

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON JUNE 25, 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 Justin Bradley from WMOA Radio, Amanda Nicholson from *The Marietta Times*, Muskingum Township Trustee Gary Doan, County Engineer Roger Wright, and Clerk Rick Peoples.

**Washington County Commissioners
AGENDA
9:00 a.m., June 25, 2015**

9:00 Business Meeting
9:30 2nd Public Hearing – 2015 CDBG Formula Funds
10:00 Angela Lowery, Amy Tucker - Marketing of Everbridge Mass Communication System
10:30 Chris Wilson, Building Official – Travel Request, EnerGov Update, Vacation Coverage
2:00 Jim Black, Seth Deem, Jeff Lauer, & Brian Pracht, Washington County EMS & Firefighters – Storage of Items in Old County Garage

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Agenda
Approval of previous meeting's minutes
Bills from various departments
Resolution – 2015 Community Development Block Grant Allocation
Resolution, Remembrance of Commissioner Sandra Matthews
Resolution, Retirement of Prosecutor James Schneider
Additional Appropriation – Probate/Juvenile Court
Additional Appropriation – Debt Service
Additional Appropriation – Behavioral Health Board
Additional Appropriation – Building Department
Transfer – Family & Children First
Then & Now's
Travel – Child Support Enforcement Agency
Travel – Job and Family Services
Travel – Building Department (2)
Satisfaction of Mortgage, CHIP Program
Operational Capacity Building Funds Application – Family & Children First
2015 National Senior Service Corps State Subsidy Memorandum of Understanding – Area Agency on Aging
Oil & Gas Lease Agreement with Protégé Energy for 4.84 Acres in Newport Township
Engineer – Vehicle Insurance Invoice

INFORMATION

Public Hearing on Request to Name Change from Nichols Road to Berg Church Road, 9:30 a.m., **Thursday**, July 2
Public Hearing on 2016 Tax Budget, 10:00 a.m., **Thursday**, July 2
Courthouse Closed, **Friday**, July 3, in observance of Independence Day

RE: AGENDA

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

Add: 10:45 Glen Pawloski – Devola Sewer Project
3:30 Jeff Campbell, Rita Spence, Bill McFarland – County Home Levy
Delete: Additional Appropriation – Building Department

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 June 18, 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, REMEMBRANCE OF COMMISSIONER SANDRA MATTHEWS

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

WHEREAS, *Washington County lost a respected and valued member and leader on June 22, 2015, with the death of Sandra Matthews; and*

WHEREAS, *Sandra Matthews was a tireless, forward-thinking public servant; and*

WHEREAS, *Sandra Matthews served the citizens of Washington County in the capacity of Commissioners' Clerk for eight years, and subsequently as Washington County Commissioner for twenty years, from 1984 to 2005; and*

WHEREAS, *during her service to Washington County, Sandra Matthews was instrumental in development of budgets that were fiscally reasonable and responsible, assuring taxpayers the County was applying their funds in the best manner possible; and*

WHEREAS, *Sandra Matthews was particularly known for her planning and coordination of County departments and facilities, always thinking about creating efficiencies and improving services; and*

WHEREAS, *Sandra Matthews was an enthusiastic supporter of many community organizations, including the 4-H Program, Washington-Morgan Community Action Program, Washington County Farmers Mutual Insurance Association, Marietta Memorial Hospital, and her church, Faith United Methodist; and*

WHEREAS, *Sandra Matthews had the unique ability of working diligently with others while maintaining a sense of humor, kindness, energy and compassion.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED *that the Board of Commissioners of Washington County, Ohio, on behalf of the citizens of Washington County, recognizes with pleasure and great honor the significant contributions of Sandra Matthews over the course of her distinguished career as a public servant and elected official in Washington County; and*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED *that the Board of Commissioners of Washington County, Ohio extends its sincerest condolences to her family and friends.*

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

President White noted Ms. Matthews was the first female member of the Board of Commissioners in Washington County, and her service to the citizens of Washington County was very valuable. He said Commissioner Matthews was dedicated to all she did, and was respected throughout the community.

RE: RESOLUTION, RECOGNITION OF RETIREMENT OF PROSECUTOR JIM SCHNEIDER

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

WHEREAS, *James E. Schneider, Attorney at Law, began his service to the citizens of Washington County, Ohio in the Prosecutor's Office in the year 1975; and*

WHEREAS, *in November of 2004 Jim Schneider was elected to the first of his three terms as Prosecuting Attorney for Washington County, Ohio; and*

WHEREAS, *Jim Schneider has determined that June 30, 2015 will be his final day of service to Washington County in the capacity of Prosecuting Attorney, with the intent to retire from public service on July 1, 2015; and*

WHEREAS, *during his service to Washington County Mr. Schneider has prosecuted thousands of cases, representing the County and the State of Ohio in an appropriately professional manner; and*

WHEREAS, *James Schneider has been an integral part of the Washington County government team, providing service not only in the position of Prosecutor, but also as a member of the Records Commission, the Budget Commission, the Finance Committee, and the Board of Revision; and*

WHEREAS, *Jim Schneider has also served his community well, actively participating in service organizations such as the Lions Club.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Washington County, Ohio, on behalf of the citizens of Washington County, recognizes with great pleasure and much gratitude the many years of service of James E. Schneider, as Assistant Prosecutor and then as Prosecuting Attorney for Washington County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Washington County, Ohio extends congratulations and best wishes to James Schneider upon his retirement from public service on July 1, 2015.

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

President White commended Mr. Schneider on his service to the County, describing him as a "valuable resource, with invaluable knowledge".

RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

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

Probate/Juvenile Courts	200-0223-51001	\$ 18,975.00
	200-0223-51101	275.14
	200-0223-51102	2,656.50
	200-0223-51120	265.65
Behavioral Health	200-0610-53000	\$ 250,000.00
Debt Service	700-0113-56100	\$ 4,454.00

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

Commissioner Feathers noted the appropriation for Probate/Juvenile Courts is for longevity bonuses for employees of those courts in 2015, and that it comes from the Courts' Special Projects Fund. He said revenues into that fund are derived from court costs.

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>
Family & Children First	602-2033-51104	602-2033-52002	\$ 100.00
	602-2033-51104	602-2033-52003	300.00
	602-2033-51104	602-2033-53200	565.00
	602-2033-51104	602-2033-53201	300.00
	602-2033-51104	602-2033-53500	225.00

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	100-0109-53000	Murray's Glass	\$ 133.20
Commissioners	100-0109-53000	Murray's Glass	\$ 169.16
Job & Family Services	200-7200-59000	Par Mar Oil Company	\$ 4,625.87
Commissioners	200-2050-54000	The Prophet Corp	\$ 3,477.50
Commissioners	100-0109-53000	Double L. Construction	\$ 1,440.00
Commissioners	100-0100-53000	Mancan	\$ 600.00
Job & Family Services	200-7200-59000	Hervida 4-H Camp	\$ 252.68
County Engineer	200-0540-53409	Total Rick Solutions	\$ 695.00

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 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:

CSEA

Kim Hinkle, Betty Lynch: One-day trip to Athens to attend BCFTA Fiscal Meeting; June 17, 2015 (retroactive approval requested).

JFS

Candy Nelson: Two-day trip to Ravenna to attend a meeting; July 6-7, 2015.

Building Department

Chris Wilson: One-day trip to Columbus to attend Board of Building Appeals Hearing; June 29, 2015.

Chris Wilson: Eight-day trip to Englewood, Colorado to take the codes and standards portion of the building official exam; August 9-16, 2015.

Mr. Wilson noted this trip to Englewood will allow him to take one of three required exams for certification. President White said this certification was discussed at the time of hire, and is critical to Mr. Wilson to maintain and improve his credentials. Mr. Wilson said he believes the next two exams may be offered in Atlanta during a one-week period. He said once he passes an exam he won't have to take it again.

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

RE: SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGE

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to acknowledge receipt of satisfaction of mortgage from the estate of Harold and Genova Beagle, 404 Main Street, New Matamoras, Ohio, in the amount of \$4,833.00, and to authorize the Recorder to discharge the mortgage deed and promissory note.

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

RE: OPERATIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING FUNDS APPLICATION FOR SFY 2016, FAMILY & CHILDREN FIRST

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve an Operational Capacity Building Funds Application for SFY 2016, in the amount of \$15,750.00, for the period January 1, 2015 through January 1, 2017, and to allow Mr. White to sign the Application, as prepared and requested by Cindy Davis, Family & Children First.

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

RE: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, SFY 2015 NATIONAL SENIOR SERVICE CORPS STATE SUBSIDY, AREA AGENCY ON AGING

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the SFY 2015 National Senior Service Corps State Subsidy between Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District Area Agency on Aging PSA 8 and the Washington County Commissioners for pass-through funds in the amount of \$3,984.00, for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, and to allow Mr. White to sign the MOU, as prepared and requested by Denise Keyes, Area Agency on Aging.

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

RE: OIL & GAS LEASE AGREEMENT WITH PROTÉGÉ ENERGY

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve an Oil & Gas Lease Agreement with Protégé Energy for 4.84 acres in Newport Township, Parcel Numbers 280048788001, 280051625001, 280051625002, 280051724000, 280051817001, and 280096016001, with a primary term of five (5) years beginning June 25, 2015, with a Lease Signing Bonus of \$4,750.00 per Net Mineral Acre, renewable for an additional five (5) years, with an Option Bonus of \$5,462.50 per Net Mineral Acre, with a royalty equal to 17.5% of the gross proceeds received by Protégé Energy from the sale of oil and gas produced and sold from the leased premises, and to allow Mr. White and Mr. Walters to sign the Lease Agreement, reviewed and approved by Prosecutor Jim Schneider, as prepared and requested by Protégé Energy.

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

RE: VEHICLE INSURANCE INVOICE, COUNTY ENGINEER

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve payment of vehicle insurance for County Engineer vehicles, in the amount of \$9,662.40, from the County General Fund rather than from the MVGT Fund, as requested by County Engineer Roger Wright.

Commissioner Feathers commented that the County Engineer has gone "above and beyond" in his work with the Commissioners on a variety of projects, without seeking remuneration for

time and expense. He recommended the Commissioners approve this request so that MVGT funds can continue to be used for County roads and bridges.

President White said he too appreciates the cooperation and coordination extended on County projects by the County Engineer.

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

RE: 2ND PUBLIC HEARING, 2015 CDBG FORMULA FUNDS

At 9:30 a.m. President White convened the 2nd Public Hearing for 2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Formula Funds. He said the purpose of the Hearing is to hear comments on the selection of projects for the use of those funds. He asked Michelle Hyer, Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District, to facilitate the Hearing.

Ms. Hyer said the Commissioners intend to award CDBG funds for projects in the Village of Beverly, the Village of New Matamoras, and Liberty Township. She noted the Commissioners are permitted to fund only three projects, and only these three entities submitted applications. She said funds will also be allocated for Fair Housing provided by OSU Extension, and administration of the program by the Commissioners and Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District.

There were no comments received at this Public Hearing.

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

WHEREAS, the Ohio Development Services Agency has designated funds for Fiscal Year 2015 (FY15) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Allocation Program to Washington County; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner have advertised and held the public hearing required by the Ohio Development Services Agency.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washington County, Ohio that the following projects have been selected and prioritized and will be submitted to the Ohio Development Services Agency for potential approval based on FY 15 allocation:

Administration	\$17,500
Fair Housing	\$ 5,000
Liberty Township	\$37,900
Village of New Matamoras	\$45,900
Village of Beverly	\$11,700

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

RE: CHANGE ORDER #1, VILLAGE OF LOWELL CDBG PROJECT

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve Change Order #1 for the Village of Lowell Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, adding \$9,200.00 to the contract for Snider Recreation, for a new contract amount of \$33,480.00, and to allow Mr. White to sign the Change Order, as prepared and requested by Michelle Hyer, Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District.

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

RE: LITTLE MUSKINGUM VFD CDBG PROJECT

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve the Notice of Award, Contract, and Notice to Proceed with Stryker EMS Equipment for the Little Muskingum Volunteer Fire Department (VFD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Project, in the amount of \$18,054.00, as prepared and requested by Michelle Hyer, Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District.

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 approve the Notice of Award, Contract, and Notice to Proceed with American Airworks for the Little Muskingum Volunteer Fire Department (VFD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Project, in the amount of \$13,488.79, as prepared and requested by Michelle Hyer, Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District.

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

RE: EVERBRIDGE MASS COMMUNICATION PROJECT MARKETING

Angela Lowery and Amy Tucker, representing the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), talked with the Commissioners about their plans to market the newly installed emergency communication system from Everbridge, locally known as WashCoALERT. They informed the Commissioners they are utilizing no-cost marketing strategies, including:

- Press Releases
- Interviews
- Broughton's Ice Cream Social presence
- Volunteer Fire Department Socials presence
- River Roar presence
- Fair Parades
- Sternwheel Festival presence
- Social media

Ms. Lowery said they also would like to purchase some marketing materials, including:

- Billboard rental
- Business cards for distribution
- Tee-shirts
- Digital and commercial advertising
- Printed give-aways

Ms. Lowery and Ms. Tucker provided the Commissioners with an estimate of costs for these materials, and asked if the County would provide financial assistance for any or all.

President White said he believes the quote for business cards is too high, tee-shirts are not a good investment and not so many are needed, billboards provide good exposure but are expensive, and social media is a great means of communicating to a large number of people.

Ms. Lowery noted the tee-shirts would be used primarily by campaign workers, rather than as give-aways.

Mr. White said the County's commitment to the new Everbridge system was never intended to go beyond paying for approximately half of the system cost, or about \$8,250.00, through EMA. He said the County did not budget, and was not asked to budget, for marketing this new program.

Commissioner Feathers said the County has only limited budget for advertising, and it has been used or is being preserved for use throughout the remainder of this year. He did offer, though, for the Commissioners to pay for a more reasonable number of tee-shirts. He said the EMA Director may also have some limited funds available for printed handouts.

Commissioner Walters noted the County's more senior citizens will have likely have the most difficulty in registering in the WashCoALERT system, and one-on-one assistance will be needed. Ms. Lowery said another challenge is to secure a number of volunteers to promote the program at events.

Ms. Lowery and Ms. Tucker thanked the Commissioners for their consideration and support.

RE: BUILDING DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Building Official Chris Wilson updated the Commissioners and Director of Human Resources Darla Miller on his department's projects and initiatives, including:

- He intends to travel to Colorado to take one of three certification exams later this year. He said he'll only need to pass these exams once, and then annual continuing education credits must be earned. Mr. Wilson said the next exams may be offered in Atlanta, which may reduce expenses. Mr. Wilson reminded the Commissioners these exams and certifications are requirements of his position with the County.
- Mr. Wilson said the EnerGov project is on track, with software scheduled for delivery on or about August 6.
- Mr. Wilson was given permission to use the services of Mike Stalnaker to conduct electrical inspections on a limited basis while Russ Metz is on vacation.

RE: REMOVAL OF EQUIPMENT STORED IN OLD COUNTY GARAGE

Jim Black and Seth Deem, representing the County EMS and Firefighters, talked with the Commissioners about removal of stored equipment and supplies at the Old County Garage. They reported they have spare equipment, an air truck, Red Cross equipment and trailers, and two ambulances stored at the facility.

Expressing concern they heard about the Commissioners' intent to convert the space for other use in a round-about way rather than directly from the Commissioners, Mr. Deem asked if the Commissioners know of other storage space that might be available to them. Mr. Black reminded the Commissioners the equipment now stored there is used throughout the County.

Commissioner Feathers said the County has no other indoor storage facility for their use. It was suggested they contact the Washington County Fair Board to see if there might be space available at the fairgrounds.

Mr. Deem informed the Commissioners all locks at the Old County Garage have been cut by someone other than him. He and Mr. Black thanked the Commissioners for their consideration, and asked them to let them know if they become aware of space that might be used for storage of their equipment.

RE: GLEN PAWLOSKI

Devola resident Glen Pawloski talked with the Commissioners about the proposed Devola sanitary sewer project. He read to the Commissioners a June 24, 2015 letter he addressed to Commissioner Ron Feathers. In that letter Mr. Pawloski:

- Concluded a “down-size” of the project from 300 to 60 properties will merely provide a “start to the Phase-2 project”, and it is unacceptable to begin any sewer line construction in Devola.
- Said installation of a new sewer system in Devola will create a “double remedy” since a newly-installed reverse osmosis system has effectively reduced nitrate concentration in the Devola water distribution system to acceptable levels.
- Urged the Commissioners to utilize results of a study of Muskingum River mussels recommended by the Washington County Board of Health to demonstrate there is no need to proceed with a new sewer system in Devola.

Responding to questions from Mr. Pawloski, Commissioner Feathers said:

- He has not had any communication with the Ohio EPA in follow-up to their May 18, 2015 meeting.
- There will be information shared with Devola residents after it is received from the EPA.
- The period for public input and reaction to any re-write of the EPA Director’s Final Findings & Orders (DFFO) will be determined by the EPA, not by the Commissioners.

President White said he believes the EPA was not “receptive” to the notion of re-writing the DFFO, but at least heard the message from the Commissioners and the local Board of Health.

Mr. Pawloski said whatever information he and the Board of Health have provided is for the Commissioners’ use in pursuing remedy and termination of the project. He said he believes the EPA will accept suggestions on how to proceed, and he encouraged the Commissioners to pursue a study of the Muskingum River mussels encouraged by the Board of Health.

Commissioner Feathers said he will not suggest any particular study to the EPA, as the Board of Health did just that.

Mr. Feathers then told Mr. Pawloski that his letters to residents of Devola, with half-truths, is only aggravating and complicating discussions with the Ohio EPA. Mr. Feathers said the Commissioners are trying to “thread a needle” with the EPA and constant letter writing, which he considers “badgering”, would serve no useful purpose.

At this point in the meeting there was much discussion about the recent *Marietta Times* article pertaining to the meeting on May 18. Mr. Feathers said the reporter from the newspaper was not at the meeting, and the article is misleading and incorrect. He informed Mr. Pawloski it might not be wise to rely upon and quote articles from the newspaper.

Mr. Pawloski said he is concerned that Devola residents might not have an opportunity to object to the Ohio EPA Director’s next Findings & Orders. To the Commissioners’ suggestion that he address his letters and communication to the Director of the EPA, Mr. Pawloski adamantly stated he will not do that. He said he will communicate only with the governing body over the Ohio EPA. Mr. Pawloski said it would be a shame for the Commissioners to allow the Ohio EPA to “come in and steamroll”, as the project is “completely over-reach and not needed”.

Mr. Pawloski asked Mr. Feathers if the EPA had helped him write the General Plan of August 2014. Mr. Feathers said he finds that comment to be offensive and unwarranted.

Lengthy, and at times heated, discussion followed pertaining to the participation and value of Mr. Pawloski in the ongoing discussions with the EPA. President White recessed the meeting and excused himself from the room after Mr. Pawloski said to him: “You have a big mouth, and you are a liar.”

RE: COUNTY HOME LEVY

County Home Administrator Jeff Campbell and Office Manager Rita Spence talked with the Commissioners and County Auditor Bill McFarland about the projected budget for the County

Home. Mr. Campbell said that after much review, deliberation and consultation, he has concluded a renewal levy is necessary on the November 3, 2015 election ballot in order to maintain appropriate and adequate services for the next several years. He said he is pleased the levy request will be for "renewal" rather than "replacement".

Ms. Spence said she and Mr. Campbell thoroughly reviewed all budget line items and projected expenses for the next five years. Without a levy, she said, the County Home will be in deficit spending within a few years. Mr. Campbell agreed they have done an extensive job of review of operations, revenues and expenses, and while an increase in levy revenues is not warranted at this time, it likely will be after the next five years. Mr. Campbell thanked County Auditor Bill McFarland for his assistance in this process of considering whether a levy is indeed necessary, which, he said, is new to both him and Ms. Spence. Mr. Campbell said, assuming no serious tragic event over the next several years, renewal levy funds will be adequate to sustain the operations at the County Home. He said he has accounted for replacement of certain equipment he expects to retire during the period.

The Clerk said he will ask Assistant Prosecutor Alison Cauthorn to prepare appropriate resolutions for renewal of the County Home levy in November 2015.

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 4:05 p.m.

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_____, Member

_____, Clerk