

Minutes

April 22, 2021

Commissioners present: Timothy Bechtol, Michael Pepple and William Bateson.

Also Present: Tammy Erwin, Steve Wilson, Adam Witteman and Mary Ann LaRoche.

Commissioner Bechtol opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioner's 1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from April 20th, 2021 meeting were read with William Bateson making a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #230-21 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Developmental Disability. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #231-21 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Common Pleas Court-Specialized Docket. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #232-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioner's to appropriate to CPC-Specialized Docket. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #233-21 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to Water Pollution Control. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #234-21 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to Water Pollution Control. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #235-21 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to Water Pollution Control. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #236-21 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to Water Pollution Control. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #237-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioner's to appropriate to Water Pollution Control. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #238-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioner's to appropriate to Special Improvement (Liberty Reed). William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #239-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor’s certification-Commissioner’s to appropriate to Special Improvement (Howard Run). William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #240-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor’s certification-Commissioner’s to appropriate to Severance (Sheriff). William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #241-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor’s certification-Commissioner’s to appropriate to Severance (Sheriff). William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #242-21 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-Community Development Block Grant. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

William Bateson made a motion to approve the Warrant Journal, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0. William Bateson and Michael Pepple signed a travel reimbursement request for Timothy Bechtol and payroll was signed for the Commissioner’s office.

Steve Wilson discussed the #224 project and stated that there will be a period of 7 days to be closed down. There is going to be a preconstruction meeting on May 6<sup>th</sup> and he will have more information after that. Steve stated that he forwarded an email regarding the City of Findlay’s request for additional funds for increased costs for traffic control equipment and asked if the Commissioners had a chance to look at it. The Commissioners stated that yes, they had been able to look at it. They discussed the increased costs of materials especially the cost of steel. William Bateson stated that he thought they were going to stick to the resolution. Timothy Bechtol asked Steve what are their options if not approved? Steve stated that the City would have to pick up those costs. William Bateson stated that the stipulations in the resolution and the contract for the amount was “not to exceed.” Steve stated that the reason for the increase is due to timing because the quotes were only good for 30 days and that timeline was exceeded. A decision does not need to be done today. Steve could set up a meeting with the City sometime next week for further discussion if the Commissioners would like to do that. The increase is for \$6,000.00. Michael Pepple voted yes to pay the extra amount and Timothy Bechtol also voted yes. William Bateson voted no. A resolution will need to be done to fund the additional expenses. Steve stated that he will go to the Prosecutor’s office to discuss with Phil Johnson.

### **Meetings/Reports**

William Bateson had nothing to report.

Michael Pepple participated in the Habitat for Humanity Financial Opportunity Center Launch yesterday morning. Michael stated that Hancock County is one of 17 in the whole country

participating in the Opportunity Center. The Center will provide financial and employment counseling to anyone in Hancock County to improve their lives and is free of charge. Funding is coming mostly from General Motors along with several other community foundations helping out. They have hired a Coordinator and there is enough funding in place for 2 years. He also attended the Hancock County Chamber Advisory Board meeting this morning on Zoom.

Timothy Bechtol had nothing to report.

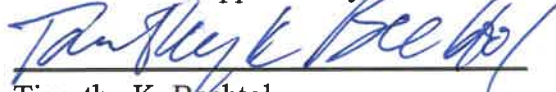
Timothy Bechtol made a motion to enter into executive session beginning at 10:15 a.m. for Economic Development matters. Michael Pepple seconded. Roll call resulted as follows: Timothy Bechtol, yes; Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes. At 11:27 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made a motion to come out of executive session with Economic Development with no action taken. Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to enter into executive session beginning at 11:30 a.m. to discuss pending litigation by phone. Michael Pepple seconded. Roll call resulted as follows: Timothy Bechtol, yes; Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes. At 12:13 p.m., Timothy Bechtol made a motion to come out of executive session, having discussed pending litigation, with no action taken. Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

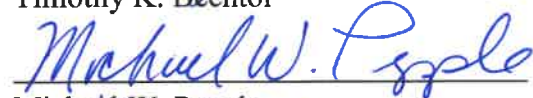


Tammy Erwin, Assistant Clerk


Reviewed and approved by:



Timothy K. Bechtol



Michael W. Pepple



William L. Bateson