

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MAY 26, 2022 IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE 305.05, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: CHARLIE L. SCHILLING, PRESIDENT. JAMES W. BOOTH, VICE PRESIDENT. KEVIN J. RITTER, MEMBER. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 A.M. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD. THE COMMISSIONERS LED THOSE ATTENDING IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG, AND MR. SCHILLING OFFERED PRAYER.

Also attending:

Flite Freimann, Director JFS
Rob Grant, Grants Administrator
Philip Schaffer, Special Projects Administrator
Karl Comstock, Maintenance Superintendent
Gary Doan, Muskingum Township Trustee
Karen Doan
Roger Wright, County Engineer
Rick Dostal, Chief Building Official
Diane Davis, HR Director
Jon Higgins, Family & Children First
John Jackson, Health Department
Amanda Bohlen, OSU Extension Office
Michele Newbanks, *Marietta Times*
Ben Cowdery, Fiscal Manager/Clerk

**Washington County Commissioners
AGENDA
9:00 am, May 26, 2022**

9:00 Business Meeting
9:45 OSU Extension – Update

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MOU with Ohio University Voinovich School

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Agenda
Approval of previous meeting minutes
Bills from various departments
Resolution authorizing easement payments
Additional Appropriation – County General (5)
Additional Appropriation – Law Library
Then & Now
Travel – Job & Family Services (2)
MOU for WIOA Area 15 Workforce Development
FCF – Early Intervention Grant Agreement
Jail Contract – Noble County
Approval of Perpetual Easements & IOMA's for Devola Sewer
Liquor Permit Notice for 50A Carry Out
Delinquent Sewer Accounts
Certification of Delinquent Sewer Accounts

DATES TO REMEMBER

Courthouse closed Monday, May 30th for Memorial Day
Proposed Class II Injection Well – ODNR Public Meeting, June 2nd at 6 p.m., at the
St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Little Hocking
Courthouse closed Monday, June 20th for Juneteenth Day

RE: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Add: Additional Appropriation – Clerk of Courts Title Office
Travel – Family & Children First

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

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. Booth seconded a motion to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes of the May 19, 2022 regular meeting.

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

RE: BILLS FOR PAYMENT

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

RE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EASEMENT PAYMENTS

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners is under court order to install a sewer system in the Devola Area of Washington County; and

WHEREAS, in order to legally abide by the court's mandate to install sewer in Devola, there are certain rights-of-way that must be obtained; and

WHEREAS, the County is offering the fair market value estimate of the properties listed below to obtain said rights-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the fair market value estimates represent the County's best estimate of the value of the properties needed for the mandated sewer improvement, based upon a valuation made in accordance with standard procedures established by the State of Ohio and the Federal government.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Washington County Commissioners hereby approves payment of the following amounts in accordance with the signed easement agreements for the Devola Sewer Improvement Project.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Parcel</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Tanya Wood	26-0042541-000	\$ 140.00
Raelyn Dailey	26-0037056-000	\$ 125.00
Dennis & Rissa Farrar	26-0038832-000	\$ 330.00
E Marie Stanley	26-0038724-000	\$ 640.00
Ralph Long & Noelle Young	26-0036400-000	\$ 240.00
Jason & Lorraine Discini	26-0036404-000	\$ 600.00
Patricia Dickson	26-0042273-000	\$ 665.00
Lawrence & Susan Hiser	26-0038284-000	\$ 710.00
	26-0038280-000	
	26-0038276-000	
Randy & Donna Krigbaum	26-0037996-000	\$ 150.00
Kelly Lincoln	26-0042581-000	\$ 845.00
Nathan & Ashley Eschbaugh	26-0038828-000	\$ 325.00
Steve & Christina Temesvary	26-0038844-000	\$1,310.00
	26-0038848-000	
Matthew Miller	26-0036424-000	\$ 445.00
Todd Parks & Andrea Bloomingdale	26-0035180-000	\$ 190.00
	26-0042162-000	
Lydia Hart	26-0038264-000	\$2,825.00
	26-0038260-000	
	26-0038256-000	

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

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

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

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Commissioners	100-0100-51001	\$ 16,500.00
Commissioners	100-0100-51101	\$ 265.00
Commissioners	100-0100-51102	\$ 12,381.00
Commissioners	100-0100-51104	\$ 25,849.00
Maintenance	100-0109-51102	\$ 1,400.00
Prosecutor	100-0140-51006	\$ 40,000.00
Recorder	100-0150-51001	\$ 100.00
Recorder	100-0150-51102	\$ 14.00
Recorder	100-0150-54000	\$ 2,165.20
Building Department	100-0170-51102	\$ 4,500.00
Law Library	200-0520-55000	\$ 2,853.95
Clerk of Courts Title	200-0233-51001	\$ 12,800.00

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

RE: THEN & NOW

Mr. Booth 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>
Engineer	200-0540-54302	Southern Carlson	\$ 249.00
Jail	100-0381-53500	Hobart Sales & Svc	\$ 611.06

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

RE: TRAVEL REQUESTS

Mr. Ritter 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 2022 and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

Job & Family Services

Amanda Sutphin: Driver Education Program meeting in Muskingum County on June 6; OMJ Program Operator meeting in Noble County on June 8, 2022

Family & Children First

Kelly Byrne: Appointment at New Story autism school in Albany on June 1, 2022

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

RE: MOU FOR WIOA AREA 15 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve a memorandum of understanding for Local Workforce Area 15 Ohio Valley Employment Resource – Monroe, Morgan, Noble & Washington Counties Workforce Development System. The MOU details the roles, responsibilities, and funding commitments the parties negotiated and mutually agreed upon for the operation and funding of the local workforce development system and the OhioMeansJobs centers in the workforce area. WIOA Area 15 Workforce Development Board is the local workforce board representing Monroe, Morgan, Noble and Washington counties. The mission statement is “to plan, create and continuously improve a coordinated Area One-Stop Delivery System where business, government, education/training, and community providers collaborate to improve access to jobs and job services for individuals and employers in a manner that will stimulate economic growth and prosperity for the region.” The MOU will be in effect from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Flite Freimann, Director JFS, said Washington County is the center of the four county region and partners with the Career Center and Washington State Community College.

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

RE: FCF – EARLY INTERVENTION GRANT AGREEMENT

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. Booth seconded a motion to approve the Early Intervention Service Coordination Grant Agreement between Family & Children First and the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities. The agreement will be in effect from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Per Addendum A of the agreement, Washington County’s total allocation is \$201,348. The grant funds are to be used to provide service coordination, evaluation and assessment, and early intervention child find outreach activities.

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

RE: JAIL CONTRACT – NOBLE COUNTY

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. Booth seconded a motion to approve a contract with Noble County to house prisoners at the Washington County Jail at a cost of \$83 per day. The contract is effective from April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023.

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

RE: APPROVAL OF PERPETUAL EASEMENTS & IOMA’S FOR DEVOLA SEWER

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve Easements and Installation, Operation and Maintenance Agreements, as submitted by Heritage Land Services, for Devola Sewer. Commissioner Schilling thanked the residents for their cooperation with the easements. Roger Wright, County Engineer, said the majority of residents donated and a few requested payment.

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

RE: LIQUOR PERMIT NOTICE FOR 50A CARRY OUT

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve sending notice to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control indicating that Washington County does not request a hearing for the 50A Carry Out liquor permit application.

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to table the 50A Carry Out liquor permit application notice for two weeks to allow time for public input.

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

RE: DELINQUENT SEWER ACCOUNTS

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

RE: CERTIFICATION OF DELINQUENT SEWER ACCOUNTS

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to certify with the County Auditor the following delinquent sewer account. The Board of Commissioners requests the Auditor to collect the delinquent amount with the taxes due for the property.

<u>Parcel</u>	<u>Amount</u>
26-0040704-000	\$ 318.05

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

RE: COMMENTS

John Jackson, Health Department Administrator, thanked the Commissioners for being appointed to the regional opioid council.

Roger Wright, Engineer, said WSP has reviewed the Devola Phase 2 bids and he expects the project to be awarded next week.

Commissioner Ritter read the following statement:

Last fall I was honored to be invited by Representative Jena Powell to come to state capital and testify on her bill (HB61) – the Save Women’s Sports Act. As the father of an athletic high school girl, and as a former college coach of both men and women, I was pleased to do so.

The Act, very simply, would have maintained a level playing field by limiting women’s sports to biological females. The bill, by quirk of fate was added to another piece of legislation and was passed out of the House by a contentious vote.

At that point, the Governor publicly signaled his unwillingness to support the legislation should it make it through the Senate. Like many pieces of legislation, it died.

At the time there were promises made all around that replacement legislation would be offered in the next term. That has not yet happened and we are, once again, just weeks away from women’s high school sports beginning practice for another fall season.

I am imploring the Ohio Legislature and the Governor to get this done. In the past two weeks, I have reached out to the Governor’s office, Senate President Matt Huffman, and House Speaker Bob Cupp. I have received courteous but, so far, noncommittal responses from the Governor’s office and that of President Huffman.

From Speaker Cupp’s office, despite three emails and a phone call, I have not even received the courtesy of a reply. This sort of failure to respond is simply unacceptable and I plan to continue contacting the Speaker’s office until I am heard.

I believed last fall, and I continue to believe today, that there is NOTHING that could be more damaging to women’s sports than allowing biological males to compete against them in sanctioned competition.

This is an issue that needs resolution. Other states have acted and it is time for Ohio to act to protect young women.

Commissioner Booth said that jobs are plentiful and anyone in Washington County can find work. Mr. Booth said he spoke with the Sheriff and there is a need for therapy dogs in the County. Mr. Booth said this is Memorial Day Weekend and to remember what the day is for, to honor the lost heroes that defended our way of life.

Commissioner Schilling said last week was National EMS week and thanked EMS for their service. Mr. Schilling said it’s important to recruit volunteers to get involved with their communities. Mr. Schilling said the Commissioners are hosting State Auditor Faber today

and have worked hard to collaborate with state leaders.

RE: OSU EXTENSION – UPDATE

Amanda Bohlen, OSU Extension Office, provided an update to the Commissioners on the safe grilling campaign. Mrs. Bohlen also spoke about PAX Tools, evidenced-based strategies to improve cooperation and self-regulation with youth. Mrs. Bohlen mentioned training the Boys & Girls Club staff on PAX Tools. Mr. Schilling agreed those are important tools for children.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Booth 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 9:38 a.m.

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_____, Vice President

_____, Member

_____, Clerk