

Minutes

May 27, 2021

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

Also Present: Lynn Taylor, Charity Rauschenberg, Adam Witteman, Steve Wilson and Mary Ann LaRoche.

Commissioner Bechtol opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The minutes from the May 25, 2021 meeting were read and approved. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #344-21 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Buildings and Grounds Maintenance. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #345-21 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to Water Pollution Control. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #346-21 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to Water Pollution Control. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

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Resolution #348-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioner's to appropriate to Certificate of Title Administration. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #349-21 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to Ditch Maintenance (Hartman-Shull).

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Resolution #351-21 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to Ditch Maintenance (McKean Joint).

Resolution #352-21 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to Ditch Maintenance (H.B.Thomas).

Resolution #353-21 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to Ditch Maintenance (Rothlisberger Open).

Resolution #354-21 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to Ditch Maintenance (Lanning).

Resolution #355-21 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to Ditch Maintenance (A.O. Minks).

Resolution #356-21 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to Ditch Maintenance (Ottawa Creek).

Resolution #357-21 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to Ditch Maintenance (Wilch).

Resolution #358-21 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to Ditch Maintenance (Jerry Stahl Jt.).

William Bateson made the motion to approve Resolutions #349-21 thru and including Resolution #358-21 by consent due to their routine nature. Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

William Bateson made the motion to approve the Warrant Journal, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Travel requests were signed for JFS and the Sheriff's Office. The Explosive Gas Monitoring report for May was signed.

Charity Rauschenberg stated that their office is wrapping up the audit report. Once June rolls around, the State Auditors will be here. She is not sure if it will be a remote audit, in person audit or a mix of both. William Bateson stated that space in the Commissioner's building is available if needed.

Steve Wilson stated that the contracts are ready for signatures pertaining to the demolition projects that were approved earlier in the week. The Commissioners acknowledged. Timothy Bechtol inquired as to what the next demolition project will be. Steve Wilson stated that the Oxley, Malone building will be next.

Meetings/Reports

William Bateson stated that he wished Dale Shaheen well in his retirement.

Michael Pepple stated that he attended the Chamber of Commerce Advisory Board meeting via zoom. He also attended the Habitat for Humanity zoom meeting and the Hancock Fire Chiefs meeting. He attended Dale Shaheen's retirement celebration also.


Timothy Bechtol stated that he attended the HHWPCAC monthly board meeting. Tim also attended the retirement party for Dale Shaheen. Tim wished everyone a safe Memorial Day weekend.

At 9:53, Timothy Bechtol requested an executive session in regards to potential real estate acquisition. 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 10:29 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 Doug Cade, Mike Clark, Courtney Comstock and James Sammet. Lynn Taylor was also in attendance. A discussion was held regarding the gas meter and the location near the building which is to be demolished. Doug Cade stated he has an estimate a little under \$10,000.00 for labor and tree removal to remove the building. This would be considered a rainy-day project for the Engineer's Office. He needs to request an EPA permit and work with James and Courtney to shut off gas and electricity. The Engineer's staff removing the building will be cautious of the meter once demolition begins. The Commissioner's agreed to have the Engineer's Office proceed with the demolition. Tim Bechtol did request the decorative wheel be saved to be used later. James stated that the JACE controllers at the jail are not working properly. He is estimating a cost of around \$70,000 to replace these monitors. They relate to the HVAC unit at the jail. Tim asked if the fall would be a good time to look at this and James said yes. James just wanted to give a heads up. James also mentioned that a fence at an undisclosed area needs replaced for the Sheriff's Office. Due to materials being in high demand, the quote he gets will only be accurate for 5 days. The Commissioner's agreed for him to proceed with a quote and once he gets it, they will review it. Bill Bateson did request James to get the quote on a Monday so the Board has time to review. James acknowledged.


At 12:00 p.m., the Commissioners met with John Leutz and Cheryl Subler from the CCAO. Their discussion included the topics of health insurance and solar and wind farms throughout various counties in Ohio. They also discussed the potential mall purchase and if other counties in Ohio have a similar situation. In addition, Mike and Bill expressed what they have experienced in their early tenure.

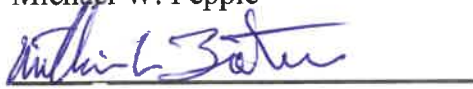
Respectfully submitted,


Lynn Taylor, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:


Timothy K. Bechtol


Michael W. Pepple


William L. Bateson