

Minutes

April 23, 2020

Commissioners present: Mark Gazarek, Brian Robertson and Timothy Bechtol.

Also Present: Tammy Erwin, Lucinda Land, Bill Bateson, Miranda Lobdell, Charity Rauschenberg, Adam Witteman and Jim Maurer.

Mark Gazarek opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioner's 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the April 21, 2020 meeting were read with Timothy Bechtol making a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions:

Resolution #239-20 - Authorizing payment of the listed and/or attached purchase orders. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #240-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Water Pollution Control. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #241-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Water Pollution Control. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #242-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Capital Project Fund. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #243-20 – Advance of Funds from the General Fund to Water Pollution Control. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #244-20 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – E911. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #245-20 – Transfer of funds from the General fund to Juvenile Probate Bond Retirement. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve the Warrant Journal, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Assistant Clerk presented the March invoice for the Maumee Watershed for review.

Lucinda Land requested an executive session at 10:00 a.m. to discuss personnel as it relates to employment.

Charity stated that real estate was really slowing down; however they did receive a lot of transactions yesterday. She also stated that she would bring the report for April once she has received it.

Bill Bateson asked a question regarding the Water Pollution Control and what it means for the county. Brian explained what the program was about and the process. Mark and Cindy explained that they are usually an advance and reimbursement is given back to the county.

Meetings/Reports

Brian Robertson had nothing to report.

Timothy Bechtol attended the Chamber of Commerce meeting this morning by Zoom.

Mark Gazarek has been in contact with other county commissioners talking about the COVID-19 situation.

At 10.00 a.m., Mark Gazarek made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel as it relates to employment. Timothy Bechtol seconded. Roll call resulted in: Mark Gazarek; yes, Timothy Bechtol; yes, and Brian Robertson; yes. At 10:47 a.m. Mark Gazarek made a motion to come out of executive session having discussed employment as related to compensation. Motion was seconded by Timothy Bechtol. Motion passed 3-0.

At 11:00 a.m., the Commissioners held a telephone conference with representatives from Gallagher Benefits. Those present were: Brian Robertson, Timothy Bechtol, Sarah Mutchler, Maggie Neely and Phyllis Nielsen. Maggie reported high claims for the months of January, February and March. The data they reviewed has indicated that there are more claims for more people which have caused the increase instead of one large claimant. They predict things will normalize over the next three months because they will not have as many claims. Timothy Bechtol asked if they were predicting an uptick in elective surgery claims for May. Maggie said they are not, because people will still be leery of going to the doctor's offices. Maggie suggested incentivizing for those employees that would like to go on the High Deductible Health Plan. The other two counties in the consortium only offer a High Deductible plan and they are both running better than Hancock County. They also would like to suggest an increase in the family dental cost for Hancock County for 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Erwin

Tammy Erwin, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:

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