

**THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON APRIL 19, 2012 IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE 305.05, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: TIMOTHY C. IRVINE, PRESIDENT, CORA A. MARSHALL, VICE PRESIDENT, AND MEMBER STEVEN W. WEBER. 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 Ashley Rittenhouse of the *Marietta Times*, Administrator Paul Cunningham, and Clerk Rick Peoples.

#### **COMMISSIONERS AGENDA**

**April 19, 2012**

9:00 Minutes  
9:30 Investment Committee  
10:00 Ken Long  
10:30 Public Defenders - Contract Renewal Pre-conference  
1:30 Judy Heinrich - Gas Rates

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Vacate Portion of Decatur Township Rd. 96  
ODNR Flood Plain Amendment  
Request for Annexation - Two Parcels  
Air Evac Lifeteam Proposal  
Dental & Vision Plan

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Approve Agenda  
Approval of previous meeting's minutes  
Bills from various departments  
Additional Appropriation - Sheriff  
Transfer - Engineer  
Then & Now's  
Travel - Safety/Loss Control  
Pay Request #5, Zemba Brothers, Inc.  
Contract for Housing Prisoners, Village of New Matamoras  
Guaranty of Completion, SEOPA  
Engineer - Request to Purchase Guardrail Post Driver  
Engineer - Needham Bridge Replacement Bids  
Engineer - Paw-Paw and Hardie Bridge Replacements Bids

#### **RE: AGENDA**

Ms. Marshall moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to accept the agenda, with the following adjustments:

Add: Travel - I.T.  
Pay Request #6, Insituform Technologies, Inc.

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

#### **RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Weber moved and Ms. Marshall seconded a motion to dispense with the reading of the April 12, 2012 minutes, and approve them as submitted.

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

#### **RE: PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Ms. Marshall 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: Timothy Irvine aye, Cora Marshall aye, Steven Weber aye. Motion passed.

#### **RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION**

Mr. Weber moved and Ms. Marshall seconded a motion to approve the following additional appropriation:

Sheriff

100-0384-54400      Equipment      \$ 30,000.00

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

**RE: TRANSFER**

Mr. Weber moved and Ms. Marshall seconded a motion to approve the following requests for transfers:

	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
MVGT	200-0540-55501	200-0540-53401	\$ 20,000.00

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

**RE: THEN & NOW'S**

Ms. Marshall 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>
Commissioners	100-0101-5-3400	William Adams	\$ 156.00
Juvenile Ct.	215-0344-5-8217	Gail J. Rymer & associates	\$ 1,725.00
JFS	200-0720-5-7400	Amazon	\$ 6,223.99
Commissioners	300-0113-5-3000	Stantec Consulting	\$ 3,431.47

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

**RE: TRAVEL REQUESTS**

Ms. Marshall 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 2012 and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

Safety/Loss Control

Susan Burkhardt: One-day trip to Bellville to attend County Loss Control Coordinators Association Spring Meeting; April 20, 2012.

I.T.

Eric Skomra: One-day trip to Cambridge to attend Connecting Appalachia Broadband Initiative meeting; April 19, 2012.

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

**RE: PAY REQUEST #5, ZEMBA BROTHERS, INC.**

Ms. Marshall moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve Pay Request #5 from Zemba Brothers, Inc., for the Devola Lift Station and Force Main Improvements project, in the amount of \$115,419.12, and to allow Mr. Irvine to sign the Request, as recommended by Consulting Engineer John Grosse.

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

**RE: PAY REQUEST #6, INSITUFORM TECHNOLOGIES, INC.**

Ms. Marshall moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve Pay Request #6 from Insituform Technologies, Inc., for the Devola Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation project, in the amount of \$11,301.79, and to allow Mr. Irvine to sign the Request, as recommended by Consulting Engineer John Grosse.

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

**RE: JAIL CONTRACT**

Ms. Marshall moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve the Contract for Housing Prisoners at the Washington County Jail, during the period April 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013, for the amount of \$60.00 per inmate per day, for the Village of New Matamoras.

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

**RE: GUARANTY OF COMPLETION , SEOPA**

Ms. Marshall moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve the Guaranty of Completion for the Southeastern Ohio Port Authority (SEOPA) Ingenuity Center project,

\$250,000 in Discretionary Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds through the Ohio Department of Development, and to allow Mr. Irvine to sign the Guaranty, as reviewed and approved by Assistant Prosecutor Alison Cauthorn, and as prepared and requested by Terry Tamburini, Executive Director, SEOPA.

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

**RE: PURCHASE OF GUARDRAIL POST DRIVER**

Ms. Marshall moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve the specifications for one guardrail post driver to be installed on a cab and chassis owned by the Washington County Highway Department, as requested by County Engineer Bob Badger.

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

**RE: NEEDHAM BRIDGE REPLACEMENT**

Ms. Marshall moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to award contract to R.C. Construction for the replacement of WAS-C-85-0277 DU, Needham Bridge, at a cost of \$167,000.00, the lowest of three sealed bids received, as recommended by County Engineer Bob Badger.

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

**RE: PAW-PAW AND HARDIE BRIDGE REPLACEMENTS**

Ms. Marshall moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to award contract to Joy Excavating Company for the replacement of WAS-C-15-0199 SA, Paw-Paw Bridge, and WAS-T-287-0074 DU, Hardie Bridge, at a cost of \$135,300.00, the lowest of four sealed bids received, as recommended by County Engineer Bob Badger.

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

**RE: DENTAL & VISION INSURANCE**

Mr. Weber moved and Ms. Marshall seconded a motion to return to the table from Unfinished Business discussion of dental and vision insurance for County employees.

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

Ms. Marshall suggested that in order to determine if there is sufficient interest among County employees to have access to an employee-paid dental and/or vision plan, a survey be done. They directed Clerk Rick Peoples to proceed with a survey.

Ms. Marshall moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to again table discussion of dental and vision insurance for County employees, until the results of a survey of County employees are received and compiled.

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

**RE: INVESTMENT COMMITTEE**

Washington County Treasurer Dorothy K. Peppel met with the Commissioners to review the County's investments and related activity for the year. She noted that in the first quarter of 2011 the County had earned approximately \$318,000 in interest, but that in the first quarter of 2012 the earnings are approximately \$99,000. This is a result of the change in interest rate from 4.36% to 1.15%. It will be another year before the interest rate can be re-negotiated. The County has on deposit approximately \$34,000,000.

**RE: KEN LONG**

Washington County resident Ken Long talked with the Commissioners about a clogged culvert on his property outside of Lowell, off Township Road 32. He indicated that the culvert was installed by the County Engineer's department many years ago. When it rains water often crosses TR 32 because of the clogged culvert on his property. He said he has crop damage resulting from the clogged drain as well. He believes it is the County's responsibility to keep the culvert cleaned, but the County Engineer told him he would have to pay to have it done.

Mr. Weber informed Mr. Long that he will talk with County Engineer Bob Badger and Deputy Engineer Roger Wright about the situation, and ask them to follow up with him.

**RE: PUBLIC DEFENDERS CONTRACT**

Representatives from the Office of the Ohio Public Defender, Randall Jedlink, Ray Smith, and Shawna Landaker, discussed with the Commissioners the proposed contract for their services

during fiscal year 2013. Also attending was Washington County resident Chris Forshey.

They noted that the contract for 2013 is “essentially the same” as this year. While there continue to be no salary increases for contract attorneys, there may be an adjustment for salaries in line with the new merit pay system the state is developing for exempt employees. Offsetting that additional expense is the fact that there will be 26 pays in 2013, down from 27 in 2012. They presented a budget and contract draft to the Commissioners for their consideration prior to a subsequent meeting next week.

**RE: JUDY HEINRICH, GAS MARKETING, INC.**

Gas Marketing, Inc. representative Judy Heinrich talked with the Commissioners about the County’s contract for the purchase of natural gas. She noted that the current contract, which runs through November 2012, is at the rate of \$5.29 per MCF. She has negotiated a fixed renewal rate of \$3.99 for the period December 2012 through November 2013. As an option, she also offered a blended fixed rate of \$4.49 for the period May 2012 through November 2013. County Administrator Paul Cunningham considered the options, and advised the Commissioners that, with usage assumptions that were provided by Ms. Heinrich, the County would pay about \$5,000 less through November 2013 by opting for the \$3.99 per MCF beginning in December rather than the \$4.49 per MCF beginning in May.

Ms. Marshall moved and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to enter into contract with Interstate Gas Supply, Inc., for the purchase of natural gas at the fixed rate of \$3.99 per MCF, from the December 2012 billing cycle through the November 2013 billing cycle.

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

**RE: ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Marshall 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 2:15 p.m.

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