

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2013 IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE 305.05, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: DAVID A. WHITE, PRESIDENT, RONALD L. FEATHERS, VICE PRESIDENT, AND TIMOTHY C. IRVINE, MEMBER. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 A.M. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG. MR. FEATHERS THEN LED THOSE ATTENDING IN PRAYER.

Also attending were Phil Foreman from *The Marietta Times*, County Administrator Paul Cunningham, and Clerk Rick Peoples.

**Washington County Commissioners
AGENDA
September 19, 2013**

9:00 Business Meeting
9:30 Terry Tamburini, Southeastern Ohio Port Authority – Project Updates
1:30 Smart Networks – Project Update

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Agenda
Approval of previous meeting's minutes
Bills from various departments
Additional Appropriation – Auditor
Additional Appropriation – Soil & Water Conservation
Additional Appropriation – Clerk of Courts
Transfer – Law Library
Transfer - Sewer
Then & Now's
Travel – Auditor
Travel – Commissioners (2)
Status Report for Grant B-P-11-1CY-1, Ingenuity Center
Appointment to Area 15 Youth Council

INFORMATION

Council of Governments, 10:00 a.m., **Friday**, Sept. 20, EOC Center, Davis Avenue
94th District Roundtable Discussion, 10:00 a.m., **Monday**, Sept. 23, Wash. Co. Public Library

RE: AGENDA

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to accept the agenda, with the following adjustment:

Add: Request for Senior Levy Funds

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye, Ronald Feathers aye, Timothy Irvine aye. Motion passed.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to dispense with the reading of the September 12, 2013 meeting and approve them as submitted.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye, Ronald Feathers aye, Timothy Irvine aye. Motion passed.

RE: PAYMENT OF BILLS

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve the payment of bills from various departments.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye, Ronald Feathers aye, Timothy Irvine aye. Motion passed.

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

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

Auditor	200-0122-53203	\$ 15,000.00
	200-0122-53400	\$ 40,000.00
Soil & Water	200-2040-54400	\$ 30,000.00
Clerk of Courts	200-0233-54400	\$ 3,000.00

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye, Ronald Feathers aye, Timothy Irvine aye. Motion passed.

RE: TRANSFERS

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve requests for the following transfers:

<u>Department</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
County General	100-0101-57100	200-0520-49100	\$ 11,834.50
Sewer	400-0113-51120	400-0113-53101	\$ 243.79

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye, Ronald Feathers aye, Timothy Irvine aye. Motion passed.

RE: THEN & NOW'S

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve the following Then & Now's:

<u>Dept</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Emergency Management	200-0315-53000	Rapid Notify Inc.	\$ 8,250.00
Children Service Board	200-0743-53000	Marie Clatterbuck	\$ 135.00

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye, Ronald Feathers aye, Timothy Irvine aye. Motion passed.

RE: TRAVEL REQUESTS

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve the following requests for reimbursement of expenses for training and travel pursuant to the policies and procedures and in compliance with the Annual Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2013 and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

Auditor

Paul Beach: One-day trips to Nelsonville to attend regional Weights & Measures training; October 15 and 16, 2013.

Commissioners

David White, Ron Feathers: One-day trip to Logan to attend CCAO Budget Briefing; October 9, 2013.

David White, Ron Feathers, Tim Irvine: One-day trip to Salesville to attend quarterly EODA meeting; October 16, 2013.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye, Ronald Feathers aye, Timothy Irvine aye. Motion passed.

RE: STATUS REPORT FOR GRANT B-P-11-1CY-1

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve the Status Report to the Ohio Development Services Agency for Grant B-P-11-1CY-1, Ingenuity Center Project, dated August 27, 2013, prepared and requested by Melissa Zoller, Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District, and to allow Mr. White to sign the Report.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye, Ronald Feathers aye, Timothy Irvine aye. Motion passed.

RE: APPOINTMENT TO AREA 15 YOUTH COUNCIL

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to appoint Cathy Harper to the Area 15 Youth Council, term beginning immediately and ending June 30, 2015.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye, Ronald Feathers aye, Timothy Irvine aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Feathers expressed appreciation to Mr. White for securing the nomination of Ms. Harper to serve in this capacity and for reviewing her credentials.

RE: REQUEST FOR SENIOR LEVY FUNDS

Mr. Irvine informed the Board he has received a request from the Belpre Senior Center for funds to replace an inoperable commercial-grade refrigerator at the center. He said they have indicated the compressor in the existing unit has failed, and repair is estimated at \$1,125.00. The equipment is approximately 30 years old. Mr. Cunningham said there is currently about \$9,000 remaining in Senior Levy Funds that are available for such use.

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve a request from the Belpre Senior Center for Senior Levy funds not to exceed \$3,500.00 to purchase a commercial-grade refrigerator, subject to receipt of at least two proposals and the selection of the best.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye, Ronald Feathers aye, Timothy Irvine aye. Motion passed.

RE: UPDATE ON CHILDREN SERVICES SPECIAL ALLOCATION OF FUNDS

Mr. Cunningham informed the Commissioners there is currently \$156,019.48 remaining from a special allocation earlier in the fiscal year to Children Services for expenses relating to an extraordinary situation. As those funds are no longer needed, he recommended reducing the current year appropriation but leaving the funds in the 200-0740 Children Services account, and then crediting their 2014 allocation from County General for this excess of funds. The Commissioners agreed this is an appropriate way to account for these funds, considering it is now late in the fiscal year.

RE: USE OF VACATED OFFICE SPACE IN THE COURTHOUSE

Mr. Feathers commented that after appropriate review of options for use of the vacated Board of Elections office space, he is recommending the Building Department move into it from the Courthouse Annex second floor.

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to move the Washington County Building Department offices to the vacated space on the ground floor of the Courthouse.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye, Ronald Feathers aye, Timothy Irvine aye. Motion passed.

RE: SOUTHEASTERN OHIO PORT AUTHORITY

Terry Tamburini, Executive Director of the Southeastern Ohio Port Authority (SEOPA), updated the Commissioners on the following projects:

- Peoples Bank Theatre
- River Lane/Asphalt Materials
- Triad Tank
- WVU-P Workforce Development
- Marietta College Petroleum Engineering Building and Program Expansion
- Local Hotels
- Belpre VFD Building
- Bike Trails and Rail Access through Belpre and Little Hocking

RE: SMART NETWORKS

Chad Henson from Smart Networks talked with the Commissioners about his project of providing high-speed internet service to remote portions of Washington County. Also attending were EMA Coordinator Jeff Lauer, County Administrator Paul Cunningham, and Clerk Rick Peoples.

Mr. Henson said he is progressing with installation of equipment on towers, but has been stalled throughout the process awaiting fiber optic cable from Horizon. As soon as his equipment is on the towers, he will be able to market his service much more aggressively. He expects to be using the WTAP tower within 30 days, and that will greatly increase his territory. He noted he has about 140 subscribers.

Mr. Henson inquired about the availability of the Glendale tower for his use. Jeff Lauer said that, although there are antennas on the tower not being used, there is still plenty of space for Smart Networks to install their equipment. He identified current users of the tower as volunteer fire departments, the Sheriff's department, EMA, and Developmental Disabilities. The County Engineer has been using it, but his transition to MARCS radios will eliminate his need of the Glendale tower.

The Commissioners agreed that Smart Networks can use the Glendale tower for nominal charge to offset cost of electric service. Mr. Lauer will help to identify which antennas are no longer of use to any agency, and Smart Networks will remove them. Smart Networks can then install their equipment and will help to maintain the tower. Mr. Irvine said it is important to ensure the County is named as an additional insured on Smart's insurance policy since they will be climbing the county-owned tower.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to adjourn.

A calling of the roll resulted in a unanimous vote in favor. The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

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_____, Member

_____, Clerk