

Minutes

February 11, 2021

Commissioners Present: Timothy Bechtol, Michael Pepple, William Bateson.

Also Present: Lynn Taylor, Cindy Land, Adam Witteman, Steve Wilson, Phil Johnson, Mary Ann LaRoche and Jim Maurer.

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

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #87-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Water Pollution Control. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #88-21 – Transfer of funds from Job & Family – General Office to Children Services. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #89-21 – Transfer of funds from Job & Family – General Office to Children Services. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #90-21 – Transfer of funds from Job & Family – General Office to Children Services. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #91-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Capital Projects – Sheriff. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #92-21 – Transfer of funds from Developmental Disability to DD Capital Projects. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #93-21 – Transfer of funds from Developmental Disability to Family Resources Services. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #94-21 – Transfer of funds from Substance Abuse Prevention Donations to Substance Abuse. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #95-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Substance Abuse Prevention Donations. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #96-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor’s certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Election Commission. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

William Bateson made the motion to approve the Warrant Journal, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0. JFS payroll was also approved. A letter to Mayor Muryn indicating the per diem charge of \$112.44 per inmate for housing was signed.

Cindy Land presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #97-21 – Authorizing the Hancock County Commissioners to enter into a memorandum of agreement with the Hancock County Commissioners and the City of Findlay regarding the Ra-Nik Ltd. Property. Cindy stated that the City will acquire Ra – Nik by way of donation and the County will utilize the ¼% sales tax flood mitigation dollars. A cap has been placed in the amount of \$200,000.00. Timothy Bechtol also stated that a grant is being sought for the Brownfield property. Steve Wilson concurred and stated that the grant will be a nationwide grant and will be competitive. The grant period will open in August. Tim asked if the clean up will begin before August on the property and Steve said that it will not. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Phil Johnson requested an executive session in regards to potential real estate acquisition.

Steve Wilson reported that the MWCD Board Meeting was held Tuesday. They authorized the Stantec proposal for the additional benching project contract. Steve requested the approval of the Hancock County Board of Commissioners. Cindy Land inquired if the resolution could be presented on February 18th when Lynn Army is scheduled to meet with the Commissioners. Steve had no preference.

Adam Witteman had nothing to report.

Meetings/Reports

William Bateson reported that he attended the Public Defenders meeting.

Michael Pepple reported that he attended the Firefighters meeting. A fundraiser is being held today at the local Firehouse Restaurant for the Blanchard Township Fire Hall that experienced fire damage this week. 10% of all proceeds will be donated to Blanchard Township. Mike also expressed a desire to receive public input regarding the Mobile Health Van potential usage. Timothy Bechtol inquired what damage the Blanchard Township Fire Hall received and Mike stated that a structural engineer will be out shortly to inspect. Three vehicles were lost in the fire. Bill Bateson stated that he spoke with a Blanchard Township Trustee and more information will be distributed in the next few weeks for more events to show support. Mike also attended the Habitat for Humanity zoom meeting. The desire is to provide four habitat homes for the community in 2021.

Timothy Bechtol did not have anything to report. However, Tim did encourage public comments on the Mobile Health Van issue.

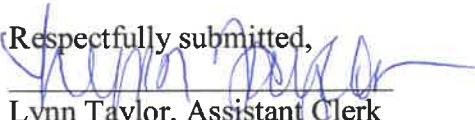
At 9:47 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss potential real estate acquisition. Michael Pepple seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Timothy Bechtol, yes; Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes. At 10:19 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made the motion to come out of executive session with no action taken, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

At 10:30 a.m., the Commissioners met with Nichole Coleman, Bill Johns, Rick Walter, Larry Sudlow, Charles Fisher, and Tom Smith from the Veterans Office. Lynn Taylor and Jim Maurer were also in attendance.

At 10:31 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss potential real estate land acquisition. Michael Pepple seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Timothy Bechtol, yes; Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes. At 11:24 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made the motion to come out of executive session with no action taken, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

At 1:17 p.m., Timothy Bechtol made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss pending litigation. Michael Pepple seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Timothy Bechtol, yes; Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes. At 2:12 p.m., Timothy Bechtol made the motion to come out of executive session with no action taken, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,


Lynn Taylor, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:


Timothy K. Bechtol


Michael W. Pepple


William L. Bateson