

Minutes

March 7, 2024

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

Also Present: Lynn Taylor, Cindy Land, Phil Johnson, Eric Barnes, Nadine Wenninger, Adam Witteman, Holly Frische, Rick Hohenbrink, and Kenzie Tucker.

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 March 5, 2024 were read with Michael Pepple making the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Mike Pepple made the motion to approve the warrant journal, Bill Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0. A travel request for the Sheriff's Office was approved. Payroll for the JFS and the Commissioner's Office was approved. A Proclamation was read acknowledging Developmental Disability Awareness month. Nadine provided Ashley's success story, who is a participant in the Project 4 Life program through the Blanchard Valley Center. She currently works at Burger King and at the local YMCA.

The Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #131-24 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – General Fund – Prosecutor #1001. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #132-24 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – General Fund #1001. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #133-24 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Litter Landing #5069. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #134-24 – Advance of funds from the General Fund #1001 to the Water Maintenance Fund #2088. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Cindy Land presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #135-24 – Resolution authorizing adoption of a rule for notification of special and regular meeting to the public and new media. Cindy explained that the last update to the notice of public meetings needs to be updated. The last update was in 1993 by the Board. For example, electronic media sources are now an acceptable method to inform the public of special meetings. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #136-24 – Resolution authorizing the solicitation of bids for the Hancock County Communications Tower to be placed behind the BMV building on County Road 140. Eric Barnes stated that the specifications are ready to bid through Bid Express. The Engineer's estimate is \$750,000 with a completion date of December 15, 2024. The bid opening is scheduled for March 28, 2024. Tim Bechtol requested that the bid opening be held at the Commissioner's Office. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Phil Johnson presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #137-24 – Ranking of qualified engineering consulting firms for negotiations to conduct and provide a full engineering study of the current water system in the Village of Rawson, Ohio. Phil explained that Regional Planning received 4 bids from qualified firms. Their request is to enter into

negotiations with Peterman Associates after their scoring review. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #138-24 – Authorizing entry into a lease of real property located at 704 Fishlock Avenue in Findlay, Ohio to the Hancock County Agricultural Society. This property will be used for additional parking space during the fair and other events. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #139-24 – Authorization entry into Change Order No.1 to a contract with All Temp Refrigeration Inc., for services in the nature of execution of the Job & Family Services building and 514 South Main Street boiler replacement project in Findlay, Hancock County Ohio. Phil stated that this was not included in the original contract because the amount was not known. This change order pertains to chemicals that will need to be added yearly to maintain the life of the units. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Eric Barnes had nothing to report.

Adam Witteman had nothing to report.

Rick Hohenbrink inquired about an updated on the CR 140 water line. He spoke to the Board several weeks ago and Bill Bateson acknowledged. Bill stated that he did not have any new information. Regional Planning is still looking for grants. Rick presented a map that displayed the orphaned oil wells in the area of concern. Rick will be speaking with Regional Planning on any grant opportunities.

Meetings and Reports

Bill Bateson attended the Economic Development meeting. A meeting is scheduled for March 12th with Dan Shafer to discuss Economic Development in Allen Township.


Mike Pepple stated that he attended the Township Trustee Association Meeting. Dan Shafer presented good information on revenue sharing.

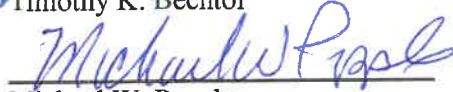
Timothy Bechtol reported that he also attended the Township Trustee Association meeting. It was important to hear how the growth of existing companies affect the Micropolitan award.

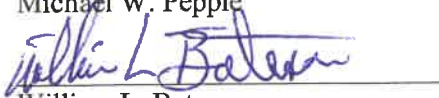
At 10:30 am., the Commissioners met with Mike Wiechman and Christine Mueller. Lynn Taylor, Tim Stuart, Adam Witteman, Holly Frische, Mike Thompson, Greg Wright and Phil Johnson were also in attendance. Mike Wiechman presented examples of the HVAC controls at the Judicial Center.


Lynn Taylor, Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:


Timothy K. Bechtol


Michael W. Pepple


William L. Bateson