

Minutes

November 14, 2023

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

Also Present: Alec Helms, Cindy Land, Adam Witteman, Jeff Wobser & Lou Wilin from the Courier

Commissioner Bateson opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioner's 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The assistant clerk stated that due to the internet being down we are unable to access our files so the minutes from the November 9th, 2023 meeting are not able to be presented today and will be presented at Thursday's meeting.

Commissioners approved a travel request for Sheriff's office.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #830-23 – Authorizing payment of the listed and/or attached purchase orders. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #831-23 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-General Fund #1001 Treasurer. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #832-23 – Additional appropriation-within the Auditor's Certification - Commissioners to appropriate to HAVA Grant #2177. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #833-23 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-Sheriff Police Revolve Fund. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.
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Resolution #834-23 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-Sheriff Police Revolve Fund #1007. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #835-23 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-Job & Family Services #2015. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #836-23 – Advance of funds from the General Fund #1001 to Ditch Maintenance #2004. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Cindy Land presented the following resolutions:

Resolution #837-23 – Adoption of a new Hancock County credit card policy for all Hancock County offices. Cindy Land stated when the budget bill was passed at the state level there was an update for ORC 301.27. Counties previously had very limited things they were able to use credit cards for. This provides the new ability to expand the credit card policy to be used for anything

of public use. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #838-23 – Resolution authorizing the Hancock County Commissioners to enter into a contract with the Hancock County Combined General Health District, D/B/A Hancock Public Health to enforce Ohio Revised Code Sections 3734.01 to 3734.13 and rules orders, and terms and conditions of permits, licenses, and variances adopted or issued under those sections for the Hancock County Solid Waste Management District for 2024. Cindy Land stated every year we contract with the Board of Health to check with the hazard waste providers in the county. There is a list of the companies attached to the resolution. The board of health will make sure to they are properly licensed and disposed of. The contract is for \$30,000.00. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #839-23 – Resolution authorizing the Hancock County Engineer to purchase one Freightliner Tandem Axel Cab & Chassis on the ODOT State Cooperative Purchasing Program from Stoops Freightliner - Lima. Cindy Land stated the total cost of this is \$135,370.00. Due to the fact that the prices are varying so much right now Doug has decided to wait until this comes in to order the bed and everything that goes with it. This is to replace a 2009 International. They are not trading it in just replacing it. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #840-23 – Resolution authorizing the Hancock County Commissioners to enter into a contract with Professional Restoration Service Inv. D/B/A Servpro for remediation, replacement and repair of drywall in a portion of the Hancock County Justice Center. Cindy Land stated there was some water damage at the Justice Center due to a leaking roof. There was an environmental study done and it determined there was no mold but there was some discoloration and mildew that has been causing concern. The testing did show the air is good for breathing but it does need to be cleaned. This contract is for \$3,443.79 to take out the damaged drywall, do the cleaning and replace the drywall. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #841-23 – Resolution authorizing the Hancock County Commissioners to enter into a contract with Bowers Heating & Cooling at the Hancock County Justice Center. Cindy Land stated there is a mixer valve that misses the water and regulates the hot and cold coming out. This will repair/replace that valve. The contract is for \$8,300.00. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #842-23 – Agreement and Certification for the Inter-County adjustment of allocated funds to and from Hancock County Department of Job and Family Services for 2024. Cindy Land stated this is effective for 2024. The county receives a certain pot of funds for JFS from different sources. This resolution gives the directors authority to swap funds between counties based on needs. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Meetings/Reports

Michael Pepple attended the Mount Blanchard Veterans Memorial Service on Saturday and it was very well attended. Yesterday he chaired the Hancock County Community Coalition on Addiction. They discussed the passage of Issue 2.

Tim Bechtol attended the HHWP Community Action Commission meeting. They discussed the updated organization standards and they are currently looking for a new board treasurer. Yesterday he also attended the bi-weekly construction progress meeting for the new building project. They are nearing the completion of the prep for the mechanical mezzanine. There still is steel to be assembled before they can assemble the 3rd floor. The framing on the outside walks is being done and soon will have the instillation board put on the outside.

William Bateson also attended the Mount Blanchard Veterans Ceremony on Saturday and he came to the Veterans' parade in Findlay on Sunday. Yesterday he attended the legislative round table where they gave an update on the election. Issue 1 is a constitutional amendment so that will not change from what was on the ballot. They will have 10 months to change the wording on Issue 2.

Commissioner Bateson announced the internet is down in this building and we are hoping it will be repaired today so we can use the computers and phones. Commissioner Bechtol stated that we need to further investigate the fiber loop. We must be off of that loop and we will need to see what we can do about that. Commissioner Bateson stated Tim Stuart talks about that at data board often and about how each building needs double entry. They are working on a solution right now.

Commissioner Bechtol stated that tomorrow at 1:30 there is an opening ceremony for the new overpasses at County Road 180 and County Road 169. These flyovers are being competed to help the county.

Respectfully submitted,



Alec Helms, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:



William L. Bateson



Timothy K. Bechtol



Michael W. Pepple