

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON APRIL 21, 2011, IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE 305.05, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: CORA A. MARSHALL, PRESIDENT, TIMOTHY C. IRVINE, VICE PRESIDENT, AND STEVEN W. WEBER, MEMBER. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:30 A.M. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG.

Also in attendance was Clerk Rick Peoples.

John Grosse, Stantec Consulting Services, entered the meeting at 10:35 a.m., and Tom Bellish and Art Deininger of Buckeye Energy, along with Administrator Paul Cunningham, entered at 11:00 a.m.

**COMMISSIONERS AGENDA
April 21, 2011**

In the Commissioners Assembly Room

10:30 Approval of bills from various departments
Additional Appropriations
Transfers
Then and Nows
10:35 John Grosse, Stantec Consulting Services
11:00 Buckeye Energy

In New Matamoras Elementary School Cafetorium

6:00 Regular Meeting

Old Business

Revision of Washington County Subdivision Regulations
ODJFS Subgrant Agreement for 2012 & 2013
Courthouse Alley Replacement Project
Sheriff's Request for Split of Wages for Security/Transport Officer
Children Services Revised Depreciation Schedule

New Business

Approval of previous meeting's minutes
Travel - Commissioners
Travel - Family & Children First
Travel - Job and Family Services (4)
Township Request for Permissive Sales Tax Funds
Juvenile Court - Program Grant Amendment
Request for Annual Township Trustees Meeting
Engineer - Agreement with ODOT to Resurface County Road 9
Engineer - Request to Sell Unused Equipment at Auction
Engineer - Request to Participate in ODOT Cooperative Purchasing Program
Engineer - Request for Personnel Policy Manual Revision
Request for SE OH Joint Solid Waste Mgt District to Sell Used Truck
Request to Sell Forfeited Truck
Sheriff - Request to Purchase Van

RE: AGENDA

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to accept the agenda.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: PAYMENT OF BILLS

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve the payment of bills from various departments.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to appropriate additional funds as follows:

\$	7,000.00	Various Purpose Bond	700-0114-57500	Settlement Fees
\$	500.00	Debt Service Sewer	700-0113-75000	Settlement Fees

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: TRANSFER

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve the following transfer:

<u>Soil & Water</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
\$ 5,000.00	200-2040-53000	200-2040-54000

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: THEN AND NOW'S

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve the following Then & Now's:

<u>Dept</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
MR/DD	215-0620-53000	Jean Brunton	\$ 120.00
JFS	200-0720-59000	William Pugh	\$ 450.00
Salem Township	100-0578-53000	Shelly Materials	\$1,017.90
Salem Township	100-0578-53000	Sharon Stone Co.	\$4,036.58

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: SEWER PROJECTS

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve Change Order #4 for the Riverview Lift Station and Force Main Project, adding \$44,881.00 for clearing, grubbing, repair of service connections, installation of an access road and fence, and seed and mulch, and to allow Ms. Marshall to sign the document, as recommended by John Grosse, Consulting Engineer.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Grosse then updated the Commissioners on the status of a few other sewer projects:

Warrior Drive (Barlow): Property neighbors are asking for determination as to whether unknown substance is raw sewage, discharged laundry soap, or a toxic matter. The County is reviewing the situation to determine not only what the substance is, but also who is responsible for its clean-up and to prevent re-occurrence.

Devola Force Main: Project paperwork has been forwarded to EPA. The City has acted in support of the Project. The Project will likely be forwarded to OWDA by May 26, 2011, and is on schedule.

RE: BUCKEYE ENERGY

Tom Bellish and Art Deininger, Buckeye Energy, explained some options available to the County for the purchase of electricity. This is a result of electric de-regulation in the State of Ohio. They have been working with Administrator Paul Cunningham to determine if there could be some savings for the County by entering into agreement with an electric provider for a specified time. They assured the Commissioners that there are indeed options, and that a significant reduction in cost could be achieved by the County.

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to allow Buckeye Energy to proceed to obtain rate quotes from vendors for the purchase of electricity for Washington County for a two-year period beginning on or about June 1, 2011.

The Buckeye Energy representatives then described an "aggregate" plan that is available to Washington County, but it would have to be approved by the voters in a general election. The program would be comparable to the City of Marietta's program, which is "opt-out". It would likely provide a percentage discount to County residents, and an amount paid to the County for offering the program to its citizens. Other counties offer such a program and it is well-received.

The Commissioners indicated they are interested in learning more about this aggregate program.

AT 6:00 P.M. THE COMMISSIONERS RE-CONVENED AT NEW MATAMORAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETORIUM. ATTENDING WERE CORA A. MARSHALL, PRESIDENT, TIMOTHY C. IRVINE, VICE-PRESIDENT, AND STEVEN W. WEBER,

MEMBER. THE PRESIDENT OPENED THIS PORTION OF THE APRIL 21, 2011 MEETING WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG.

Also attending were Administrator Paul Cunningham and Clerk Rick Peoples.

A number of visitors attended the meeting, including: Gay Riggs, Patty Martin, Dennis Agin, Marilyn Patterson, Don Holdren, Paul Wolverton, Laverna Holdren, Gary Marshall, Jeff Knowlton, Kent Hall, and Evan Bevins of the *Marietta Times*.

Ms. Marshall welcomed everyone to the meeting, being held in New Matamoras in the interest of allowing better communication between the citizens of Washington County and the Board of County Commissioners and easier access to the public meeting for residents at a distance from the City of Marietta. She also thanked the representatives from the Frontier Local School District for hosting the meeting and publicizing it so well.

Following appropriate introductions, Ms. Marshall continued with the business portion of the meeting.

RE: AGENDA

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve the agenda as submitted.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: MINUTES

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the April 14, 2011 meeting, and to accept them as submitted.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: TRAVEL REQUESTS

Mr. Weber and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve the following requests for reimbursement of expenses for training and travel pursuant to the policies and procedures and in compliance with the Annual Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2011, and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

Commissioners

Steven Weber and Rick Peoples: One-day trip to Columbus for CCAO Seminar, May 11, 2011.

FAMILY & CHILDREN FIRST

Terri McGoye, Andrea Nichols, Royetta Cline, Jennifer Klintworth, Melissa Cox, LeAnn Welch, Cindy McNerney, and Gina Glover: Two-day trip to Columbus for PAT Training for Help-Me-Grow Program, May 3 and 4, 2011; estimated expense \$350.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

Tom Ballengee, Dawn Lucas, and Ruth Burdette: One-day trip to Monroe County for subrecipient vs Vendor Determination training, June 22, 2011.

Dawn Lucas and Ruth Burdette: One-day trip to Columbus for web-based RMS training, May 13, 2011.

Dawn Lucas and Ruth Burdette: One-day trip to Tuscarawas County Dept. of Job and Family Services to attend a Canton District Fiscal Meeting, May 10, 2011.

Tom Ballengee: One-day trip to Belmont County to attend a Canton District Directors Meeting, May 3, 2011.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: PERMISSIVE SALES TAX REQUEST

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve the following request for the use of Permissive Sales Tax funds:

Salem Township \$ 23,582.74 Various vendors

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: DEPT. OF YOUTH SERVICES SUBSIDY GRANT AMENDMENT

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve an amendment to the FY 2011 Department of Youth Services Subsidy Grant and to allow Ms. Marshall to sign the document, adding \$10,000 to program area Secure Detention, and removing \$1,700 from program area Probation and \$1,000 from program area Physical Stress Challenge, as requested by Washington County Juvenile Court to cover additional days at Multi-County Juvenile Detention Center for Secure Detention and reduce programs that are not being utilized.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: ANNUAL TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES MEETING

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve the Annual Township Trustees Meeting to be hosted by County Engineer Bob Badger at 7:00 pm on Thursday, May 26, 2011, at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church in Lowell, following a dinner at that location at 6:00 pm, as requested by County Engineer Bob Badger.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: AGREEMENT WITH ODOT TO RE-SURFACE PORTION OF COUNTY ROAD 9

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve the LPA Federal Local-Let Project Agreement Number 24313, for the re-surfacing of County Road 9 between County Road 46 and County Road 544, and to install appropriate guardrail, and to allow Ms. Marshall to sign the document, as requested by County Engineer Bob Badger.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: REQUEST TO SELL OLD EQUIPMENT

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve the sale of old unused equipment at McLeish Auction, as requested by County Engineer Bob Badger (list of equipment is on file in the office of the County Commissioners).

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN ODOT COOPERATIVE PURCHASE PROGRAM

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution, allowing for the County to enter into agreement to participate in the ODOT Cooperative Purchase Program, as requested by County Engineer Bob Badger:

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5513.01(B) provides the opportunity for Ohio counties to participate in contracts of the Ohio Department of Transportation for the purchase of machinery, supplies, or other articles, and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Engineer hereby requests authority in the name of the Washington County Commissioners to participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation contracts for the purchase of machinery, materials, supplies, or other articles which the Department has entered into pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5513.01(B), and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Engineer is hereby authorized to agree in the name of Washington County Commissioners to be bound by all terms and conditions as the Director of Transportation prescribes, and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Engineer is hereby authorized to agree in the name of Washington County Commissioners to directly pay vendors, under each such contract of the Ohio Department of Transportation in which the Washington County Engineer participates for items it receives pursuant to the contract, and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Commissioners agree to hold the Director of Transportation and the Ohio Department of Transportation harmless for any claim or dispute arising out of participation in a contract pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5513.01(B).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Washington County Commissioners that the Washington County Engineer is authorized to participate, on behalf of the Washington County Commissioners, in the Ohio Department of Transportation Cooperative Purchasing Program as described in this resolution.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: REQUEST FOR PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL REVISION

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve the approve the revision of the County Engineer's Personnel Policy Manual, adding Section 7.12 Whistleblower Protection, as requested by County Engineer Bob Badger.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: REQUEST TO DISPOSE OF TRUCK

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve the sale of a 1987 Chevrolet truck, which had been donated to the Southeastern Ohio Joint Solid Waste Management District, with proceeds to Washington County, as requested by Administrator Paul Cunningham.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: REQUEST TO SELL FORFEITED TRUCK

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve the sale at McLeish Auction Service of a 1991 Chevrolet truck that was forfeited by former County employee Chuck Moody.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: REQUEST TO PURCHASE VAN BY COUNTY SHERIFF

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to table a request from County Sheriff Larry Mincks to purchase a van and equip it for the Jail/Security and Transport Division in the amount of \$28,650.00, pending the receipt of additional information.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: COURTHOUSE ALLEY REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to remove from Old Business the Courthouse Alley Replacement Project, as additional information is required to determine how and when to proceed.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: REVISION OF CHILDREN SERVICES CONTRACT

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to return to the table from Old Business the Children Services Revised Depreciation Schedule.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Irvine then moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve the revision to the Contract between the Washington County Board of Commissioners and the Washington County Children Services Board for Construction Funding Procedure, Amendment #2, changing the depreciation schedule from 22 years to 40 years, with the annual depreciation expense changing from \$86,607.84 to \$73,485.39, pro-rated for the remainder of calendar year 2011, continuing through calendar year 2043, as requested by Children Services.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber. Motion passed.

RE: MINUS APPROPRIATION

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to reduce appropriations as follows:

\$ -8,748.32 County General 100-0702-53000 Grants-Children Services Board

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: LETTER TO COUNTY AUDITOR

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve the following letter to County Auditor Bill McFarland:

Dear Bill:

The 2011 appropriation from County general for Children Services is \$753,000.00. With the amendment to the lease, the appropriation is reduced to \$744,251.68. The remaining 8 installments are to be paid from May through December in the amount of \$61,656.46.

If you have any question, please call our office.

/s/ Washington County Commissioners

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Cora Marshall aye, Timothy Irvine aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

RE: COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS AND GUESTS

The Clerk had earlier distributed to each of the Commissioners a letter from Jack Brum to the Commissioners dated April 21, 2011, pertaining to the Sheriff's recent request to split the wages for the newly-appointed Security/Transport Officer.

Mr. Irvine informed those attending the meeting that the County Engineer intends to proceed with county road paving projects totaling approximately \$1,500,000. He also explained the NACO Prescription Discount Program currently being offered in the County.

Mr. Weber thanked the New Matamoras residents and the Frontier Local School District for hosting this meeting.

Ms. Marshall commented that much of the Commissioners' work involves sewer projects throughout the County. Grant funds are a key ingredient to accomplishing these projects, which are overseen by a consulting engineer.

She asked Administrator Paul Cunningham to explain what the Commissioners are doing to reduce the cost of electricity for the County. As it is now permitted to "shop" from suppliers of electricity due to de-regulation in the industry, the County is receiving competitive quotes and will likely enter into a two-year agreement for the purchase of electricity, resulting in significant savings.

Ms. Marshall then briefly commented on the "broadband" project throughout the County, and indicated that the IT Department is soon going to issue an RFP to Wireless Internet Service Providers. This project is low-cost to the County, and high-value to County residents. It will provide access to high-speed Internet service that isn't currently available to many County residents, and will also enhance emergency services to distant parts of the County.

Ms. Marshall thanked Marilyn Patterson for welcoming the Commissioners to the Carroll Senior Center earlier in the day. The Center functions not only as a facility for senior citizens, but also is regularly used by several other community groups.

The Frontier Local Schools Treasurer recognized Alice for her help in setting the arrangements for the evening meeting of the Commissioners at New Matamoras Elementary School.

Patty Martin thanked the Commissioners for replacing the park shelter roof. She and Mayor Dennis Agin requested help from the Commissioners to secure a newer police vehicle, as their current police car is aging and funds are not available for replacement. Commissioner Weber suggested they check with the State of Ohio surplus vehicle program, and Administrator Cunningham recommended they consult with the County Sheriff.

Paul Wolverton shared history of the community, and expressed his concern that "this country is becoming a welfare state" as citizens aren't pursuing available job opportunities because they receive federal, state, and/or local assistance, and they have become reliant upon that assistance. He revealed that he, many years ago, worked four jobs to make ends meet, including teaching, driving school bus, evaluating grants for the schools, and working Saturdays in the grocery store!

Greg Jadwin, representative of Air Evac Lifeteam shared with the Commissioners information about his company, and explained that it might be of great value to County employees. He encouraged the Commissioners to learn more about his company's emergency helicopter services for medical situations.

Mr. Irvine commented that the County's budget is very challenging, as it is not yet known what reductions will be included in the State's two-year operating budget beginning July 1, 2011. Another factor the Commissioners are taking into consideration is the much lower interest rate being offered by financial institutions. He noted that while local governments are currently in a "wait and see" mode, they should be prepared to receive less funds from the State than they have in the past.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to adjourn.

A calling of the roll resulted in a unanimous vote in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

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_____, Member

_____, Clerk