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Mr. Davis called the meeting to order.

Mr. Mako introduced Ms. Courtney VanDyke who will be interning with RPC through the summer. She is a student at Wittenberg University.

The Commissioners welcomed Ms. VanDyke.

- Legal Update

Mr. Dolin informed the Commissioners that the marked up Bluegrass pipeline survey agreement was in their packets. Assuming Mr. Aumaugher was fine with the additions, Mr. Dolin was ok with it as well.

Mr. Dolin also asked if Mr. Davis had been briefed on the security matters discussed last week or if he needed an executive session to discuss.

Mr. Davis said that he had been briefed in general on the facility related security issue discussed last week.

Mr. Dolin said that he checked and there is nothing that addresses using FOJ funds for capital expenditures. He added that with that being said he expected the prosecutor’s office to ask for the funds to come out of the County General Fund. He expected that request to come down the road.

Mr. Kiger stated that he had asked Mr. Dolin to see if FOJ could be a funding source for the project.

Mr. Davis said that he continues to appreciate the guidelines from the prosecutor’s office regarding the pipeline issues with respect to his private practice.
• Administration and Budget Update/Carri’s List

  a. Roundtable Agenda

    Ms. Brown presented and ran through the draft Roundtable Agenda

    i. Communications Group

    Ms. Brown stated that this group and its purpose would be
    presented with a request for participation.

    ii. Budget Level 1/Budget Hearings

    Ms. Brown reported that all of the MUNIS updates are fine with
    Level 1 and that they are beginning to schedule the Budget Hearing
    dates to announce at the May Roundtable.

    Mr. Davis asked if the larger hearings would be at the beginning to
    allow for second hearings to be scheduled.

    Ms. Brown stated that they would.

    Ms. Brown also added that there would be a Department Heads Meeting
    on May 16th to allow for updates from each department and a short
    summary of strategic goals.

    The Commissioners said they were fine with the proposed range of dates
    for the budget hearings and the plans for the upcoming meetings.

  b. FYI – Ms. Brown will be leading a Grant Seminar on May 14 and will not
      be at the Board meeting or at review.

  c. Department of Developmental Disabilities connections re: vending

    Ms. Brown said that the State of Ohio works with the Ohio Industries for
    the Handicapped as well as the Association for the Blind for their vending
    and related types of products or services. Using this model would be a
    good option for the County’s vending machines, in connection with
    Development Disabilities.

    Ms. Elsea said that she had reached out to Mr. Doug Mitchell at Fairfield
    Industries to let him know they’d like to discuss this in the near future.

    Mr. Levacy and Mr. Davis thought the partnership idea was very good.
d. Letter from Tony Vogel regarding right in/right out for Route 33.

Mr. Clark asked if this was for Lockville Road.

Ms. Brown said that it was and it was a temporary measure.

Mr. Levacy said that there was an additional concern with Mr. Lloyd Helber's access points for his property along that stretch.

Ms. Brown said that Mr. Upp or Mr. Baird had reported a potential long term solution with upgrades perhaps planned on Coonpath Road.

e. EMA Alert Services Grant

Ms. Brown reported that this special grant to fund the alert notifications by phone is ending and that she and Mr. Kochis are working on sustainability ideas, including sharing costs with multiple political subdivisions.

Mr. Davis said that he has an aversion to programs that begin with grant funds that cease and then are continued after the grant is over requiring full funding; however he likes the shared concept in this regard.

Mr. Davis asked if the LGF letter was sent to the State Senators and Senate Leadership last week.

Ms. Brown confirmed that it was.

Mr. Davis said that rough numbers show a $200,000 impact for 2013 and a $400,000 impact for 2014 should this proposed amendment be approved. He said there was also some news regarding the Governor's BWC proposal which looks positive but is still in its early stages.

Ms. Cordle said that this proposal was to be formally announced and discussed this week. The proposal would send 56% of what the county is charged back to the county. Mr. Davis said the 56% is a onetime thing and that thereafter it would be more modest and that there may be some future discussions about how to best utilize the refund.

- Old Business
  a. Walnut Township Meeting (5:30 pm) re: Cottonwood Court Vacation Request

- New Business
  a. FCC/NEPA Public Involvement re: Verizon Project on BIS Road
Ms. Brown stated that the project must comply with Hocking Township Zoning Regulations. Mr. Mako said that RPC also received the notice and forwarded to Hocking Township as they are the zoning authority.

- **Correspondence & Documents Received**
  
a. Letter from Board of Elections re: increase in stipend.

  Mr. Davis stated that this was a modest increase for the election workers in order to meet minimum wage.

b. Resume received for MHA Board vacancy.

  Ms. Elsea reported that Ms. Ursula Laveck submitted her resume to be considered for the MHA Board vacancy. It will be on review for the next week. Mr. Davis said her interest was very encouraging.

- **Calendar Review/Invitations Received**
  
a. Lancaster VA CBOC Grand Re-Opening – Wednesday, May 8th at 11:00 a.m.
   i. Speakers: Mr. Levacy will speak and Mr. Kiger plans to attend.

b. Phoenix Electrotek Ground Breaking – Wednesday, May 8th at 1:00 p.m.
   i. Mr. Kiger will attend.

  Mr. Davis expressed his appreciation of Mr. Kiger going. He said it is good to celebrate both job creation and retention.

  Mr. Clark said the jobs were bringing brought into Lancaster from other areas of Fairfield County.

  Mr. Davis said that he appreciates Mr. Clark’s focus on creating and maintaining jobs.

c. Rock Mill: Saving an Original film showing – Friday, May 10th at 7:00 p.m.
   i. The Commissioners will not be able to attend, as this time conflicts with other events.

d. Hocking River Commissioner Annual Meeting – Thursday, May 16th at 6:00 p.m.
   i. Mr. Kiger said that they Commissioners had not attended the past.

  Mr. Davis said the invitation was noted.
e. Fairfield County Foster/Adoptive Parent’s Recognition Event – Friday, May 17th at 6:30 p.m.
   i. Ms. Brown stated that this was an annual recognition event with a play, and the Board is typically invited if their schedules permit attendance. Mr. Davis said the invitation was noted.

f. ADAMH Board Network of Care Annual Dinner – Tuesday, May 28th at 6:30 p.m.
   i. Mr. Davis said the invitation was noted.

gh. 4-H Legacy Dinner – Thursday, June 6th at 5:30 p.m.
   i. Mr. Davis said the invitation was noted.

h. Congressman Stivers’ Job Fair – Friday, June 7th from 10 am – 4 pm
   i. Mr. Davis said the invitation was noted.

i. Community Action Annual Meeting/Dinner – Thursday, June 27th
   i. Mr. Kiger and Mr. Levacy will attend.

j. Square 7 Grand Opening – May 14th at 11:30 a.m.
   i. This conflicts with a Public Hearing. Ms. Elsea will send the Commissioners’ regrets.

**Meeting with Bob Aumaugher re: Williams/Bluegrass Pipeline**

The Commissioners met at 1:31 p.m. to with Mr. Bob Aumaugher to regarding his request to survey seven county owned properties for the Williams/Bluegrass Pipeline. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steven Davis, Mike Kiger, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Jason Dolin, Staci Knisley, James Mako, Courtney VanDyke, David Miller, Ursula Laveck, Bob Clark, Ed Laramee, Jeff Barron, and Aunie Cordle.

Mr. Davis thanked Mr. Aumaugher for coming and said that he had stopped in last week asking for permission to survey county properties. Mr. Davis asked if this was a legal survey, environmental, or multiple types of surveys.

Mr. Aumaugher said it would be multiple types of surveys. He also added that his company had approved the form as amended my Mr. Dolin.

Mr. Davis said that he looked at the form early and it looks to be ok.

The Commissioners and Mr. Aumaugher looked at the maps of the proposed pipeline.

Mr. Aumaugher said the line would go from West Virginia to Louisiana. It would be a 24-inch line carrying liquid gas.
Mr. Davis said that at some point they will have an open commitment period to accept bids for building the line.

Mr. Aumaugher said that would happen sometime down the road.

Mr. Davis said that the sizes of the lines would be dependent on the bids received.

Mr. Levacy asked if they are trying to avoid putting the line through the airport.

Mr. Aumaugher said that it is currently planned to run south of the airport.

Mr. Aumaugher added that the suggested length of the survey agreement is one year and that there were some grounds that planned to study the bats in the area as well.

Mr. Davis said it would be helpful to have 24 hour notice of the plan to survey and note that in the agreement.

Mr. Aumaugher said that was fine to add as it was his policy anyway. Once the surveyors are ready to survey Mr. Aumaugher will contact the landowners to set up a time.

Mr. Davis confirmed that the agreement was to be approved on May 7, 2013 with the duration of May 8, 2013 through May 8, 2014.

**Motion to approve and enter into Survey Permission #1.**

On the motion of Dave Levacy and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve and enter into Survey Permission #1.

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

Mr. Aumaugher said this was for seven properties and asked if they needed to sign seven agreements.

Mr. Davis said that one form is fine as the minutes will reflect the permission to survey all 7 with the one agreement.

Mr. Aumaugher confirmed that the airport is currently offline for the pipeline.
Review continued

The Commissioners met at 1:45 p.m. to continue review legal issues and pending or future action items and correspondence. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steven Davis, Mike Kiger, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Jason Dolin, Staci Knisley, James Mako, Courtney VanDyke, David Miller, Ursula Laveck, Bob Clark, Ed Laramee, Jeff Barron, and Aunie Cordle.

- FYI
  a. OPWC Grant Approval for HOC-30/VIO-43 Bridge Replacement
  b. ODNR Community Assistance Visit – Wednesday, May 22nd @ 1:00 p.m.
  c. DeMastry Family thank you
     Mr. Davis said that he has tremendous respect for Mr. Leo DeMastry and was sorry to learn of his passing.
  d. “Extraordinary Explorers” 4-H Club thank you for flags.
  e. Economic Development Newsletter
  f. Bluegrass Pipeline Article
  g. Health Department Mail Process
     Ms. Brown reported that the Health Department would be joining the Commissioners’ mail services and will reimburse the Commissioners. The Health Department will bring the mail to the mail room and then the Commissioners will invoice the Health Department. This is a savings for the Health Department and after reimbursement, no additional cost to the Commissioners.
  h. Night of Light – TWIG 14
  i. Conveyance Fee Revenues
     Mr. Davis noted that the revenues were up a bit.
     Mr. Laramee said they were up 8% from last year.

Mr. Davis announced at 1:51 p.m. that there would be a brief recess followed by the voting pattern.
Commissioners’ Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, May 7, 2013 beginning at 2:00 p.m., with the following Commissioners present: Steven Davis, Mike Kiger and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Ed Laramee, Jason Dolin, Jeff Baird, Jeff Barron, Ursula Laveck, Tony Vogel, David Miller, Mike Orlando, Aunie Cordle, Bob Clark, and Staci Knisley.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Announcements

Commissioner Davis asked Ms. Elsea if there were any announcements. Ms. Elsea stated that there were no announcements.

Public Comment

Commissioner Davis asked if anyone from the public would like to speak or offer comments. No public comments were made.

Approval of Minutes for Tuesday, April 30, 2013.

On the motion of Mike Kiger and second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Minutes for Tuesday, April 30, 2013.

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

Approval of the Auditor’s Office Resolutions

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

2013-05.07.a A resolution to authorize the establishment of a new Agency Tax Certificate Administration Fund for Treasurer Department [Auditor-Finance]

2013-05.07.b A resolution to approve a refund as a memo expenditure for fund #7428 [Auditor- Payroll]
A resolution to approve a refund as a memo expenditure for fund #7428 [Auditor- Payroll]

A resolution authorizing a fund to fund transfer. [INSURANCE 7671 TO GENERAL 1001] [Auditor- Payroll]

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 – Title Division Resolution

On the motion of Mike Kiger and second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the of Clerk of Courts – Title Division resolutions approving an account to account transfer; see resolution 2013-05.07.e.

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

Approval of Commissioners’ Office Resolutions

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

A resolution authorizing the approval of a right of entry agreement with Time Warner Cable Midwest LLC - 795 College Avenue (New Horizons 1592 Granville Pike) [Commissioners]

A resolution authorizing the approval of a proclamation recognizing May as Community Action Month. [Commissioners]

A resolution authorizing the approval of an agreement with CBTS for voice system implementation for the 651 Brumfield Avenue, Fairfield County Clerk of Courts storage location [Commissioners]

Resolution to approve to rescind Resolution # 2013-04.30.j, appropriating from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category EMA Fund 2090 General EMA Fund and 2707 Emergency Management Performance Grant. [Commissioners]

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

On the motion of Mike Kiger and second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Board of Elections resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category (2751 HHS HAVA Grant); see resolution 2013-05.07.j.

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

Approval of the Emergency Management Agency’s Resolution

On motion of Dave Levacy and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Dog Shelter’s resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category EMA Fund 2090 General EMA Fund and 2707 Emergency Management Performance Grant Fund; see resolution 2013-05.07.lk.

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 Mike Kiger and second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Engineer’s Office resolutions:

2013-05.07.l A resolution of amended certificate, update receipt, increase appropriations, account to account and fund to fund Transfer for HFRS-2 asphalt emulsion 2013 chip/seal project [Engineer]

2013-05.07.m A Resolution to Approve the Contract with J&J Schlaegel, Inc. for the CLE-08, FAI-CR71-0.515 Julian Road over a Tributary to Clear Creek Bridge Replacement Project. [Engineer]

2013-05.07.n A Resolution to Approve the Construction Drawings for the FAI-CR33A-8.196 Sign Upgrade Project. [Engineer]

2013-05.07.o A Resolution to Approve the Construction Drawings for the FAI-CR31/55/56/64/75 Resurfacing Project. [Engineer]

2013-05.07.p A resolution to transfer Heigle Road (TR128) from the Clearcreek Township Road System to the County Road System. [Engineer]

2013-05.07.q A Resolution to Approve Advertising for the FAI-CR31/55/56/64/75 Resurfacing Project. [Engineer]
A Resolution to Approve the Contract Bid Award for the Purchase of HFRS-2 Asphalt Emulsion. [Engineer]

A Resolution to Approve the Contract Bid Award for the FAI-CR55-5.886 Hamburg Road Drainage Improvement Project. [Engineer]

A Resolution to Approve the Notice to Commence [Engineer]

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

Approval of the Family, Adult, and Children First Council’s Resolution

On motion of Dave Levacy and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Family, Adult, and Children First Council’s resolution authorizing the approval of a subsidy agreement addendum between The Ohio Department of Health and Fairfield County Commissioners, Administrative Agent for and on behalf of the Family Adult & Children First Council of Fairfield County; see resolution 2013-05.07.u

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

Approval of the JFS Resolutions

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

A resolution regarding a Purchase of Service Contract between Daily Staffing Services d.b.a. i-Force and Job & Family Services [JFS]

A resolution regarding a Purchase of Service Contract between Business System Solutions, Inc., and Job & Family Services, Workforce Development Services Division [JFS]

A resolution regarding a Purchase of Service Contract between Functional Training services, Inc. and Job & Family Services, Community Services Division [JFS]

A resolution regarding a Purchase of Service Contract between Workforce Services Unlimited, Inc., and Job & Family Services, Workforce Development Division [JFS]
Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Mike Kiger, Dave Levacy, and Steve Davis

Approval of the Prosecutor’s Office Resolution

On motion of Dave Levacy and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Prosecutor’s Office resolution authorizing an account to account transfer into a major expense category; see resolution 2013-05.07.z.

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

Approval of the Regional Planning Commission’s Resolution

On the motion of Mike Kiger and second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Regional Planning Commission resolution to approve Final Acceptance of the Winding Creek, Section 5, Part 1 Subdivision.; see resolution 2013-05.07.aa.

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

Approval of the Payment of Bills Resolutions

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

2013-05.07.bb A resolution to approve the payments of vouchers without appropriate carry-over purchase orders for all Departments that are approved by the Commissioners. [Auditor- Finance]

2013-05.07.cc 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

Ms. Elsea announced that the next regular scheduled meeting for the Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Davis announced at 2:09 p.m. that a brief recess would be held followed by the continuance of review in Commissioner Kiger’s Office.
Review Continued

The Commissioners met at 2:17 p.m. to continue review of legal issues and pending or future action items and correspondence. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steven Davis, Mike Kiger, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Ed Laramee, David Miller, and Jeff Barron.

Mr. Davis said that the Commissioners would be in session through the evening until after the CDBG Hearing.

Mr. Davis asked if there were any other issues to discuss. No issues were brought up.

Mr. Davis said the Commission would be in recess until 5:30 p.m.

Meeting with Terry Horn

The Commissioners met at 5:30 p.m. to with Walnut Township Trustee Terry Horn to discuss the Cottonwood Court Vacation Request. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steven Davis, Mike Kiger, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Jeremiah Upp, Jeff Baird, and Ed Laramee.

Mr. Davis thanked Mr. Horn for coming and asked him to give input on any concerns Walnut Township had regarding this request.

Mr. Horn said that he reviewed the request with Mr. Raeb, Walnut Township Zoning Inspector, and agrees with the Engineer’s Office that there is a possible solution that would allow for the approval of the request.

Mr. Upp stated that there is a possibility to allow for the vacation and stay within the zoning regulations.

Mr. Horn said that Mr. Reeb does not see any other issues. If an extra 20 feet is provided for road frontage there should not be a problem. Mr. Horn said he would confirm this at the township trustee meeting later that evening.

Mr. Davis spoke to the process of the request. He asked if the Commissioners requested that the vacation request be amended would the petitioner need to resubmit.

Mr. Baird stated that they would need to make any corrections asked of them and resubmit the request saying they are fine with the proposed changes.

Mr. Horn said this was the first the township had heard of the request and that they were normally invited to a public hearing.
Mr. Davis said that would occur, but this is just the early stages of the request. The Commission wanted to make sure the township was ok before they asked the petitioners to make any changes.

Mr. Davis also asked Mr. Horn to let Ms. Elsea know if the trustees were ok with the amended petition. He also asked that the record reflect that his legal relationship with Walnut Township has ended.

Mr. Kiger asked if there were land lock issues.

Mr. Upp said there would be however those lots are owned by the property owners who have the lots next to them as well, so their own lots would be landlocked.

Mr. Horn asked if it would be possible to request that they do lot ties to make their lots one.

Mr. Laramee said it was very simple to do that. They would need to send a letter to the Auditor asking for the parcels to be joined.

Mr. Horn said that they do not see any other issues.

Mr. Levacy asked if there were sewer or water lines in the land that would be vacated.

Mr. Horn said he wasn’t aware of any, but would check at his meeting that evening.

Review continued

The Commissioners met at 5:48 p.m. to continue review legal issues and pending or future action items and correspondence. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steven Davis, Mike Kiger, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, and Ed Laramee.

Ms. Elsea said that Ms. Appelfeller, art teacher for Fairfield Christian Academy, asked the Commission if they would be willing to host FCA for the Art Walk again this year.

Mr. Davis said that would be fine.

Ms. Elsea also mentioned that the Commissioners were invited to judge 4-H projects this summer. She said she would email the list of projects and dates to the Commissioners in case they were interested.
Public Hearing - Motor Vehicle License Tax

The Board of Commissioners held a public hearing at 6:03 p.m. to discuss the proposed motor vehicle license tax increase with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Mike Kiger and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Tim Morris, Jeremiah Upp, Carl Burnett, Ed Laramee, and Jeff Baird.

Mr. Davis opened the hearing saying the hearing was the first of two opportunities to allow for the public to comment in favor of or in opposition to the propose to level an annual license tax pursuant to Section 4504.02 of the Ohio Revised Code.

According to a memo prepared by the Engineer’s office, this proposal would be for a $5 motor vehicle license tax increase to cities, villages, and townships in the county that have not already reached the $20.00 permissive tax assessment allowed by the ORC.

Amanda, Canal Winchester, Millersport, Pleasantville, Rushville, Thurston, West Rushville, Columbus, Reynoldsburg, and the 13 rural townships would see an increase.

Residents of Baltimore, Bremen, Carroll, Lancaster, Lithopolis, Pickerington, Sugar Grove and Stoutsville would not see an increase as those cities and villages have already reached the $20.00 permissive sales tax assessment allowed.

Mr. Davis asked the Engineer’s Office if they had comments.

Mr. Upp thanked Mr. Davis and said he appreciated the time. The proposed increase would generate income to offset the increase in paving costs. He plans on using the additional revenue solely for the purpose of paving in 2014 and will then budget that revenue for paving each year after, only using it for any other project if it is an emergency. Regardless, 100% of the revenues would go towards construction. Since 2006 asphalt prices have double. The tax would increase revenues by over $400,000 and would greatly help his current $1,000,000 paving budget for road maintenance.

Mr. Davis asked if there were any comments in favor of the proposed motor vehicle license tax increase. No comments were made.

Mr. Davis asked if there were any comments in opposition to the proposed motor vehicle license tax increase. No comments were made.

Mr. Davis asked Mr. Upp if he had anything else to add.

Mr. Upp said that his opening remarks covered everything and that, if passed, 100% of the new revenues would go to road construction.

Mr. Davis said the next public hearing regarding the proposed motor vehicle license tax was scheduled for Tuesday, May 14th.
Commissioner Davis announced at 6:08 p.m. that a brief recess will be held followed by the CDBG Public Hearing at 6:30.

**Public Hearing – Community Development Block Grants**

The Board of Commissioners held a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. to discuss Community Development Block Grants with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Mike Kiger and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Holly Mattei, James Mako, Robert Kalish, Tammy Drobina, Aaron Reedy, Allan Brown, Carrie Woody, Diane Boso, Tim Morris, and Tom Moses.

Mr. Davis opened the meeting and stated this was the second public hearing for Fairfield County’s 2013 Community Development Block Grant allocation program. Fairfield County is eligible for $162,000 of Fiscal Year 2013 CDBG funding from the State of Ohio providing the County meets applicable program requirements. The County has conducted one public hearing to inform citizens about the various CDBG programs, how they may be used, what activities are eligible and other important program requirements. Based on the applications submitted from various communities in Fairfield County, the following potential CDBG allocation activities for FY 2013 have been identified.

1. $55,800 – Walnut Township Alder Drive Rehabilitation Project, and
2. $47,000 – Walnut Township Cedar Drive Rehabilitation Project, and
3. $18,900 – Baltimore Fire Hydrant Rehabilitation Project, and
4. $48,600 – Carroll Drainage Rehabilitation Project, and
5. $36,500 – Pleasantville Traffic Contrain Device Project, and
6. $40,000 – Madison Township Rehabilitation Project, and
7. $53,800 – Thurston Waterline and Fire Hydrant Rehabilitation Project, and
8. $26,800 – Lancaster Public Transit ADA Accessible Vehicle Purchase Project.

Mr. Davis stated that totaled, these projects exceed the $162,000 allotted and asked the representatives present to speak as to why the Commission should award grant dollars to their projects.

Mr. Davis also said that Ms. Mattie from the Regional Planning Commissioner would speak about the changes to this year's CDBG program, followed by a time for public comments.

Ms. Mattei explained that the program had been changed this year cutting the expected allocation of $219,000 to $162,000. The difference, or the amount cut, was put into three programs (downtown development, critical infrastructure, and neighborhood rehabilitation) which communities must then compete for additional grant dollars under those programs.
Ms. Mattei stated that they would not be applying for competitive grants this year since they would not have their current allocation spent by the June deadline.

Mr. Davis asked for public comments.

Mr. Tim Morris, of 13500 Lancaster-Newark Road in Millersport stood up in support of Walnut Township’s Projects. They would like to pave two roads (Alder and Cedar) both of which are very busy. Alder is one of five public roads that runs east to west of Fairfield Beach, and Cedar runs east of a park which sees an estimated 600 visitors a week. He thanked the Commissioners for their consideration as both roads are in very bad shape.

Mayor Bob Kalish of 435 E. Cliff St. in Baltimore stood up in support of the Baltimore project. He said the proposal was for 7 new fire hydrants. Baltimore currently has 130 fire hydrants and in 2007 Baltimore identified 42 hydrants that needed replaces. They have replaced 35 of these in the last six years with zero grant dollars. The seven hydrants serve 70 homes and 3 businesses. The application includes an endorsement from Basil Fire Chief Tom Cooley. Baltimore is asking for $18,889.32 and will match 20% of that to meet the rest of the costs.

Mr. Davis asked Mayor Kalish if he was aware that Mr. Davis contacted Mr. Feyko six weeks ago requesting to set up a meeting regarding the current water line issues with Thurston.

Mr. Kalish said that he was not sure, but the meeting request was regarding pending litigation.

Mr. Davis asked again if he was aware of the request.

Mayor Kalish said the topic was regarding pending litigation.

Mr. Davis thanked Mayor Kalish for his time.

Mayor Tammy Drobina of 71 Overly Ave in Carroll stood up in support of Carroll’s request. This request is for Park Street drainage problems. This street sees lots of traffic and business. There are several layers of asphalt that are now level with the sidewalk which causes pooling of water on the sidewalk (that then freezes in the winter) causing hazards for those who use the sidewalks. Carroll has been trying to resolve this issue for the past 16 years. They have asked a contractor to estimate the project costs, however the contractor said the project is bigger than Carroll expected and bigger than they can afford. She asked that the Commissioners consider their project.

Mr. Allen Brown of 1852 Shasta Drive in Lancaster stood up in support of the Pleasantville request. He stated that regulations required replacement of the devices by January 2015. They are asking for the capital expenses as they will cover the
personnel costs to replace the signs. He also added that due to the allocation cut, they could reduce the requested amount or scale the project to meet the budget requirements of the grant. He stated they appreciated the Commissions’ consideration.

Mr. Tom Moses of 6233 Snorting Ridge Road SW of Lancaster stood up in support of Madison Township’s request. Mr. Moses said they were looking at two roads (McDonald and Hopewell Church roads). They said they can table the McDonald Road project and only ask for funds for Hopewell Church Road as it receives the heaviest traffic. They need to re-ditch the road this year (costing roughly $15,800). He again said they could put the McDonald Road project on the back burner. He thanked the Commissioners for their consideration.

Mr. Aaron Reedy of 2100 2nd Street in Thurston stood up in support of the Village of Thurston’s project. Mr. Reedy stated this was a proactive project that would replace several hundred feet of 2-inch water line. The location is two blocks in the middle of Thurston. Four fire hydrants would also be added and the 2-inch line would be replaces with a 6-inch line. Mr. Reedy said that he understood this project was less important than others presented that evening and that they would understand if those projects were put ahead of their own. He added that this funding would also help prepare for the water line they are installing.

Mr. Davis thanked Mr. Reedy for his honesty.

Ms. Carrie Woody of 243 East Fifth Avenue in Lancaster stood up in support of the Lancaster Public Transit request. She stated that 2011 was the first year LPT offered county wide service. They provided 82,000 rides up from the 40,000 rides they had the previous year. The operating hours for 2012 were reduced due to budget cuts, but in 2013, a deal with the Board of Developmental Disabilities allowed them to increase their operation hours. They expect to have 100,000 rides by the end of 2014. Ms. Woody added that when calls for rides are received the dispatcher asks for the reason the ride is needed. In most areas the number one reason is medical purposes; however the number one reason LPT receives is for work, followed by education, then medical reasons. Ms. Woody said LPT’s project is also scalable due to the cuts. Any help they can get would be appreciated.

Mr. Davis thanked everyone for coming and said the Commissioners would be going through the requests and making their decisions.

The public hearing ended at 6:55 p.m.
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Review Continued

The Commissioners met at 6:48 p.m. to continue review of legal issues and pending or future action items and correspondence. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steven Davis, Mike Kiger, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, James Mako, Holly Mattei, and Bob Clark.

Mr. Davis said he was surprised by the number of individuals who offered to scale back their requests.

Ms. Mattei said she agreed and said she thought Pleasantville’s request could be scaled back and was surprised by Madison’s offer to do so as well.

Mr. Davis asked if it was acceptable to ask for a prioritization of the proposal including the new information learned at the hearing. He asked for the request, preliminary prioritization, and final recommendation based on the offer to scale back some projects.

Mr. Kiger asked that the information also include the last time they received help.

Mr. Davis said that was already included.

Mr. Davis said he would like to see the initial request verse the final requests.

Ms. Mattei said that was very doable and that she thought the hearing went very well and was impressed by those who attended.

Mr. Davis thanked Ms. Mattei and Mr. Mako for their time.

Adjournment

With no further business, on the motion of Mike Kiger and a second of Dave Levacy the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn 7:06 p.m.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Mike Kiger, Dave Levacy, and Steve Davis
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The next regular meeting for the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., with review session at 9:00 a.m. on the same day.

Motion by: Seconded by:

that the May 7, 2013, minutes were approved by the following vote:

YEAS: NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

*Approved on May 14 2013

Steven A. Davis    Dave Levacy    Mike Kiger
Commissioner      Commissioner      Commissioner

Rachel Elsea, Clerk