

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MARCH 18, 2021 IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE 305.05, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: KEVIN J. RITTER, PRESIDENT. CHARLIE L. SCHILLING, VICE PRESIDENT. JAMES W. BOOTH, MEMBER. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 A.M. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD. MR. RITTER LED THOSE ATTENDING IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG, AND MR. SCHILLING OFFERED PRAYER.

Also attending:

Flite Freimann, Director Job & Family Services
Dawn Freeland, Job & Family Services
Deanna Green, Job & Family Services
Diane Davis, Director of Human Resources
Rick Dostal, Building Department Official
Karl Comstock, Maintenance Superintendent
Roger Wright, County Engineer
Darlene Lukshin, Engineer's Office
David Browne, Behavioral Health Board
Jesse Roush, Port Authority
Donnie Rader, Director of I.T.
Jamie Vuksic, Job & Family Services
Pam Sullivan, Sheriff's Office
Gary Doan, Muskingum Township Trustee
Karen Doan
David Brown, Southeast Ohio Broadband Cooperative
Peg Bailey, Southeast Ohio Broadband Cooperative
Brad Spray, Southeast Ohio Broadband Cooperative
James Raney, Humane Society
Leight Murray, Humane Society
Michele Newbanks, *Marietta Times*
Ben Cowdery, Fiscal Manager/Clerk

**Washington County Commissioners
AGENDA
9:00 am, March 18, 2021**

9:00 Business Meeting
9:45 Southeast Ohio Broadband Cooperative
10:00 Humane Society Update

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

JFS – Engineer Contract for 202 Davis Avenue
JFS – Engineer Contract for 204 Davis Avenue
Engineer – Request for Newport & Wesley Townships

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Agenda
Approval of previous meeting minutes
Bills from various departments
Resolution for TIRC Recommendation
Additional Appropriation – Family & Children First
Transfer – Sheriff
Transfer – Family & Children First
Then & Now
Travel – Children Services
WMCAP – Administer 2021 CHIP Program Application
Renewal Application to Behavioral Health Board
Liquor Permit Application for Taylors Drive Thru
CSEA – 2021 IV-D Contracts
Appoint Director for County Home
Engineer – RUMA for C-138

DATES TO REMEMBER

County Home Meeting, 11 am Tuesday April 13, at County Home
Finance Committee Meeting, 10 am April 20, at Courthouse

RE: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Schilling moved and Mr. Booth seconded a motion to approve the agenda with the following changes:

Add: Additional Appropriation – Recorder Equipment
Additional Appropriation – Jail

Sheriff – Request to scrap vehicle

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Kevin Ritter aye. Charlie Schilling aye. James Booth aye. Motion passed.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes of the March 11, 2021 regular meeting.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Kevin Ritter aye. Charlie Schilling aye. James Booth aye. Motion passed.

RE: BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Mr. Schilling moved and Mr. Booth 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: Kevin Ritter aye. Charlie Schilling aye. James Booth aye. Motion passed.

RE: RESOLUTION FOR TIRC RECOMMENDATION

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to adopt a resolution to accept the recommendation of the Tax Incentive Review Council to continue the agreement in place with Washington Electric Cooperative. Darlene Lukshin, Engineer’s Office, said the Washington County TIRC voted to continue the county’s only remaining agreement, which is with Washington Electric Cooperative.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Kevin Ritter aye. Charlie Schilling aye. James Booth aye. Motion passed.

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

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

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Family & Children First	602-2031-53005	\$ 22,752.00
Recorder Equipment	200-0151-55200	\$ 3,000.00
Jail	100-0381-54400	\$ 750.00

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Kevin Ritter aye. Charlie Schilling aye. James Booth aye. Motion passed.

RE: TRANSFERS

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

<u>Department</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Sheriff	100-0384-57800	100-0384-53020	\$ 3,000.00
Family & Children First	602-2030-52000	602-2030-57400	\$ 500.00

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Kevin Ritter aye. Charlie Schilling aye. James Booth aye. Motion passed.

RE: THEN & NOW

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

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Job & Family Services	200-0720-59001	Career Center	\$ 408.00
Common Pleas	210-0236-53000	Oriana House	\$ 30,105.11
Jail	100-0381-53130	AT&T	\$ 107.53
Sheriff	100-0384-53130	AT&T	\$ 1,188.70
Security & Transport	100-0385-53130	AT&T	\$ 141.23
Maintenance	100-0109-53000	Miller Comm	\$ 745.00
Family & Children First	602-2033-55203	Marietta Times	\$ 300.00
Sewer	400-0113-53200	Frontier	\$ 131.02

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Kevin Ritter aye. Charlie Schilling aye. James Booth aye. Motion passed.

RE: TRAVEL REQUESTS

Mr. Schilling moved and Mr. Booth 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 2021 and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

Children Services

Tonya Kidder: Required child visit in Jackson on March 16; Ironton on March 18; Kingston on March 19; Trotwood on March 22; Mansfield on March 23; Gallipolis on March 25; University Heights on March 29; Powell on March 31, 2021

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Kevin Ritter aye. Charlie Schilling aye. James Booth aye. Motion passed.

RE: SHERIFF – REQUEST TO SCRAP VEHICLE

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to approve a request from the Sheriff's Office to sell a 2013 Ford Explorer (84-83) as scrap at American Car Crusher. All useful parts will be removed and repurposed on other vehicles in the fleet.

Vehicle: 2013 Ford Explorer 84-83 VIN 1FM5K8ARODGC73542 145,916 miles

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Kevin Ritter aye. Charlie Schilling aye. James Booth aye. Motion passed.

RE: WMCAP – ADMINISTER 2021 CHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION

Mr. Schilling moved and Mr. Booth seconded a motion to approve a request for application from Washington Morgan Community Action to administer the 2021 CHIP Program for Washington County. WMCAP will need to submit a proposal for Washington County to evaluate.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Kevin Ritter aye. Charlie Schilling aye. James Booth aye. Motion passed.

RE: RENEWAL APPLICATION TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to approve a renewal application for Larry Schwendeman to the Behavioral Health Board. Commissioner Schilling said Mr. Schwendeman has been a longtime member of the Behavioral Health Board and supports the reappointment.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Kevin Ritter aye. Charlie Schilling aye. James Booth aye. Motion passed.

RE: LIQUOR PERMIT APPLICATION FOR TAYLORS DRIVE THRU

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to approve sending notice to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control indicating that Washington County does not request a hearing for Taylors Drive Thru & Carryout liquor permit application.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Kevin Ritter aye. Charlie Schilling aye. James Booth aye. Motion passed.

RE: CSEA – 2021 IV-D CONTRACTS

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to approve the 2021 Title IV-D contracts between Washington County Child Support Enforcement Agency and the following four county agencies: Washington County Sheriff's Office, Washington County Court of Common Pleas – Juvenile Division, Washington County Court of Common Pleas – Domestic Relations Division, and Washington County Clerk of Courts. The IV-D contracts are effective from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. Commissioner Ritter said the contracts are the same as the previous year except for the dollar amounts.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Kevin Ritter aye. Charlie Schilling aye. James Booth aye. Motion passed.

RE: ENGINEER – RUMA FOR C-138

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to approve a Road Use Maintenance Agreement with Diversified Gas & Oil Corporation for use of a portion of Rinard Mills Road C-138.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Kevin Ritter aye. Charlie Schilling aye. James Booth aye. Motion passed.

RE: APPOINT DIRECTOR FOR COUNTY HOME

Mr. Schilling moved and Mr. Booth seconded a motion to enter executive session to discuss the appointment of a director for the county home.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Kevin Ritter aye. Charlie Schilling aye. James Booth aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Schilling moved and Mr. Booth seconded a motion to adjourn executive session and return to regular session.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Kevin Ritter aye. Charlie Schilling aye. James Booth aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Booth announced the appointment of Deanna Green as Director for the Washington County Home. The Commissioners congratulated Ms. Green on the appointment. Ms. Green thanked the Commissioners for the opportunity to serve county residents.

RE: COMMENTS

Darlene Lukshin, OSU Extension Office Community Development Specialist, said she is retiring from her position and it has been a pleasure to serve the county for over ten years. Ms. Lukshin appreciates the support from everyone over the years. Commissioner Ritter thanked Ms. Lukshin for all she has done for the county.

RE: SOUTHEAST OHIO BROADBAND COOPERATIVE

David Brown, Peg Bailey, and Brad Spray from the SEOBC were present to provide the Commissioners with an update on operations. Mr. Brown said there are 43 devices currently connected to the network. The cooperative installed a solar repeater on Ms. Bailey's property and has been working to resolve issues so that it maintains a constant connection. The cooperative has received 400 requests for connections. Mr. Brown requested another \$45,000 from the Commissioners to install a second tower. Commissioner Booth is pleased with the progress of the cooperative and said he has heard positive feedback from the community regarding the SEOBC.

RE: HUMANE SOCIETY UPDATE

Leight Murray and James Raney from the Humane Society provided the Commissioners with a report on animals at the shelter. Commissioner Ritter said the report looks good. Mr. Ritter said the details included in the report give him a better understanding of the operations. Mr. Murray said the 2021 Furball fundraiser is scheduled for October 23 at the Broughton Community Building.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Schilling moved and Mr. Booth seconded a motion to adjourn. A calling of the roll resulted in a unanimous vote in favor. The meeting adjourned at 10:14 a.m.

_____, President

_____, Vice President

_____, Member

_____, Clerk