

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON JULY 3, 2019 IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE 305.05, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: DAVID A. WHITE, PRESIDENT. RONALD L. FEATHERS, VICE PRESIDENT. KEVIN J. RITTER, MEMBER. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 A.M. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD. MR. WHITE LED THOSE ATTENDING IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG, AND MR. FEATHERS OFFERED PRAYER.

Also attending were:

Kimberly Hinkle, Child Support Enforcement Agency  
Kathy Thieman, Director of Human Resources  
Chris Wilson, Building Official  
Flite Freimann, Job and Family Services  
Donnie Rader, I.T. Department  
Roger Wright, Washington County Engineer  
Deanna Robinson  
Richard Hays, Washington County EMA  
Karl Comstock, Maintenance  
Gary Doan, Muskingum Township Trustee  
Shawn Dalrymple, Wastewater Superintendent  
Bob Chase  
Joe Tucker  
Michele Newbanks, *The Marietta Times*  
Ben Cowdery, Clerk/Fiscal Manager  
Rick Peoples, Clerk

**Washington County Commissioners  
AGENDA  
9:00 a.m., July 3, 2019**

9:00 Business Meeting  
9:30 Drainage Issue – Joe Tucker, Bob Chase, Roger Wright  
10:00 Public Hearing – Tax Budgets for Fiscal Year 2020

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Approve Agenda  
Approval of previous meeting's minutes  
Bills from various departments  
Resolution – Support for Barker House preservation  
Transfer – Board of Elections  
Transfer – Recorder  
Transfer – Sewer  
Transfer – Children Services  
Then & Now  
Travel – County Home  
Travel – Children Services (3)  
CDBG Contract – 2018 Highland Ridge Water District Tank Project  
Project Grant/Loan Agreement – County Road 9, 20, and 333 Resurfacing  
Project Grant/Loan Agreement – County Road 9 Base Stabilization & CR-9 CR-46  
Appointment to Wash. County Behavioral Health Board  
Appointment to MOV Reg. Airport Authority  
Jail Contract – Village of Syracuse  
Agreement between FCF & Developmental Disabilities  
Destruction of miscellaneous unserviceable inmate items  
Delinquent Sewer Accounts  
Certification of Delinquent Sewer Accounts  
Engineer – Broughton Commercial Properties Sanitation Plans  
Engineer – Request from City of Marietta for Permissive Tax Funds  
Engineer – Change Order #1, WAS-C-25 Landslip Repair  
Engineer – Change Order #1, WAS-C-3 Guardrail Replacement

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Courthouse Closed, **Thursday**, July 4, *Independence Day*  
Monthly Meeting at County Home, 8:30 a.m., **Tuesday**, July 9  
Finance Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m., **Tuesday**, July 16, Conference Room A

**RE: APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

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

**RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes of the June 27, 2019 Regular Meeting.

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

**RE: BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter 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: David White aye, Ron Feathers aye. Kevin Ritter aye. Motion passed.

**RE: Resolution – Barker House**

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

***WHEREAS**, the Barker House is a historic structure dating back to the earliest years of Washington County, and is a structure of both historical and architectural significance, the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers has neglected the historic structure for more than forty years and has expressed intention to demolish the Barker House, and numerous individuals, historical societies, and ad hoc groups have shown the desire, ability, and intent to restore and maintain the structure.*

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Washington County Board of Commissioners extends its support and encouragement of these efforts to restore and maintain the Barker House.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Washington County Board of Commissioners encourages the United States government to assist these efforts in every manner possible.*

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

**RE: TRANSFERS**

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

<u>Department</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Board of Elections	100-0160-57400	100-0160-52000	\$ 1,200.00
Recorder	100-0150-54000	100-0150-52000	\$ 1,000.00
Sewer Fund	400-0113-52001	400-0113-53200	\$ 1,000.00
Children Services	200-0740-51001	200-0740-53000	\$ 200,000.00

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

**RE: THEN & NOW**

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

<b>Dept</b>	<b>Account</b>	<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Commissioners	200-0704-57400	Eve Inc.	\$ 6,931.05

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

**RE: TRAVEL REQUESTS**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter 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 2019 and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

County Home

*Susie Arbaugh*: Doctor appointments in Parkersburg, WV. July 1, 3, & 15.

Children Services

*Karlee Hill:* Required agency visits to New Straitsville-July 8, Bethesda-July 9, Salem-July 10, Lancaster-July 22, Columbus-July 25, Reynoldsburg-July 31.

*Tonya Kidder:* Required agency visits to Waverly-July 8, Coshocton-July 10, Akron-July 12, Jackson-July 15, Racine-July 16, London-July 17, Grove City, PA-July 18.

*Amanda Herron:* Required agency visit to Clarington-July 8.

*Juliane Beckett:* Required agency visit to Quaker City-July 9.

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

**RE: CDBG CONTRACT – HIGHLAND RIDGE WATER DISTRICT TANK PROJECT**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve a contract for Buckeye Hills Regional Council to sub-contract on behalf of Washington County, Ohio on the 2018 Highland Ridge Water District Tank Project. Buckeye Hills will carry out administrative services of the contract under the 2018 CDBG Critical Infrastructure Grant Program.

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

**RE: PROJECT GRANT/LOAN AGREEMENT CR-9, CR-20, CR-333 RESURFACING**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve a Project Grant/Loan Agreement entered into July 1, 2019 between the State of Ohio through the Ohio Public Works Commission and Washington County. The project, *County Roads 9, 20, and 333 Resurfacing*, is to provide the county with 71% of the total project costs, not to exceed \$531,934 as set forth in the Agreement.

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

**RE: PROJECT GRANT/LOAN AGREEMENT CR-9 BASE STABILIZATION – CR-9 & CR-46 RESURFACING**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve a Project Grant/Loan Agreement entered into July 1, 2019 between the State of Ohio through the Ohio Public Works Commission and Washington County. The project, *CR-9 Base Stabilization and CR-9 & CR-46 Resurfacing*, is to provide the county with 63% of the total project costs, not to exceed \$791,293 as set forth in the Agreement.

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

**RE: APPOINTMENT TO WASHINGTON COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD**

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to table the appointment, allowing more time for consideration of the appointee.

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

**RE: APPOINTMENT TO MOV REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to re-appoint Kenyon Cox to the Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Airport Authority for a term beginning July 1, 2019 and extending through June 30, 2022.

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

**RE: JAIL CONTRACT – VILLAGE OF SYRACUSE**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve a contract between Washington County Commissioners, the Sheriff of Washington County, and the Village of Syracuse (Contractor). The Contractor will house prisoners in the Washington County Jail at a cost of \$68.00 per day to be paid by the Contractor to the County.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye. Ron Feathers aye. Kevin Ritter aye. Motion passed.

**RE: AGREEMENT BETWEEN FCF & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve an agreement between Washington County Family & Children First (Council) and Washington County Board of Developmental Disabilities (Contractor) for the term effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

The Contractor shall be compensated \$500 per month for evaluations performed during that month. The Council shall make payments within 30 days of presentation of the

invoice submitted by the Contractor.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye. Ron Feathers aye. Kevin Ritter aye. Motion passed.

**RE: DESTRUCTION OF UNSERVICEABLE CLOTHING ITEMS**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve a request from the Sheriff's Office to destroy old clothing items no longer serviceable from the Washington County Jail. The list of items include shoes, towels, sheets, shirts, and pants.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye. Ron Feathers aye. Kevin Ritter aye. Motion passed.

**RE: DELINQUENT SEWER ACCOUNTS**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve sending letters to the holders of delinquent sewer accounts, requesting immediate payment on those accounts.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye. Ron Feathers aye. Kevin Ritter aye. Motion passed.

**RE: CERTIFICATION OF DELINQUENT SEWER ACCOUNTS**

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to certify with the County Auditor a list of delinquent sewer accounts, requesting the Auditor to collect the delinquent amounts with the taxes due for the property.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye. Ron Feathers aye. Kevin Ritter aye. Motion passed.

**RE: ENGINEER – BROUGHTON COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES SANITATION PLANS**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve sanitary sewer plans, presented by the Washington County Engineer, reviewed and approved by the County sanitary sewer consultant ADR & Associates, for the Broughton Commercial Properties.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye. Ron Feathers aye. Kevin Ritter aye. Motion passed.

**RE: ENGINEER – CITY OF MARIETTA REQUEST FOR PERMISSIVE TAX FUNDS**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve a request from the City of Marietta for permissive tax funds in the amount of \$25,000 for their 2019 Citywide Asphalt Paving and ADA Curb Ramps project.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye. Ron Feathers aye. Kevin Ritter aye. Motion passed.

**RE: ENGINEER – CHANGE ORDER #1, WAS-C-25 LANDSLIP REPAIR**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve a reduction of \$3,385.98 to the original contract amount of \$22,517.13 for a new total cost of \$19,131.15 for the WAS-C-25 Landslip Repair contract.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye. Ron Feathers aye. Kevin Ritter aye. Motion passed.

**RE: ENGINEER – CHANGE ORDER #1, WAS-C-3 GUARDRAIL REPLACEMENT**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve a reduction of \$24,963.75 to the original contract amount of \$386,205.75 for a new total cost of \$361,242 for the WAS-C-3 Guardrail Replacement contract.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye. Ron Feathers aye. Kevin Ritter aye. Motion passed.

**RE: PERSONNEL CHANGES**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve the following personnel changes:

Appoint Karl Comstock to the position of Buildings & Grounds Superintendent retroactive to July 1, 2019.

Appoint Ben Cowdery to the position of Clerk & Fiscal Manager effective immediately.

Hire Joseph Sohn to a full-time position in I.T. retroactive to July 1, 2019.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye. Ron Feathers aye. Kevin Ritter aye. Motion passed.

**RE: RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF SERVICE**

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to recognize Rick Peoples for his years of service as Fiscal Clerk of the Washington County Commissioners.

Commissioner White presented Rick Peoples with a Resolution, signed by each Commissioner, to recognize him for nine years of service with the county. Mr. White said Mr. Peoples performed his duties with pride, dedication, and professionalism; and congratulated Mr. Peoples on a job well done.

Commissioner Feathers presented Rick Peoples with a flag of Washington County, signed by each Commissioner, as a parting gift in recognition of his years of service to the county.

Gary Doan, Muskingum Township Trustee, expressed his appreciation for Mr. Peoples's service.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye. Ron Feathers aye. Kevin Ritter aye. Motion passed.

**RE: DRAINAGE ISSUE NEAR MARIETTA COUNTRY CLUB**

Bob Chase said he spoke to multiple agencies and determined there is a need for a hydrologic study on drainage in the area near Marietta Country Club to mitigate flooding. He mentioned an OEMA grant program available but it would require sponsors.

Joe Tucker, City Engineer, said State Route 7 might require ODOT to do something about the flooding in the area.

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to include Washington County as a partner with the City of Marietta in support of conducting a study on the issue.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye. Ron Feathers aye. Kevin Ritter aye. Motion passed.

**RE: PUBLIC HEARING – TAX BUDGETS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020**

Rick Peoples reviewed the following items of note regarding the 2020 Tax Budget for Washington County:

2020 Tax Budget for Washington County totals \$59,838,316 – an increase of approximately 1.5% over 2019 appropriations.

Projected County General revenues for fiscal year 2020 are nearly identical to the amount budgeted for 2019.

County General expenses reflect a 3% increase next fiscal year, which includes increases in Maintenance Department and Jail expenses.

**RE: ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to adjourn. A calling of the roll resulted in a unanimous vote in favor. The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

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