

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON OCTOBER 5, 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, Erin O'Neill from *The Marietta Times*, Mike Webber, and Clerk Rick Peoples.

**Washington County Commissioners**  
**AGENDA**  
**9:00 a.m., October 5, 2017**

9:00 Business Meeting  
9:30 Chris Wilson, Building Official – Department Update  
11.30 Asa Boring, Belpre Township Trustee – Permissive Sales Tax

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Proposal to Study Effectiveness of Courthouse Back-Up Generator

**NEW BUSINESS**

Approve Agenda  
Approval of previous meeting's minutes  
Bills from various departments  
Resolution – Medicaid Sales Tax Transition Fund  
Additional Appropriation - Auditor  
Additional Appropriation – Common Pleas  
Additional Appropriation – Developmental Disabilities  
Additional Appropriation – Sewer (4)  
Transfer – Sheriff  
Transfer – Common Pleas  
Transfer – Developmental Disabilities  
Transfer – Engineer  
Then & Now's  
Travel – Human Resources & Safety/Loss Control  
Travel – Auditor (2)  
Travel – Family & Children First  
Travel – Job and Family Services (3)  
Request from Recorder to Continue Document Fee  
Notice that Auditor's and Tax Map Office will be Closed on Friday, November 24  
Delinquent Sewer Accounts  
Certification of Delinquent Sewer Accounts  
Engineer – Bid Results and Recommendation for Centerline Striping Project  
Engineer – Contract with Oglesby Construction for Centerline Striping Project

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Courthouse Closed, **Monday**, October 9, Columbus Day  
Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m., **Monday**, October 16  
Monthly County Home Meeting, 8:30 a.m., **Tuesday**, October 17, at County Home  
Finance Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m., **Tuesday**, October 17

**RE: AGENDA**

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

Delete: 9:30 Chris Wilson, Building Official  
Add: Additional Appropriation – Developmental Disabilities  
Travel – County Home  
Agreement to Mediate  
Sheriff's Request to Dispose of Vehicles

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 September 28, 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: RESOLUTION TO CREATE MEDICAID SALES TAX TRANSITION FUND**

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to adopt the following Resolution:

***Whereas**, Division (C) of temporary law provision 387.20 (MEDICAID LOCAL SALES TAX TRANSITION FUND) of Am. Sub. H.B. No. 49 requires each county and transit authority to establish a Medicaid Sales Tax Transition Fund by October 15, 2017 for the purpose of receiving distributions of transitional aid; and*

***Whereas**, Division (A) of this temporary law provision requires such aid to be “used to mitigate the effects of, and assist in the adjustment to, the reduced sales tax revenues of counties and affected transit authorities caused by the repeal of sales tax collected by Medicaid health insuring corporations on health care transactions;” and*

***Whereas**, according to Department of Taxation records Washington County had average annual Medicaid health insuring corporations sales tax revenue in CY 2015 and 2016 of \$827,368; and*

***Whereas**, Divisions (D) and (E) of temporary law provision 387.20 provides for a distribution of transitional aid to Washington County in the amount of \$521,996; and*

***Whereas**, the establishment of a Medicaid Sales Tax Transition Fund is mandated by Division (C) of temporary law provision 387.20 and thus the approval of the state auditor and tax commissioner otherwise required by RC 5705.12 is not necessary.*

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Ohio, hereby establishes the Medicaid Sales Tax Transition Fund for the purpose of receiving two equal installments of Medicaid Sales Tax Transitional aid in October, 2017 and January, 2018.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Washington County Auditor, Washington County Treasurer and Washington County Prosecutor.*

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:

Unclaimed Funds	200-0106-57100	\$ 220.00
Common Pleas	215-0208-53000	\$ 30,000.00
Developmental Disabilities	215-0620-53000	\$ 260,000.00
	200-0620-54400	\$ 15,000.00
Sewer	400-0113-53100	\$ 2,000.00
	400-0113-53000	\$ 4,500.00
	400-0113-53200	\$ 2,500.00
County General	100-0109-53200	\$ 20,000.00

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 transfers of funds:

<u>Department</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
County General, Jail	100-0381-52100	100-0381-53403	\$ 500.00
	100-0381-51106	100-0381-53403	\$ 250.00
Probate/Juvenile	100-0330-53101	100-0330-57400	\$ 2,802.50
Dev. Disabilities	200-0620-51001	200-0620-51101	\$ 4,000.00
	200-0620-51001	200-0620-51102	\$20,000.00
	200-0620-51001	200-0620-51103	\$ 5,000.00
MVGT	200-0540-55502	200-0540-57200	\$ 1,870.60

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:

Dept	Account	Vendor	Amount
Commissioners	400-0113-54400	Xylem Water Solutions.	\$ 14,952.69
Engineer	200-0540-54303	Fleetpride	\$ 479.92

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

**RE: TRAVEL REQUESTS**

Mr. White moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve the following request for reimbursement of expenses for training and travel pursuant to the policies and procedures and in compliance with the Annual Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2017, and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

Human Resources & Safety & Loss Control

Kathy Thieman: One-day trip to Perrysville to attend County Loss Control Coordinators Fall Meeting; October 20, 2017.

Auditor

Bill McFarland: One-day trip to Columbus to attend CAAO Executive/Legislative Meeting; October 3 (retroactive).

Bill McFarland: One-day trip to Woodsfield to attend CAAO District Meeting; October 13.

Craig Brockmeier: One-day trips to Athens to assist with fuel pump testing; October 10 and 11, 2017.

Family & Children First

Cindy Davis: Three-day trip to Columbus to attend Ohio Family & Children First Coordinators Association Annual Conference; October 15-17, 2017.

Job and Family Services

Candy Nelson: Two-day trip to Columbus to attend CFIS SSG User Conference; October 23-24, 2017.

Candy Nelson, Peggy McElfresh, Laura Adams: One-day trip to Caldwell to attend OWCMS training; October 19, 2017.

Flite Freimann: Two-day trip to Columbus to attend New Directors Training; October 30-31, 2017.

County Home

Diana Hall: One- day trips for resident lunch outings as follows: St. Marys, WV, on October 12, and Mineral Wells, WV, on October 19, 2017.

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

**RE: REQUEST FROM RECORDER TO CONTINUE DOCUMENT FEE**

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve a request from County Recorder Tracey Wright to continue the \$2.00 document fee for the period January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2022.

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

**RE: NOTICE THAT AUDITOR'S AND TAX MAP OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED NOV. 24**

The Clerk noted the Commissioners received notice from County Auditor Bill McFarland that his offices will be closed on Friday, November 24, 2017, with staff being granted paid holiday leave for that day.

**RE: AGREEMENT TO MEDIATE**

Mr. White moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve an Agreement to Mediate between the City of Marietta and Washington County, with mediator John J. Petro being compensated at the hourly rate of \$250.00, the cost to be shared equally between the City of Marietta and Washington County, and to allow Mr. Feathers to sign the Agreement.

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

**RE: DELINQUENT SEWER ACCOUNTS**

Mr. White moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve sending letters to the following holders of delinquent sewer accounts, requesting them to immediately make payment on those accounts:

Chris Dickson	John Albrecht	Derek Beatty
Kenneth Blanchard	Christopher Carver	Charles Seaman
Karen Anstatt	Martin Santini	Dave Burt (105 Walnut Ln)
Timothy Blow	Sheila Riffey	Victoria Campbell

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

**RE: CERTIFICATION OF DELINQUENT SEWER ACCOUNTS**

Mr. White moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to certify the following delinquent sewer accounts to County Auditor Bill McFarland, requesting him to place delinquent amounts on property tax bills:

Jerry Biehl	Kathy McKitrick	Christopher Marshall
H. Clifton Spencer	Heather Mannix/Bretthauer	John Edwards
Richard Best	Stacey Day	

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

**RE: BID RESULTS AND RECOMMENDATION, CENTERLINE STRIPING PROJECT**

Mr. White moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to accept the recommendation from County Engineer Roger Wright to award contract for the 2017 Centerline Striping Project to Oglesby Construction, Inc., for the amount of \$35,791.90, the lowest of four bids having been received.

The Clerk noted the Engineer's estimate for this project was \$43,892.31.

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

**RE: CONTRACT WITH OGLESBY CONSTRUCTION FOR CENTERLINE STRIPING PROJECT**

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve a contract with Oglesby Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$35,791.90, for the 2017 Centerline Striping Project, as prepared by County Engineer Roger Wright.

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

**RE: REQUEST TO DISPOSE OF VEHICLES, SHERIFF**

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve a request from Sheriff Larry Mincks to dispose of the following surrendered or forfeited vehicles at public auction, as the vehicles are of no value to the Sheriff's Department:

<u>Description</u>	<u>VIN</u>
2000 Honda TRX450 Foreman ES	478TE2246Y4121333
2008 Chevrolet Impala	2G1WT58N689106333
1993 Mercury Cougar	1MEPM6241PH632148
2000 Yamaha Banshee ATV	JY43GG030YA008177
2003 Subaru Forester	JF1SG63663H7265593
2003 Cadillac Deville	1G6KD54Y33U274450
2009 Polaris Ranger RZR	4XAVH76A09D812869
2002 Ford Pickup F250	1FTNW21F82ED54132
2004 Mercedes Benz	WDBNG84J64A389406

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

**RE: DISTRIBUTION OF PERMISSIVE SALES TAX TO TOWNSHIPS**

The following representatives of the Washington County Township Trustees Association met with the Commissioners to discuss distribution of the Permissive Sales Tax in 2018:

Gary Gaughn, Warren Township Trustee  
Asa Boring, Belpre Township Trustee  
Jeff Knowlton, Warren Township Trustee

Mr. Boring said the three of them were recently appointed by the Township Trustees Association to discuss with the Commissioners the allocation of the Permissive Sales Tax to townships in fiscal year 2018. He noted the Trustees were advised in 2012 to “ride the wave” on the permissive sales tax, 22% of which is distributed to townships. He said he doesn’t want to see a disproportional reduction in the amount allocated to townships next year.

Mr. Knowlton said the townships would actually like to have a higher percentage, but they understand there are fiscal constraints.

President Feathers said the Commissioners’ intent is to stick with the 22%, but there are many other factors involved at the county level such as high levels of funding for Children Services and the County Jail, a requirement to purchase new voting machines, and the elimination of the Medicaid sales tax. He said they are pleased to have not cut the percent of allocation to townships over the past five years, and they hope to continue that.

Mr. Boring noted townships in total maintain over 700 miles of roadway, while the County maintains about half that amount. He said townships actually receive less funding than the County Engineer to maintain their roads. He said he and other trustees work very well, though, with the County Engineer and are pleased his employees are accessible and cooperative.

Mr. Boring said the intent of this meeting is to get some sort of commitment from the Commissioners that the 22% won’t be lowered for next year. President Feathers said his goal is to keep townships indemnified through the very end of the budget process, so that their share isn’t reduced.

**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 12:05 p.m.

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