

**THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON AUGUST 27, 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, Muskingum Township Trustee Gary Doan, Glen Pawloski, and Clerk Rick Peoples.

**Washington County Commissioners  
AGENDA  
9:00 a.m., August 27, 2015**

9:00 Business Meeting

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Application to Serve on Behavioral Health Board

**NEW BUSINESS**

Approve Agenda  
Approval of previous meeting's minutes  
Bills from various departments  
Resolution Accepting Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission  
Additional Appropriation – Sheriff  
Additional Appropriation – Job and Family Services  
Additional Appropriation – Prosecutor  
Additional Appropriation – Family & Children First (2)  
Transfer – Commissioners (2)  
Then & Now's  
Travel – Job and Family Services  
Travel – Auditor  
Travel – EMA  
Approval of New Employee at Job and Family Services  
Sheriff – Disposal of Equipment  
Letter of Congratulations to County Auditor  
Letter to Ohio EPA in Response to Modified Orders, Devola Sewer Project  
Letter to City of Marietta in Response to Notice of Breach of Intergovernmental Agreement  
Delinquent Sewer Accounts  
Certification of Delinquent Sewer Accounts to County Auditor  
Engineer – Ohio Public Works Commission Resolutions (2)

**INFORMATION**

Labor Day, **Monday**, September 7, Courthouse Closed  
Monthly County Home Meeting, 8:30 a.m., **Tuesday**, September 8, at County Home

**RE: AGENDA**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to accept the agenda.

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 the August 19, 2015 Special Meeting and the August 20, 2015 Regular 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.

**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 ACCEPTING AMOUNTS AND RATES FROM BUDGET COMMISSION**

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

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of law has previously adopted a Tax Budget for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing January 1, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, the Budget Commission of Washington County, Ohio, has certified its action thereon to this Board together with an estimate by the County Auditor of the rate of each tax necessary to be levied by this Board, and what part thereof is without, and what part within the ten mil tax limitation;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Ohio that the amounts and rates, as determined by the Budget Commission in its certification, be and the same are hereby accepted; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of said County the rate of each tax necessary to be levied within and without the ten mill limitation as follows:

**SCHEDULE A**

**SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS REQUESTED FROM GENERAL PROPERTY TAX APPROVED BY BUDGET COMMISSION, AND COUNTY AUDITOR'S ESTIMATED TAX RATES**

FUND	Amounts to be Derived from Levies Inside 10 Mill Limitation	Amounts to be Derived from Levies Outside 10 Mill Limitation	County Auditor's Estimate of Rate to be Levied--Inside 10 Mill Limit	County Auditor's Estimate of Rate to be Levied--Outside 10 Mill Limit
General Fund	2,659,000.00		2.30	
Bond Retirement Fund	347,000.00		.30	
County Home		2,032,000.00		2.00
BD OF DEV DIS Fund		3,403,000.00		3.60
Senior Citizens Fund		932,000.00		.85
PUBLIC LIBRARY		1,070,000.00		1.00
Total	3,006,000.00	7,437,000.00	2.60	7.45

**SCHEDULE B**

**LEVIES OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMITATION, EXCLUSIVE OF DEBT LEVIES**

FUND	Maximum Rate Authorized to be Levied	County Auditor's Estimate of Yield of Levy (Carry to Schedule A, Column II)
<b>SPECIAL LEVY FUNDS:</b>		
County Home levy authorized by voters on 11/2/10 for not to exceed 5 year-expires TY2014	2.00	2,032,000.00
BD OF DEV DIS levy authorized by the voters on 5/6/03 for not to exceed continuing years	3.60	3,403,000.00
Senior Citizens levy authorized by the voters on 11/8/11 for not to exceed 5 years-expires TY2015	.85	932,000.00
PUBLIC LIBRARY levy authorized by the voters on 11/2/10 for not to exceed 5 years-expires TY2014	1.00	1,070,000.00

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Administrator of this Board be and he is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor of said County.

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

**RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**

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

Sheriff	200-0384-53000	\$ 22,000.00
Job and Family Services	200-0720-57400	\$ 50,000.00
Prosecutor	200-0311-57400	\$ 10,000.00
Family & Children First	602-2030-51001	\$ 500.00
	602-2030-52000	\$ 1,000.00

602-2030-53201	\$ 500.00
602-2030-53501	\$ 50.00
602-2030-54001	\$ 1,930.00
602-2030-55200	\$ 20.00
602-2030-57400	\$ 1,000.00
602-2034-52000	\$ 68.52
602-2034-53000	\$ 3,139.45
602-2034-55204	\$ 1,615.22
602-2034-57400	\$ 127.31
602-2034-57500	\$ 431.50

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>
Commissioners	100-0100-53000	100-0100-53202	\$ 420.00
	100-0101-53600	100-0101-53000	\$ 2,759.66

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
Child Support	200-0730-53503	Common Pleas Court	\$ 498.25
Commissioners	100-0101-53400	Robert Bright	\$ 3,357.01
Child Support	200-0730-53503	Common Pleas Court	\$ 498.25
Commissioners	100-0101-53400	Steven Eckstein	\$ 1,326.25

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:

JFS

Debi Humphries: One-day trip to Parkersburg to pick up clothing vouchers; September 17, 2015.

Auditor

Bill McFarland: One-day trip to Columbus to attend CAAO Executive/Legislative meeting; September 2, 2015.

Bill McFarland: One-day trip to Vinton County to attend CAAO District Meeting; September 11, 2015.

EMA

Jeff Lauer: One-day trip to Cambridge to meet with school superintendents to discuss Everbridge system; August 28, 2015.

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

**RE: REQUEST FROM JFS TO HIRE NEW EMPLOYEE**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve a request from Tom Ballengee, Director, Washington County Department of Job and Family Services, to hire Joseph S. Jones to serve as Management Information Technology Specialist for Job and Family Services, at the hourly rate of \$18.82, beginning September 8, 2015.

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

**RE: DISPOSAL OF SHERIFF'S EQUIPMENT**

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve a request from Sheriff Larry Mincks to dispose of all meal serving trays at the Washington County Jail, due to poor condition of those trays.

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

Commissioner Feathers noted these trays were originally purchased in 2004 and have been through the dishwasher, and used by inmates, so many times that the finish on the trays is wearing off and they are becoming unsafe to use. He said the Sheriff intends to discard all trays and replace with new trays.

**RE: LETTER OF CONGRATULATIONS ON RECENT AUDIT RESULTS**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve the following letter, recognizing the excellent results of a financial and compliance audit completed for fiscal year 2014 by the Auditor of State:

*August 27, 2015*

*To All Elected Officials and Department Heads:*

*We extend our congratulations to County Auditor Bill McFarland and his staff. The State Auditor's Office recently notified us that our annual audit, for fiscal year 2014, includes no recommendations, no citations, no findings for recovery, and no instances of non-compliance with federal regulations. That is both remarkable and impressive!*

*Our audit report was so "clean" that there was no need to schedule an exit conference. According to our Audit Manager Doug Heiss, this is the first time in his nearly thirty years of auditing county governments that he has compiled an error-free report!*

*Although most of our audit's field work is with our County Auditor and his staff, we know it takes much more than that to accomplish something like this. We extend our thanks to all who diligently follow procedures, retain records, and prepare reports in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.*

*Please share this message with others in your offices.*

*/s/ WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS*

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

Commissioner Walters noted this is quite an accomplishment for Washington County to receive such a clean audit. Commissioner Feathers said he appreciates everyone working together so well to achieve these good results. President White said the Commissioners are thanking not only the County Auditor, but also those who work for and with the County Auditor.

**RE: LETTER TO OHIO EPA RESPONDING TO MODIFIED ORDERS IN DEVOLA SEWER PROJECT**

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve the following letter to the Ohio EPA from the Prosecutor's Office, responding to recent Ohio EPA Director's Modified Findings and Orders for the proposed sewer project in Devola:

*August 27, 2015*

*Peter Simcic, Esq.  
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency  
Lazarus Government Center  
50 W. Town St., Suite 700  
P.O. Box 1049  
Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049*

*Re: Washington County Commissioners-Proposed Modified Orders-Devola*

*Dear Mr. Simcic:*

*This letter is in response to your August 4, 2015 letter to the Washington County Commissioners regarding the proposed Modified Director's Final Findings and Orders for the Devola Area (hereinafter "Proposed Orders"). After reviewing the Proposed Orders, the Commissioners are unfortunately unable to agree to any of the Phases set forth in the Proposed Orders at this time. This rejection is premised on multiple factors which will be discussed in greater detail below.*

*The first is the inconclusive (and now outdated) test results upon which the Proposed Orders are based. This situation arose as a result of the Washington County Health Commissioner's 2011 letter to the Director of the OEPA requesting assistance to alleviate a public health nuisance due to an unsafe water supply. Since then, the Putnam Community Water Association has reversed the increasing trend of*

*nitrate in the drinking water supply through the implementation of a reverse osmosis upgrade at the Devola plant which received OEPA approval.*

*In addition, contrary to the representation in the Proposed Orders that the Devola Area is served by inadequate or failing on-site aeration sewage disposal systems, the Washington County General Health District ("WCGHD") has proved the opposite to be true. In response to the Devola General Plan of Action 2014, the WCGHD has inspected approximately 118 of the 320 permitted septic systems in Devola to date. Inspections revealed that none of these systems had failed. The majority were functioning properly upon inspection, and others received minor improvements so they could operate as permitted pursuant to system designs approved by the State. In addition, many of these improvements improved the ground water profile. Thus, based upon the reverse osmosis upgrade and the improvements to approximately half of the permitted septic systems in Devola, the data upon which the Proposed Orders is based is now inaccurate.*

*Second, even if the test results specified were still current and accurate, the Commissioners do not consider that the 16 borings which were completed in August of 2010 to be comprehensive*

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*enough to provide reliable findings regarding the groundwater in the area outlined in your proposed Orders. The 16 borings covered less than twenty-five percent of the area covered by the proposed Orders, and the borings did not provide an accurate comparison of the ground water in the sewered areas versus unsewered and agricultural areas. Only three borings were located within sewered areas, and four in agricultural areas. The test results were not consistent with the Findings set forth in the proposed Orders as there were boring samples in both agricultural and sewered areas which revealed higher nitrate levels than boring samples in unsewered areas. While the sewered areas may have a lower average nitrate level overall, the sewered area also had the smallest sampling. In addition, even these borings, which were taken prior to the reverse osmosis upgrade discussed above, did not render nitrate results which were generally above the accepted nitrate level of 10.0 mg/L. While several borings rendered results which were close to this level, only a few exceeded it. In short, there are just too many anomalies in the test results to find them to be conclusive. Thus, in light of the implementation of the reverse osmosis upgrade, and the upgrades to several of the septic systems at issue, the Commissioners would be remiss to not request new testing, with an increase in the number of borings tested, prior to agreeing to the Proposed Orders.*

*To that end, the Commissioners request that new testing be conducted by not only the OEPA, but also by the WCGHD, and a mutually agreeable independent third party to be paid by the OEPA. If this three-pronged approach results in consistent test results, and the results are indicative of a problem, the Commissioners are prepared to address the problem. If, however, there are still anomalies in the test results, then immediate action should obviously not be taken until the conflicting results can be reconciled to everyone's satisfaction.*

*The third reason that the Commissioners are unable to accept the Proposed Orders is the significant financial burden that the Proposed Orders will have upon the Devola residents. The Commissioners cannot in good conscience accept the terms of the Proposed Orders, and commit their constituency to any fixed sewer cost, until they are confident that: (1) the ground water is still contaminated, (2) the unsewered residents are the source of this contamination, (3) sewerage the homes will eliminate this contamination, and (4) there is no other less financially burdensome solution to this problem. Although some of these costs can be allocated over time, the Proposed Orders will likely require some to sell their homes since they cannot bear any additional expenses in relation to their fixed income. While the Commissioners agree that this is a cost that may be unavoidable if the results confirm that there is still a public health nuisance due to an unsafe ground water supply, the Commissioners cannot reach any agreement until these issues are more comprehensively explored and conclusively resolved.*

*This is especially the case when the WCGHD has informed the Commissioners that the problem which they originally brought to the attention of the OEPA is no longer a problem for many of the reasons set forth above. The Health Commissioner has reviewed the data collected by the OEPA in the 2011 report entitled "Unsafe Water Supply Investigation, Putnam Community Water Association, Devola, Washington County" and has independently determined*

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*that the Devola septic systems are not contaminating the ground water, and that the 300 foot separation between the surface and water supply identified by the OEPA should adequately protect the Devola aquifer from septic contamination. In short, the Washington County Board of Health does not believe that there is currently an immediate or imminent threat to public health due to the Devola septic systems, and that there are more cost effective ways to further protect ground water quality. This includes routine inspections of the septic systems and the elimination of dry wells within 1,000 feet of the municipal water supply.*

*In sum, the Commissioners recognize and appreciate that the OEPA has attempted in the Proposed Orders to balance the need to address the greatest areas of contamination to waters in the State without causing an immediate financial burden on the residents of Devola. However, a significant amount of time has passed since the original testing, and there have been effective changes since that testing occurred which have not only improved the quality of the drinking water but should have also improved*

*the quality of the ground water. Given that the WCGHD has informed the Commissioners it no longer believes there is a health risk or problem with the septic systems, the Commissioners cannot in good faith agree to any of the Phases set forth in the Proposed Orders, thereby subjecting their constituency to a significant financial burden, until current and comprehensive testing occurs which conclusively determines that a ground water contamination problem still exists.*

*I look forward to working with you to set a path going forward to resolve these issues to everyone's satisfaction.*

*Sincerely,*

*/s/ Nicole Tipton Coil  
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney*

*cc: Ron Feathers, Washington County Commissioner  
Rick Walters, Washington County Commissioner  
David White, Washington County Commissioner  
Ken Robinson, Director of Environmental Health, Washington County Health Department*

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

**RE: LETTER TO CITY OF MARIETTA RESPONDING TO NOTICE OF BREACH OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve the following letter to the City of Marietta from the Prosecutor's Office, responding to recent Notice of breach of Intergovernmental Agreement received from the City on August 19, 2015:

*August 27, 2015*

*Honorable Joe Matthews, Mayor  
City of Marietta  
301 Putnam Street  
Marietta, Ohio 45750*

*Paul Bertram, Law Director  
City of Marietta  
301 Putnam Street  
Marietta, Ohio 45750*

*Re: Notice Pursuant to Intergovernmental Agreement for Sanitary Sewer Services*

*Dear Gentlemen:*

*On behalf of, and in coordination with, the Board of County Commissioners, this letter is to notify you that we are in receipt of the "Notice Pursuant to Intergovernmental Agreement for Sanitary Sewer Services" (hereinafter "Notice") which was presented to us at the beginning of the August 19, 2015 meeting between the City of Marietta and Washington County, Ohio. Although the County unsuccessfully attempted to meet with the City about problems associated with the Intergovernmental Agreement for Sanitary Sewer Services (hereinafter "Agreement") approximately seventeen months ago, this is the first notice that the County has received which indicates that the City believes the County to be in breach of the Agreement. The County would like to resolve this matter to the satisfaction of both parties. However, to do this, the County requires more specific information.*

*First, the Notice indicates the breaches are a result of the County's failure to comply with its obligations set forth in Article II (pages 4-6) of the Agreement. This is not adequate notice. No anticipatory breach has occurred in this case and this is the first notice the County has received indicating that the City believes the County to be in breach. As a result, the County is unclear as to what specific "obligations" the City believes the County has breached. As I am sure the City would agree, some of the County's "obligations" set forth under Article II are not yet ripe and some have already been met. The County cannot be required to perform some of the "obligations" set forth in Article II since the City has not yet performed all of its "obligations" under Article I of*

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*this Agreement. Thus, as much as it would like to do so, the County cannot constructively enter into a negotiation process with the City without additional information and notice from the City as to what specific "obligations" the City believes that the County has breached.*

*Second, in order to begin to amicably resolve this matter, the County also requires quantifiable information and documentation as to what damages the City alleges that it has incurred to date as a result of each specific breach referenced in its Notice.*

*As I am sure the City is aware, the City is not entitled to damages which it could have mitigated or which can reasonably be avoided in the future. Thus, given that the City has not yet begun Phase III of the renovation of the City of Marietta Waste Water Treatment Plant (hereinafter "WWTP"), and given*

that Phase III is the phase through which the majority of the expansion of the WWTP will occur to accommodate the addition of the new sewered areas of Washington County, many of the potential damages in this case can be avoided.

The County's position is that it recognizes that Oak Grove-Phase I has not been completed under the timeline set forth under Schedule A. However, Oak Grove cannot be addressed without final orders from the Ohio EPA stating whether or not it is necessary for the Devola area to be sewered at this time. The County Commissioners have rejected the current proposed Orders of the Ohio EPA based upon inconclusive test results. Until new testing occurs and the County Commissioners receive updated and comprehensive testing which establish a need for sewer due to a ground water contamination problem resulting from the Devola septic systems, and until it is determined this is a problem which can only be eliminated by sewerage of their properties, the County Commissioners cannot in good conscience go forward with the current Agreement's timeline set forth in Schedule A.

Phase III has not yet been started by the City. Phase III involves improvements to the wet stream processes to provide the capacity and equipment needed for the City to process the additional flows to provide sanitary sewer service to the Devola and Oak Grove areas. In contrast, Phase I and Phase II renovations largely addressed basic system needs which appear to largely have been required with or without the participation of the additional Devola and Oak Grove areas. Phase I included the addition of a new biological process and electrical system improvements which were fundamental improvements to the system. (In fact, Phase I seemed to be largely targeted at Broughton Dairy for it included the biological selector which was thought to be a "critical addition" to "retain one of its largest employers.") Similarly, Phase II established a long term solids handling plan for the City. This need stemmed from the failure of the former anaerobic digestion system on January 3, 2010. Improvements for Phase II featured thickening and dewatering of centrifuge systems and the conversion of the existing digestion tank system to provide aerobic digestion. In short, Phase I and Phase II both appear to have mainly provided more of an improvement or answer to existing deficiencies of the current WWTP rather than directly provide

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for the expansion of the WWTP to incorporate new sewered residents of Devola and Oak Grove. Thus, if the Agreement were terminated at this time, the City's damages should be nominal. This is especially the case given that the County Commissioners stated during the August 19, 2015 meeting between the City and County that the County is not wavering in its commitment to pay the capital costs set forth in Section III(B)(2) of the Agreement, or the 11.7% based upon the proportionate use of the capital improvements to the City's WTP and that portion of the sanitary sewer collection system from the County's point of attachment to the WTP as determined by the ratio of the relevant design capacity required for the County to the total design capacity. The County believes that its commitment to fulfill its 11.7% capital cost contribution would cover any potential damages that exist at this juncture given that Phase III has not yet begun.

In sum, the County would like to amicably resolve this matter with the City, but this Notice does not provide the information necessary to do so. The County does not disagree that the cost structure and the terms and rates set forth in relation to the charges associated with the City WTP are reasonable and fair, but only that it cannot proceed at this time with its obligations under the terms of the Agreement until it has received final orders from the Ohio EPA. Although the County requires more specific information to fully evaluate its exposure in this case, the County feels confident that its damages at this time would be fairly low, if not nonexistent, due to the fact that the County has not rescinded its commitment to pay 11.7% in capital costs and the City has not yet begun Phase III of the WTP project. Therefore, given the foregoing, it seems to be a good time for both parties to work together to see if the current project can still be saved through adjusted timelines which take into consideration the lack of finality regarding orders from the Ohio EPA regarding Devola.

I look forward to working with you to find a mutually agreeable resolution for all concerned.

Sincerely,

/s/ Nicole Tipton Coil  
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

cc: Ron Feathers, Washington County Commissioner  
Rick Walters, Washington County Commissioner  
David White, Washington County Commissioner  
Josh Schlicher, President, Marietta City Council

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 letters to the following holders of delinquent sewer accounts, requesting them to immediately make payment on their accounts: Nathan and Melanie Roby, Kimberly Hammond, Jennifer and Brett Parker, Joseph Hungate, Dean Garlow, Tina McClung, Angela Parker, Greg Duty and Aaron Brooker, H. Clifton Spencer II, Linda Lorentz, Christopher Marshall, Jane Cunningham.

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 TO COUNTY AUDITOR**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to certify the following seriously delinquent sewer accounts to County Auditor Bill McFarland, requesting him to add those delinquent amounts to property tax bills: Julie Maze, Mike and Ashley Matheny, Helen Jones, John Church, Charles Randolph, John White, Glen Miller.

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

**RE: BRAUN ROAD AND STANLEYVILLE ROAD PAVING PROJECT**

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve the following resolution, allowing County Engineer Roger Wright to proceed with application to the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) for funding for paving County Road 2 (Braun Road) and County Road 42 (Stanleyville Road), as prepared and requested by County Engineer Roger Wright:

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND / OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED**

*WHEREAS, the State Capital Improvement Program and the Local Transportation Improvement Program both provide financial assistance to political subdivisions for capital improvements to public infrastructure; and*

*WHEREAS, Board of Commissioners of Washington County, Ohio is planning to make capital improvements to County Road 2 (Braun Road) and County Road 42 (Stanleyville Road); and*

*WHEREAS, the infrastructure improvement herein above described is considered to be a priority need for the community and is a qualified project under the OPWC programs.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of Washington County, Ohio, that:

*Section 1: David A White, President of the Board of Washington County Commissioners, is hereby authorized to apply to the OPWC for funds as described above, and*

*Section 2: David A. White, President of the Board of Washington County Commissioners, is authorized to enter into any agreements as may be necessary and appropriate for obtaining this financial assistance.*

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

**RE: BIG RUN ROAD AND ELLIS RUN ROAD BASE STABILIZATION PROJECT**

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve the following resolution, allowing County Engineer Roger Wright to proceed with application to the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) for funding for base stabilization of County Road 59 (Big Run Road) and County Road 98 (Ellis Run Road), as prepared and requested by County Engineer Roger Wright:

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND / OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED**

*WHEREAS, the State Capital Improvement Program and the Local Transportation Improvement Program both provide financial assistance to political subdivisions for capital improvements to public infrastructure; and*

*WHEREAS, Board of Commissioners of Washington County, Ohio is planning to make capital improvements to County Road 59 (Big Run Road) and County Road 98 (Ellis Run Road); and*

*WHEREAS, the infrastructure improvement herein above described is considered to be a priority need for the community and is a qualified project under the OPWC programs.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of Washington County, Ohio, that:

*Section 1: David A White, President of the Board of Washington County Commissioners, is hereby authorized to apply to the OPWC for funds as described above, and*

*Section 2: David A. White, President of the Board of Washington County Commissioners, is authorized to enter into any agreements as may be necessary and appropriate for obtaining this financial assistance.*



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

**RE: APPLICATION TO SERVE ON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to return from Unfinished Business consideration of a request from David Browne, Executive Director of the Washington County Behavioral Health Board, to appoint Eric L. Fowler to the Behavioral Health Board.

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 appoint Eric L. Fowler to the Washington County Behavioral Health Board of Directors for the term beginning immediately and extending through June 30, 2019, as requested by David Browne, Executive Director, Washington County Behavioral Health Board.

President White said he has consulted with Attorney Eric Fowler, who he believes will be an excellent addition to the Behavioral Health Board of Directors.

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**

Devola resident Glen Pawloski asked the Commissioners to help Devola residents preserve their septic tank independence and autonomy as there is no threat to public health or Muskingum River inhabitants, as determined and communicated by the Washington County Health Department.

**RE: ADJOURNMENT**

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

A calling of the roll resulted in a unanimous vote in favor. The meeting adjourned at 9:22 a.m.

\_\_\_\_\_, President

\_\_\_\_\_, Vice President

\_\_\_\_\_, Member

\_\_\_\_\_, Clerk