

COMMISSIONERS MEETING

The Board of Hocking County Commissioners met in a regular session this 10th day of May 2022 with the following members present: Sandra Ogle and Gary Waugh are present, Jeff Dickerson is present via phone.

MEETING

The meeting was called to order by President Jeff Dickerson.

MINUTES

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Gary Waugh to table the minutes until the end of the meeting.

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

AGENDA

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

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

Commissioner Dickerson adds that there will be an executive session after public comment and questions, this will be under compensation of public employee.

APPOINTMENTS

EMA

Bozz Salizzoni, EMA Director, presented the Commissioners with 5 individuals that will be volunteering for events such as Ag Day, Kidpoolza, and the Fair. A waiver has been signed and a background check. Commissioner Ogle confirmed backgrounds have been completed, and Bozz replied yea.

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Gary Waugh to accept the 5 volunteers.

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

Commissioner Ogle asked if the information is locked up, and Bozz replied yes all the documents are secured.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Sandra Ogle to amend the agenda and go into general business until the next appointment.

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

Sheriff

Statewide Municipal Leasing for the 2022 police interceptors

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

Appropriation Transfer

Common Pleas - \$3,620.25 from A02B01 to A02B11

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

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

Sheriff

Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve the Dog Warden April 2022 report.

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

Roads

Commissioner Ogle read a letter from Saving & Shelper Law Firm requesting the Commissioners to notify the Engineer to remove the posts on Riggs Rd, blocking access from State Route 93 for the Metz residents - per ORC 5547.03.

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Gary Waugh to check into who the responsible party is for this request.

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

APPOINTMENTS

Let the record show that Auditor Ken Wilson is speaking at 9:45 a.m.

Auditor

Auditor Ken Wilson provided updates to the Commissioners about some recent meetings, and the details he found important to communicate to the board. He recently attended the HVCH post 2021 audit review - findings of a "clean" audit, also known as an unmodified audit. That report will be uploaded to the County

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financial report. The audit shows a solidary 179 days of cash on hand, a strong single audit. The GAAP report will be put together.

The auditor also discussed a well attended Buckeye Hills annual meeting, with private sectors, general committee, and executive committee. Individuals who attend are Commissioner Waugh, Mayor Fraunfelder, and Larry Kienzle. This meeting included by laws, Misty Crosby's announcement of retirement after 32 years of service, and broadband. Ken continues into the broadband topic discussing he had a conversation with IT Director Mark Stout on more things to come, and they will continue to monitor the progress and updates that internet providers may intel.

The Auditor finished out his updates discussing BWC company Sedgwick. Deputy Auditor Kim Edgar and the Auditor attended a meeting with Sedgwick and he felt it would be informative to meet with the Commissioners to discuss some upcoming changes - the biggest one being the County will go from group rating to group retro due to an increased amount of claim. Sedgwick is on the agenda to talk to the Commissioners on May 24th at 9:35 a.m.

Commissioner Ogle added that she hopes broadband continues to be a topic of interest for the County and that she spoke with Misty a few weeks ago concerning some higher level of priorities in the County for a survey questionnaire; broadband being one of them. Among those are average income affordable housing, and the traffic issues on 664 and Rockbridge area.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Sewer

Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve Commissioner Ogle to meet with the company hired by the Senior Center to fix sewer pipes, to see what they can do for the County and the I&I problems.

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

Commissioner Waugh discussed that the EPA is on the County concerning the I&I problems and is hopeful there will be a fix soon. He was impressed with the way this company is able to bridge the holes in the piping at the Senior Center's Spring Street location. Commissioner Dickerson asked for clarification if this is the same process discussed last week.

County Property

Commissioner Ogle discussed a phone conversation she had with an individual that was out fishing on Wells Rd. and had inquired about a trailer on the property to scrap and you for material. Ogle stated she let the gentleman know she would look into it, but he called her the following day. She notified him she was unable to find anything out yet because there was no Commissioners meeting since they talked the previous day. Commissioner Ogle asked Regional Planner Audie Wykle to look into the matter. He was able to find out that the property is not in fact a County property, this property is owned by Hocking River Commission.

Sewer

Commissioner Ogle had a meeting this morning to look at Chieftain Drive. There are issues such as a round sewer lid in concrete, and areas that need to be straightened up. There is a DLZ meeting later today to discuss things further.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Commissioner Dickerson appreciates the work that his colleges Commissioner Ogle and Commissioner Waugh do. He adds that he will be having major surgery tomorrow and will be out for 2 to 3 weeks, returning at the end of the month.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Jeff Dickerson and seconded by Gary Waugh under personnel compensation of a public employee at 10:05 a.m.

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

EXIT: at 10:44 a.m.

RECESS: Commissioner Dickerson declared a recess until Commissioner Ogle has time to read the minutes at 10:46 a.m.

RECONVENE: at 11:07 a.m.

MINUTES

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Gary Waugh to approve 05/03 and 05/05 minutes.

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

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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 May 10, 2022.

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Kaula Funk, Clerk

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Jeff Dickerson, President