

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON FEBRUARY 12, 2015 IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE 305.05, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: DAVID A. WHITE, PRESIDENT, RICK G. WALTERS, VICE PRESIDENT, AND RONALD L. FEATHERS, MEMBER. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 A.M. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD. MR. WHITE LED THOSE ATTENDING IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG.

Also attending were Warren Township Trustee Jeff Knowlton and Clerk Rick Peoples.

**Washington County Commissioners  
AGENDA  
9:00 a.m., February 12, 2015**

9:00 Business Meeting  
1:00 Bob Fink, Maximus – Review of Annual Report

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Application for C1 Liquor Permit, Dollar General, State Route 7, Reno  
Application for C2 Liquor Permit, Rawhide Family Diner, State Route 60, Lowell  
Proposal for Electric Aggregation, Buckeye Energy Brokers

**NEW BUSINESS**

Approve Agenda  
Approval of previous meeting's minutes  
Bills from various departments  
Additional Appropriation – Sheriff (2)  
Reactivation of Fund - Sheriff  
Then & Now's (2)  
Travel – Family & Children First (2)  
Travel - JFS  
Depository Contract  
Appointments to Southeastern Ohio Port Authority Board of Directors  
Appointment to Washington County Planning Commission  
Application for C1 Liquor Permit, Rawhide Family Diner, State Route 60, Lowell

**INFORMATION**

Presidents' Day, **Monday**, February 16, Courthouse Closed  
Monthly Finance Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m., **Tuesday**, February 17  
1<sup>st</sup> Public Hearing, 2015 CDBG Allocation, 6:30 p.m., **Thursday**, February 19  
Southeastern Ohio Port Authority Annual Meeting, 8:00 a.m., **Tuesday**,  
February 24, at Washington State Community College

**RE: AGENDA**

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

Add: Appointment to LEPC  
1:30 Chris Wilson, Building Official – Department Logo  
Transfer – Sheriff  
Delete: Additional Appropriation – Sheriff (2)

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

**RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2015 meeting, and to dispense with the reading of them.

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

**RE: PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters 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, Rick Walters aye, Ronald Feathers aye. Motion passed.

**RE: REACTIVATION OF FUND**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve reactivation of an existing fund, as requested by the Sheriff and Auditor, as follows:

**210-0395 Sheriff Continuing Professional Training**

Commissioner Feathers said this fund reactivation will allow the County Auditor and Sheriff to appropriately account for federal and/or state funds that may be received by the Sheriff to offset expenses he incurs for staff training and professional development.

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

**RE: TRANSFER**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve the following request for transfer of funds:

	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Sheriff	100-0381-51104	100-0381-54400	\$ 6,625.53

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

**RE: THEN & NOW'S**

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

Dept	Account	Vendor	Amount
Commissioners	100-0109-53101	Dominion	\$ 546.95
Engineer	200-0540-53504	Carver's	\$ 324.00
Commissioners	200-2050-54000	The Prophet Corp.	\$ 824.98
Commissioners	100-0109-53000	Tropic Air	\$ 108.00
Commissioners	100-0101-53400	Dennis Sipe	\$ 206.25
County Home	200-0630-53000	L & P Services	\$ 377.06
County Home	200-0630-53000	Reno Water & Sewer	\$ 2,763.33
County Home	200-0630-53000	Hanna Campbell & Powell	\$ 337.50
Commissioners	100-0101-53400	Rolf Baumgartel	\$ 225.99
Commissioners	100-0101-53400	Rolf Baumgartel	\$ 154.49
Commissioners	100-0101-53400	Robert Henry	\$ 390.50
Children Services Bd.	200-0740-52000	Michelle Richards	\$ 322.24
Commissioners	100-0101-53400	Steven Eckstein	\$ 847.45
Commissioners	100-0361-53000	Montgomery Co. Coroner	\$ 3,600.00
Family & Children First	602-2032-55000	Tonya Anderson	\$ 585.00
Commissioners	300-0599-55200	Troy Cook	\$ 415.00
Commissioners	300-0599-55200	Troy Cook	\$ 335.00
Commissioners	100-0109-53000	Crescent& Sprague	\$ 272.02
Dept. of Job & Family Serv	200-0720-53400	Wash. – Morgan Community Act.	\$ 578.20
Dept. of Job & Family Serv	200-0720-53400	Wash. – Morgan Community Act	\$ 513.70
Commissioners	100-0109-53100	AEP	\$ 2,126.43
Sheriff's Dept.	100-0384-57400	Vogue Swift Dry Cleaning	\$ 111.65
Commissioners	100-0100-57501	Belpre Area Chamber	\$ 165.00
Children Services	200-0740-53000	Gabriel Brothers	\$ 150.00
Commissioners	100-0101-53400	Timothy Loughry	\$ 220.00
Sheriff	100-0381-53020	Marietta Occupational Health	\$ 229.36

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

**RE: TRAVEL REQUESTS**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters 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 2015 and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

Family & Children First

Elaine Corbitt: One-day trip to Caldwell to attend Local District Coordinators' meeting; February 20, 2015.

Elaine Corbitt: One-day trip to Athens to attend Southeast Ohio Trauma Informed Care Collaboration Workgroup regional meeting; February 25, 2015.

JFS

Deanna Green, Anita Vaughan: One-day trip to Columbus to attend an OCAPS meeting; March 20, 2015.

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

**RE: DEPOSITORY AGREEMENT**

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve bid specifications and solicitation of bids for depository of active funds of the County for the four-year period beginning May 1, 2015, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code regulations.

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

**RE: APPOINTMENTS TO SOUTHEASTERN OHIO PORT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to table consideration of appointments to the Southeastern Ohio Port Authority, pending conversations with candidates.

Commissioner Feathers commented that the Commissioners received a request from the Port Authority on February 5 to appoint three members to the Port Authority Board of Directors for terms beginning February 1, 2015. He said there was insufficient time for the Commissioners to consider appointments to these positions at today's meeting. The Commissioners agreed that interviews of candidates for these important positions will be scheduled prior to making any appointments.

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

**RE: APPOINTMENT TO WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to appoint Robert Rauch to the Washington County Planning Commission for the term beginning immediately and extending through January 31, 2016.

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

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

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to appoint Rodney Hupp from the City of Marietta Police Department to the Washington County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) for the term beginning immediately and extending through August 14, 2015.

President White noted the appointment of Rodney Hupp replaces Brett McKitrick on the LEPC, a result of the retirement of Mr. McKitrick as Marietta City Police Chief and the replacement of him in that capacity by Mr. Hupp.

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

**RE: APPLICATION FOR C-1 LIQUOR PERMIT, RAWHIDE FAMILY DINER**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to table a request from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control to issue a C-1 permit to Rawhide Family Diner & Pizzeria in Lowell, to allow sufficient time for area citizens to offer comments.

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

**RE: APPLICATION FOR C-1 LIQUOR PERMIT, RENO DOLLAR GENERAL STORE**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to return from Unfinished Business consideration of a request for a C-1 liquor permit for Dollar General Store on State Route 7 in Reno.

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

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to not request a hearing for the request from Dollar General Store in Reno for a C1 permit from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control, and to allow the Clerk to so indicate on the Application and return it to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control.

Mr. White reported the Commissioners have received no comments from the public concerning this request. Mr. Feathers said there are existing sales of carryout beer and wine in the immediate area of the Reno Dollar General.

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

**RE: COMMENTS FROM VISITOR**

Warren Township Trustee Jeff Knowlton expressed his appreciation to the Commissioners for treating all County departments “equally” in the budget allocations for 2015, including the County courts. He commended the Commissioners for being frugal with taxpayers’ moneys, and considerate of County employees outside the courts.

Mr. Knowlton said he is increasingly concerned about what the State of Ohio budget is routinely doing to local governments, specifically to townships. He said Governor Kasich’s proposed budget this year significantly reduces funding to Warren Township by reducing the tangible property tax. He noted in a few short years his township has gone from an annual budget of approximately \$1.5 M to \$1.0 M, and because of that his roads are suffering and the trustees may have to consider staff reduction. He said he is extremely frustrated and, as a result, will address his concerns via letter to the Governor, asking him to restore funding to townships and other local government entities.

**RE: COST ALLOCATION PLAN FROM MAXIMUS**

Maximus representative Bob Fink reviewed with the Commissioners the report his firm prepared for use in fiscal year 2015. He said the cost allocation plan allows the County to be reimbursed from certain funds outside of county general, such as JFS and Child Support. He noted several departments are not legally permitted to reimburse such costs back to the County. Mr. Fink said the annual Maximus report includes a three-year comparison of costs and chargebacks. He said his review of annual expenses allows for a number of other reports to be generated, which are available to the County, such as operating costs per square foot per building. Mr. Fink will forward to the Commissioners a list of departments that should receive invoices from the Commissioners reflecting amounts they must reimburse to the county general fund.

The Commissioners then talked with Mr. Fink about contract renewal. He said his current contract with the County has ended, and he requested consideration for another three-year commitment from the County to utilize Maximus services. He noted:

- Maximus provides cost allocation services to 79 of Ohio’s 88 counties.
- Maximus provides cost allocation services to the majority of Indiana counties.
- With most work done off-site, Maximus strives to complete tasks with little interruption to County staff.
- His work is accepted by both state and federal regulatory agencies.
- He is willing and able to provide annual review of his report, methodology employed, results contained therein, and recommended use of it.
- He proposed an annual cost of \$9,500.00 for three-year contract renewal.

The Commissioners thanked Mr. Fink for his presentation and said they are not yet prepared to sign an agreement for cost allocation services.

**RE: BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

Building Official Chris Wilson shared with the Commissioners his vision for a Building Department logo. He said it will be used, in one form or another, on departmental vehicles, letterhead, forms and publications. He said he will work with a local professional to finalize the design.

Mr. Wilson informed the Commissioners he will post and/or advertise an upcoming full-time vacancy in his department by the end of this week.

He then talked with the Commissioners about contractor registration. There was much discussion, with pro’s and con’s being identified by the Commissioners and by Mr. Wilson. Although no decision was made, the Commissioners informed Mr. Wilson they are not now in favor of re-instituting a fee that was only recently removed for very good reason.

Mr. Wilson talked with the Commissioners about holiday pay for his staff, and appropriate compensation for an employee scheduled to work a 10-hour day on an 8-hour holiday. He said he disagrees with the Director of Human Resources on her interpretation of existing labor and compensation laws which, she says, will allow for payment of 8 hours holiday pay even if employee normally works 10 hours on that particular day of the week. The Commissioners said they will consult with the County’s Director of Human Resources, the payroll department staff and the County Engineer before concluding this discussion about holiday pay. They said they are interested in being both legal and consistent.

**RE: ADJOURNMENT**

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

A calling of the roll resulted in a unanimous vote in favor. The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

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