

# COMMISSIONERS MEETING

The Board of Hocking County Commissioners met in a regular session this 15th day of February 2022 with the following members present: Sandra Ogle, Jeff Dickerson, and Gary Waugh.

## **MEETING**

The meeting was called to order by President Jeff Dickerson.

## **MINUTES**

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to approve the minutes. Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

## **AGENDA**

Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve with the addition of Township Trustee Tim Blair at 9:30 a.m. Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

## **APPOINTMENTS**

### **Green Township**

Green Township Trustee Tim Blair discussed with the Commissioners the possible incoming project by Genesis Business Inc. This project would be for retired incarcerated veterans and will include 21 cabin homes at the intersection Bobo Road and Smith Chapel Road, and possibly a 24 hour restaurant. There have been a few different stories as to where the restaurant would be located. Genesis has applied for one driveway permit, but after discussion with the Regional Planner they may have to apply for 3 more per updated state guidelines and regulations. Commissioner Ogle asked if there was any clarification on when the individuals retired, and Tim Blair was unsure. Commissioner Ogle also discussed the phone conversation she had with a resident on Smith Chapel road, and the guidance she gave the resident. Deb Tob from the Logan Hocking Times asked if the responsibilities of the Township Trustees will increase if there is a restaurant to be placed there, and Tim Blair replied that it would be a terrible place considering the roads are basically a one lane road and the County Engineer said there would have to be a traffic study. Deb Tobin asked if Tim knew of a lean on that property from the previous owner's delinquent taxes, and Tim Blair said he was unsure. Commissioner Ogle requested for Tim to let you know when they have their meeting with Genesis so that she may attend.

Sue Morgan expressed her concern that she is aware of that area and small children reside all around that area. Taking that into consideration when discussing the previously incarcerated, that brings big awareness to the matter. Tim Blair commented that he is aware the Commissioners have nothing in this, but wanted them to be aware of the matter at hand in case of any phone calls.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **MASKS**

Motion by Jeff Dickerson and seconded by Gary Waugh to no longer require masks upon entry, effective immediately. Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

### **IT Director Assistant**

Commissioner Dickerson discussed the interview last week for the job position of IT Assistant Director. Commissioner Dickerson would like to recommend Wesley Barber.

Motion by Jeff Dickerson and seconded by Gary Waugh to hire Mr. Barber to be the IT Assistant Director.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

Commissioner Ogle added that another individual interviewed for the position and was also highly qualified, and the Commissioners will keep his resume on file for one year.

Wesley will start on March 21st.

### **Department of Ag**

Commissioner Ogle read an email from the Department of Ag requesting a letter of acknowledgement be sent, acknowledging the upcoming Gypsy Moth treatments.

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Gary Waugh to approve the letter of acknowledgement.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

### **Auditor**

Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Sandra Ogle to accept the notice from Auditor Ken Wilson that in his absence during 2022 Deputy Clerk Christy O'Neil to service for various Commissions and Committee meetings as needed.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

### **Certification of Additional Revenue Additional Appropriations**

Commissioners - Capital Budget Grant - 895 Contract Services - cap. Bud. D89-01 \$9,000.00

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Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Sandra Ogle.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

## Resignation

Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Sandra Ogle to accept the resignation letter by County Grant Coordinator Gretchen Gregory, effective April 1st, 2022.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

Commissioners all agree that Gretchen will be hard to replace, she has brought in a lot of grant money into the County, and they wish all all the best.

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Gary Waugh to advertise for the open position, resumes being accepted until filled.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

Commissioner Dickerson added that when interviews are set up, he would like for applicants to bring with them samples of their past grant work.

## One Ohio

Commissioner Ogle discussed an Opioid settlement committee with One Ohio, and each County needs a Commissioner appointed to the committee. Commissioner Ogle would like to be appointed, considering she is the one who has been attending meetings to date.

Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to appoint Commission Ogle.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

Commissioner Dickerson discussed amounts being received, and one township commented an amount of \$153. Commissioner Ogle replied that she has spoken with Gretchen concerning amounts, and with straight forward answers and a complicated formula, there is no certainty what each county or township will receive.

## Upcoming

Commissioner Dickerson reminded the public that the Courthouse will be closed on Monday, February 21st and he will be absent for the February 22nd meeting.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Sue Morgan asked for clarification on the notice by Auditor Ken Wilson, Commissioner Ogle replied and clarified that instead of as needed basis, he did it for the year of 2022.

## FEMA

Commissioner Ogle commented that she has been keeping track of all invoices for FEMA reporting purposes.

## ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Gary Waugh to adjourn.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

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Kaula Funk, Clerk

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Board of Hocking County Commissioners

This is to certify that the above is the true action taken by this Board of Hocking County Commissioners at a regular meeting of the Board held on February 15, 2022.

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Kaula Funk, Clerk

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Jeff Dickerson, President