

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON AUGUST 17, 2017 IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE 305.05, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: RONALD L. FEATHERS, PRESIDENT, DAVID A. WHITE, VICE PRESIDENT, AND RICK WALTERS, MEMBER. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 A.M. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD. MR. FEATHERS LED THOSE ATTENDING IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG.

Also attending were Muskingum Township Trustee Gary Doan, Karen Doan, Glen Pawloski, Erin O'Neill from *The Marietta Times*, 911 Coordinator Rich Hays, and Clerk Rick Peoples.

**Washington County Commissioners
AGENDA
9:00 a.m., August 17, 2017**

9:00 Business Meeting
9:30 Bid Opening – Timber Sale
10:30 Dawn Rauch & David Brightbill, Community Action – Transit Program
11:00 Joe Ohlin - Washington County Collective Bargaining

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Proposal to Study Effectiveness of Courthouse Back-Up Generator
Appointment to EODA Board of Directors

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Agenda
Approval of previous meeting's minutes
Bills from various departments
Additional Appropriation – Family & Children First
Additional Appropriation – Building Department
Additional Appropriation – Job and Family Services
Additional Appropriation - EMA
Transfer – Sewer
Transfer – Board of Elections
Transfer – Soil & Water Conservation District
Transfer - Engineer
Then & Now's
Travel – Wireless 911
Travel – County Home
Travel - JFS
Satisfaction of Mortgage
Request from Children Services to Change Appropriations Distribution Schedule
Recommendation to Budget Commission for Tax Levy Millage

DATES TO REMEMBER

Veterans Volunteers Appreciation, 1:00 p.m., **Saturday**, August 19, at Armory
Courthouse Closed, **Monday**, September 4, Labor Day
CCAO Budget Briefing, 8:00 a.m., **Tuesday**, September 12, at Logan

RE: AGENDA

Mr. White moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to accept the agenda, with the following adjustment:

Add: Appointment to Southeastern Ohio Port Authority Board of Directors
Additional Appropriation – 911 Levy
Additional Appropriation – Wireless 911

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Ronald Feathers aye, David White aye, Rick Walters aye. Motion passed.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes of the August 10, 2017 meeting.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Ronald Feathers aye, David White aye, Rick Walters aye. Motion passed.

RE: BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Mr. White moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve the list of bills from various departments for payment, as prepared by the County Auditor.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Ronald Feathers aye, David White aye, Rick Walters

aye. Motion passed.

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. White moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve the following requests for Additional Appropriations:

Family & Children First	602-2031-53000	\$ 1,500.00
County General	100-0170-53000	\$ 16,499.00
EMA	200-0315-53000	\$ 13,600.00
Job and Family Services	200-0720-52000	\$ 1,400.00
911 Levy	200-0650-54400	\$ 5,000.00
Wireless 911	200-0369-53400	\$ 5,500.00

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Ronald Feathers aye, David White aye, Rick Walters aye. Motion passed.

RE: TRANSFERS

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve the following requests for transfer of funds:

	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Sewer	400-0113-54000	400-0113-53200	\$ 3,000.00
County General	100-0160-53700	100-0160-54001	\$ 30,000.00
Soil & Water Conservation	200-2040-54400	200-2040-54000	\$ 3,000.00
MVGT	200-0540-55502	200-0540-57200	\$ 14,202.00

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Ronald Feathers aye, David White aye, Rick Walters aye. Motion passed.

RE: THEN & NOW'S

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

<u>Dept</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Auditor	200-0122-53400	Rich & Gillis Law Group	\$ 1,325.48
911 Levy	200-0650-53000	Horizon	\$ 13,787.11
Maintenance	100-0109-54000	P.A.M.S. Inc.	\$ 293.68
Coroner	100-0361-53000	Franklin Co. Coroner	\$ 1,300.00
Coroner	100-0361-53000	Franklin Co. Coroner	\$ 1,100.00

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Ronald Feathers aye, Rick Walters aye. Motion passed.

RE: TRAVEL REQUESTS

Mr. White moved and Mr. Walters 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 20179, and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

Wireless 911

Six 911 Dispatchers: Emergency Medical Dispatch Training at Erie, Pennsylvania and another yet-to-be-determined location; September 2017.

911 Coordinator Rich Hays informed the Commissioners this training will be required of all 911 dispatchers, and must be obtained prior to May of 2018. He said he can only send two dispatchers at a time due to staffing constraints of the 911 call center. Mr. Hays said this training is only required of the Sheriff's Department 911 dispatchers, and not of the dispatchers in Belpre and Marietta. He said he now has 3 dispatchers training, leaving 6 yet to be trained.

President Feathers said he believes the 911 Fund can only be used for equipment, but the Wireless 911 Fund can be used for salaries, benefits, and training. The Commissioners approved this travel and training, and directed the Clerk to determine where funds are available.

County Home

Natasha Streight: One-day trip to Parkersburg, WV to pick up supplies; August 17, 2017.

JFS

Debi Humphries: One-day trip to Parkersburg, WV to pick up 2017 clothing vouchers; August 25, 2017.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Ronald Feathers aye, David White aye, Rick Walters aye. Motion passed.

RE: NEXT GENERATION 911 SYSTEM UPDATE

911 Coordinator Rich Hays updated the Commissioners on the next generation 911 system project. He reported installation of equipment began August 16, and live testing will begin August 18. He said training will commence on Monday, August 21, and the changeover to new system should be done on Wednesday, August 23.

RE: APPOINTMENT TO SEOPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mr. White moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to appoint Vicky A. Wood, Ph.D., to the Board of Directors of the Southeastern Ohio Port Authority for the term August 17, 2017 through January 31, 2021.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Ronald Feathers aye, David White aye, Rick Walters aye. Motion passed.

RE: SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGE

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Whites seconded a motion to certify that mortgage held by Robert Earl and Bonnie Lou O'Brien, P.O. Box 104, State Route 145, Lower Salem, Ohio has been paid in full and satisfied, and to direct the County Recorder to discharge the debt instrument(s).

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Ronald Feathers aye, David White aye, Rick Walters aye. Motion passed.

RE: REQUEST FROM CHILDREN SERVICES TO CHANGE APPROPRIATIONS DISTRIBUTION

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve a request to accelerate the October 2017 allocation of appropriations to Children Services to be made in August 2017, without changing to total annual appropriation to Children Services, as requested by Sherri Tucker, Chief Fiscal Officer, Washington County Children Services.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Ronald Feathers aye, David White aye, Rick Walters aye. Motion passed.

RE: RECOMMENDATION TO BUDGET COMMISSION FOR TAX LEVY MILLAGE

Mr. White moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve recommending to the Budget Commission reduction in Developmental Disabilities Levy millage from 3.60 to 3.35, and reduction in Public Library Levy millage from 1.00 to 0.65, beginning in 2017, and other levy millage to remain the same as current year.

The Clerk said the Commissioners had considered a 0.50 mill reduction to the Developmental Disabilities Levy, but conversations with and assurances by the Superintendent and staff of Developmental Disabilities allowed them to make this adjustment to 0.25 mill reduction. He said these reductions will be in effect for at least one year, at which time further review can be conducted.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Ronald Feathers aye, David White aye, Rick Walters aye. Motion passed.

RE: T-CAP GRANT

Mr. White moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding for a Targeted Community Alternatives to Prison grant in the amount of \$250,000.00 over a two-year period, as prepared and requested by Chief Deputy Mark Warden of the Washington County Sheriff's Department, and to allow Mr. Walters to sign the document.

Chief Deputy Warden said this grant will allow for local treatment and incarceration of certain individuals who otherwise would enter the prison system. He said he has been working with Common Pleas Court and the Adult Parole Authority to pursue this opportunity.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Ronald Feathers aye, David White aye, Rick Walters aye. Motion passed.

RE: BID OPENING, COUNTY HOME TIMBER SALE PROJECT

At 9:30 a.m. the Commissioners held an opening of sealed bid received for the Washington County Home Timber Sale Project.

President Feathers opened the one bid received, which was a total of \$25,100.00 from Haessly Timber and Logs LLC.

Mr. White moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to accept the bid for \$25,100.00 from Haessly Timber and Logs LLC for the purchase and removal of designated trees from property at the Washington County Home.

Commissioner White noted the bid package and process were reviewed by the County Prosecutor's Office.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Ronald Feathers aye, David White aye, Rick Walters aye. Motion passed.

RE: TRANSIT PROGRAM

Dawn Rauch and David Brightbill from Washington-Morgan Community Action Program talked with the Commissioners about the transit program. As contracted operators of the transit buses they shared with the Commissioners recent conversations with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), the administrator of rural transit programs in Ohio.

Ms. Rauch said ODOT recently expressed concern about how the County is invoicing for capital maintenance reimbursements. She noted the County's method of capital maintenance expenses has not changed over many years, and has been reviewed and accepted by grantors. Ms. Rauch said suggested change by ODOT in invoicing could result in significant reduction in hours of service, or significant increase in local match. She noted she was advised the hourly service rate for Washington County is \$15.00 less than others around the State.

Mr. Brightbill said ODOT is also looking at route revisions, with the intent of increasing ridership. He said Community Action is considering options to see if additional routes, or changes to routes, might be effective. He said he is also reviewing an option to change from fixed routes to deviated fixed routes and/or demand response.

Mr. Brightbill noted many of the riders of the Community Action Bus Line (CABL) are not physically able to utilize other transportation services, so the CABL system is invaluable to them. He said the Board of Developmental Disabilities and the Veterans Services Office purchase bus tickets in bulk, and are consistent users of CABL. Mr. Brightbill said it would be a huge disservice to Washington County citizens to lower service hours of the buses.

The Clerk said two representatives from ODOT are planning to meet with the Commissioners on Thursday, August 24.

RE: JONES & YOUNG

Joe Ohlin and Michael Seyer, representing Jones & Young Attorneys of Warren, Ohio, introduced themselves and their services to the Commissioners. They said their interest is in representing public entities in union negotiations, human resources, personnel policy manual review and update, and job descriptions.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Mr. White moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to adjourn.

A calling of the roll resulted in a unanimous vote in favor. The meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

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_____, Member

_____, Clerk