

**Regular Meeting #07-16
Fairfield County Commissioners' Office
April 10, 2007**

9:00 a.m. Meeting with Violet Township Trustees

At 9:00 a.m. on April 10, the Board met with Violet Township Trustees and representatives. Present at the meeting were: Mike Kiger, Judy Shupe, Carri Brown, Bill Yapple, Don Sherman, and Gary Weltlich.

Gary reported that a resident business (Dr. Young) believes he has been treated unfairly. Dr. Young does not believe it would be fair for the county to proceed with eminent domain if either American Legion or Ohio Mulch does not agree to the proposal he documented in January of this year.

Judy Shupe reported that she was somewhat familiar with the situation, as the issue had been going on for many years. Gary reported that Violet Township has worked with the American Legion to solve certain issues. The concern today is that there is a reported issue regarding eminent domain. Gary reported that the American Legion has rejected the offer made by Dr. Young. Judy reported that she called Ohio Mulch. She had also been in contact with Don Sherman, and Don had informed her that all was resolved.

Bill reported that many years ago, Dr. Young was encouraged to purchase the tract of land now in question in order to obtain water services. And now, Dr. Young believes he is being taken advantage of with the current situation, as he would not have bought the land in the first place.

Don Sherman reported that Ohio Mulch is in favor of the proposal. Don Sherman reported that Dave England with American Legion was also in favor of the proposal as presented by Dr. Young.

Don Sherman reported on two other issues. He reported that the water line was a non-issue, as the Fairfield County Utilities would place a new tap. The gas line issue is an additional question. Currently, the gas and water service is off of Refugee Road. Water can be moved; but it is not certain if gas can be moved. Don Sherman reported that he would connect again with Dave England and also call Dr. Young. Mike Kiger and Judy Shupe reported that one of them would also call Dr. Young to follow up as soon as possible.

Bill and Gary reported that they would like to see the issue resolved and to keep Dr. Young's business in the township. Don Sherman reported that there were not other options for service to American Legion, as the other land is too shallow.

Don Sherman reported that Don England today confirmed that the American Legion was in favor of the proposal, verbally. He also reported that Ohio Mulch was in favor of the proposal, along with the permanent easement. And it looked like all parties would be able to work it out. Don Sherman reported that he would call Dr. Young to provide an update. Don Sherman will also communicate that he did not believe eminent domain was going to be needed, as he believed the proposal was going to work out.

Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, April 10, 2007, beginning at 10:00 a.m., with the following Commissioners present: Mike Kiger and Judith K. Shupe. Also present were: Carri Brown, Michele Thomas, Alaina Fahy, Nicki Bannister, and Dr. Rick Maynard.

Announcements

Carri Brown reported: Two proposed resolutions, the approval of the intent to approve an authorization to exempt purchases of \$1000 or less from the prior County Auditor certification requirement (07-04.10.c) and the approval of an update to the Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) Policy and Procedure Manual (07-04.10.j) are removed until more information can be provided about a potential retroactive date and from the grant administrators, respectively.

Public Comment

Dr. Rick Maynard provided public comment on ethanol plants. He also provided a handout of information about the harmful effects of ethanol plants and ethanol production. (This handout is attached.) Dr. Maynard provided research that indicated ethanol plants produced carcinogens, and he reported even if EPA guidelines are met, the harmful effects remained. He opposes an ethanol plant for its harmful effects on children and families.

Dr. Maynard reported that additional jobs will likely mostly be for highly specialized or degreed positions, and construction jobs will likely go to national firms that are experienced in ethanol plant production. He commented that there is research to demonstrate that that economic growth is limited with ethanol plants.

He also stated that the increased amounts of water usage and wastewater production would be a significant.

Dr. Maynard encouraged the Board and others present to thoughtfully consider what ethanol production would mean to the community. He asked for the Board to conduct its own investigations and to join him in standing in opposition to an ethanol plant in Lancaster.

Approval of Minutes of Tuesday, April 3, 2007

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the minutes of April 3, 2007.

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

Approval of Minutes of a meeting held on April 9, 2007

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the minutes of a meeting held on April 9, 2007.

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

Approval of a ratification of previous authorization for an emergency weight reduction for the GRE-21 Bridge – Fairfield County Engineer

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the ratification of a previous approval of an emergency weight reduction for the GRE-21 Bridge for the County Engineer; see resolution 07.04.10.a.

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

Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Agreement for Engineering Services for Mingo Estates Sewer Improvements

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve Amendment No. 1 to Agreement for Engineering Services for Mingo Estates Sewer Improvements; see resolution 07.04.10.b.

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

Approval of grant awards, Older Adult Services Levy

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve grant awards, Older Adult Services Levy; see resolution 07.04.10.d.

Discussion: Judy Shupe reported that the Board approves Meals on Wheels recommended grant approvals periodically throughout the year. Alaina Fahy asked for an electronic copy of the resolution.

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

Approval of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) Certification, for the FY 07 Emergency Management Performance Grant

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the National Incident Management System (NIMS) Certification, for the FY 07 Emergency Management Performance Grant; see resolution 07.04.10.e.

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

Approval of updating current membership of the County Homeland Security Advisory Team within the Fairfield County Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve updating current membership of the County Homeland Security Advisory Team within the Fairfield County Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security; see resolution 07.04.10.f.

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

Approval of an addendum to the agreement by and between the Ohio Department of Public Safety/Ohio State Highway Patrol and the Fairfield County Commissioners, an addendum for an ethic clause, Executive Order 2007-01s

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the addendum to the agreement by and between the Ohio Department of Public Safety/Ohio State Highway Patrol and the Fairfield County Commissioners, an addendum for an ethic clause, Executive Order 2007-01s; see resolution 07.04.10.g.

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

Approval of a request for payment and status of fund report – FY 2005 CDBG Formula Program, Water and Sewer Facilities, Walnut Township, Drawdown #152

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve an Approval of a request for payment and status of fund report – FY 2005 CDBG Formula Program, Water and Sewer Facilities, Walnut Township, Drawdown #152; see resolution 07.04.10.h.

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

Approval of a project manual for Site Lighting Renovations at the Liberty Center, for the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve a project manual for Site Lighting Renovations at the Liberty Center, see resolution 07.04.10.j.

Discussion: Judy Shupe reported that this project is to improve the lighting at Liberty Center, and the project had previously been delayed until the county was in a stronger financial position. Carri Brown reported that May 2 marked the bid opening date.

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

Approval of a service agreement by and between Fairfield County Job and Family Services, Children Services, and Mid-Ohio Psychological Services, Inc.

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve a service agreement by and between Fairfield County Job and Family Services, Children Services, and Mid-Ohio Psychological Services, Inc.; see resolution 07.04.10.k.

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

Approval of addition allocation (as a transfer) - Fairfield County Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security – FY 2007

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve an additional allocation (as a transfer) for the Fairfield County Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security – FY 2007; see resolution 07.04.10.l.

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

Approval of two account to account transfers

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve two account to account transfers as noted below:

- 07-04.10.m Approval of account to account transfer – Fairfield County Commissioners

- 07-04.10.n Approval of account to account transfer – Fairfield County Economic Development

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

Approval of a warrant and wire transfer for the Airport note, due April 19, 2006

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve a warrant and wire transfer for the Airport note, due April 19, 2006; see resolution 07.04.10.o.

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

Approval of various financial related resolutions

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Jon D. Myers, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve various financial related resolutions as noted below.

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| 07-04.10.p | Approval of appropriate from unappropriated – Fairfield County Economic Development/Enterprise Zone Fund |
| 07-04.10.q | Approval to appropriate from unappropriated – Fairfield County Auditor/Real Estate |
| 07-04.10.r | Approval to appropriate from unappropriated – Fairfield County Auditor/FMIS |
| 07-04.10.s | Approval to appropriate from unappropriated – Fairfield County Family, Adult and Children First Council |

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

Approval of additional financial related resolutions

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Jon D. Myers, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve various financial related resolutions as noted below.

- 07-04.10.t Approval of payment of voucher without an appropriate carry-over purchase order – Fairfield County Commissioner
- 07-04.10.u Approval of payment of voucher without an appropriate carry-over purchase order – Fairfield County Job & Family Services
- 07-04.10.v Approval of payment of voucher without an appropriate carry-over purchase order – Fairfield County ADAMH Board

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

Approval of the ratification of the payment of bills, check date April 6, 2007

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the ratification of the payment of bills, check date – April 6, 2007; see resolution 07.04.10.w.

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

Approval of the payment of bills, check date April 13, 2007

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the payment of bills, check date – April 13, 2007; see resolution 07.04.10.x.

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

Approval of an addendum to the compensation plan – Fairfield County Job and Family Services

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to table the proposed resolution to approve an addendum to the compensation plan – Fairfield County Job and Family Services; see resolution 07.04.10.y.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon to table the resolution: Judith K. Shupe and Mike Kiger.

Review Session

The Board of Commissioners met at 10:15 a.m. to review correspondence, pending items, and future action items. Present at the review session were Judith Shupe, Mike Kiger, and Carri Brown. For a portion of the time, Alaina Fahy and Nicki Bannister were present.

Topics discussed included:

Pending items with the Prosecutor,

Regional Planning approved Subdivision Regulations,

Telephone Committee Progress,

A Review of the Budget Retreat held in September of 2006,

Various grant requests,

A follow-up regarding Meals on Wheels,

Access Management,

Requested Records and Retention Committee tasks,

Vacating certain properties,

Meeting with Senior Groups- Susan is scheduling on the calendar,

Scheduling Conflicts,

Quick Discussion about 911 Coordinator – right now: status quo with monitoring/other options,

Budgetary Issues: Legal Level of Control; Draft Calendar; new exemption of prior certification,

Use of Liberty Conference Room,

Audit Engagement Letter,

Public Records Requests,

The DR Court Quarterly Report, &

The Sagamore corrective actions – with the process of the return of the letter of credit.

Michael Orlando joined the review session. Michael reported that the change in compensation would be a short term fix to a problem JFS had been experiencing in the marketplace. Attracting social service supervisors was a difficult task. One vacancy has been in existence for more than six months. The change in hourly rate, with the increase in just under \$1 per hour, would help JFS compete in the marketplace. In addition, the change would mean that the employees in the effected classification would be overtime exempt now, reducing overtime costs. Mike Kiger asked if any other employees would be impacted. Michael Orlando reported that the only employees impacted are the social services supervisors in the same classification.

Approval of an addendum to the compensation plan – Fairfield County Job and Family Services

On motion of Judith K. Shupe and second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to table the proposed resolution to approve an addendum to the compensation plan – Fairfield County Job and Family Services; see resolution 07.04.10.y.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon to table the resolution: Judith K. Shupe and Mike Kiger.

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Board, on motion of Judith Shupe and on the second of Mike Kiger, the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn the meeting at approximately 12:10 p.m. Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows: Voting aye thereon: Judith K. Shupe and Mike Kiger.

Mike Kiger
Commissioner

Judith K. Shupe
Commissioner

Carri L. Brown
Clerk/Manager

THE NEXT REGULAR COMMISSIONERS' MEETING IS SCHEDULED TUESDAY, April 17, at 10:00 a.m. There is a public hearing regarding proposed changes to subdivision regulations scheduled April 10, at 6:00 p.m.