

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON JUNE 30, 2022 IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE 305.05, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: CHARLIE L. SCHILLING, PRESIDENT. JAMES W. BOOTH, VICE PRESIDENT. 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:

Philip Schaffer, Special Projects Administrator  
Rob Grant, Grants Administrator  
Karl Comstock, Maintenance Superintendent  
Roger Wright, County Engineer  
Rick Dostal, Chief Building Official  
Gary Doan, Muskingum Township Trustee  
Diane Davis, H.R. Director  
Jesse Roush, Port Authority  
John Jackson, County Health Department  
Michele Newbanks, *Marietta Times*  
Ben Cowdery, Fiscal Manager/Clerk

**Washington County Commissioners  
AGENDA  
9:00 am, June 30, 2022**

9:00 Business Meeting

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

MOU with Ohio University Voinovich School  
Contract with Veregy for County Buildings HVAC

**NEW BUSINESS**

Approve Agenda  
Approval of previous meeting minutes  
Bills from various departments  
Additional Appropriation – CHIP Repayments  
Additional Appropriation – Engineer  
Additional Appropriation – Family & Children First  
Additional Appropriation – Common Pleas  
Additional Appropriation – Probate/Juvenile  
Additional Appropriation – County General  
Minus Appropriation – County General  
Transfer – County General (2)  
Then & Now  
Travel – Children Services, Commissioners, Special Projects  
WCBHB – Board Appointment  
Auditor – PILT Distribution  
Buckeye Fields – Revised Lease  
JFS – Contract with WMCAP for Nonemergency Transport  
JFS – Contract with 1<sup>st</sup> Choice for Nonemergency Transport  
Delinquent Sewer Accounts  
Engineer – Devola Electric Project, Invoice #1  
Engineer – Plans & Engineer Estimate for C-2 Culvert Replacement

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Courthouse closed Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup> for Independence Day  
2023 Tax Budget Hearing, July 7<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m., Commissioner Assembly Room  
Finance Meeting, July 26<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m., Commissioner Assembly Room

**RE: APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

Add: Transfer – County Home

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: 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 June 23, 2022 regular meeting.

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

**RE: BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling 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. 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>
CHIP Repayments	200-0800-53000	\$ 18,000.00
Engineer	200-0540-55202	\$ 76,000.00
Family & Children First	602-2033-51104	\$ 1,367.44
Family & Children First	602-2033-53001	\$ 2,750.00
Family & Children First	602-2033-54000	\$ 2,500.00
Family & Children First	602-2033-55203	\$ 3,000.00
Family & Children First	602-2033-55204	\$ 2,500.00
Common Pleas	215-0215-53000	\$ 19,568.70
Probate/Juvenile	200-0223-51001	\$ 8,000.00
Probate/Juvenile	200-0223-51101	\$ 116.00
Probate/Juvenile	200-0223-51102	\$ 1,120.00
Probate/Juvenile	200-0223-51120	\$ 144.00
County General	100-0101-57100	\$ 400,000.00

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

**RE: MINUS APPROPRIATION**

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to approve a request for the following minus appropriation:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
County General	100-0870-53091	\$ (400,000.00)

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: 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>
County General	100-0101-57100	300-0113-49100	\$ 400,000.00
I.T.	100-0190-53000	100-0190-53202	\$ 1,690.00
County Home	200-0630-55100	200-0630-55201	\$ 25,000.00

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

**RE: THEN & NOW**

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

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Commissioners	100-0100-52000	JFS	\$ 3,850.56
JFS	200-0720-59000	Betsey Mills Club	\$ 5,940.00

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

**RE: TRAVEL REQUESTS**

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling 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:

Children Services

*Sabrina Buchanan:* Required child visit in Youngstown on July 5; Lafayette, IN on July 7; Cambridge on July 11; Frazeyburg on July 12; Thurman on July 13; New Marshfield on July 14; Cambridge on July 18; Bedford on July 20; Columbus on July 21, 2022

*Tami Downs:* Required child visit in Lancaster on July 6, 2022

Commissioners

Commissioner Booth and Commissioner Ritter will travel to Austin, TX to attend the USAging Answers on Aging Conference on July 10 – 13, 2022

Special Projects

*Philip Schaffer:* Roundtable hosted by Ohio Office of Budget and Management in New Boston, OH on June 22, 2022

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

**RE: WCBHB – BOARD APPOINTMENT**

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to approve the appointment of Brett Nicholas to the Washington County Behavioral Health Board. The appointment is for a term of three years, beginning July 1, 2022.

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

**RE: AUDITOR – PILT DISTRIBUTION**

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to approve a request from the County Auditor to distribute Payments in Lieu of Taxes received on behalf of the Wayne National Forest. Washington County received \$82,800 in compensation for Federal lands administered by agencies of the U.S. Forest Service and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. This payment in lieu of taxes will be distributed as follows:

Frontier LSD	77.47%	\$64,141.13
County General	09.15%	\$ 7,580.17
Grandview Township	02.51%	\$ 2,077.26
Independence Township	02.65%	\$ 2,192.66
Lawrence Township	01.67%	\$ 1,384.84
Liberty Township	02.65%	\$ 2,192.66
Ludlow Township	02.23%	\$ 1,846.45
Newport Township	01.67%	\$ 1,384.84

Commissioner Schilling said he is meeting with federal officials and will ask about the PILT payment being 1/10<sup>th</sup> the amount of private property tax.

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

**RE: BUCKEYE FIELDS – REVISED LEASE**

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to approve a Conditional Lease Agreement with Buckeye Hills Support Services. Flite Freimann, Director JFS, said the lease is part of a complicated transaction. Mr. Freimann said there is an existing lease for a portion of County Home property to build Senior Housing, and that this lease would replace the existing one. Commissioner Schilling said he approves of the project but wants agenda items for meetings turned in by the deadline to allow time for review. Commissioner Booth said the Prosecutor will also need to review the lease.

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to table the Conditional Lease Agreement with Buckeye Hills Support Services.

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

**RE: JFS – CONTRACT WITH WMCAP FOR NONEMERGENCY TRANSPORT**

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to approve a contract between Job & Family Services and the Community Action Program of Washington-Morgan Counties for non-emergency transportation services. The contract will be effective from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. WMCAP will provide non-emergency transportation services for JFS Medicaid clients. JFS will pay WMCAP the hourly rate of \$64 and \$32 per hour non-operational wait time.

Mr. Freimann said with gasoline at \$5 a gallon they did not receive as many bids this year. Mr. Freimann said contractors can't guarantee rates with rising gas prices.

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

**RE: JFS – CONTRACT WITH 1<sup>ST</sup> CHOICE FOR NONEMERGENCY TRANSPORT**

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to approve a contract between Job & Family Services and 1<sup>st</sup> Choice Home Care & Transport for non-emergency transportation services. The contract will be effective from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. JFS will pay 1<sup>st</sup> Choice \$33 per hour non-operational wait time. Rates for transportation vary by destination and pick-up location. Under no circumstances will JFS pay a no-show fee.

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

**RE: DELINQUENT SEWER ACCOUNTS**

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling 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. Motion passed.

**RE: ENGINEER – DEVOLA ELECTRIC PROJECT, INVOICE #1**

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to approve payment to Davis Pickering & Company for the Devola Electric Upgrade Project - Invoice #1. The total amount of Invoice #1 is \$66,480. Prevailing wage and invoice quantities were verified and approved by the County Engineer.

Commissioner Schilling said he is taking calls at the office about the project and explaining the process to residents.

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

**RE: ENGINEER – PLANS & ESTIMATE FOR C-2 CULVERT REPLACEMENT**

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to approve the plans and Engineer's estimate for the County Road 2-0180 Culvert Replacement Project. The Engineer's estimate is \$43,946. The project will be funded with Motor Vehicle Gas Tax funds. Roger Wright, County Engineer, said he will get quotes for the project and has already ordered the culvert.

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

**RE: COMMENTS**

Roger Wright, County Engineer, said unbilled sewer connections have been identified and he will be sending letters to those locations and begin billing them in August.

John Jackson, County Health Department, said the paving of the parking lot turned out great and thanked the Commissioners.

Jesse Roush, Port Authority, thanked Roger Wright for the Harmar Bridge conversation. Mr. Roush said there are viable projects that need revolving loans.

Commissioner Booth acknowledged the passing of Woody Williams, Medal of Honor recipient. Mr. Booth appreciates Mr. Williams for his service in World War II. Mr. Booth attended the Governor signing of House Bill 377 that will invest \$500 million in Appalachia. Mr. Booth said guidelines for the funding will be coming out in the next few months. Mr. Booth wished everyone a safe Fourth of July weekend.

Commissioner Schilling said he has a meeting next week with Deana Clark, Convention and Visitor's Bureau, to discuss potential projects.

**RE: ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to adjourn. A calling of the roll resulted in a unanimous vote in favor. The meeting adjourned at 9:43 a.m.

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