

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON JUNE 18, 2020 IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE 305.05, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: RONALD L. FEATHERS, PRESIDENT. KEVIN J. RITTER, VICE PRESIDENT. DAVID A. WHITE, 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, AND MR. FEATHERS OFFERED PRAYER.

Also attending:

Flite Freimann, Job & Family Services
Kimberly Hinkle, Child Support Enforcement Agency
Karl Comstock, Maintenance
Kathy Thieman, Human Resources
Donnie Rader, I.T.
Roger Wright, Engineer
James Booth
Cora Marshall
Bri Deem, Humane Society
Karissa Reynolds, Humane Society
James Raney, Humane Society
Mike Montgomery, Humane Society
Michele Newbanks, *Marietta Times*
Ben Cowdery, Fiscal Manager/Clerk

**Washington County Commissioners
AGENDA**

9:00 am, June 18, 2020

9:00 Business Meeting
9:30 Marietta Township Quote Opening
9:45 Salem VFD Bid Opening
10:00 Humane Society Update

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Agenda
Approval of previous meeting minutes
Bills from various departments
Auditor – New Fund for BHB
Resolution for House Bill 481
Resolution for COVID-19 Recovery Task Force
Resolution to renew existing Senior Levy
JFS – Advance from County General Fund
Additional Appropriation – FCF
Additional Appropriation – County General (2)
Additional Appropriation – Job & Family Services
Additional Appropriation – Dog & Kennel
Additional Appropriation – Common Pleas
Transfer – County General
Transfer – RSVP (2)
JFS – Bid Awards for Nonemergency Transportation
Engineer – Contract for geotechnical exploration on Bell Road Bridge
Engineer – Contract for geotechnical exploration on Veto Road
Engineer – Bid Specifications for FEMA Project No. 43716

DATES TO REMEMBER

Courthouse closed Friday July 3, 2020

RE: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. White moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve the agenda with the following changes:

Add: Income Survey for Devola Sewer Project

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

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes of the June 11, 2020 regular meeting.

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

RE: BILLS FOR PAYMENT

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

RE: AUDITOR – NEW FUND FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to adopt a resolution to retitle a fund in the Auditor's bookkeeping system for the Washington County Behavioral Health Board. Fund 210-0613, previously titled Women Setaside, will be changed to 210-0613 WCBHB Emergency COVID-19. The purpose of the new fund is to provide crisis intervention services, mental and substance use disorder treatment, and other related recovery support for children and adults impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

RE: LMI STUDY FOR DEVOLA SEWER PROJECT

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve a low-to-moderate income study of the area covered under the EPA Findings and Orders for the Devola Sewer Project. The income study is necessary to apply for grants to help offset the cost of the project.

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

RE: RESOLUTION FOR HOUSE BILL 481

Mr. White moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to adopt a resolution for House Bill 481. The resolution is required to receive and expend federal funds under section 5001 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

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

RE: RESOLUTION FOR COVID-19 RECOVERY TASK FORCE

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to adopt a resolution to establish a COVID-19 Recovery Task Force for Washington County. The task force shall be responsible for making recommendations regarding the allocation and expenditures of CARES funds to ensure the continued and uninterrupted services to the citizens of Washington County. The task force shall be chaired by the Human Resources Director and comprised of the Social Services Administrator, an Assistant Prosecutor, a Deputy Auditor, and a representative from the Sheriff's Office. The task force shall operate and remain in effect until the complete expenditure of CARES funds.

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

RE: RESOLUTION TO RENEW EXISTING SENIOR LEVY

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to adopt a resolution to renew the existing levy for senior citizen services. The five-year levy will begin with tax year 2021 if a majority of the electors vote in favor of the levy at the general election held on November 3, 2020. The senior levy is levied at a rate of .85 mill, which amounts to eight and one half cents for each One Hundred Dollars of valuation.

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

RE: JFS – ADVANCE FROM COUNTY GENERAL FUND

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve a request from Job and Family Services for an advance from county general funds in the amount of \$100,000. Washington County Department of Job and Family Services will repay the full amount within thirty days. Flite Freimann, Director JFS, said this is a short-term loan to get through the end of the state's fiscal year.

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

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

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

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Family & Children First	602-2031-53006	\$ 56,122.90
Job & Family Services	200-0720-57200	\$ 100,000.00

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

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

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Budget Stabilization	100-0104-57200	\$ 100,000.00
County General	100-0109-51110	\$ 396.00
Common Pleas	200-0235-54400	\$ 4,000.00

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

Mr. White moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to table a request for an additional appropriation to the Dog & Kennel Fund for \$1,500.

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

RE: TRANSFERS

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

<u>Department</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Budget Stabilization	100-0104-57200	200-0720-49200	\$ 100,000.00
RSVP	210-0710-51001	210-0710-51110	\$ 3,822.00
RSVP	210-0710-57400	210-0710-53000	\$ 135.35

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

RE: JFS – BID AWARDS FOR NONEMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve the Job and Family Services bid award recommendation for nonemergency transportation. It is the recommendation of JFS to contract with all five vendors that submitted bids. Flite Freimann, Director JFS, said each bid meets statutory requirements. Due to the volume of trips each month, it is in the best interest of JFS clients to have multiple choices. Commissioner Ritter commended Mr. Freimann for his unique solution and effort in this matter.

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

RE: ENGINEER – CONTRACT FOR GEOTECHNICAL EXPLORATION ON BELL ROAD BRIDGE

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve a contract with CTL Engineering for geotechnical exploration on the T-39 Bell Road Bridge Replacement. A lump sum compensation that shall not exceed \$12,000 shall be paid to CTL upon completion of professional services.

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

RE: ENGINEER – CONTRACT FOR GEOTECHNICAL EXPLORATION ON VETO ROAD

Mr. White moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve a contract with CTL Engineering for geotechnical exploration of a landslip on CR-3 Veto Road. A lump sum compensation that shall not exceed \$16,310 shall be paid to CTL upon completion of professional services.

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

RE: ENGINEER – BID SPECIFICATIONS FOR FEMA PROJECT NO. 43716

Mr. White moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve bid specifications, as submitted by the county engineer, for asphalt spot paving on four landslips located on C-2, C-46, and C-126. The project will be funded with 75% FEMA funds and 25% OEMA funds. The total project cost is estimated at \$60,492.50. The bid opening is set for Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 10 am, in the engineer's office.

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

RE: COMMENTS

Flite Freimann, Director JFS, said Kathy Thieman, Human Resources, has been an incredible asset in dealing with the unemployment issues arising from the COVID-19 pandemic.

RE: MARIETTA TOWNSHIP QUOTE OPENING

Marietta Township received a sealed quote from a single supplier. The following is a summary of the quote received.

Summit Supply Corporation of Colorado	\$11,034.42
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There were no representatives from Buckeye Hills Regional Council or Summit Supply Corporation present for the quote opening.

RE: SALEM VFD BID OPENING

Salem Volunteer Fire Department received three sealed bids for an ambulance. The following is a summary of the bids received.

Burgess Ambulance Sales	\$163,636.00
911 Fleet & Fire Equipment	\$152,959.00
Finley Fire Equipment	\$188,995.00

RE: HUMANE SOCIETY UPDATE

Bri Deem, Karissa Reynolds, James Raney, and Mike Montgomery from the Humane Society of the Ohio Valley provided an update to the Commissioners. Mr. Montgomery said finances are good because of fewer medical expenses. There are no past due bills at this time. There is a new camera system being installed to alert staff to afterhours drop-offs. The Humane Society is announcing a capital funding campaign for its new building and renovation initiative. Mr. Raney said volunteers with knowledge of fund raising, law, government, and real estate are needed to serve on the planning committee. Interested individuals can email campaign@hsov.org for more information.

Commissioner White said there is still no contract for this year for veterinary services. Mr. White said the \$1,500 a month may not be available for the whole year.

Mr. White moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve a request for the following additional appropriation:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Dog & Kennel Fund	200-0363-53002	\$ 1,500.00

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

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Mr. White 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 10:15 a.m.

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_____, Member

_____, Clerk