

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MARCH 5, 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 Amanda Nicholson from *The Marietta Times*, and Clerk Rick Peoples.

**Washington County Commissioners  
AGENDA  
9:00 a.m., March 5, 2015**

9:00 Business Meeting  
9:30 Sandy Lahmers, Soil & Water Conservation District – Department Update  
10:00 Tom Ballengee, Job and Family Services – Department Update

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Application for C1 Liquor Permit, Rawhide Family Diner, St. Rt. 60, Lowell  
Proposal for Electric Aggregation, Buckeye Energy Brokers  
Appointments to Southeastern Ohio Port Authority Board of Directors

**NEW BUSINESS**

Approve Agenda  
Approval of previous meeting's minutes  
Bills from various departments  
Additional Appropriations – Common Pleas Court  
Additional Appropriations – Family & Children First  
Transfer – Commissioners  
Transfer - Sheriff  
Then & Now  
Travel – Sewer  
Travel – Human Resources  
Travel – Family & Children First (2)  
Monthly Report of Prisoner Care - Sheriff  
Amendment to Youth Services Grant – Juvenile Court  
Delinquent Sewer Accounts  
Certification of Delinquent Sewer Accounts to County Auditor  
Roadway Use and Maintenance Agreement, Ohio River Valley Pipeline

**INFORMATION**

CCAO Legislative Briefing, 11:30 a.m., **Monday**, March 9, in Zanesville  
Joint Solid Waste Committee, 12:00 p.m., **Monday**, March 9, at Lori's in Caldwell  
Marietta Chamber of Commerce Dinner, 5:00 p.m., **Monday**, March 9, at Marietta College  
Monthly Meeting at County Home, 8:30 a.m., **Tuesday**, March 10  
Community Development Implementation Strategies, 10:00 a.m., **Monday**,  
March 16, at Buckeye Hills  
Finance Committee, 10:00 a.m., **Tuesday**, March 17

**RE: AGENDA**

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

Add: Resolution, Eramet Marietta  
Delete: 9:30 Sandy Lahmers, Soil & Water Conservation District

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 for February 26, 2015, 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: RESOLUTION, ERAMET MARIETTA**

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution:

***WHEREAS**, Eramet Marietta, Inc., has filed to amend its reasonable arrangement so as to ensure its long-term commitment to Washington County and the State of Ohio; and*

***WHEREAS**, with over 180 employees, Eramet Marietta is one of the largest employers in our area; and*

***WHEREAS**, Eramet Marietta has committed to invest in new capital infrastructure to comply with U.S. EPA regulations, dependent upon approval of modification to its reasonable arrangement; and*

***WHEREAS**, Eramet's investment in new capital will help to ensure retention of well-paying jobs in our community; and*

***WHEREAS**, Eramet Marietta contributes nearly \$65,000,000 annually to local economy through employee and retiree benefits and state and local taxes; and*

***WHEREAS**, it is our understanding that in order for Eramet to continue to grow, maintain and modernize its manufacturing facility in Washington County, a modification to its reasonable arrangement must be approved by PUCO; and*

***WHEREAS**, in challenging times such as these, we consider it critical to work together to retain and create jobs; and*

***WHEREAS**, we are concerned that without the approval of its proposal to PUCO, Eramet may not be able to invest in our region and in our State, instead making those investments in other locations and communities.*

***THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of Washington County, Ohio that we support Eramet Marietta's request to PUCO to amend its reasonable arrangement.*

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

The Commissioners directed the Clerk to forward a copy of this resolution to Tom Johnson, Chairman of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, and to John Willoughby, Executive Advisor, Eramet Marietta.

**RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**

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

Common Pleas	200-0232-55200	\$ 2,500.00
Family & Children First	602-2030-51001	\$ 455.00
	602-2030-51104	\$ 5,000.00

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

**RE: TRANSFERS**

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

	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
CHIP	210-0806-51000	210-0806-51001	\$ 145,200.00
	210-0806-51000	210-0806-52000	\$ 500.00
	210-0806-51000	210-0806-53000	\$ 42,500.00
	210-0806-51000	210-0806-53001	\$ 32,000.00
Sheriff	100-0384-53000	100-0384-53110	\$ 2,000.00

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

Dept	Account	Vendor	Amount
Commissioners 350.00	100-0109-53000	Agland Co-op	\$
Commissioners 832.33	100-0109-53102	City of Marietta	\$
Commissioners 110.00	100-0101-53400	Timothy Loughry	\$

County Home 384.83	200-0630-53000	L & P Services	\$
Commissioners 418.00	100-0100-53500	CWS	\$
Commissioners 229.30	100-0109-53000	Carver's Electric	\$
Commissioners 104.55	100-0109-53000	John's Auto Repair	\$

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. Walters 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 2015 and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

##### Sewer

Craig Barker: One-day Operator Training in Marietta; March 27, 2015.

##### Human Resources

Darla Miller, Rick Walters, Rick Peoples, Trena Brooker, Pam Sullivan: One-day trip to Athens to attend CEBCO Affordable Care Act Regional Seminar; March 10, 2015.

##### Family & Children First

Jon Higgins: One-day trip to Noble County Correctional Institute in Caldwell to deliver yarn and pick up blankets; March 5, 2015.

Cindy Davis: One-day trip to Zanesville to attend Ohio Family & Children First Regional Meeting; March 16, 2015.

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

#### **RE: MONTHLY REPORT OF PRISONER CARE**

The Commissioners acknowledged receipt of a report from Sheriff Larry Mincks indicating that during the month of February 2015 a total of 3,111.50 days of prisoner care were charged to other entities, for a total of \$186,690.00.

#### **RE: AMENDMENT TO YOUTH SERVICES GRANT**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve an amendment to the Youth Services Grant to re-align carryover funding so that it can be utilized, as prepared and requested by Kathy Wright, Juvenile Court.

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

#### **RE: DELINQUENT SEWER ACCOUNTS**

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve sending notice to the following individuals that their sewer accounts are delinquent, and requesting they immediately pay the delinquent amounts: Kyle Hodge, Heather Mannix/Bretthauer, Stephanie Snyder, Dan Turner (for 10433 State Route 550 apartments), Dave Burt, Tina Anderson, Jeffery and Tammy Brook, Randy Norris, Todd Fournier, Dan Turner (for Turner's Car Wash), Dave Burt (for 419, 405 and 880 Warrior Drive, 107 Walnut Drive, and 10850 and 10860 State Route 550), Brian and Sherry Ogden (for 1705 Brackenridge Road), Dan Turner (for Turner's Service Center), Laiana Kerns, Sarah Carpenter.

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

#### **RE: CERTIFICATION OF DELINQUENT SEWER ACCOUNTS**

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve sending a letter to County Auditor Bill McFarland certifying the following seriously delinquent sewer accounts, requesting him to add those delinquent amounts to property tax bills: Elizabeth Barnett, Donald and Drenda Trembly, Kelly Offenberger, Sherry Fulton, Michael Cameron, Donald Tallman, Katen Anstatt, Dawn Rachell Yost, Federal National Mortgage, Angela Rhodes, Brian Stine, Mike Higgins, Jean Yost.

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

#### **RE: ROADWAY USE AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT (RUMA)**

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve a roadway use and maintenance agreement (RUMA) for Ohio River Valley Pipeline LLC to use several roads in Adams and Aurelius Townships, including portions of Adams Township Roads 563 and 155, Aurelius Township Road 115, and Washington County Roads 8 and 76, as prepared and requested by County Engineer Roger Wright.

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 FROM RAWHIDE FAMILY DINER**

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to return from Unfinished Business consideration of a request for a C-1 liquor permit from the Rawhide Family Diner and Pizzeria.

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

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to not request a hearing on the application for a C-1 liquor permit from the Rawhide Family Diner and Pizzeria on State Route 60 in Lowell, and to allow the Clerk to notify the Ohio Division of Liquor Control of such action.

Mr. Feathers said the Commissioners have not heard any concerns from citizens on this request in the three weeks they've had it.

President White noted the Commissioners are not being asked to approve the request, but merely to indicate whether they are requesting a hearing on the matter.

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 return from Unfinished Business consideration of appointments and/or re-appointments to the Southeastern Ohio Port Authority Board of Directors.

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

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to re-appoint the following individuals to the Southeastern Ohio Port Authority Board of Directors for the term beginning February 1, 2015 and extending through January 31, 2019:

Dave Archer, Pioneer Group  
Charlotte Hatfield, Appalachian Partnership for Economic Growth

and to appoint the following individual to the Southeastern Ohio Port Authority Board of Directors for the term beginning February 1, 2015 and extending through January 31, 2019:

Eric Young, Memorial Health Systems

Commissioner Feathers reported he interviewed each of the candidates, and there were no other names presented for consideration.

Commissioner Walters said all three expressed interest in serving on the Board of Directors, and shared how they will contribute to the mission of the Port Authority. He recommended the Commissioners consult with the Port Authority Board about election of its officers.

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

**RE: TOM BALLENGEE, JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES UPDATE**

Tom Ballengee, Director of Washington County Department of Job and Family Services, updated the Commissioners on departmental projects and initiatives, including:

- Summer Youth Program: Will apply for about \$248,000 to provide summer employment opportunities to approximately 150 sixteen to twenty-four year-old Washington County residents.
- HVAC: Doing OK, but some frustrating lingering issues with software, which is being replaced.
- Document Imaging System: Upgrade is necessary after about seven years using current system. New system cost estimates ranging from \$75,000 to \$375,000 are resulting in updating current system for about \$6,000.
- Painting: In process of painting several rooms at JFS, and will relocate several staff members when finished.

- Overtime: Department is incurring much overtime expense due to many individuals having been removed from Medicaid, and departmental staff having to re-enter their data. Mr. Ballengee said the State's Medicaid system has been problematic since it was installed.
- Directors' Meeting: Mr. Ballengee will attend a directors' meeting on March 13. Topic of discussion will likely be the state budget.
- Adult Protective Services: The department is applying for two \$10,000 grants.
- Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program: Emphasis is on transitioning sixteen to twenty-four year olds from welfare benefits to wage-paying jobs with benefits.
- Staffing: Likely to be a few staff retirements this summer; one current supervisor vacancy will remain open for now.

The Commissioners thanked Mr. Ballengee for keeping them well-informed of Job and Family Services workload, staffing, projects and initiatives.

**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 10:15 a.m.

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