

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON OCTOBER 8, 2015 IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE 305.05, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: DAVID A. WHITE, PRESIDENT, RICK G. WALTERS, MEMBER, 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 Muskingum Township Trustee Gary Doan, Glen Pawloski, Judy Burkhart, Donn Kerr, County Auditor Bill McFarland, Laura Bradley, Jordan Shaw from WMOA Radio, , and Clerk Rick Peoples.

**Washington County Commissioners
AGENDA
9:00 a.m., October 8, 2015**

9:00 Business Meeting
9:30 Dr. Richard Wittberg, Health Commissioner – Departmental Update

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Road Use Maintenance Termination Agreement

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Agenda
Approval of previous meeting's minutes
Bills from various departments
Additional Appropriation – Auditor
Additional Appropriation – Sheriff
Additional Appropriation – Wireless 911
Transfer – Sheriff (3)
Transfer – Auditor
Transfer – Commissioners
Transfer – Human Resources
Then & Now's
Jail Contract with City of Wellston
Jail Chiller Compressor Replacement Quotes
Lease Agreement for Title Bureau at Frontier Shopping Center
Monthly Report on Care of Prisoners at County Jail
Status Report for CDBG Project
Application for Appointment Local Emergency Planning Committee
Request to Dispose of Hot Water Storage Unit and Incinerator
Delinquent Sewer Accounts
Certification of Delinquent Sewer Accounts to County Auditor
Engineer – Bid Recommendation, Salt Storage Building Project
Engineer – Contract for Salt Storage Building Project

INFORMATION

Columbus Day, **Monday**, October 12
Monthly Meeting at County Home, 11:30 a.m., **Tuesday**, October 13
Monthly Finance Committee Meeting, 2:00 p.m., **Tuesday**, October 13

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. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve the minutes for the October 1, 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.

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: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

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

Auditor (Unclaimed Moneys)	200-0106-57400	\$ 11,224.80
Sheriff	200-0401-57000	\$ 79.39
Wireless 911	200-0315-51104	\$ 4,100.00

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

RE: TRANSFERS

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

	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Sheriff	100-0380-54100	100-0380-53000	\$ 1,423.50
	100-0381-53010	100-0381-53040	\$ 514.00
	100-0381-54100	100-0381-54400	\$ 1,021.81
	100-0380-54200	100-0385-53500	\$ 1,400.00
Auditor (Investment Income)	100-0130-57100	200-0540-48200	\$ 2,757.47
Commissioners	100-0100-53000	100-0100-53401	\$ 1,000.00
Human Resources	100-0366-57400	100-0366-57501	\$ 10.00

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
Family & children First	602-2032-56000	Megan Newkirk.	\$ 422.18
Commissioners	100-0101-53400	Steven Eckstein	\$ 1,541.40
Commissioners	200-0364-57501	National Emergency Number Assoc.	\$ 137.00

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

RE: JAIL CONTRACT WITH CITY OF WELLSTON

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve a contract with the City of Wellston to house prisoners in the Washington County Jail during the period April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016, at the daily rate of \$60.00, as requested by Sheriff Larry Mincks.

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

RE: JAIL CHILLER COMPRESSOR REPLACEMENT QUOTES

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to enter into contract with Casto Technical Services to replace a failing compressor at the Washington County Jail with a new Hanbell compressor, for the amount of \$21,760.00.

President White noted there were two quotes obtained for this project. Morrison, Inc. offered to install a new Trane compressor for \$29,961.54. Casto Technical Services offered the following options:

1. Install a new Hanbel compressor for \$21,760.00.
2. Install a new Trane compressor for \$22,275.00.
3. Upgrade chiller with new MCS controls and install new Hanbel compressor for \$29,310.00.
4. Upgrade chiller with new MCS controls and install two new Hanbell compressors for \$51,070.00.

Commissioner Walters said he favors option 1 from Casto because the cost is lowest of those quotes being considered. He noted option 1, though, does not include an extended warranty.

Mr. Feathers said he favors option 3 from Casto because it provides new controls, which will work with both the new compressor and one that is expected to be replaced in the near future, and it will provide more overall efficiency in operations.

President White noted the second compressor at the Jail is nearing the end of its useful life. He said he favors option 1 from Casto, with planned replacement of controls when the next compressor at the Jail is replaced. Mr. Walters said although the average lifespan of Jail

compressors is estimated at 20 years, they are failing after only 11 years.

A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: David White aye, Rick Walters aye, Ronald Feathers no. Motion passed.

RE: LEASE AGREEMENT FOR TITLE BUREAU IN FRONTIER SHOPPING CENTER

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve a Lease Agreement with Frontier Shopping Center, LLC, to lease space for the Washington County Title Bureau, during the period December 1, 2015 through November 30, 2016, for the annual amount of \$20,905.00, payable monthly in the amount of \$1,742.08.

Mr. Walters noted this is the sixth renewal of a lease for space in Frontier Shopping Center, and there is no increase in the amount.

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

RE: MONTHLY REPORT ON THE CARE OF PRISONERS

The Commissioners acknowledged receipt of a Monthly Report on the Care of Prisoners at the Washington County Jail, which indicates during the month of September 2015 a prisoner count of 373, and total revenues of \$218,070.00

RE: STATUS REPORT FOR CDBG PROJECT FUNDS

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve a Status Report for Grant Number B-F-14-1CY-1, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, to be provided to the Ohio Development Services Agency, and to allow Mr. White to sign the Report, 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: APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO LEPC

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve an application for appointment to the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) from Jordan N. Shaw from WMOA Radio, representing media on the Committee, for the period August 14, 2015 through August 15, 2017, and to allow Mr. White to sign the Application.

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

RE: REQUEST TO DISPOSE OF UNUSED EQUIPMENT

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve disposal of a Lochinvar 125 psi hot water storage unit and an incinerator, both of no continuing use to the County due to condition and age, as requested by Tim Marty, Building and Grounds Superintendent.

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. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to approve sending letters to the following holders of delinquent sewer accounts, requesting they immediately make payment on those accounts: Fred and Savannah Newlon, Katie Dickson, Jeremy and Michele Wiltse, Tonia Morgan, Trista Wick, Johnathan Kirk, Erica Hartshorn, Kareem Wright, Amy and Zach Huffman, Nathan and Melissa Arnold, Anthony and Melinda Hapney, Timothy Vaughn, Darren Witte, Robert Strong.

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 certify the following sewer accounts as delinquent to County Auditor Bill McFarland, requesting him to add those delinquent amounts to property tax bills: Christopher Marshall, H. Clifton Spencer, Kimberly Hammond, Tina McClung, Greg Duty and Aaron Brooker, Linda Lorentz.

County Auditor Bill McFarland explained the timing of these delinquent sewer account amounts to be placed on property tax bills.

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

RE: BID RECOMMENDATION, SALT STORAGE BUILDING PROJECT

Mr. Feathers moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion to accept the recommendation of County Engineer Roger Wright to enter into contract with Miller Builders for construction of a salt storage building for the Engineer on Westview Avenue, for the amount of \$173,514.00, the lower of two sealed bids opened on October 6, 2015.

The Clerk noted the following sealed bids were opened by the County Engineer on October 6, 2015:

Larry Lang Excavating	\$ 183,815.00
Miller Builders	\$ 173,514.00

Commissioner Walters said the County Engineer has reviewed both bids and determined they meet the specifications for the project.

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

RE: CONTRACT WITH MILLER BUILDERS FOR SALT STORAGE BUILDING

Mr. Walters moved and Mr. Feathers seconded a motion to approve a contract with Miller Builders for construction of a salt storage building for the amount of \$173,514.00, 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: COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

Judy Burkhart asked if the Commissioners have approved a recycling center to be located in the Devola community. President White said there has been inquiry into use of County-owned property in Devola for a recycling center, but the Commissioners have not entered into any agreement. He noted the Southeastern Ohio Joint Solid Waste Management District currently holds a lease on County property along Colegate Drive for the recycling center, but the project will not move forward at that site.

Ms. Burkhart asked about the mission and composition of the Joint Solid Waste Management District. President White said the Joint Solid Waste Management District was formed many years ago in response to the State of Ohio's efforts to reduce the amount of solid waste being deposited in landfills around the State. He said the District consists of representatives from Guernsey, Morgan, Monroe, Noble, Muskingum and Washington Counties. He said these representatives meet regularly in Caldwell to discuss a variety of initiatives relating to recycling of materials and disposal of waste. Commissioner Feathers said the Joint Solid Waste Management District can make recommendations for use of property in Washington County, but the final decision is made by the Commissioners. President White said other sites considered for such a facility are not feasible. Ms. Burkhart asked if the Commissioners know the timeline for use of a \$500,000 Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) grant awarded for this initiative in Washington County. Mr. White referred her to Rob Reiter, District Coordinator for the Southeastern Ohio Joint Solid Waste Management District. Commissioner Walters noted this proposed recycling center is not intended for use by the general public to drop of recyclable materials, but will result in "packaging" of regional recycled materials for periodic transfer to other facilities. There was then discussion about truck traffic through Devola, the value to Washington County for hosting such a facility, and whether roads in Devola are capable of handling truck traffic. President White assured Ms. Burkhart the Commissioners will arrange a public meeting for residents in Devola if this recycling center project moves forward in their community, before entering into any agreement committing County property for the project.

RE: HEALTH DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Dr. Richard Wittberg updated the Commissioners on Health Department projects and initiatives. He said he became the full-time Health Commissioner a few weeks ago. He noted the Health Department has had many changes over the past two years, in both leadership and programs. Dr. Wittberg recognized the accomplishments of Court Witschey in realigning the Department, which improved cash flow and streamlined the organization. He said he is very proud to be a part of the County Health Department, and he assured the Commissioners the Health Department will continue to be relevant and of great value to citizens of Washington County.

RE: SPOUSAL SURCHARGE FOR HEALTH INSURANCE

County Engineer Roger Wright talked with the Commissioners about the recently-implemented spousal surcharge for health insurance coverage in Washington County's plan. He said he has a few employees who will be negatively affected by this action. Commissioner Walters explained the County's need to be in "defensive" mode since so many other organizations are encouraging or forcing their employees' spouses to move away from their plans. He noted spouses will continue to be covered on the County's plan, but if another plan is available to them they may have to pay a surcharge if they want to be in the County's plan.

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 10:00 a.m
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_____, Clerk