

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON DECEMBER 31, 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 4:00 P.M. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD.

Also attending were County Auditor Bill McFarland and Chad Adkins from *The Marietta Times*.

**Washington County Commissioners
AGENDA
4:00 p.m., December 31, 2018**

Resolution Allocating 1% Permissive Sales Tax Receipts in Fiscal Year 2019

Consideration of Fiscal Year 2019 Appropriations for Washington County Family & Children First Council

Consideration of Fiscal Year 2019 Appropriations for Washington County

RE: AGENDA

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve the agenda.

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

**RE: CERTIFICATE OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT FROM ALL SOURCES
AVAILABLE FOR EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES**

The Commissioners acknowledged receipt from the Budget Commission of the Certificate of the Total Amount from All Sources Available for Expenditures and Balances, dated December 31, 2018.

**RE: RESOLUTION ALLOCATING 2019 PERMISSIVE SALES TAX
REVENUES**

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

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washington County adopted a 1% Permissive Sales Tax in Washington County for the purpose of increasing revenue for the County's general fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Washington County that the 2019 allocation of Permissive Sales Tax revenues be one-third of the monthly distribution, not to exceed \$2,229,520 for the year, to the 1% Permissive Sales Tax Fund, and two-thirds (approximately \$4,459,040) to the County General Funds, of the first \$6,688,560.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any excess above Six Million, Six Hundred Eighty-Eight Thousand, Five Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$6,688,560) will be paid in to the County General Fund.

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

RE: WASHINGTON COUNTY FAMILY & CHILDREN FIRST COUNCIL APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to adopt the Appropriations Resolution for Fiscal Year 2019 for Washington County Family & Children First Council, summarized as follows:

602-2030 Unrestricted Fund	\$	129,784
602-2031 Restricted Fund	\$	131,603
602-2032 Various Fund	\$	41,200
602-2033 Help Me Grow Fund	\$	402,568
602-2034 Parenting and Prevention	\$	25,784

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

RE: WASHINGTON COUNTY APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. White moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to adopt the Appropriations Resolution for Fiscal Year 2019 for Washington County, summarized as follows:

Total of All Funds	\$	58,914,913
Total County General Fund	\$	16,089,868
Total 1% Permissive Sales Tax Fund	\$	2,229,520
Total Sheriff's Sales Tax Fund	\$	4,390,540
Total All Other Funds	\$	36,204,985

Commissioner Feathers said appropriations for 2019 are only about 3.5% higher than the previous year, primarily a result of the Commissioners holding most line items to 2018 levels. He said he is pleased to be able to award 2.5% of salaries in the Discretionary Merit accounts, allowing elected officials and/or department heads to determine how best to distribute those amounts.

Commissioner White noted County General Fund expenses are held to about 2.8% higher than 2018, with the majority of that increase in Discretionary Merit. He said the budget includes funding for two new positions, one in Maintenance Department and one in Security & Transport Division of the Sheriff's Office.

President Walters said he is pleased to be able to allocate a little more to economic development through the Southeast Ohio Port Authority. He noted this is possible because Buckeye Hills RC & D ceased operations and disbursed a portion of remaining funds to the County to be used for enhancement of economic development. Mr. Walters said many requests from departments are not funded in this budget, and there will undoubtedly be requests for additional appropriations at some point in the year. He said budgeting in this manner, though, will encourage budget managers to demonstrate other funds are not available before requesting additional appropriations.

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

RE: FAREWELL TO MR. WALTERS

This being the final public meeting for outgoing Commissioner Rick Walters, the other Commissioners thanked him for his service and wished him well in his other endeavors.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Mr. White moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to adjourn. A calling of the roll resulted in a unanimous vote in favor. The meeting adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

_____, President

_____, Vice President

_____, Member

_____, Clerk

