

COMMISSIONERS MEETING

The Board of Hocking County Commissioners met in a regular session this 05th day of April 2022 with the following members present: Sandra Ogle and Jeff Dickerson. Gary Waugh is excused.

MEETING

The meeting was called to order by President Jeff Dickerson.

MINUTES

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to approve the 29th and 31st minutes.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea.

AGENDA

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Reports

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to accept Lodging Tax March 2022 monthly report.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson.

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to accept the SHSC event monthly report for April 2022.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson.

Tires

Commissioner Ogle read an email from Ray McComas from the county's liability insurance, Kinder Insurance. Mr. McComas recommends that the tires are stored in a closed container of some sorts, to get the tires off the ground and provide a separate enclosed area.

Motion by Jeff Dickerson and seconded by Sandra Ogle to accept the insurance's recommendations.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson.

Commissioner Ogle asked for the clerk to send Jane Redfern Forrest the letter from Kinder.

HVCH

Motion by Jeff Dickerson and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve Sandra Ogle to continue to sit on the hospital board interviews.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson.

Certification of Additional Revenue Additional Appropriations

HAPCAP - Housing Relief Account - 036 Housing Relief Account X36-04 \$13,442.00

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson.

Veterans

Commissioner Ogle read a flier from the Veteran's office encouraging the public to attend a Town Hall meeting at the Logan Middle School Theater on April 08th at 6:00 pm to discuss the closing of the VA in Chillicothe. Commissioner Ogle stated that a Veteran that attends the same church as she does was shook up over the news, considering 22 Veterans take their own life daily.

Sue Morgan asked if the meeting would be informative or if reps will be attending the meeting so they are able to take the information back to take action on. Commissioner Ogle replied both. Ogle stated that she was told the Urgent Care would remain open, but everything else would be closing. Sue Morgan commented on how there are multiple buildings, for different needs. The facility helped her brother up until his passing. Sue Morgan added that many Veterans are under hardships, closing would be a tragedy. Commissioner Dickerson agreed, and commented that he has always heard good things about Chillicothe.

Recycling

Commissioner Ogle read of the dates and times for the Recycling events coming up for 2022.

Fairgrounds

Commissioner Ogle discussed the addition of a fence at the fairgrounds, where the derby is. This would include a chain link fence with gates. It would help with safety.

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to approve the invoice from Jeff's Fence Company, Inc. in the amount of \$19,915.00 with discussion from Commissioner Dickerson; he asked who would be

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paying for the fence, and Commissioner Ogle replied ARPA funds. Commissioner Ogle has already asked Mark Stout if this would be an allowable expense, and he said yes.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson.

Travel

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to approve the Auditor's April 2022 travel request.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson.

DISCUSSION

Commissioner Ogle discussed the flag poles on top of the Courthouse.

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to approve Maintenance Supervisor Bud Seum to look into different poles.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson.

Commissioner Ogle discussed the 1984 contract between the Hocking County Commissioners, Hocking County Chamber of Commerce, and the Hocking County Visitor Center, Inc., the clerk was able to locate the document. Ogle called Karon Raymore and Mike Nihiser to notify them.

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to approve the Tourism Board to draft an updated agreement for the Commissioners to have the Prosecutor approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson.

Commissioner Ogle asked the clerk to make copies of the 1984 agreement.

Commissioner Ogle commented on the quarterly reports form Tourism will be available 3rd week of the month, after numbers are ready and the board has approved it.

Commissioner Ogle discussed pulling the bond from Xpress Underground, contractor of the Murray City sewer project.

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to approve Commissioner Ogle to talk to the Prosecutor to talk to the litigation attorney.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson.

Commissioner Ogle talked to Sewer Superintendent Tim Meehling about plugs for the generator and the plugs at the lift stations; they do not match. Tim is going to DLZ on Monday to figure it out more.

Commissioner Ogle asked to be excused on Thursday. Commissioner Dickerson discusses possibly moving the Thursday meeting to Friday. This will have to be discussed with the Auditor's office because of budgetary checks.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Kalklosch asked if there was a time limit on the bond pullment. Commissioner Dickerson replied that he was sure there was, you couldn't come back in 5 years and try to pull the bond. Commissioner Ogle added that she believed it was when the job was finished, the time had elapsed. Jim Kalklosch also asked about the tire storage for the recycling center. He asked for clarification if insurance was suggested for it to not be on the Commissioners property at all. Commissioner Ogle clarified that insurance wanted an enclosed container, that the township city and county could have access to by a combination lock. Ogle compared it to a shipping container that would go overseas. Commissioner Dickerson added that what insurance does not want to see is tires being stacked in the corner of a building for a fire that would potentially burn for weeks, but like the tire property in Fairfield County.

Sue Morgan discussed the bond process and how that works, if it will cost tax payer dollars to pull a bond. Commissioner Dickerson replied that is something the Engineering firm would handle. Sue Morgan clarified that we wouldn't need to ask for money for an attorney to pull the bond, and Commissioner Dickerson replied yes that was right. Commissioner Ogle stated that they passed a motion a while back the Engineering firm, then Stantec now DLZ, could pull the bond at any time they deemed necessary, but it never happened.

RECESS: at 10:04 am until 10:15 am

RECONVENE: at 10:15 am

GENERAL BUSINESS

Commissioner Dickerson received clarification from the Auditor's office that it was alright to move the meeting to Friday.

Motion by Jeff Dickerson and seconded by Sandra Ogle to move the Thursday April 7th Commissioners meeting to Friday April 8th, at 9:30 am.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea.

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Fundraiser

Commissioner Ogle read a flier from Out of the Boat Ministries for a donation drop off on April 8th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm for donations drop off to go to the Schein family.

Upcoming

Commissioner Dickerson stated that he would be out of town April 11th to the 19th.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Jeff Dickerson and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson.

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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 April 05, 2022.

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Kaula Funk, Clerk

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Jeff Dickerson, President