

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2022 IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE 305.05, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: CHARLIE L. SCHILLING, 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. RITTER OFFERED PRAYER.

Also attending:

Flite Freimann, Director JFS
Roger Wright, County Engineer
Diane Davis, HR Director
Brenda Robinson, OhioMeansJobs
Gary Doan, Muskingum Township Trustee
Karen Doan
Rob Grant, Grants Administrator
Karl Comstock, Maintenance Superintendent
Marcus McCartney, OSU Extension Office
Amanda Sutphin, OhioMeansJobs
Lori Smith, Washington County Career Center
Jesse Roush, Port Authority
Nancy Taylor, *Marietta Times*
Ben Cowdery, Fiscal Manager/Clerk

**Washington County Commissioners
AGENDA
9:00 am, September 8, 2022**

9:00 Business Meeting
9:45 OSU Ext. – Ag Update
10:00 OhioMeansJobs – Manufacturing Week

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Agenda
Approval of previous meeting minutes
Bills from various departments
Resolution to establish new fund for Facilities Energy Project
Resolution to establish new fund for Debt Service
Additional Appropriation – County General
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Transfer – County General
WMCAP – HOME Program Homeowner Agreement
FCF – Contract for Sign Language Interpreter Services
Sheriff – Monthly Report on Care of Prisoners for August
Sheriff – Annual Report

DATES TO REMEMBER

County Home Meeting, September 13th, 11 a.m. at the County Home
Finance Meeting, 10 a.m. September 20th in Commissioner Assembly Room
Investment Committee Meeting, 10:15 a.m. September 20th in Assembly Room
Courthouse closed Monday, October 10th for Columbus Day

RE: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Add: Transfer – County General
 Transfer – Sheriff

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

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes of the September 1, 2022 regular meeting.

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

RE: BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Mr. Ritter 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. Kevin Ritter aye. Motion passed.

RE: RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH NEW FUND FOR FACILITIES ENERGY PROJECT

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to adopt a resolution to establish a new fund in the Auditor's bookkeeping system for the County Facilities Energy Project. The purpose of the new fund is to account for bond revenue and project expense for the project. Veregy is the company contracted to manage the project for the County. The number and name of the new fund in the Auditor's system is as follows:

300-0598 COUNTY BUILDING ENERGY 2022

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

RE: RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH NEW FUND FOR DEBT SERVICE

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to adopt a resolution to establish a new fund in the Auditor's bookkeeping system for Debt Service. The purpose of the new fund is to account for County tax revenue used for payment of principal and interest for County Facilities Bonds, Series 2022. The number and name of the new fund in the Auditor's system is as follows:

700-0119 COUNTY FACILITY BOND SERIES 2022

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

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

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

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
County General	100-0101-57100	\$ 945,000.00
Debt Service	700-0119-56100	\$ 232,901.11
Debt Service	700-0119-56200	\$ 185,819.87

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

RE: TRANSFERS

Mr. Ritter 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	700-0119-49100	\$ 945,000.00
County General	100-0101-53401	100-0109-53000	\$ 35,000.00
Sheriff Sales Tax	100-0384-53408	100-0384-53406	\$ 4,246.00

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

RE: WMCAP – HOME PROGRAM HOMEOWNER AGREEMENT

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to approve a HOME Program Homeowner Agreement with James Bernard and Linda Coan. The HOME Program is a federal program administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. This agreement is to provide assistance for the rehabilitation or reconstruction of the homeowner's residence located at 1161 School House Road, Little Hocking. The County will loan the homeowner the sum of \$57,500. The deferred, forgivable loan will be protected by a mortgage and promissory note filed against the residence. The principal amount of the loan shall be reduced over the first three years by 33.33%. After three years, 0% of the balance shall be due and payable to the County. The homeowner qualifies as a low-income individual. The property must meet all state and local housing quality standards and code requirements once rehabilitation or reconstruction is complete.

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

RE: FCF – CONTRACT FOR SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER SERVICES

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to approve a contract on behalf of Family and Children First for sign language interpreter services. The services are needed for the Help Me Grow program. The contract is effective from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. The contractor will be compensated at a rate of \$40 per hour. Services will be primarily delivered in the family's home during a joint visit with a Help Me Grow staff member.

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

RE: SHERIFF – MONTHLY REPORT ON CARE OF PRISONERS FOR AUGUST

The Commissioners acknowledged receipt of the monthly report on the care of prisoners at the Washington County Jail for the month of August 2022. The report shows a total prisoner count of 261. The Jail received \$12,798 for housing prisoners from other jurisdictions for the month.

RE: SHERIFF – ANNUAL REPORT

The Commissioners acknowledged receipt of the Sheriff's Annual Report, pursuant to Section 311.16 of the Ohio Revised Code, of all fines and costs in criminal prosecutions collected by the Sheriff's Office and paid to the Clerk of Courts. The report is for the period September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022 and shows \$0 collected.

RE: MUSKINGUM TOWNSHIP – ARPA FUNDS FOR DEVOLA SEWER PROJECT

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. Schilling seconded a motion to accept a \$50,000 contribution from Muskingum Township to be expended on the Devola Sewer Project. On September 6, the Muskingum Township Trustees passed a resolution to support the provision of government services for residents of the Devola portion of east Muskingum Township by contributing \$50,000 of the Township's ARPA funds to the County for the Devola Sewer Project. Gary Doan, Muskingum Township Trustee, said the Township attorney advised this is an allowable ARPA expense. Commissioner Schilling thanked the Muskingum Township Trustees for supporting the Commissioners and working together.

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

RE: COMMENTS

Roger Wright, Engineer, said the Bell Covered Bridge will be closed for safety reasons beginning Monday. Mr. Wright said he will be scheduling a preconstruction meeting for Devola Sewer and hopes the project will begin in October.

Jesse Roush, Port Authority, said there will be an engineering assessment of the Muskingum River Industrial Park. Mr. Schilling said Jay Edwards, State Representative, is working to extend a gas line to the industrial park.

RE: OSU EXT. – AG UPDATE

Marcus McCartney, OSU Extension Office, provided the Commissioners with an update on agricultural programs in Washington County. Mr. McCartney said a record price was paid for beef and goat at the County Fair. Mr. McCartney said crops are looking good this year and the Farmers Market is doing well. September 24th will be the Fall Festival at the Farmers Market. Hunger Solutions Mid-Ohio Valley sponsored the Junior Farmers Market Program.

RE: OHIOMEANSJOBS – MANUFACTURING DAY

Amanda Sutphin, OhioMeansJobs, and Lori Smith, Washington County Career Center, discussed Manufacturing Day 2022 with the Commissioners. The event will be held Friday, October 7 at the Career Center. Juniors and seniors from area high schools will explore careers in manufacturing and participate in interactive activities provided by local manufacturers. The Appalachian Ohio Manufacturers Coalition will be attending the event. OhioMeansJobs has partnered with the Career Center for Manufacturing Day. Mr. Schilling said the County is fortunate to have manufacturing career paths for students.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ritter 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 10:12 a.m.

_____, President

_____, Vice President

_____, Member

_____, Clerk