

**THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON DECEMBER 12, 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 Muskingum Township Trustee Gary Doan, Amanda Nicholson from *The Marietta Times*, Jamey Styer from WMOA Radio, and Clerk Rick Peoples.

**Washington County Commissioners  
AGENDA  
December 12, 2013**

9:00 Business Meeting  
9:30 Jesse Daubert, Friends of Lower Muskingum River – Watershed Action Program  
10:00 Cindy Davis, Jamie Vuksic – Pooled Funds  
10:30 Terry Tamburini, Southeastern Ohio Port Authority – Project Updates  
11:15 Scott Tritt & Darrin Lautenschleger, Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District –  
Emergency Notification System

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Approve Agenda  
Approval of previous meeting's minutes  
Bills from various departments  
Transfer – Job & Family Services  
Transfer – Building Department  
Transfer – Board of Elections  
Transfer – Board of Developmental Disabilities (4)  
Transfer – RSVP  
Transfer – Family & Children First  
Transfer – Children Services  
Transfer – Commissioners  
Transfer – Sewer  
Transfer – Sewer Debt Service  
Then & Now's  
Travel Request – Auditor  
Contract – Bed Rental Agreement for the Detention of Juvenile Offenders  
Contract – Non-Emergency Transportation Services  
Drawdown, CDBG Funds  
Status Report – Broadband ARC Grant  
Application for Appointment to Local Emergency Planning Committee  
Recommendation from Children Services Board to Re-appoint Member  
Recommendation from Children Services Board to Appoint Member  
Notice of Vacancy on Washington County Law Library Resources Board

**INFORMATION**

Monthly Finance Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m., **Tuesday**, December 17  
Courthouse closed, **Wednesday**, December 25, for Christmas Day  
Courthouse closed, **Wednesday**, January 1, for New Year's Day

**RE: AGENDA**

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

Add: Transfer – Probate/Juvenile Court  
Delete: Transfer – Sewer Debt Service

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. Feathers moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to dispense with the reading of the December 5, 2013 minutes 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. Irvine moved and Mr. Feathers 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: TRANSFERS**

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

<u>Department</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Job & Family Services	200-0720-57400	200-0720-51102	\$ 3,339.10
Building Dept.	100-0170-53000	100-0170-57400	\$ 720.00
Board of Elections	100-0160-53700	100-0160-53000	\$ 1,050.00
Bd. of Developmental Disabilities	200-0743-51120	200-0743-51102	\$ 45.14
	200-0743-51120	200-0743-53000	\$ 817.89
	200-0740-51102	200-0740-52000	\$ 1,737.26
	200-0740-53203	200-0740-52000	\$ 500.00
	200-0740-57000	200-0740-52000	\$ 2,400.00
	200-0743-51104	200-0743-53000	\$ 40,000.00
	215-0620-54300	215-0620-54000	\$ 5,800.00
	RSVP	210-0710-57400	210-0710-53200
Family & Children First	602-2033-51102	602-2033-51104	\$ 50.00
Sewer	400-0113-51101	400-0113-51105	\$ 6.00
Commissioners	100-0101-51002	100-0361-51102	\$ 1.00
	100-0101-51102	100-0381-51102	\$ 2,767.84
	100-0101-51102	100-0240-51102	\$ 125.97
Probate/Juvenile	100-0330-51001	100-0330-53000	\$ 4,500.00
	100-0330-53403	100-0330-53000	\$ 1,000.00
	100-0330-54000	100-0330-53000	\$ 6,500.00
	100-0330-57400	100-0330-53000	\$ 4,823.00

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

<u>Dept</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Engineer	200-0540-54201	Mahone Tire	\$ 2,706.87
Sheriff	100-0380-54000	CDW Government	\$ 197.00
Sheriff	100-0381-54200	Janisource	\$ 236.00

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

**RE: TRAVEL REQUEST**

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve the following request 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

Fiscal Deputy Auditors: One-day trip to Canton to attend software training; December 12, 2013.

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

**RE: CONTRACT, BED RENTAL FOR DETENTION OF JUVENILES**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve a contract between Washington County Juvenile Court and Multi-County Juvenile Detention District for the placement of Washington County juvenile offenders in the care of the Detention District, during the period January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, at the per diem rate of \$90.00, as requested by Judge Tim Williams and approved as to form by Prosecutor Jim Schneider.

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

**RE: CONTRACT, NON-EMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve a contract between Washington County Department of Job and Family Services (JFS) and Washington-Morgan Community Action Program (CAP) for CAP to provide to JFS non-emergency transportation services during the period January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, for an amount not to exceed \$350,000.00, at the rates specified in the Contract, as prepared and recommended by Tom Ballengee, Washington County Department of Job and Family Services.

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

**RE: DRAWDOWN, CHIP**

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve a drawdown request in the amount of \$103,400.00 for the Community Development Block Grant Program in Washington County, and to allow Mr. White and Mr. Feathers to sign the request, as prepared by Michelle Hyer, Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District.

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

**RE: STATUS REPORT, BROADBAND ARC PROJECT**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Irvine seconded a motion to approve the Status Report for Grant S-A-11-1CY-1, ARC Broadband Extension Project, as prepared and recommended by County Administrator Paul Cunningham.

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

**RE: APPOINTMENT TO LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to appoint Amy Tucker to the Washington County Local Emergency Planning Committee for the term August 15, 2013 through August 14, 2014, as recommended by EMA Coordinator Jeff Lauer.

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

**RE: RECOMMENDATIONS FOR APPOINTMENTS TO CHILDREN SERVICES BOARD**

The Commissioners acknowledged receipt of notification from the Washington County Children Services Board of Directors that Board Member Earl Westbrook's term expires December 31, 2013, and Board Member Jim Vuksic resigned August 8, 2013. The Children Services Board recommends re-appointment of Mr. Westbrook to another four-year term beginning January 1, 2014, and appointment of Mary Barnas to a four-year term beginning January 1, 2014.

**RE: APPOINTMENT TO LAW LIBRARY RESOURCES BOARD**

Mr. Irvine moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to re-appoint Steve Weber to the Washington County Law Library Resources Board, with a five-year term beginning January 1, 2014, as recommended by Law Librarian Juanita Henniger.

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

**RE: FRIENDS OF LOWER MUSKINGUM RIVER**

Jesse Daubert, Watershed Coordinator for the Friends of Lower Muskingum River, presented to the Commissioners a copy of his recently completed Southern Watershed Action Plan. He explained this project is funded by a four-year grant, with the third year ending February 2014. The Action Plan is a water quality document which primarily focuses on (1) aquatic life use, and (2) recreational use of the Muskingum River from Philo to Marietta. The Action Plan, which has been endorsed by the Ohio EPA and Ohio Department of Natural Resources, will enhance the efforts of grant-writing by local entities and organizations. Mr. Daubert said the Plan includes not only a study of the Southern Watershed (which is primarily in Washington County), but also the four sub-watersheds. In the report he addresses the problems, goals, objectives and action steps in maintaining the Watershed in optimal condition. He said the Friends of Lower Muskingum River are working closely with representatives of gas exploration and drilling firms to ensure quality of streams and rivers is maintained throughout their work in this region. Mr. Daubert asked the Commissioners to review their PDF copies of the report, and requested their endorsement of it at a later date.

**RE: POOLED FUNDING FOR PARENTAL PLACEMENT OF CHILDREN**

Cindy Davis, Washington County Family & Children First Council, and Jamie Vuksic, Washington County Children Services, proposed a revision to the method of allocating funds for parental placement of children. Ms. Davis explained significant revision is necessary due to the rapidly rising costs of care and the intensity of care needed. She proposed a change that

will allow for pooled funds to only pay for parental placement of children, rather than parental placement and wrap-around services. The revised plan suggests the following as possible contributors to the fund:

Children Services  
Juvenile Court

Developmental Disabilities  
Job and Family Services

Behavioral Health  
Area Schools

Mr. Vuksic commented on the rising costs for appropriate services, noting the County is obligated to absorb the expense. He said he is not certain what would happen if funds were not available for these services. The Commissioners expressed their concern that while the services must be provided, there is not an endless source of funds to pay for those services. Ms. Davis said there are currently a couple of cases that could become very expensive.

**RE: SOUTHEASTERN OHIO PORT AUTHORITY**

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

Proposed Cracker Plant  
State Route 7 Sewer Line  
Army Reserve Facility in Reno  
EnviroSafe Facility

He informed the Commissioners he will no longer be serving on the Mid-Ohio Valley Airport Authority Board, and they should appoint a replacement.

**RE: EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM**

Scott Tritt and Darrin Lautenschleger, representatives of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District, and EMA Coordinator Jeff Lauer proposed transitioning Washington County to a new system for emergency notification. Also attending was Amy Tucker, a member of the Washington County Local Emergency Planning Committee and an employee of the City of Marietta I.T. Department.

Mr. Lauer said the County currently utilizes a Rapid Notify system, costing approximately \$8,250 each year. The system relies upon "commercial" contact data, primarily from published telephone books. As more and more people are moving from land line to cell phone, fewer and fewer people are participating in emergency notification.

Mr. Tritt described the Everbridge Mass Notification system as one that is "opt in". Not only will it utilize that commercial data, but it allows individuals and businesses to opt in via on-line registration. It also provides a variety of ways of notification, including text, phone call, and e-mail. The system is flexible in that targeted areas can be identified and notified. Mr. Tritt said the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District had a need for service that was unique, all-encompassing and user-friendly. He believes Everbridge satisfies the Watershed's needs, allowing managers to build structures that are most useful in their areas. He said Washington County could partner with the Watershed District, which is now the largest user of Everbridge. Partnering will reduce the costs to the County, and will allow Washington County residents and businesses to participate at no cost to them.

Mr. Lauer said the cost is \$16,697 in year one, and \$15,082 per year thereafter for the Everbridge system. He noted the County is currently contracted with Rapid Notify through August 2014. Mr. Lauer and Ms. Tucker agreed the Everbridge system is technologically advanced over Rapid Notify.

Mr. Tritt noted the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District has been with Everbridge since June of 2012. Since that time he learned that they are very responsive and customer-oriented.

Mr. Lautenschleger provided an overview of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District, including its history, its purpose, and its goals.

**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 12:05 p. m.

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