

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON JULY 19, 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 Kylie Ruble, Dylan Farrell, Mike Kelly from *The Marietta Times*, Michael Tatar from WTAP News, and Clerk Rick Peoples.

**Washington County Commissioners
AGENDA
9:00 a.m., July 19, 2018**

9:00 Business Meeting
9:30 Tammy Bates, Treasurer – Investment Committee
10:00 Mike Kindell, CEBCO – 1st Quarter Review of Health Insurance

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Addendum to Labor Agreement, Developmental Disabilities
Appointment to Children Services Board of Directors (2)
Additional Appropriation – Behavioral Health

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Agenda
Approval of previous meeting's minutes
Bills from various departments
Resolution Recognizing "*Child Support Awareness Month*"
Additional Appropriation – County General
Additional Appropriation – Children Services
Transfer – Sewer
Transfer – MVGT
Transfer – Sheriff (2)
Transfer – Veterans (3)
Then & Now's
Travel - JFS
Drawdown of CHIP Funds
Request for Change in Appropriations Distribution Schedule – Children Services
Memorandum of Understanding with Soil & Water Conservation for Administration of Floodplain Management
Engineer – Contract with The Righter Company for CR-25 Emergency Landslip Repair

DATES TO REMEMBER

Township Trustees Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Thursday, July 26, at County Engineer's Office
Regular Weekly Business Meeting, 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 7 (*new day and time, for this week only*)
Monthly County Home Meeting, 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, August 14, at County Home
Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m., Monday, August 20
Finance Committee, 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, August 21, in Annex Conference Room A

RE: AGENDA

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

Delete: Additional Appropriation – Children Services

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 July 12, 2018 Regular Meeting.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: 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.

Feathers aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Feathers directed the Clerk to send notice to the Veterans Services Office that although payment of late fees and finance charges will be made this time, it won't happen a second time and they will be responsible for payment out of pocket. He said this is consistent with the manner in which late fees and/or finance charges were treated for the Health Department. Mr. White said Developmental Disabilities was in a similar situation, and the Commissioners agreed to pay their fees one time only.

RE: TRAVEL REQUEST

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

JFS

Tracie Francis: One-day trip to Jackson County JFS to attend APS Training; August 13, 2018.

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

RE: DRAWDOWN OF CHIP FUNDS

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve drawdown of CHIP funds as follows, and to allow Mr. Walters and Mr. White to sign the request:

Grant # B-C-16-1CY-1 \$ 17,160.00

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

RE: CHANGE IN APPROPRIATIONS DISTRIBUTION SCHEDULE, CHILDREN SERVICES

Mr. White moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve a request from Washington County Children Services to accelerate the appropriations distribution schedule for the monthly payment scheduled for October 2018 to be paid in July 2018, to address cash flow issues at Children Services.

The Clerk explained this action does not change the annual appropriations amount of \$1,400,000 to Children Services. Commissioner White said at this rate Children Services will completely run out of operating funds in August.

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

RE: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT

Mr. White moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Washington County Commissioners, the Washington County Planning Commission, and the Washington County Soil & Water Conservation District, re-assigning responsibility for administration of the Washington County Flood Plain Regulation Program from the Washington County Building Department to the Washington County Soil & Water Conservation District, beginning immediately and ongoing until terminated by either party to the agreement by giving sixty (60) days written notice to the other.

Commissioner White said he is very pleased to finally consider this Memorandum of Understanding, as he had worked on it for more than one year. He said he anticipates a smooth transition from the Building Department to Soil & Water, as both agencies are in favor of it. Mr. White said it makes good sense for Soil & Water to handle this function for the County, as they have the expertise and are familiar with both the land and the regulations. He noted another advantage of having Soil & Water administer the program is they will be able to leverage funds to provide additional resources.

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

President Walters commended Mr. White on his follow-through of this initiative.

RE: CONTRACT WITH THE RIGHTER COMPANY FOR CR-25 LANDSLIP REPAIR

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve a contract with The Righter Company, Inc., in the amount of \$418,168.75, for the emergency repair of a landslide on County Road 25, as prepared and requested by County Engineer Roger Wright.

The Clerk noted this project will be federally funded through August 12, 2018, with the Engineer paying from local funds 20% after August 12.

RE: COMMENTS FROM VISITOR

Kylie Ruble introduced herself as a student at both Frontier High School and Washington State Community College. She said a part of her assignment in one of her courses is to attend a public meeting and prepare a summary of it. She thanked the Commissioners for allowing her to attend their meeting.

RE: AIR TRUCK

Commissioner Feathers reported the Emergency Management air truck has been out of service. He said he recommends placing the vehicle back in service, as the issue is with the manufacturer's suggested 100 hour rebuild of air compressor, rather than requirement by the State EMA Office.

Commissioner White said he is not in favor of returning the vehicle to service due to liability of using the vehicle without having observed appropriate safety considerations.

President Walters reported he received calls from two fire chiefs requesting him to return the air truck to service. He noted the volunteer fire departments use the air truck in emergency situations.

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to return the Washington County air truck to service.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Rick Walters aye, David White no, Ron Feathers aye. Motion passed.

RE: APPLICATIONS TO SERVE ON CHILDREN SERVICES BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mr. White moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to return from Unfinished Business consideration of two applications to serve on the Washington County Children Services Board of Directors.

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 appoint Timothy Fleming and Marcella Swaney to the Board of Directors of Washington County Children Services Agency.

Mr. White said he will not vote in favor of these two appointments, but not because they are not good candidates with excellent skills and qualities. He said the Children Services Board currently has two members from the education community, and because both Mr. Fleming and Ms. Swaney are educators he cannot support these appointments. He said he believes the Board needs more intellectual diversity.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Rick Walters no, David White no, Ron Feathers no. Motion failed.

RE: INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

County Treasurer Tammy Bates conducted a public meeting of the Washington County Investment Committee. Attending were Ms. Bates, Commissioners Walters, White and Feathers, and Clerk Rick Peoples.

Ms. Bates reported the following:

- Weighted average maturity of investments is 2.21 years
- Weighted average yield on securities is 1.86%
- Total portfolio is \$23,010,527
- Estimated annual interest for 2018 is \$427,834, a large increase from earlier projection
- Year-to-date interest earned is \$205,326.30

President Walters noted interest rates are increasing. He said the County's depository agreement expires in 2019, and he believes there will be more interest from local financial institutions to serve the County. He said he is very pleased with the service Meeder Investment Management has provided to the County. Commissioner Feathers agreed that Meeder has done fine work for the County, reflected in an increase in interest earnings of about \$300,000 per year.

After much discussion it was agreed the County could invest more in order to earn more, with minimal risk to cash flow for operations.

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to authorize the County Treasurer to Invest through Meeder Investment Management an additional \$2,000,000, bringing total investments to more than \$25,000,000.

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

RE: CEBCO 1ST QUARTER REPORT

Mike Kindell, CEBCO Representative, reviewed with the Commissioners the first quarter report of health insurance and prescription program use. Also attending was Director of Human Resources Kathy Thieman.

Mr. Kindell reported:

- 98.5% loss ratio for medical and prescription drugs, with 138.6% year-to-date loss ratio
- One high claimant during the quarter (over \$100,000)
- 77.0% loss ratio for prescription drugs, with 82.4% year-to-date loss ratio
- Overall loss ratio of 93.3%, with 125.1% year-to-date loss ratio

Mr. Kindell said he is very pleased not only with the good report for Washington County, but also with the CEBCO group as a whole. He said if current trend continues through the current quarter there very well could be a number of consortium counties seeing a reduction in premium for 2019.

Mr. Kindell informed the Commissioners the date of renewal announcement is September 7. He said the Commissioners will have about two weeks from that date to commit to another year with CEBCO.

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 10:30 a.m.

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_____, Member

_____, Clerk