

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON FEBRUARY 15, 2018 IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE 305.05, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: RICK G. WALTERS, PRESIDENT, DAVID A. WHITE, VICE PRESIDENT, AND RONALD L. FEATHERS, MEMBER. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 A.M. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD. MR. WALTERS 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*, and Clerk Rick Peoples.

**Washington County Commissioners
AGENDA
9:00 a.m., February 15, 2018**

9:00 Business Meeting
9:15 Chris Wilson, Building Official – Consideration of Conference Fee
9:30 Deana Clark, Executive Director, Marietta–Washington County CVB –
Projects and Initiatives
10:00 Doug Smith – Lincoln Financial Group Voluntary Life & Disability Insurance
10:30 Robbie Shields, AEP – Project along Mount Tom Road
11:00 Flite Freimann, JFS – PRC Plan Revision, Sale of Vehicles, Contracting Issues

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Proposal to Study Effectiveness of Courthouse Back-Up Generator
Addendum to Labor Agreement, Developmental Disabilities
Liquor Permit Application, Dollar General Store, Waterford

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Agenda
Approval of previous meeting's minutes
Bills from various departments
Additional Appropriation - CDBG
Additional Appropriation – Unclaimed Funds
Additional Appropriation – Probate/Juvenile Court, County General
Additional Appropriation – Juvenile Center, County General
Then & Now's
Travel – Family & Children First
Travel – JFS (Revision)

DATES TO REMEMBER

Courthouse Closed, Monday, February 19, Presidents' Day
Transit Program Public Hearing, Route Change, 10:00 a.m., Thursday, March 1

RE: AGENDA

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

Add: Contract with Michael Paul
Delete: 9:15 Chris Wilson, Building Official

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

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. White moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes of the February 8, 2018 Regular meeting.

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

RE: BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Mr. White moved and Mr. Feathers 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: Rick Walters aye, David White aye, Ron Feathers aye. Motion passed.

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. White moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve the following requests for additional appropriations:

CDBG	210-0827-52000	\$ 400.00
Unclaimed Funds	200-0106-57400	\$ 857.65
Co. Gen., Probate	100-0220-51001	\$ 53,280.00
	100-0220-51101	\$ 775.00
	100-0220-51102	\$ 7,460.00
	100-0220-51106	\$ 12,869.00
Co. Gen., Juvenile Ctr	100-0330-51001	\$ 24,698.00
	100-0330-51101	\$ 360.00
	100-0330-51102	\$ 3,460.00
	100-0330-53000	\$ 12,000.00
	100-0330-53403	\$ 3,000.00
	100-0330-54000	\$ 30,000.00
	100-0330-57400	\$ 15,434.00

Commissioner White noted the requests from Probate/Juvenile Court and Juvenile Center are in accordance with recent discussions President Walters had with Judge Tim Williams.

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

RE: THEN & NOW'S

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

Dept	Account	Vendor	Amount
Commissioners	100-0109-53000	Rogenski Electric	\$ 197.50
Commissioners	100-0100-53500	Diebold, Inc.	\$ 595.54
County Home	200-0630-53000	Portsmouth Amb.	\$ 206.08
Commissioners	100-0101-53400	Anita Newhart	\$ 148.50
Commissioners	100-0602-53000	Ohio Dept. of Health	\$ 5,259.56
Commissioners	100-0366-57501	CLCCAS	\$ 125.00
Commissioners	100-0870-53000	SEOPA	\$ 16,875.00
Children Service	200-0740-53100	Wash. Co. Comm.	\$ 1,000.00
Children Service	200-0740-53100	Wash. Co. Comm.	\$ 344.82
Children Service	200-0741-53000	House of Samuel	\$ 1,175.62
Commissioners	100-0101-53400	Peoples Insurance	\$ 100.00
Commissioners	100-0102-57401	Miller Comm.	\$ 3,161.38
Commissioners	100-0109-53100	AEP	\$ 660.01
Sewer	400-0113-52000	Operator Training	\$ 275.00
JFS	200-0720-59001	Appletree	\$ 1,022.06
JFS	200-0720-57400	Info. Dest. Serv.	\$ 240.00
Veterans	100-0700-57401	Reno Water	\$ 110.30

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

RE: TRAVEL REQUESTS

Mr. White moved and Mr. Feathers 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 2018, and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

Family & Children First

Elaine Corbitt: One-day trip to Columbus to attend Wraparound Art of Facilitation training; March 7, 2018.

JFS

Andrea Perrine: Four-day trip to Muskingum County to attend Ohio Benefit SNAP/TANF training; March 2-5, 2018 (revision to previously-approved request).

Vikki Stalnaker: Four-day trip to Muskingum County to attend Ohio Benefit SNAP/TANF training; March 2-5, 2018 (revision to previously-approved request).

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

RE: CONTRACT WITH MICHAEL PAUL

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve a Wage Supplementation Employment Program contract with Michael Paul, for the period February 13, 2018 through June 30, 2018, hourly rate \$12.00, and to allow Mr. Walters to sign the contract.

The Clerk explained Mr. Paul will be working at Job and Family Services, and the County will be fully reimbursed for wages paid to him.

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

RE: LIQUOR PERMIT APPLICATION

Mr. White moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to return from Unfinished Business a request from Dollar General Store, Waterford, for a liquor permit.

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

Mr. White moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to acknowledge receipt of a liquor permit application from Dollar General Store, Waterford, and to indicate on it that no hearing is requested on the matter.

Mr. Feathers noted the Commissioners received the request on January 19, 2018, and held it open to allow for public comment. He said the Commissioners have received no comments on the request.

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

RE: COMMENTS FROM VISITOR

Glen Pawloski presented to the Commissioners an additional six (6) signatures on a petition circulating in support of the Commissioners resisting the efforts of the Ohio EPA to force upon the residents of Devola a new sewer system. He noted there have been twenty-four (24) individuals collecting signatures, with recent efforts focusing on properties along Lawton Road. He said a majority of Lawton Road residents are joining the effort to resist the proposed sewer system. Mr. Pawloski thanked the Commissioners and the Washington County Health Department for representing the residents of Devola in this cause.

RE: MARIETTA-WASHINGTON COUNTY CVB

Deana Clark introduced herself as the recently-hired Executive Director of the Marietta-Washington County Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB). She said she started in the position in December 2017, following similar work in Morgan County.

Noting reduction of about 50% of funding in 2017, Ms. Clark said the year was “challenging”. She said she was pleased to report, though, that initiatives started in 2017 will continue into 2018, with additional emphasis on statewide and digital marketing. She provided to the Commissioners copies of current issues of Outdoor Recreation and Getaway Guides.

Commissioner White said making CVB a clearinghouse for events throughout the County is a step in the right direction. He said he is encouraged to hear outlying parts of Washington County will be marketed by CVB.

RE: TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT WITH LINCOLN INSURANCE

Doug Smith talked with the Commissioners about the voluntary disability and life insurance policy made available through him to employees of Washington County. He said he recently received notice of a 200% increase in premiums for both life insurance and disability insurance. Believing this to be unacceptable, he asked the Commissioners to terminate the County’s agreement with Lincoln Group, and enter into agreement with Principal Life, which he said offers a much preferred rate.

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to terminate the following agreements with Lincoln Group, effective January 31, 2018:

#00040000100017196, Life Insurance
#01-0179154, Disability Insurance

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

RE: AEP PROJECT ALONG MOUNT TOM ROAD

Robbie Shields and Brandon Abbott from AEP talked with the Commissioners about a project along Mount Tom Road. They reminded the Commissioners this project involves installation of poles and high voltage electric lines. Ms. Shields said AEP is requesting easement for electric and other current/future energy or communication purposes underground, in, on, through, and across Washington County property. She said that will allow for cables to be buried underground, and the easement will be 10’ wide. Telephone conversation with County Engineer Roger Wright assured the Commissioners he has no reservations about the project which, he said, will not result in any hardship to the County. Ms. Shields noted the lines will be buried at least 40” deep.

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve a 10’ easement through a 160-acre tract of land owned by Washington County, Section 11, Township 2, Range 8, for the

purpose of installing underground cables.

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

RE: JFS

Executive Director Flite Freimann, Washington County Department of Job and Family Services, advised the Commissioners on the following matters:

PRC Plan Change: Remove reference to Grant-in-Aid, Youth Programs, Emergency Assistance through Caring Connection, and Ohio Youth Works programs, and add Wage Supplementation.

Mr. White moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve changes to the Washington County Prevention, Retention, and Contingency (PRC) Plan, as noted above, and as recommended by Flite Freimann, Washington County Department of Job and Family Services.

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

Disposal of Vehicles: Mr. Freimann said JFS has two Jeep Cherokees, a 1999 and a 2000, they no longer need due to high maintenance costs and condition of vehicles. He said he'd like to dispose of the vehicles by private auction, as they are each valued at less than \$2,500. Mr. Freimann said he has several JFS employees interested in bidding on the vehicles, and a "closed" bid is permitted by state law. Following discussion with Building Official Chris Wilson, the Commissioners decided one of the vehicles will be transferred to the Building Department. Mr. Freimann agreed to revise his request to dispose of one vehicle by transfer to the Building Department, and to dispose of one vehicle by private auction.

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve a request from Flite Freimann to dispose of two unused vehicles, as follows:

1999 Jeep Cherokee, by private sale to the highest bidder
2000 Jeep Cherokee, by transfer to Washington County Building Department

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

Data Management: Mr. Freimann informed the Commissioners the State of Ohio will likely require the Child Support Enforcement Agency and Children Services to transition to an electronic data management system, which may cost the County between \$65,000 and \$100,000. He said he has registered objection to this, and he encouraged the Commissioners to do so as well.

State Shared Services: Mr. Freimann said about seventy Ohio counties participate in shared services. He noted Washington and Belmont Counties do not. Mr. Freimann said the two counties are working together to remain "outside" of state shared services, but will support each other as necessary to be adequately covered in times of need.

WIOA: The Commissioners and Mr. Freimann discussed at length the Workforce Investment Opportunities Act and Washington County's participation in it.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to adjourn. A calling of the roll resulted in a unanimous vote in favor. The meeting adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

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_____, Member

_____, Clerk