtable was included in the review packet.

Carri Brown sent email on Wednesday, November 19, requesting input for the agenda. The meeting will be held at Liberty Center. There is a regular Board of Commissioners meeting scheduled following the roundtable at 10:30 a.m.

f. Holiday Open House

The review packet contained a flyer for the Holiday Open House on December 18th.

There is a survey monkey for RSVPs by December 16th.

g. Happy Thanksgiving, Everyone!

The Courthouse is closed Thursday and Friday this week.

- Old Business
- New Business
- General Correspondence Received
 - a. CFLP Draft Minutes from November 14th
 - b. Thank you from Brian Kuhn and City of Lancaster
 - c. CFLP Quarterly Budget Update
- Calendar Review/Invitations Received
 - a. Economic Development 411 Conference Friday, December 5th
 - b. Fairfield County Township Association Banquet Sunday, December 14th at 6:00 p.m. at the Liberty Center.

Commissioner Levacy will attend.

- <u>FYI</u>
 - a. OSU Extension Newsletter Winter 2014
- Issues Bin

Open Items

a. CFLP Quarterly Report

Commissioner Kiger stated at 9:26 a.m. that the Commission would be in recess until the Public Hearing.

Commissioners' Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, November 25, 2014 beginning at 10:00 a.m., with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Mike Kiger, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Staci Knisley, Branden Meyer, Kristi Burre, Aunie Cordle, JFS employees, Jon Kochis, Chief Perrigo, Jeff Camechis, Ray Stemen, Patty Bratton, Jason Dolin, Todd McCullough, Tony Vogel, Dennis Keller, Jim Bahnsen, Jeff Barron, Judge Vandervoort, and Barb Clapham.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Announcements

Commissioner Kiger asked Ms. Elsea if there were any announcements.

Ms. Elsea stated that the 10:30 Executive Session had been postponed.

Public Comments

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

Mr. Ray Stemen of 2444 West Point Road in Lancaster is very concerned that China has businesses in every state. They employ Chinese citizens and only need to employ 10 US citizens at each location to get a tax break. They recently purchased 2,000 acres in the Catskill Mountains and are creating their own "Sin City" according to Mr. Stemen. They will not allow US citizens to purchase land in that area. The Chinese are also working with cartels in the US. They are operating within the borders and are worse than ISIS in his opinion. He stated that the US cannot fight the Chinese.

Approval of Minutes for Thursday, November 18, 2014

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Minutes for Thursday, November 18, 2014.

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

Approval of the Clerk of Courts - Legal Resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Clerk of Courts – Legal resolution authorizing the approval of a service agreement by and between Fireproof Records Center and the Fairfield County Clerk of Courts; see resolution 2014-11.25.a.

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

Approval of the Commissioners' Office Resolutions

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Commissioners' Office resolution authorizing the approval of a proclamation recognizing November as Adoption and Recruitment Month; see resolution 2014-11.25.b.

Discussion: Ms. Brown presented the proclamation. She added that every child deserves a safe home and that Fairfield County is doing its part to see that all of our children do have homes. There are roughly 13,300 children in foster care in Ohio and 154 in Fairfield County. She urged anyone interested in adoption or foster care to contact JFS or visit www.fcjfs.org. She thanked Judge Vandervoort and the JFS professionals, as well as multiple community partners, for their dedication to children and families.

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

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Commissioners Office resolutions:

2014-11.25.c	A resolution establishing a program for the donation to qualifying non-profit entities of personal property which is not needed for public use, obsolete, or unfit for the use for which it was acquired, and which has an estimated fair market value of \$2,500.00 or less. [Commissioners]
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2014-11.25.d A resolution approving lease payment schedule for the Telecom Upgrade for the Voice System Implementation and Support for Maintenance with CBTS Financial Services – Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners]

2014-11.25.e	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 August 15, 2014 through September 15, 2014 [Commissioners]
2014-11.25.f	A resolution for approval and a signature needed by Fairfield County Commissioner Steve Davis, on the CFLP Solid Waste District Recycling Services Contract fourth quarter 2014 budget revision request. [Commissioners]
2014-11.25.g	A resolution approving the debt service payments for wire date of December 1, 2014 [Commissioners]
2014-11.25.h	A resolution approving an account to account transfer in a major object expense category – Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners]
2014-11.25.i	A resolution authorizing the approval of a request for payment and status of funds report–FY2012 HOME, CDBG & OHTF Funds – Drawdown for \$21,113 [Commissioners]
2014-11.25.j	A resolution to approve a memo expense for interest allocation reimbursement for Fairfield County Historical Parks – Fund # 7308 [Commissioners]
2014-11.25.k	A resolution authorizing the approval of a request for payment and status of funds report–FY2012 CDBG & OHTF Funds – Drawdown for \$9,570 [Commissioners]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of the Board of Developmental Disabilities Resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Board of Developmental Disabilities resolution authorizing a fund to fund transfer; see resolution 2014-11.25.I.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

Approval of the Engineer's Office Resolutions

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

2014-11.25.m	A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category County Engineer 2024-Motor Vehicle for HOC-05 tree reimbursement [Engineer]
2014-11.25.n	A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category County Engineer 2024-Motor Vehicle for repair and paint for damages to truck #66 [Engineer]
2014-11.25.0	A resolution to approve a Change Order for the FAI-CR18/35/55 Resurfacing Project. [Engineer]
2014-11.25.p	A resolution to amend the certificate, update receipt line item & request for appropriations for additional unanticipated receipts of memo receipts and memo expenses for fund 3445 MAD-33 Bridge Replacement Project [Engineer]
2014-11.25.q	A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category County Engineer 2024-Motor Vehicle for office supplies [Engineer]
2014-11.25.r	A resolution to approve a Change Order for the FAI-CR39/41/68 Resurfacing Project. [Engineer]

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

Approval of JFS Resolutions

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following JFS resolutions:

2014-11.25.s	A resolution regarding a Purchase of a Title IV-D Contract between Fairfield County Job & Family Services, Child Support Enforcement Agency and Attorney Christina McGill [JFS]
2014-11.25.t	A resolution regarding a Purchase of Service Contract between Daily Services, Inc., d.b.a. i-Force and Job & Family Services, Community Services Division [JFS]
2014-11.25.u	A resolution regarding a Purchase of Service Agreement between

Eastland-Fairfield Career & Technical Schools and Job & Family Services, Community Services Division [JFS]

2014-11.25.v A resolution regarding a Purchase of Service Contract between Job

& Family Services HOPE Grant Project and the County Commissioner's by and through the Fairfield County Sheriff

Department [JFS]

2014-11.25.w A resolution regarding a Purchase of Service Contract between Job

& Family Services HOPE Grant Project and the County

Commissioner's by and through The Recovery Center [JFS]

Discussion: Ms. Cordle stated that resolutions T, V, and W were contracts relating to the Hope Grant which was discussed during the budget hearing.

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

Approval of the Regional Planning Commission Resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Regional Planning Commission resolution to approve Final Acceptance of the Violet Meadows Section 4, Phase 2 Subdivision; see resolution 2014-11.25.x.

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

Approval of the Sheriff's Office Resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve Sheriff's Office resolution authorizing an account to account transfer Fund 2394 CFLP Litter Enforcement; see resolution 2014-11.25.y.

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

Approval of the Payment of Bills Resolution

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Payment of Bills resolution authorizing the approval of payment of invoices for departments that need Board of Commissioners' approval; see resolution 2014-11.25.z.

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

Commissioner Kiger stated at 10:10 that the Commission would be in recess until the Prosecutor's Follow-Up Budget Hearing.

Follow-Up Budget Hearing - Prosecutor's Office

The Commissioners met at 11:34 a.m. to discuss the Prosecutor's Office 2015 Budget Request. Commissioner Kiger called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Mike Kiger and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Staci Knisley, Gregg Marx, Jeff Hunter, Jason Dolin, and Lynette Barnhart.

Ms. Brown started by stating the Commissioners had asked for additional information and received part of that information, which is helpful. The goal of the hearing was to review the parameters and discuss and analyze the request.

Mr. Marx stated that the criminal and justice staff has doubles in years of experience. He cannot retain the experience if he does not have the money to pay them. The experience has been demonstrated in recent trials. He reviewed several of the office's accomplishments. He added that he held the line on the budget as long as he could and probably longer than he should have. He gives raises based on merit and hoped the Commissioners would give him the tools needed to do the job he was elected to do. He was asking for about \$25,000 more in order to keep his staff (and has needed this for four years). He went on to stated that he "returned money to the general fund" in previous years.

Mr. Davis asked what the total request was.

The total request was \$1,574,000 including the VOCA grant and insurance adjustment.

Ms. Brown asked if it was accurate to state that a portion of the increase in salaries was for the amount needed to replace the fellowship, another amount to accommodate the promotion of a secretary position to an attorney, and a third amount for the various raises relating to retention, with such raised not specifically identified.

Mr. Marx stated that was correct.

Ms. Brown stated that the Commissioners believed this to be the case given the partial information received, which did not compare positions of 2014 to those of 2015.

Mr. Marx replied that his job was to decide how his staff should be paid.

Mr. Dolin added that it was not an apples to apples comparison because of the added experience which results in added efficiencies.

Ms. Brown stated she understood that and that the very fact that the positions would be filled by people with more experience or higher technical skills would certainly be a part of the review and analysis. This is exactly how one justifies increases beyond the parameters.

Mr. Davis suggested they take the information under advisement.

Mr. Kiger asked if they need more information if it would be provided.

Mr. Marx replied that he would try to do so.

The hearing concluded at 11:54 a.m.

Review Continued

The Commissioners met at 12:00 p.m. to continue review legal issues and pending or future action items and correspondence. Commissioner Kiger called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Dave Levacy, and Mike Kiger. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, and Staci Knisley.

Ms. Brown presented a contract that would develop general site layout for proposed EMA facility on the Fairfield County Airport Authority, assist in FAA airspace review for the proposed facility, develop facility minimum standards, or development criteria to comply with Airport Authority minimum standards, assist in FAA land release for non-aeronautical use and prepare ALP drawing revisions for FAA submission.

The contract is for \$3,820 and the costs will be split with EMA and the general fund.

Motion to authorize Carri Brown to sign the contract agreement with Crawford, Murphy, and Tilly, Inc.

On the motion of Dave Levacy and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to authorize Carri Brown to sign the contact agreement with Crawford, Murphy, and Tilly, Inc.

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

The Commissioners continued to review the bond rating presentation, debt service, and bond rates.

Commissioner Kiger stated at 12:15 p.m. that the Commission would be in recess until the conclusion of the Land Bank meeting.

Adjournment

With no further business, on the motion of Dave Levacy and a second of Steve Davis the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn 2:35 p.m.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

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

The next regular meeting for the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, December 2, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

Motion by:

Seconded by:

that the November 25, 2014, minutes were approved by the following vote:

YEAS:

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

*Approved on December 2, 2014

Steven A. Davis

hel Elsea, Clerk

Commissioner

Dave Levacy

Commissioner

Mike Kiger

Commissioner