

Minutes  
May 21, 2019

Commissioners present: Timothy Bechtol and Mark Gazarek.

Also Present: Lucinda Land, Matt Cordonnier, Lizzy Hile, MaryAnn LaRoche, Charity Rauschenberg, Adam Witteman, Katheryne Rupright, and Miranda Lobdell.

Commissioner Bechtol opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioner's 1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the May 16, 2019 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 for consideration:

Resolution #291-19 – Authorizing payment of the listed and/or attached purchase orders. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2 – 0.

Resolution #292-19 – Transfer of Funds within the appropriation – Children's Services. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2 – 0.

Resolution #293-19 – Transfer of Funds within the appropriation – Job and Family Services. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2 – 0.

Resolution #294-19 – Additional Appropriation within the Auditor's Certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Severance (Sheriff). Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2 – 0.

The commissioners signed a travel request for JFS, two updated position descriptions for JFS were also read and signed. Commissioners signed an MOU grant document for Targeted Community Alternative to Prison (TCAP). Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve. Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2 – 0.

Lucinda Land presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #295-19 – Resolution to consider Agreements with HRPC for Grant Administration. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2 – 0.

Resolution #296-19 – Resolution to consider Agreement with Van Horn Hoover to perform a topographic survey for the Phase 2 drainage project in Vanlue. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2 – 0.

Matt Cordonnier from HRPC stated that he would be back for the RFQ for the Mt. Blanchard Infrastructure project meeting at 11:00 o'clock.

Charity Rauschenberg said that the Sales Tax for this month was 10% which was good news. Same month last year was only 4%. She also said that she would like to set up a meeting with Lucinda Land and the Commissioners soon to discuss administrative changes.

### Meetings/Reports

Mark Gazarek met with the Marion Township Trustees to talk about Board of Zoning appeals issues east of town. He also met with "Raise The Bar" Work Force Development to see how that progress is coming. Work Force Development is a huge issue across the state of Ohio. Mr. Gazarek stated that there are 10,000 people every single day retiring, and that all of those jobs need new people to replace the retirees. Mark reported that Hotel/Motel bed tax is up. Occupancy rates are up which is good. Year to date looks real good. There are no new plans at this time for new hotels that he knows of.

Timothy Bechtol stated that on last Thursday, he sat in on a CCAO Conference Call with general government and operations committee and talked about indigent defense funds that Governor DeWine has pledged \$60 million to cover more of the state's percentage. Speaker of the house is organizing additional \$35 million in the second year to take us to a \$95 million increase to what we have now and will be divided by 88 counties based on their need and population. This will not cover increase in staff levels in the future or rate increases. It will help our county's share.

On Friday afternoon, Mr. Bechtol spent some time with the Sheriff and Security Staff in the Justice Center in regards to the cameras in and around the Justice Center and how they operate in and what state of affairs that they have in regards to their update. Also, tonight is the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading at City Council for the parking lot at 7:00 p.m. but Commissioner Bechtol will not be able to make it.

At 10:03 a.m. the Commissioners met with Doug Cade regarding petition ditches. Those present were Timothy Bechtol, Mark Gazarek, Cindy Land, Adam Witteman, Charity Rauschenberg and Erica Kelly. Doug wanted to talk to the Commissioners regarding the status of the ditches in Hancock County. He handed out a list of the county ditches and reviewed the status of each one. Those listed were: Wells Tri-County, Conrad Hillshafer Ditch, Oil Ditch, Western Meadows and McComb Schroll. Also mentioned but not on the list was Howard Run. After reviewing the status of the ditches, Doug asked the Commissioners to help him establish priority with the ditches. In closing, Doug stated that those listed are all of the ditches that they know about. If there are any ditches that he has missed, please direct that information to him. He also discussed that there is a revised code that states that when the Commissioners approve and order the county engineer to move forward on a design, the Commissioners should set aside 25% of the cost in the ditch improvement fund and that is not happening. In the resolutions, that is being left blank. Doug states that he cannot front that much money. He is asking the Commissioners to figure something out to help cover those costs upfront. He assured the Commissioners that they cannot touch that money for staff and anything else. Doug would like to move on a contract with

Western Meadows so he is asking for the Commissioners to let him know what they would like to do as soon as possible.

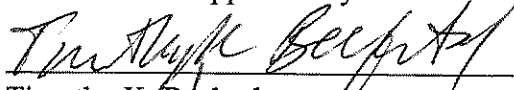
At 11:01 a.m. the Commissioners met for the Bid Opening for the CDBG RFQ for Engineering Services. Those present were Timothy Bechtol, Mark Gazarek, Matt Cordonnier and Lizzy Hile. Matt stated that this is for the Mt. Blanchard infrastructure water project. He brought two packages that were delivered to his office at HRPC, Peterman Associates from Findlay and Maninik & Smith from Maumee. The Commissioners had one package that was delivered from Blanchard Design Associates, Inc. from Findlay for a total of 3 packets to review. There were 4 copies of each company packet for the project. No other packets were received. Matt stated that he would be convening a group to review the qualifications. He will request someone from the county engineering department, someone from the village, and himself from Regional Planning. They will each go through the RFQ to outline assigning a point value for each criteria and the engineering firm with the highest point value will be recommended.

Respectfully submitted,



Tammy Erwin, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:



Timothy K. Bechtol

Mark D. Gazarek

Absent

Brian J. Robertson