

Minutes

February 9th, 2021

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

Also Present: Tammy Erwin, Lucinda Land, Phil Johnson, Jim Maurer, Charity Rauschenberg, Adam Witteman and Mary Ann LaRoche.

Commissioner Bechtol opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioner's 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from February 4th, 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 #77-21 – Authorizing payment of the listed and/or attached purchase orders. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #78-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Water Pollution Control. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #79-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Prosecutor. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #80-21 – Transfer of funds from Indigent Defense to General Fund (December, 2020) - \$2,119.38. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #81-21 – Transfer of funds from the Hotel Motel Fund to the General Fund (4th Quarter 2020 Fees) - \$12,448.76. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #82-21 – 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.

The Commissioners approved MWCD expenses for January 2021 in the amount of \$7,161.37 which includes reimbursement to NS Railroad in the amount of \$4,771.73. They authorized the Board of Elections to pay a \$42.09 late fee for their Fifth Third credit card and a travel request for the Sheriff's office. William Bateson made a motion for the Chair's signature on a letter to Jon Opperman/Information Technologies allowing him to keep Tom Davis' work email account open due to him continuing work for the county on an as needed basis. William Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0. William Bateson made a motion for the Chair's signature for the Certificate of County -Wide Cost Allocation Plan prepared by Maximus Inc., William Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0. The Commissioners approved payroll for their office.

Lucinda Land presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution#83-21 –Lease of the building to the Hancock County Job and Family Services for 2021. Lucinda stated that the total amount of contract is \$50,146.00. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Phil Johnson presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #84-21 – Authorization regarding an amendment to contract for purchase and sale of real property located at 704 Fishlock Avenue in Findlay, Hancock County, Ohio. Phil stated that this amendment is allowing an extension of the closing date to March 31, 2021. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #85-21 – Authorizing execution of subordination agreement for real property located at 1795 Bishop Lane, Findlay, Ohio, owned by Pamela Johnson. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #86-21 – Authorizing expenditure of funds for Boiler and Boiler Pump Maintenance and Inspection work by Marlin White & Sons, Inc. at the Hancock County Justice Center and the Hancock County Courthouse in Findlay, Ohio. William Bateson made a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Lucinda Land requested an executive session to discuss threatened litigation.

Charity Rauschenberg stated that WFIN talked about the Dog Tag delays. She reiterated that anyone can drop off dog tag applications at the courthouse entrance and can also buy the tags at the Humane Society without penalty per resolution. They can also do it online but there will be a transaction fee for all online orders.

Meetings/Reports

William Bateson met with Angela DeBoskey with United Way last Thursday.

Michael Pepple attended the Hancock County Ag Council Zoom meeting yesterday morning. He also attended the Hancock County Opioid & Addiction Task Force Zoom meeting and the Ohio Secretary of State Frank Larose meeting in which Frank discussed the business policies and the state of the Ohio economy.

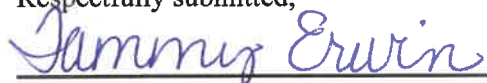
Timothy Bechtol had nothing to report.

At 9:52 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss threatened litigation. Michael Pepple seconded. Roll call resulted as follows: Timothy Bechtol, yes; Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes. At 10:05 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made a motion to come out of executive session having discussed threatened litigation with no action taken. Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

At 10:05 a.m., the Commissioners held the 9-1-1 meeting. Others present included: Tammy Erwin, Jim Maurer, Charity Rauschenberg, Dale Shaheen, Tim Stuart, Jeff Hunker, Sheriff Heldman, Lt. Mark Price

and Mayor Muryn. Timothy Bechtol began the meeting with thanking Dale for all of his years of service with 9-1-1 and the county. Dale has spent the last 27 years doing 9-1-1 and a total of over 40 years working for the county. Dale begin with an outline of how 9-1-1 began and his role in it. 9-1-1 started as William Recker's idea. Since Dale was the manager of Information Technologies and managed telecommunications between the county and the city, it was determined that he would do it. The city had basic 9-1-1 at the time but the county did not have 9-1-1 at all. The Commissioners decided to go with an enhanced 9-1-1 for the entire county, in which the city would participate as well. So, they passed a resolution which at the time, automatically (per ORC statue) formed the 9-1-1 Planning Committee, which is one County Commissioner, someone from the City of Findlay, and a representative from the largest populated Township which is Liberty Township. They then put together a TAC Committee, and that committee was utilized to put final plans together for 9-1-1. It had to be decided how the calls were going to be answered in each jurisdiction and then it was sent down to the PUCO who governed 9-1-1 at the time, for approval. The enhanced 9-1-1 went live in December 1994 and by 2005, wireless became available. Dale stated that typically, this is a part time position of 7-8 hours per week. It could be taken out to the schools for presentations or expand the program in other ways. There was a lengthy discussion regarding post-Dale planning and how to move forward. Dale stated that the Planning Committee is the hiring authority and that is how it should proceed, not with the TAC Committee. Dale stated that his personal opinion is that the position should be through the Sheriff's office. "It is a sub-system of what they do and a tool that they use to get emergency services to people that need it." Lucinda Land also recommended involving the Sheriff due to the nature of 9-1-1. Dale stated that the position should have always been through the Sheriff's office and that they be the full-service administrator. Timothy Bechtol asked if there was any thought that this new person should be under EMA and after a brief discussion, some felt it would not be the right place for numerous reasons. Charity stated that they need a plan of action. William Bateson asked if there is a 9-1-1 job description and Charity stated that there was. Lucinda Land suggested finding out what kind of background you need in the new person and what skills are required. William Bateson stated that the Commissioners will look at all the job descriptions and refine if needed and will meet with the Planning and TAC Committees.

Respectfully submitted,

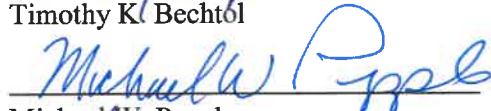


Tammy Erwin, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:



Timothy K. Bechtol



Michael W. Pepple



William L. Bateson