

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MAY 19, 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 9:00 A.M. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG.

Also attending were Administrator Paul Cunningham and Clerk Rick Peoples.

Emergency Management Director Jeff Lauer and Prosecutor Jim Schneider met with the Commissioners at 9:30 a.m. Dawn Rauch of Community Action met with them at 10:00 a.m., and Kevin Crock and Mike Stocky from the City of Marietta, and County Engineer Bob Badger, entered the meeting at 10:30 a.m. to discuss the City's bike path project. Attorneys Ray Smith, Shawna Landaker, and Greg Hoover of the Ohio Public Defenders Office met with the Commissioners at 1:30 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS AGENDA

9:00 Minutes
9:30 Susan Burkhart & Jeff Lauer
10:00 Dawn Rauch
10:30 Kevin Crock - Bike Path
11:00
11:30
12:00
12:30
1:00 Public Hearing on Request to Vacate 3 Alleys in Germantown
1:30 Ray Smith, Ohio Public Defenders
2:00
2:30
3:00

OLD BUSINESS

Engineer Request to Dispose of Old Tax Map Copies

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of previous meeting's minutes
Bills from various departments
Additional Appropriation - Auditor
Additional Appropriation - Sheriff
Additional Appropriation - Sewer
Transfer - Commissioners (2)
Transfer - Sheriff
Then & Nows
Travel - Auditor (2)
Travel - Commissioners (2)
Travel - EMA
Drawdown - (2)
Safety/Loss Control Program - RFP Request for BWC Coverage on PWRE
Engineer - Contract for Paving of Bridges
Engineer - Guardrail Spraying Contract
Engineer - T-1318 Al Lane
Engineer - Letter Recommending to Vacate Alleys
LEAP Fund, Performance Audit

RE: AGENDA

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

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 from the Regular Meeting on May 12, 2011, and the Special Meeting on May 17, 2011, and to approve 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: 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 APPROPRIATION

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve the following additional appropriation for the Auditor's Office:

200-0106-57400 Claimed Monies \$ 10,000.00

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

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

Sewer Fund

700-0113-56100 Principal \$ 2,066.80
700-0113-56200 Interest \$ 421.64

Sheriff

100-0384-57200 Advances Out \$ 7,202.78
100-0384-57100 Transfers Out \$ 347.78

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

RE: TRANSFERS

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

County General

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
100-0101-55200	100-0109-53000	\$ 20,000.00
100-0120-54000	100-0120-54400	\$ 165.00
100-0384-57200	215-0385-49200	\$ 7,202.78
100-0384-57100	215-0385-49100	\$ 347.78

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

<u>Dept</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
JFS	200-0720-5-9000	Cedar Bark LLC	\$ 500.00
JFS	200-0720-5-9000	Rodney D. Dye	\$ 380.00
Children Services	200-0740-5-3000	Debbie Hatfield	\$ 160.00

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. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber 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:

Auditor

Bill McFarland: Four-day trip to Cleveland for County Auditors Association Summer Conference, June 6-9, 2011.

Paul Beach: One-day trip to Reynoldsburg for Ohio Department of Agriculture training, June 16.

Commissioners

Cora Marshall: One-day trip to Rock Bridge for Buckeye Hills RC & D Meeting, May 19.

Cora Marshall, Tim Irvine, Paul Cunningham: One-day trip to Dublin for CCAO/CEAO Summer Seminar, June 10.

EMA

Jeff Lauer: One-day trip to Athens for SE Ohio EMA meeting, May 24.

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

RE: DRAWDOWNS

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve a drawdown in the amount of \$66,644 (\$30,244 for Water & Sewer Facilities Project and \$36,400 for Sewer Facilities Improvements Project), and to allow Ms. Marshall and Mr. Irvine to sign the form, as requested by Michelle Hyer, Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District.

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

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve a drawdown in the amount of \$30,331 (\$28,078 for the rehabilitation project in New Matamoras and \$2,253 for administration of that project), and to allow Ms. Marshall and Mr. Irvine to sign the form, as requested by Gerry Spencer, Washington-Morgan Community Action Program.

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

RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR FRANK GATES SERVICE CO. TO QUOTE ON BWC SERVICES

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve the Temporary Authorization to Review Information at the Bureau of Workers' Compensation, specifically the Washington County PWRE, for the Frank Gates Service Company (Avizent), as requested by Susan Burkhart, Safety/Loss Program Coordinator.

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

RE: CONTRACT FOR PAVING OF BRIDGES

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve the contract with United Sealing, Inc., for the paving of bridges T-32-0244 and T-115-0036, in the amount of \$14,297.00, 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: CONTRACT FOR GUARDRAIL SPRAYING

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve the contract with D.J. Group, Inc., for the herbicidal spraying of approximately 398,357 feet of guardrail along county roads, in the amount of \$14,632.00, 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: COUNTY ENGINEER'S LETTER TO WATERTOWN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

The Clerk read a letter from County Engineer Bob Badger to the Watertown Township Trustees relating to a bridge on T-1318, and the ownership and responsibility of maintenance of both that bridge and a portion of T-1318.

RE: LEAP FUND - PERFORMANCE AUDIT

Mr. Irvine provided information on a new program being offered by the Auditor of State's Office called the LEAP (Leverage for Efficiency, Accountability, and Performance) Program. Initiated April 5, 2011, the State of Ohio is making \$1,500,000 available to selected entities to engage the services of the State Auditor in determining how to control and/or reduce costs of operation. The proposed cost of \$39,800 for such an audit relating to the merging of Children Services, Job & Family Services, Child Support Enforcement, and possibly Workforce Investment, could be paid by the savings realized upon implementation of the audit's findings and recommendations. Ms. Marshall asked if the County can decline the loan after it is awarded. The Commissioners consider this a worthy program, and a good value if report recommendations are implemented and savings are realized. As the deadline for application is May 31, 2011, the Commissioners intend to again discuss, and possibly take action, on May 26.

RE: REQUEST OF COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO USE COUNTY VEHICLE

Jeff Lauer informed the Commissioners that he has been asked by the Washington County Health Department to “borrow” a county-owned truck to pull a Health Department-owned trailer to a site in Noble County. He expressed his concern about liability and insurance coverage, as the County and the Health Department are covered by different companies. It was suggested that Susan Burkhart work with CORSA to prepare a lease document for the Health Department to lease the county-owned truck for \$1.00. Prosecutor Jim Schneider offered to review the document before any commitment is made.

RE: PERMISSIVE SALES TAX FUNDS

Mr. Irvine asked the County Prosecutor if the process of disbursement and receipt of Permissive Sales Tax funds by townships can be “shortened” or “streamlined”. It currently is a duplicative, cumbersome system that allows the county to pay township invoices. Mr. Irvine suggested it might be better if the county could forward the funds directly to the townships, and then they could not only determine the best use of those funds, but also actually disburse the funds in a more timely manner. Mr. Schneider assured the Commissioners that he would review this and offer to them his opinion.

RE: REQUEST FOR SUB-ORDINATION

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve the sub-ordination request of Washington County residents Donald and Jean Woollard, and to allow Dawn Rauch of Washington-Morgan County Community Action Program to proceed with the document preparation, as presented by Dawn Rauch.

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

RE: BIKE PATH

Mr. Crock updated the Commissioners and County Engineer Bob Badger on the bike path project, and explained the request to vacate certain alleys and part of Jefferson Street. Mr. Badger expressed his support of these vacations, and suggested that additional roadway be considered as well.

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve the Petition for the Vacation of a Portion of Jefferson Street and Two Unnamed Alleys in Block 119 of the East Marietta Addition in the City of Marietta, Ohio, as presented and requested by Kevin Crock and Mike Stocky, representing the City of Marietta.

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

Mr. Crock then asked the Commissioners to consider donating property to the City of Marietta to be used in the River Trail Phase III Project, as fully described in documents on file in the Commissioners Office. Mr. Badger expressed his concern of having regular foot, board, and pedal traffic through county-owned property. Mr. Crock commented that the concrete barrier will extend to 6 feet with the addition of a chain link fence above the concrete, and that the path surface will be 8” thick, reinforced concrete.

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a request to approve the O.R. Colan Associates donation letter for River Trail Phase III, waiving the right to receive just compensation for the property, releasing the City of Marietta from obtaining an appraisal of the property, and transferring the property from the County to the City, as more fully described in documents on file in the Commissioners Office.

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

Mr. Weber moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve the Easement within Parcel 4 SH for the River Trail Phase III Project of the City of Marietta, with a five (5) year reversion clause, as more fully described in documents on file in the Commissioners Office, as requested by the City of Marietta.

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

RE: PUBLIC HEARING ON REQUEST TO VACATE ALLEYS IN GERMANTOWN

Having received a petition from County resident Robert Shilling and others to vacate three unnamed alleys in Germantown, and having viewed the alleys on May 16, 2011, a public hearing was conducted to hear comment on the request. The Clerk read a letter from County Engineer Bob Badger recommending that the alleys be vacated as requested. No other comments were offered.

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to vacate the three unopened, unnamed alleys in Germantown, as requested by Robert Shilling.

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

RE: OHIO PUBLIC DEFENDERS

Attorneys Ray Smith, Shawna Landaker, and Greg Hoover of the Marietta Office of the Ohio Public Defender discussed with the Commissioners the proposed contract for their services for the year beginning July 1, 2011. Mr. Smith explained the content of the agreement, and the variance from current year to next.

Ms. Marshall asked about the percentage of reimbursement from the State of Ohio. The attorneys suggested that Mr. Alge from their Columbus headquarters will be better able to address that next week.

There was much discussion about any options that are available to help reduce the large expense of this contract at a time when county resources are declining. Those options include contracting directly with a local office for comparable services, reducing the number of contract attorneys, and relocating the office staff and attorneys into an existing county-owned facility. All agreed that it is important to continue providing good service.

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 2:00 pm.

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_____, Member

_____, Clerk