Public Hearing: FY2010 CDBG Program

The Commissioners held the third Public Hearing for the FY2010 Community Development Block Grant Program. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with the following Commissioners present: Steven Davis, Mike Kiger, and Judith Shupe. Also present were Carl Burnett, Jason Dolin, Joann Hite, Lowell Hite, David Levacy, James Mako, Holly Mattei, Branden Meyer, and Don Mohler.

Commissioner Davis read the following statement:

“THIS IS THE THIRD PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON FAIRFIELD COUNTY’S FISCAL YEAR 2010 SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ALLOCATION. FY 2010’S ALLOCATION IS $274,000. THERE WERE 16 REQUESTS FOR SMALL CITIES FUNDS TOTALING $620,000. IN ADDITION TO THE SMALL CITIES GRANT PROGRAM, FAIRFIELD COUNTY WAS AWARDED $300,000 IN NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAM FUNDS ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE OF THURSTON.

THE COUNTY HAS CONDUCTED TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS TO INFORM CITIZENS ABOUT THE CDBG PROGRAM, HOW IT MAY BE USED, WHAT ACTIVITIES ARE ELIGIBLE, AND OTHER IMPORTANT PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.

THE THIRD PUBLIC HEARING IS NOW BEING HELD BECAUSE FAIRFIELD COUNTY IS PROPOSING TO REALLOCATE $19,714 FROM THE PLEASANTVILLE SIDEWALK REHABILITATION PROJECT (SMALL CITIES PROGRAM) AND $31,400 FROM THE THURSTON FLOOD & DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS (NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAM) TO THE THURSTON PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (SMALL CITIES PROGRAM), THURSTON SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS (NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAM), AND THURSTON STREET IMPROVEMENTS (NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAM), DUE IN PART TO BUDGET SHORTFALLS IN THOSE PROJECTS.

JAMES MAKO WITH THE FAIRFIELD COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, WHO IS HERE TODAY, HAS A COPY OF THE LIST OF ACTIVITIES THE COUNTY IS CURRENTLY UNDERTAKING WITH FY2010 CDBG FUNDS.

DO WE HAVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT AT THIS TIME?”

Ms. Mattei stated that she had spoken to Pleasantville and Thurston. Pleasantville’s project is under budget and Thurston’s project is over budget.

Mr. Hite expressed thanks on behalf of Thurston.

The meeting concluded at 9:03 a.m.

Review Session

The Board of Commissioners met at 9:30 a.m. to review legal issues, pending and future action items and correspondence. Commissioners present were Steven Davis, Mike Kiger, and Judith Shupe. Also present were Carl Burnett, Jason Dolin, Staci Knisley, Ed Laramee, Dave Levacy, Branden Meyer, David Miller, Don Mohler, Marsha Burton, Lisa Notestone, Jon Slater, and Tony Vogel.
Legal Questions Under Review and Prosecutor’s Pending Items

▪ Meals on Wheels Contract Amendment
Ms. Burton stated that the current process for reporting is two steps. She stated that MOW would like to do their reporting once a year and make the payouts at that time.

Commissioner Shupe asked when this reporting would change to.

Ms. Burton stated they would prefer reporting in September, which would help with efficiency.

Commissioner Kiger asked whether for this year reporting would be both March and then again in September.

Ms. Burton stated yes.

▪ Ohio’s Vicious Dog Law Changes
Mr. Dolin stated that the changes will be effective May 22, 2012.

▪ Health Department Lease
Mr. Dolin stated that House Bill 487 will phase out the Commissioners’ obligation for housing the Health Department. He stated that if this bill passes, the Commissioners’ responsibility will be phased out in FY2018.

▪ Procedure for Public Records Requests from the Lancaster Eagle Gazette
Mr. Dolin stated that the LEG must send a separate request each time they want to request records.

Pending Items

▪ Public Safety Facility
No update.

▪ 2012 State of the County
Mr. Meyer passed out a copy of the program.

Items that Need New Action/Attention- Requests and Review

▪ Medicare Payments for Prior Public Service Employees
Mr. Miller stated that Susan Eyerman approached the payroll office asking why her Medicare payments were not withheld. He stated that this affects Judy Shupe and Orman Hall as well. He stated that the county must pay the back taxes, but is only responsible back to 2008. He stated that Don Mohler will appropriate the money from ADAMH to cover the portion for Orman Hall.

Commissioner Shupe asked whether the county employees who had previously worked for the city are affected as well.

Mr. Miller stated that they had enough of a continuous relationship that this didn’t apply and those employees who work for the Municipal Court are being considered county employees for this. He stated that the Auditor’s office will provide a written statement for the three affected to provide to the Social Security Administration in order to get credit.

Ms. Knisley stated that she will appropriate the dollars and have the resolution ready for approval next week.

▪ Fairfield County Agency Wide Safety/Security Action Plan (ASAP)
Mr. Meyer stated that Sherry Smart asked whether the Commissioners had any problems with this plan.

Mr. Vogel stated that this was provided by Jon Kochis.

The Commissioners agreed that they have no changes with the plan.

▪ Selling of the County’s Bonds
Mr. Slater stated that presentation went well.

Commissioner Shupe stated that David Conley would like to hold a public meeting next Tuesday for people interested in purchasing the county’s bonds prior to them going out to the open market.

Commissioner Davis stated that this will allow local entities to acquire the bonds prior to them going out on the open market. He stated that Commissioners Shupe and Kiger did a great job on their presentations.
Commissioner Shupe stated that everyone did a good job on the presentations. She stated that it would have been nice to have known that the “county isn’t big enough” prior to the presentation and receiving the rating.

- **Euthanizing Dog Practices**
  Commissioner Shupe received a phone call from a lady who would like to meet with the Commissioners regarding the county’s “archaic” practices.

  Commissioner Davis asked whether the Dog Shelter uses a crematory.

  Commissioner Kiger stated that the dogs are gassed, then placed in the crematory.

  Commissioner Shupe stated that this process was looked at a few years ago and it was discovered that this was very expensive.

**Invitations**

- **2012 State of the Region Luncheon** - Thursday, April 26 [11:00 a.m.: Reception & Networking, 11:45 a.m.-1:15 p.m.: Luncheon & Awards]. Early Bird Registration: $65.00.

- **Lancaster Performing Arts & Conference Center (LPACC)** - Tuesday, March 27 [5:30 p.m.: Wine & Cheese, 6:00 p.m.: Program]. Location: The Lodge, 129 E. Main Street.

- **Ohio Department of Development’s CDBG Notice of Funding Availability and Training Forum** - Wednesday, April 18 [9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.]. Location: ODOT Auditorium, 1980 W. Broad Street, Columbus.

**Informational**

- **“CitySourced” Mobile Civic Engagement App**
  Mr. Meyer stated that he would pass the information to Randy Carter.

  Mr. Slater stated that Auditor’s office has been working on looking into something similar to this.

**Miscellaneous Discussion**

- **Resolution 2012-03.27.f.**
  Commissioner Davis stated that he asked the Engineer’s office about the weight restrictions. He stated that the Engineer’s office received 24 calls regarding this. Usually the townships are given a 2 week grace period. He stated that the weather has been better and the work schedule has been moved up. He stated that the Engineer is still giving the townships the same amount of time as before. He expressed “kudos to the Engineer.”

- **Resolution 2012-03.27.a.**
  Commissioner Kiger asked “what’s going on with this?”

  Ms. Cordle stated that the employee will receive a check from the county for approximately $8,000 and he will write a check to the county for approximately $5,000. The difference is about $3,000.

  Commissioner Davis stated that the “savings calculator” with this employee buyout is a positive.

  Mr. Vogel stated yes.

  Commissioner Davis asked whether a policy should be developed.

  Ms. Cordle stated that legal counsel stated that a policy would be difficult.

  Mr. Vogel stated that Isaac Brandt and Downes Fishel both encourage not having a policy.

  Commissioner Kiger asked whether the funds would come out of the utilities. He stated that he will not be supporting this because he has a problem supporting someone’s buyout.

  Commissioner Davis stated that Commissioner Kiger is allowed to disagree.

Review Session ended at 9:45 a.m.
Executive Session

On the motion of Mike Kiger and second of Judith Shupe, the Board of Commissioners voted to enter into Executive Session at 9:45 a.m. for the purpose of discussing the potential sale of county property. Commissioners present were Judith Shupe, Steve Davis and Mike Kiger. Also present were Jason Dolin, Staci Knisley, Branden Meyer, Jon Slater, and Tony Vogel.

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

On the motion of Mike Kiger and second of Judith Shupe, the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn from Executive Session at 9:52 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.

Commissioners' Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, March 27, 2012 beginning at 10:06 a.m., with the following Commissioners present: Steven Davis, Mike Kiger and Judith Shupe. Also present were Carl Burnett, Jason Dolin, Mary Beth Lane, Ed Laramee, Dave Levacy, Branden Meyer, Jon Slater, and Jeremiah Upp.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Announcements

No announcements made.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes from the Regular Meeting for Tuesday, March 13, 2012 and the Work Session for Friday, March 16, 2012

On the motion of Mike Kiger and second of Judith Shupe, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of minutes from the Regular Meeting for Tuesday, March 13, 2012 and the Work Session for Friday, March 16, 2012.

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

Approval of Entering into an Agreement [Fairfield County Commissioners]

On the motion of Judith Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of entering into an agreement [Fairfield County Commissioners], see Resolution 2012-03.27.a.

Commissioner Kiger stated that he will vote against this resolution because this is setting a precedent.

Commissioner Davis stated that the circumstances are unique in this situation and he is supporting this.
Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Steven Davis and Judith Shupe
Nay: Mike Kiger

Approval of Engineer’s Resolutions

On the motion of Mike Kiger and second of Judith Shupe, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of the following Engineer’s Resolutions:

2012-03.27.b Approval of contract with Buds, Inc. for the FAI-CR6-7.674 Cedar Hill Road Box Culvert & Installation Project [Fairfield County Engineer]

2012-03.27.c Approval of Notice of Commencement of Contract for FAI-CR6-7.674 Cedar Hill Road Box Culvert & Installation Project [Fairfield County Engineer]

2012-03.27.d Approval of contract with Tru-Quality Services, LLC for the 2012 Spraying Project for Weed Control Project [Fairfield County Engineer]

2012-03.27.e Approval of Notice of Commencement of Contract with Tru-Quality Services, LLC for the 2012 Spraying Project for Weed Control [Fairfield County Engineer]

2012-03.27.f Approval of lifting Weight Reductions on County and Township Roads [Fairfield County Engineer]

Commissioner Kiger stated that limiting the weight limits was very innovative.

Commissioner Davis asked how many calls the Engineer’s office received about weight limits.

Mr. Upp stated that his office received about 30-50 phone calls.

Commissioner Kiger inquired whether signage would be installed.

Mr. Upp stated that he would check on this.

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

Approval of Job & Family Services’ Resolutions

On the motion of Judith Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of the following Job & Family Services’ Resolutions:

2012-03.27.g Approval of a Service Agreement by and between Fairfield County Job & Family Services, Child Protective Services Division and Fox Run-The Center for Children & Adolescents [Fairfield County Job & Family Services]

2012-03.27.h Approval of a Service Agreement by and between Fairfield County Job & Family Services, Child Protective Services Division and The Center for Child and Family Development [Fairfield County Job & Family Services]

2012-03.27.i Approval of disposal of vehicle- Fairfield County Job & Family Services- Transfer to Skips Hauling [Fairfield County Job & Family Services]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Mike Kiger, Judith Shupe and Steven Davis
Approval of FY2010 Fairfield County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Allocation [Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission]

On the motion of Mike Kiger and second of Judith Shupe, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of FY2010 Fairfield County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Allocation [Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission], see Resolution 2012-03.27.j.

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

Approval of Financial Resolutions

On the motion of Judith Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of the following Financial Resolutions:

2012-03.27.k  Approval of Account to Account Transfer- Major Expenditure Object Category- Commissioners/Human Resources [Fairfield County Commissioners]

2012-03.27.l  Approval of Account to Account Transfer- Major Expenditure Object Category- Commissioners/Maintenance [Fairfield County Commissioners]

2012-03.27.m  Approval of Account to Account Transfer- Fund 2689 Adult Community Based Correction Fund [Fairfield County Adult Probation]

2012-03.27.n  Approval of Payment of Invoices without an Appropriate Carryover Purchase Order for the ADAMH Board [Fairfield County ADAMH Board]

2012-03.27.o  Approval to Appropriate from Unappropriated in a Major Expenditure Object Category- Enterprise Zone #2633- Contractual Services [Fairfield County Economic Development]

2012-03.27.p  Approval of Account to Account Transfer of Appropriations- Major Object Expenditure Category (2024- Motor Vehicle) [Fairfield County Engineer]

2012-03.27.q  Approval to Appropriate from Unappropriated Funds, Motor Vehicle Fund 2024, the County Engineer [Fairfield County Engineer]

2012-03.27.r  Approval to Appropriate from Unappropriated Funds, Motor Vehicle Fund 2024, the County Engineer [Fairfield County Engineer]

2012-03.27.s  Approval of Amended Certificate & Request for Appropriations for Additional Unanticipated Receipts of Memo Expenditure- 3434 OPWC Payments [Fairfield County Engineer]

2012-03.27.t  Approval of Memo Expenditure and an Account to Account Transfer of Appropriations- Fairfield County Job & Family Services- Protective Services Levy Fund [Fairfield County Job & Family Services]

2012-03.27.u  Approval of Payment of Invoices without an Appropriate Carryover Purchase Order, Fairfield County Job & Family Services [Fairfield County Job & Family Services]

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Mike Kiger, Judith Shupe and Steven Davis
Approval of Authorization for Payment of Bills, March 27, 2012 [Fairfield County Commissioners]

On the motion of Mike Kiger and second of Judith Shupe, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of Authorization for Payment of Bills, March 27, 2012 [Fairfield County Commissioners], see Resolution 2012-03.27.v.

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

Approval of FY2010 Fairfield County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Allocation [Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission]

On the motion of Judith Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted on the approval of FY2010 Fairfield County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Allocation [Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission], see Resolution 2012-03.27.w.

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

The Regular Meeting ended at 10:09 a.m.

State of the County Address

The Commissioners attended the 2012 State of the County Luncheon at 11:00 a.m. at the Liberty Center with the following Commissioners present: Steven Davis, Mike Kiger, and Judith Shupe. Also present were Adam Barker, Charles Barker, Carri Brown, Aunie Cordle, Jason Dolin, Shane Farnsworth, Christina Foster, Nora Getz, Judge Patrick Harris, Theresa Haynes, Staci Knisley, Brian Kuhn, Ed Laramee, Dave Levacy, Judge Chris Martin, Gregg Marx, Lisa McKenzie, Branden Meyer, David Miller, Paul Morehart, Lisa Notestone, Sheriff Dave Phalen, Jon Slater, Judge Laura Smith, Judge David Trimmer, Tony Vogel, other elected officials, department heads, county employees and community leaders. The attendance was about 245 people.

The Commissioners gave the 2012 State of the County Address: Making Government Work: Cooperation, Collaboration, and Communication.

The luncheon concluded at 1:05 p.m.
Adjournment

With no more business to discuss, on the motion of Mike Kiger and a second of Judith Shupe, the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn at 1:05 p.m.

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

The next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, April 3, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

Motion by: Mike Kiger  Seconded by: Judith Shupe
that the minutes were approved by the following vote:

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

*Approved on April 3, 2012.

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

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Branden C. Meyer, Clerk