## Minutes

May 05, 2022

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

Also Present: Christine Carrigan, Cindy Land, Phil Johnson, Adam Witteman and Steve Wilson. Please see attendance sheet for additional attendees.

Commissioner Pepple opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' 1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the May 03<sup>rd</sup> 2022, meetings were read with Timothy Bechtol making a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #277-22 – Board of Hancock County Commissioners authorizes collection of maintenance assessments on the Best Liberty Addition 1<sup>st</sup> Addition storm drainage system to be collected in 2023. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #278-22 – Board of Hancock County Commissioners authorizes collection of maintenance assessments on The Woods at Hillcrest 9<sup>th</sup> Addition storm drainage system to be collected in 2023. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #279-22 – Transfer of Hancock County Solid Waste Management District Tier Disposal Fees to the Tiered Disposal Fee Fund. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #280-22 – Additional appropriation – within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Severance (Sheriff). Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #281-22 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – MV&GT. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #282-22 – Additional appropriation – within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Common Pleas Court – General Special Project. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #283-22 – Resolution-order fixing time of view and first hearing. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Time and place of view: June 14, 2022 at 1 p.m. at the intersection of Wolf Run and Shawnee Dr., Findlay, Ohio. Time and Place for first hearing: August 16, 2022 at 6 p.m. at the Brugeman Lodge at Riverbend Park, 9250 Township Rd. 208, Findlay, Ohio.

Timothy Bechtol made the motion and William Bateson seconded to approve the Warrant Journal. Motion passed 3-0. The Commissioners signed a Notice of Filing an Annexation for Mardic Investments, Inc., April 2022 Maumee Watershed Conservancy District expenses and April 2022 Hancock County Auditor Fund Report. Payroll for the Commissioners' office and Job & Family Services was approved. In

addition, the Commissioners signed three Proclamations declaring May 1, 2022 through May 7, 2022 Correctional Officers and Employees Week, May 5, 2022, National Day of Prayer, May 8, 2022 through May 14, 2022, Law Enforcement Recognition Week and May 8, 2022 Law Enforcement Recognition Day. Ryan Kidwell introduced the Correction Officers that were present at the meeting. All three Commissioners thanked the Correction Officers for their service.

Cindy Land presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #284-22 – Resolution authorizing Change Order #2 HC Critical Grant 2019 for the Rawson Waterline Project. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Cindy stated this is part of the 2019 Critical Grant. There were some unforeseen issues that are requiring some additional funding in order to complete the project. The Change Order is for the amount of \$3,251.69.

Phil Johnson presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #285-22 – Authorizing a 2022 contract for lawn mowing ground maintenance services for properties owned or overseen by the Board of Hancock County Commissioners in Findlay, Hancock, Ohio. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Phil stated the total cost is \$3,340.00 per service event from May 3, 2022 through October 31, 2022. Commissioner Bechtol inquired if flood Mitigation Funds are used to pay this. Phil stated I think so.

Resolution #286-22 – Authorizing the rescission of Resolution No. 262-22, Authorizing solicitation of bids for construction of road reconstruction project for the villages of Jenera & Mount Blanchard pursuant to the provisions and regulations associated with a CDBG project. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Phil stated this is the final act in fixing the title of a previous resolution.

Resolution #287-22 – Authorizing the amendment of a Memorandum of Agreement Between the Board of Hancock County Commissioners and the Maumee Watershed Conservancy District, dated August 13, 2019, to authorize the payment of an Additional \$124,693.00 for completion of review of plans for the replacement of the Norfolk Southern Railroad Bridge over the Blanchard River. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Phil stated the original Memorandum of Agreement called for a \$30,000 reimbursement to the Maumee Watershed Conservancy District from flood mitigation funds. We have received an additional request from Norfolk Southern, for up to an additional \$124,693. Cindy Land stated this is not the Commissioners' contract. It is an authorization of the amounts you will reimburse to the Conservancy District. Commissioner Bechtol asked if it was essentially for plan review services from Norfolk Southern. Steve Wilson stated that is correct. Steve Wilson discussed the status of Norfolk's financial participation in the project. Cindy inquired if Norfolk Southern does not provide any funding, is there enough funding in flood mitigation to cover the project. Steve replied that we currently have enough funding to cover the twenty percent share of the local cost.

Resolution #288-22 – Authorizing the recording of release of mortgage for real property located at 130 South Meadow, Mc Comb, Ohio, owned by William Smith, and payment for that recording. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Phil stated the title company did not collect for the recording fee. This resolution will authorize payment of \$38 to the Recorder for the recording fees.

Phil Johnson requested an executive session in regards to potential real estate acquisition.

Adam Witteman had nothing to report.

## Meetings/Reports

Timothy Bechtol had nothing to report.

William Bateson had nothing to report.

Michael Pepple attended the downtown district improvement meeting. They are actively working on improving downtown. Commissioner Pepple stated that the ARPA requests received have exceeded the amount of money that we have received. Therefore, Commissioner Pepple inquired with the other two Commissioners and Steve Wilson if money from the Flood Mitigation Funds could be used for the \$80,000 ARPA request received from the Blanchard River Partnership for work that needs to be completed on the Riverside dam. Commissioner Pepple stated that in addition to the \$80,000 request from ARPA funds, the Blanchard River Partnership is receiving \$80,000 from the City of Findlay and grant funds to be used for the completion of the Riverside project. Commissioner Bechtol inquired if this is part of the watershed. Commissioner Pepple stated it is. Commissioner Bechtol stated he is in favor of it. Commissioner Bateson would like to do more research before commenting. Commissioner Pepple shared with Cindy and the other two Commissioners the insurance consultant services proposal comparison and standard service list he prepared from the proposals submitted from the five insurance consultant companies. Commissioner Pepple discussed the next steps he would like to take in the decision-making process. In addition, discussion was held regarding the decision timeline.

At 10:15 a.m. Michael Pepple made a motion to enter into executive session in regards to potential real estate acquisition. William Bateson seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes.

At 10:58 a.m., Michael Pepple made a motion to come out of executive session, in regards to potential real estate acquisition with no action taken. William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

At 1:00 p.m. the Commissioners reconvened. Christine Carrigan, Cindy Land, Steve Wilson, Don Moses and Chad Warnimont were in attendance.

At 1:02 p.m. Michael Pepple made a motion to enter into executive session in regards to Landfill hiring. William Bateson seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes.

At 1:21 p.m., Michael Pepple made a motion to come out of executive session, in regards to Landfill hiring with no action taken. William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Steve Wilson stated they received good news from Mannik Smith Group primarily regarding the gas collecting system at the Landfill. Steve stated after the discussion with Mannik Smith Group, the Landfill employees feel very confident they can do the actual expansion of the gas collection system themselves. During the Mannik Smith Group meeting there was also discussion regarding changing the timing for the next phase of construction. Changing how waste is placed for a period of time will allow them to wait another year for construction. Discussion took place on the new gas collection system. Don Moses stated that he now has all the Landfill employees coming in at 7 a.m. All regular employee hours will be

Monday through Friday eight hours. Anything over the eight hours per day will be over time. If they take time off they will only have to use eight hours. Cindy stated this will make things cleaner and hours need to be standard for all employees.

At 2:47 p.m. the Commissioners reconvened to approve the JFS appreciation bonus payroll paid with ARPA funds.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Carrigan, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:

Michael W. Pepple

William L. Bateson

Timothy K. Bechtol

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