

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON DECEMBER 31, 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:

Karl Comstock, Maintenance
Roger Wright, Engineer
Richard Hays, EMA
Kim Hinkle, Child Support Enforcement Agency
Charlie Schilling
James Booth
Deanna Robinson
Michele Newbanks, *Marietta Times*
Ben Cowdery, Fiscal Manager/Clerk

**Washington County Commissioners
AGENDA
9:00 am, December 31, 2020**

9:00 Business Meeting

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Proposal to Remove BHB from CORSA Coverage
Appointment of Coroner's Investigator
County Home – Collective Bargaining Agreement

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Agenda
Approval of previous meeting minutes
Bills from various departments
Then & Now
CSEA – Contract with Sheriff, IV-D Amendment
Delinquent Sewer Accounts
Certification of Delinquent Sewer Accounts

DATES TO REMEMBER

Courthouse closed for New Year's Day, Friday January 1, 2021
Commissioners Organizational Meeting, 10am January 6, 2021

RE: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Add: Engineer – WSP Phase 3 & Create Bid Ready Documents
 Travel – Children Services
Remove: Bills from various departments

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 December 23, 2020 regular meeting and December 29, 2020 special meeting.

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

RE: THEN & NOW

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

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Sheriff	100-0381-53500	Morrison Inc	\$ 400.40

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

David White aye. Motion passed.

RE: CSEA – CONTRACT WITH SHERIFF, IV-D AMENDMENT

Mr. White moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve an amendment to the IV-D contract between Child Support Enforcement Agency and the Sheriff's Office. The contract became effective on January 1, 2020. The unit rate for this contract will be \$90.34. The total contract cost is \$25,476.95.

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

RE: DELINQUENT SEWER ACCOUNTS

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

RE: CERTIFICATION OF DELINQUENT SEWER ACCOUNTS

Mr. White moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to certify with the county auditor a list of delinquent sewer accounts. The Board of Commissioners requests the auditor to collect the delinquent amounts with the taxes due for the property.

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

RE: TRAVEL REQUESTS

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to approve the following requests for reimbursement of expenses for training and travel, pursuant to the policies and in compliance with the annual appropriations for fiscal year 2020 and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

Children Services

Mitch Boothe: Required child visit in Rio Grande on January 4; Lancaster on January 11; Dexter City on January 12; and Cambridge on January 18, 2021

Tami Downs: Oak Hill, Ohio Department of Job and Family Services on January 21, 2021

Sabrina Buchanan: Required child visit in Cincinnati on January 4; Toledo on January 6; Pedro & Wellston on January 11; Frazeyburg on January 12; Cincinnati on January 13; and Cambridge on January 19, 2021

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

RE: ENGINEER – WSP PHASE 3 & CREATE BID READY DOCUMENTS

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. White seconded a motion to authorize WSP to complete Phase 3 of the Devola Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project, preparing final wastewater plans and creating bid ready documents. Comments from the Ohio EPA are pending from the Pre-Final plans submitted November 25, 2020 with a project estimate of \$12,051,712. The Ohio EPA comments, along with county comments, will be submitted and incorporated into the final plan set.

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

RE: COMMENTS

James Booth thanked Commissioner Feathers and Commissioner White for their support of a smooth transition of power and for the work they have done for the last eight years as Commissioners.

Commissioner White said it is a difficult transition for him and he loved his time as a Commissioner. Mr. White said it is difficult to be personally persecuted for standing by his principles. Mr. White wished his best to the new Commissioners.

Commissioner Ritter thanked Tammy Sams for her service as Director of Human Resources. Mr. Ritter commended Mr. Booth and Mr. Schilling for their preparation to be Commissioners and looks forward to working with them. Mr. Ritter appreciates the support he has received from both Commissioner White and Commissioner Feathers.

Commissioner Feathers said that reflecting over the last eight years, when he was forced to make decisions, he tried to be articulate and kind. Mr. Feathers said it has been a

pleasure to serve as Commissioner of Washington County. Mr. Feathers said that although he did not know Mr. White eight years ago, he now considers him an older brother.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ritter 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 9:11 a.m.

_____, President

_____, Vice President

_____, Member

_____, Clerk