

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON OCTOBER 27, 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. BOOTH OFFERED PRAYER.

Also attending:

Flite Freimann, Director JFS
Gary Doan, Muskingum Township Trustee
Karen Doan
Rick Dostal, Chief Building Official
Karl Comstock, Maintenance Superintendent
Diane Davis, HR Director
Kimberly Lowers, Child Support Enforcement Agency
Janelle Patterson, Historic Harmar Bridge Company
Geoff Schenkel, Historic Harmar Bridge Company
Alice Stewart, Job & Family Services
Jesse Roush, Port Authority
Brenda Robinson, OhioMeansJobs
Nancy Taylor, *Marietta Times*
Ben Cowdery, Fiscal Manager/Clerk

**Washington County Commissioners
AGENDA
9:00 am, October 27, 2022**

9:00 Business Meeting

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Agenda
Approval of previous meeting minutes
Bills from various departments
Resolution to establish new fund for SOS Grant
Resolution to establish new fund for BHB Indigent Patients
Additional Appropriation – Family & Children First
Additional Appropriation – Engineer (2)
Additional Appropriation – Job & Family Services
Additional Appropriation – Children Services Levy
Additional Appropriation – Sewer
Additional Appropriation – RSVP
Additional Appropriation – Board of Elections
Transfer – 911 Levy
Transfer – Children Services
Transfer – Sheriff (2)
Then & Now
Juvenile Court – Bed Rental Agreement
Engineer – Devola Electric Project, Invoice #16
Resolution recognizing Jamie Vuksic

DATES TO REMEMBER

Election Day, Tuesday November 8, 2022
Courthouse closed November 11th for Veterans Day

RE: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Add: Historic Harmar Bridge Company – Joint Use Agreement
Additional Appropriation – Municipal Court

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 October 20, 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 FOR NEW FUND FOR SOS GRANT

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. Booth seconded a motion to adopt a resolution to establish a new fund in the Auditor's bookkeeping system for the State Opioid and Stimulant Response Grant. The purpose of the new fund is to account for revenue and expenses of SOS 3.0 grant funding. The total amount of funds obligated to Washington County for is \$231,334. The number and name of the new fund in the Auditor's system is as follows:

210-0609 STATE OPIOID AND STIMULANT RESPONSE

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

RE: RESOLUTION FOR NEW FUND FOR BHB INDIGENT PATIENTS

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. Booth seconded a motion to adopt a resolution to establish a new fund in the Auditor's bookkeeping system for the CARES Indigent Hospitalization Project, CFDA 21.027. The purpose of the new fund is to account for revenue and expenses of this State Fiscal Recovery Fund distribution to the Behavioral Health Board. The number and name of the new fund in the Auditor's system is as follows:

200-0615 INDIGENT PATIENT BHB FUNDS

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

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Family & Children First	602-2030-51104	\$ 2,800.00
Family & Children First	602-2030-53201	\$ 250.00
Family & Children First	602-2030-53501	\$ 50.00
Family & Children First	602-2030-54001	\$ 200.00
Family & Children First	602-2030-57400	\$ 500.00
Engineer	300-0558-55200	\$ 404,787.85
Engineer	300-0592-55000	\$ 1,047,317.26
Job & Family Services	200-0720-53400	\$ 75,000.00
Children Services Levy	200-0746-53000	\$ 19,476.42
Sewer	400-0113-53000	\$ 20,000.00
RSVP	210-0710-51105	\$ 5.55
Board of Elections	215-0162-54400	\$ 1,049.00
Municipal Court	100-0240-51104	\$ 401.75

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

RE: TRANSFERS

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

<u>Department</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
911 Levy	200-0650-57100	200-0364-49100	\$ 200,000.00
Children Services Levy	200-0746-57500	200-0746-53000	\$ 86.63
Children Services Levy	200-0746-57502	200-0746-53000	\$ 4.09
Children Services Levy	200-0746-57503	200-0746-53000	\$ 203.80
Sheriff S&T	100-0385-53130	100-0385-51104	\$ 1,900.00
Sheriff Web Check	100-0392-57400	100-0385-54002	\$ 2,000.00

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>
Developmental Disabilities	200-0620-53400	R.H.D.D.	\$ 307.84

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

RE: JUVENILE COURT – BED RENTAL AGREEMENT

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve a contract between the Washington County Juvenile Court and the Multi-County Juvenile Detention District, located in Lancaster. The District will provide secure detention of juvenile offenders for Washington County at a rate of \$105 per diem, based on available space. The contract is effective from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

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

RE: ENGINEER – DEVOLA ELECTRIC PROJECT, INVOICE #16

Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Ritter seconded a motion to approve payment to Davis Pickering & Company for Devola Electric Project – Invoice #16. The total amount of Invoice #16 is \$34,160.85. Prevailing wage and invoice quantities were verified and approved by the County Engineer.

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

RE: HISTORIC HARMAR BRIDGE COMPANY – JOINT USE AGREEMENT

Mr. Ritter moved and Mr. Booth seconded a motion to approve a Joint Use Agreement between the City of Marietta, Washington County, and the Historic Harmar Bridge Company. The Historic Harmar Bridge Company received an appropriation of \$50,000 through House Bill 687, which the Company will use as reimbursement for an underwater and superstructure inspection in the planning stage of the Adaptive Reuse of the Historic Harmar Bridge project. Section 509.11 of HB 687 requires the nonprofit to enter into a Joint Use Agreement with government agencies. Commissioner Booth said the agreement poses no liability for the County and is one step closer to get funding for the project.

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

RE: RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JAMIE VUKSIC

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

WHEREAS, Jamie Vuksic has been an employee of Washington County Children Services for 20 years, beginning as a protective caseworker in September of 2002; and
WHEREAS, in 2008 Mr. Vuksic completed a Master’s Degree in Public Administration and was promoted to Deputy Assistant Director; and
WHEREAS, in 2014 Mr. Vuksic was appointed to Executive Director of the Children Services Board and remained in that role until 2019 when Children Services merged with Job & Family Services. Since that time, Mr. Vuksic has served the agency as the Social Services Administrator; and
WHEREAS, on the 28th day of October, 2022 Mr. Vuksic is retiring from Children Services to pursue other opportunities.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Washington County Commissioners commends Jamie Vuksic for 20 years of dedication and service with Washington County Children Services and wishes him the best in all future endeavors.

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

RE: COMMENTS

Kim Lowers, CSEA, said she appreciates working with Mr. Vuksic and will miss him.

Gary Doan, Muskingum Township Trustee, said work on the Cedar Ridge landslip began yesterday.

Geoff Schenkel, Historic Harmar Bridge Company, thanked the Commissioners for their support.

Jesse Roush, Port Authority, said he appreciates the Commissioners support for the Harmar Bridge project.

Flite Freimann, Director JFS, said he couldn't ask for a more dedicated person than Mr. Vuksic and he will be sorely missed.

Jamie Vuksic, Children Services, thanked everyone for their kind words.

Mr. Booth said it is nice having county departments working together and he has seen many changes in the last twenty-two months. Mr. Booth said that we can have discussions even if we don't always agree. Mr. Booth will be speaking as a veteran at the CCAO Winter Conference and will be asking the federal government to not cut veteran program funding.

Mr. Schilling thanked Mr. Vuksic for his hard work over the last twenty years. Mr. Schilling traveled to Belmont County with several area leaders to look at their central 911 system. Mr. Schilling said our 911 center will be an improvement to public safety and is asking the City of Marietta and Belpre to work with the County.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ritter 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 9:23 a.m.

_____, President

_____, Vice President

_____, Member

_____, Clerk