

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON NOVEMBER 12, 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. RITTER OFFERED PRAYER.

Also attending:

Flite Freimann, Job & Family Services
Tammy Sams, Human Resources
Karl Comstock, Maintenance
Kimberly Lowers, Child Support Enforcement Agency
Don Rader, I.T.
Bruce Kelbaugh, Board of Health
Charlie Schilling
James Booth
Judy Mercer
Michele Newbanks, *Marietta Times*
Ben Cowdery, Fiscal Manager/Clerk

**Washington County Commissioners
AGENDA
9:00 am, November 12, 2020**

9:00 Business Meeting
9:30 Highland Ridge Water

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Warren Schools – Township Road Name Request

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Agenda
Approval of previous meeting minutes
Bills from various departments
Resolution for New Fund for Drug Court Grant
Additional Appropriation – Maintenance
Additional Appropriation – County General
Additional Appropriation – Family & Children First
Additional Appropriation – Coroner
Additional Appropriation – Coronavirus Relief
Minus Appropriation – WV Americorps
Humane Society – October Invoice for Veterinary Services
Adult Drug Court Grant Award
Amended Lease Agreement for 750 County House Lane
RSVP – Contract with Buckeye Hills, CARES Act Funding
JFS – RFP for Peer Recovery Supporters
Buckeye Energy – 36 Month Pricing Agreement for electric accounts
COVID Taskforce – Reimbursement Request #2020-05

DATES TO REMEMBER

Courthouse closed for Thanksgiving Day, Thursday November 26

RE: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Add: State Auditor – Engagement Letter for LGS

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. White moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes of the November 5, 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. Ritter moved and Mr. White 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: RESOLUTION FOR NEW FUND FOR DRUG COURT GRANT

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to adopt a resolution to establish a new fund in the Auditor's bookkeeping system. The purpose of the new fund is to account for a grant awarded from the Bureau of Justice Assistance to enhance the operation of a drug court. The number and name of the new fund is as follows:

210-0236 BJA DRUG COURT GRANT #16.585

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. 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>
Maintenance	100-0109-53000	\$ 11,000.00
Commissioners	100-0100-53203	\$ 10,000.00
Family & Children First	602-2031-53005	\$ 13,887.96
Coroner	100-0361-53000	\$ 12,000.00
Coronavirus Relief	200-0872-57001	\$2,158,936.94

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

RE: MINUS APPROPRIATION

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

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
WV Americorps	210-0475-57400	\$ - 20,000.00

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

RE: HUMANE SOCIETY – OCTOBER INVOICE FOR VETERINARY SERVICES

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve payment of an invoice from the Humane Society for Veterinary Services for the month of October. The total amount due is \$1,500.

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

RE: ADULT DRUG COURT GRANT AWARD

Mr. White moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve a grant award from the U.S. Department of Justice for the operation of an adult drug court. The approved award amount is \$500,000. The funds are for the project entitled Washington County COMPASS Drug Court.

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

RE: AMENDED LEASE AGREEMENT FOR 750 COUNTY HOUSE LANE

Mr. White moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve an amended lease agreement with the Washington County Behavioral Health Board for the property at 750 County House Lane. The amended lease is effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2025.

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

RE: RSVP – CONTRACT WITH BUCKEYE HILLS, CARES ACT FUNDING

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve a contract between RSVP and Buckeye Hills Regional Council for mileage reimbursement of grocery pickup and delivery to residents in Washington County. Buckeye Hills will pay RSVP a sum not to exceed \$6,000 in reimbursements. The date of final completion for all activities in the

contract is December 31, 2021.

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

RE: JFS – RFP FOR PEER RECOVERY SUPPORTERS

Mr. White moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve a Request for Proposal from Job and Family Services for peer recovery supporters. Proposals must be received by the Washington County Department of JFS no later than 4 p.m., Monday, November 30, 2020. JFS is seeking certified Peer Recovery Supporters that would provide peer support to individuals in recovery.

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

RE: BUCKEYE ENERGY – 36 MONTH PRICING AGREEMENT

Mr. White moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve an agreement with Energy Harbor to consolidate all county electric accounts into a thirty-six month pricing agreement. The agreement is effective July 2021 through July 2024. The price is 4.52 cents per kilowatt-hour.

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

RE: COVID TASKFORCE – REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST #2020-05

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve the COVID-19 Taskforce Reimbursement Request #2020-05. The taskforce reviewed ongoing COVID related expenditures from county departments and agencies. The taskforce requests a total of \$8,858.40 be reimbursed to county departments and agencies from the CARES Act funds received by the county for COVID related expenses. The Commissioners approved \$299,912.13 for reimbursement on October 15, \$26,998.02 on October 22, \$46,714.52 on October 29, and \$6,699.54 on November 5, 2020.

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

RE: OHIO AUDITOR – ENGAGEMENT LETTER FOR LGS

Mr. White moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve an engagement letter from the Ohio Auditor of State for Local Government Services to compile the annual financial statements of Washington County, Ohio for year ending December 31, 2020. The estimated fee for this service is \$40,800.

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

RE: HIGHLAND RIDGE WATER

Judy Mercer, Highland Ridge Water Association, informed the Commissioners that the association intends to apply for Critical Infrastructure funding to replace approximately 5,100 linear feet of water line along State Route 821. The current cost estimate for the project is \$524,000.

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 9:34 a.m.

_____, President

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_____, Member

_____, Clerk