

Minutes

August 11, 2020

Commissioners present: Brian Robertson and Timothy Bechtol.

Also Present: Tammy Erwin, Phil Johnson, Steve Wilson, Bill Bateson, Mike Pepple and Jim Maurer.

Brian Robertson opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioner's 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Brian Robertson made a motion to approve the minutes from August 6, 2020. Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions:

Resolution #580-20 - Authorizing payment of the listed and/or attached purchase orders. Brian Robertson made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #581-20 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Local Law Enforcement Block Grant. Brian Robertson made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #582-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioner's to appropriate to Sheriff. Brian Robertson made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #583-20 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Common Pleas Court. Brian Robertson made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #584-20 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Real Estate. Brian Robertson made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #585-20 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Engineer – Mapping. Brian Robertson made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #586-20 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Juvenile Court. Brian Robertson made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #587-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioner's to appropriate to MV & GT. Brian Robertson made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0

The Commissioners signed a disciplinary order. The assistant clerk announced for the record that the 11:00 a.m. meeting with the Judges and Kim Switzer and the 2:30 p.m. executive session have been cancelled.

Phil Johnson requested an executive session to discuss potential real estate acquisition. Brian Robertson added a request to discuss threatened litigation. There is an additional request for personnel/hiring scheduled for 10:00 a.m.

Steve Wilson stated that the gas company is at the Clinton Court property today finishing up with their work and then demolition of the warehouse will begin on Clinton Court Thursday or Friday of this week.

Meetings/Reports

Timothy Bechtol attended Mr. Recker's funeral service on Saturday and stated what a wonderful tribute that was given along Ste. Rte. 568 with local farmers who paid their respects. Tim also attended a virtual meeting with ODOT regarding the Interchange Project at CR 99 last week. There will be a public meeting from 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. this Thursday online to see some of the different options available. Last Friday, Tim had a zoom meeting with Angela DeBoskey from United Way to discuss and brainstorm regarding community funders. They are looking for other alternatives through the community for funding sources, not necessarily from the county. Tim attended the Community Chair's bi-monthly meeting yesterday with the Opioid & Addiction Task Force from the ADAMHS Board. Since the pandemic, there have been 3 COVID related deaths in the county. However, there were 7 suicide and overdoses. Tim stated that there is a greater need to balance where attentions are being drawn and not to forget about those who are suffering due to the pandemic and for other reasons.

Brian Robertson had nothing to report.

At 9:44 a.m., Brian Robertson made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel in regards to hiring, potential real estate acquisition, and threatened litigation. Timothy Bechtol seconded. Roll call resulted in: Brian Robertson, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes. At 10:55 a.m. Brian Robertson made a motion to come out of executive session, having discussed personnel in regards to hiring and potential real estate acquisition with no action taken, threatened litigation with action being taken, directing their attorney to send a response to Judge Johnson related to her filings against the Commissioners. Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Erwin

Tammy Erwin, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:

ABSENT

Mark D. Gazarek

Brian J. Robertson

Timothy K. Bechtol
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