

Minutes

January 23, 2020

Commissioners present: Mark Gazarek and Timothy Bechtol.

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

Commissioner 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 January 21, 2020 meeting were read with Mark Gazarek making the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions

Resolution #59-20 – Was not presented.

Resolution #60-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Substance Abuse. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #61-20 – Authorizing solicitation of bids for construction of a Sanitary Landfill expansion. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #62-20 – Authorizing solicitation of bids for construction of TR 107 waterline. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #63-20 – Resolution to authorize an MOA with the village of Vanlue for a flood mitigation drainage project. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #64-20 – Authorizing the Hancock County Commissioners and the Hancock County Sheriff to enter into a contract with Centracomm, 323 S. Main St., Findlay, Ohio for the camera hardware. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #65-20 – Authorizing the Hancock County Commissioners and the Hancock County Sheriff to enter into a contract with Vaughn Industries, 1201 E. Findlay St., Carey, Ohio for cameras. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve the Warrant Journal, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Lucinda Land presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #66-20 – Authorizing the contract with Len Kirian d/b/a Len Kirian Ditching, Inc. of New Riegel, Ohio for the construction of the E.E. Dreitzler Single County Ditch Project. Lucinda Land stated that Soil and Water group took the bids, analyzed them and recommended this contractor for the total price of \$20,185.90. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Lucinda Land requested an Executive Session at 10:30 a.m. in regards to Union Contract negotiations.

Charity Rauschenberg announced that they met with the State Auditor's office yesterday and the state requested space for the audit. They will be coming in 2-3 weeks and will be here for about 5-6 months between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. Charity stated that the audit will start sometime in February. The Commissioners agreed to meet with Charity to figure out an accommodation that will work for them while they are here. She asked Steve Wilson if he needed anything additional from her office because they did mention the landfill. Steve did not think they needed an audit but said he may need a deposit statement and an operations report that won't be ready until the end of February. Charity received an Engagement Letter from Sudsina and stated that if it was signed, then they would be our "Municipal Advisor" but under no financial obligation. Both Mark Gazarek and Timothy Bechtol agreed to sign the Engagement letter with the possibility of needing a financial advisor for possible future transactions.

Steve Wilson discussed the construction of the Township Road 107 waterline project stating that it is an extension along Township Road 107 over to County Road 140, then north on CR 140. There is an agreement with Norfolk & Southern to go under their tracks. There is a fee to pay of \$12,500 and will be paid out of landfill funds. Phil Johnson will have that resolution to present next week to authorize that payment.

Meetings/Reports

Timothy Bechtol met with James Sammet to discuss maintenance issues.

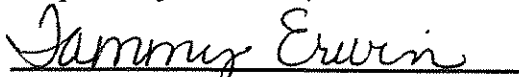
Mark Gazarek had nothing to report.

At 9:38 a.m. Mark Gazarek made a motion to go into executive session beginning at 10:30 a.m. to discuss union negotiations. Timothy Bechtol seconded. A roll call resulted as follows: Mark Gazarek, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes. At 11:10 a.m., Mark Gazarek made a motion to come out of executive session, having discussed contract negotiations. Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0. At 11:28 a.m. Mark Gazarek made a motion to go back into executive session to discuss pending litigation. Timothy Bechtol seconded. A roll call resulted as follows: Mark Gazarek, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes. At 11:35 a.m., Mark Gazarek made a motion to come

out of executive session having discussed pending litigation with no action taken. Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

At 1:15 p.m. the Commissioners met with the Board of Elections. Those present were: Tammy Erwin, Jody O'Brien, Elizabeth Candler, Richard Larick, David Spahr, and David Wobser. The Board of Elections wanted to discuss location options of where they can go for storage after the lease expires at the end of March, 2020. They need 5,000 – 6,000 square feet of space that is climate controlled and ground floor accessibility and asked the Commissioners to help them find a location. Also, due to budget cuts, they are concerned that they will not have enough money to pay for a lease after March and it was their understanding that the Commissioners will be taking over those payments and if not, who will. They asked if leasing or buying would be the best option, in which Mark Gazarek stated leasing would be best. They want to keep a good relationship with the Commissioners, with the possibility of needing more money in the future. Some suggestions for a storage location were the mini mall where Ashley Furniture is located, the Ft. Findlay Mall and the Finders building in downtown Findlay. The Board of Elections agreed to research some options with area locations and come back to meet with the Commissioners with recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,



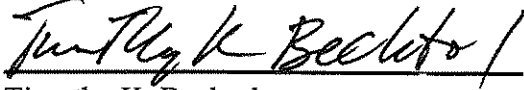
Tammy Erwin, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:



Mark D. Gazarek

Brian J. Robertson



Timothy K. Bechtol