Minutes

November 19, 2019

Commissioners present: Timothy Bechtol, Mark Gazarek and Brian Robertson.

Also Present: Lucinda Land, Steve Wilson, Adam Witteman, Jim Maurer, Bill Bateson, Mary Ann LaRoche 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 November 14, 2019 meeting were read with Timothy Bechtol making the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions:

Resolution #805-19 – Authorizing payment of listed and/or attached purchase orders. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #806-19 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Redevelopment Tax Equivalent. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #807-19 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Tiered Fee Fund. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #808-19 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Probate and Juvenile Court-General Office. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #809-19 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Sheriff. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #810-19 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Prosecutors. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #811-19 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Severance – Prosecutors. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #812-19 – Amending Hancock County Commissioner's Resolution #733-19 dated October 24, 2019 (Advance of funds from the General Fund to Water Pollution Control). Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #813-19 - Transfer of funds within the appropriation - Juvenile Probation. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #814-19 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Landfill. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Commissioners' office payroll was signed along with a travel request for the Sheriff. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve Timothy Bechtol's signature on the Cyber Insurance Renewal paperwork. Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Lucinda Land presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #815-19 – Authorization of the first amendment to Resolution #537-19 and authorization of a purchase order for payment of \$807,216.06 for reimbursement to the Maumee Watershed Conservancy District, pursuant to a certain Memorandum of Agreement between the Maumee Watershed Conservancy District and the Board of Hancock County Commissioners. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Lucinda Land stated that there will need to be a motion for Timothy Bechtol to be authorized to sign the Change Order from the City for reimbursement. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #816-19 – Authorization of the first amendment to the terms of Resolution #375-19 and authorization of a purchase order authorizing payment of \$89,916.00 for the reimbursement to the City of Findlay, pursuant to a certain Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Findlay and the Board of Hancock County Commissioners. Lucinda stated that this is the original MOU with the City of Findlay for cooperation on transportation corridor projects that use flood mitigation money. This amendment authorizes a purchase order to be encumbered to the city for one of those projects. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #817-19 — Resolution declaring the necessity of Levying an additional tax, pursuant to Sections 5705.24 and 5705.03 of the Revised Code, requesting the Hancock County Auditor to certify the yield for a proposed additional five year .8 Mill Levy to be placed on the March 17, 2020 ballot for the support of Children's Services and the care and placement of children by the Hancock County Job and Family Services. Lucinda stated that in the past, there was a levy for all of JFS; this levy is just for children in placement. Millage may not be taken for a year if there is a significant carryover amount and also could be reduced to a lower millage. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #818-19 — Authorizing Change Order #1 to the 2019 County Chip Seal Program contract with Ward Construction Co. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #819-19 – Authorizing an IV-D Agreement between the Hancock County Child Support Enforcement Agency (CSEA) and Teresa Glover, Esq. for 2020. Lucinda stated that the CSEA employed a number of attorneys to work on child support enforcement. In the past year, they have opted to employ some contract employees, which is a less expensive option. This contract is with Teresa and will be reimbursed by the Federal Government. Mark Gazarek made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Steve Wilson discussed the change order for Resolution #815-19. There were three major components that increased the cost. One of the biggest issues was the material to be hauled to the landfill. The material being excavated had a lot more dirt in it and was very wet due to the time of year, which ended up being double the estimate. A decision was made to remove and haul all of the additional 2 ft. of material above finished grade line to the landfill, due to EPA permitting which increased the tonnage significantly. Another factor was an area to the west side of the tire dump that had contaminated debris which needed to be removed, increasing the cost. Also, a lot of concrete was buried under the tire dump and 300 tons of tires. The concrete had to be crushed to a specific size suitable for the landfill and to be able to haul it there. Other additional costs were the \$15 per ton they charged for the materials that went to the landfill, and those expenses were exceeded by \$250,000. Steve stated that communication has started with the railroad about plans for modifying the existing railroad bridge and hoping to hear back from them sometime in January on direction and design.

Steve also discussed the radios currently being used at the landfill are all analog and the time has come to update and convert all of those radios at the cost of around \$20,000 from Radio Hospital. The other item is the compactor, which the commissioners have already authorized borrowing. Steve said that they have the final numbers for the cost of the compactor and some trade-ins, which will help offset the expense. There is a landfill owners meeting scheduled for December 17<sup>th</sup> at which he will have work orders authorized for next year.

## Meetings/Reports

Brian Robertson met with the Census committee on Thursday. He also met on Friday morning with the Alliance Board and also did a Census presentation at 50 North. He also had several ad hoc discussions with the JFS Director specifically regarding kids in care.

Mark Gazarek had nothing to report.

Timothy Bechtol had nothing to report.

Timothy Bechtol made a motion to enter into executive session at 10:02 a.m. to discuss personnel in regards to hiring, as well as potential litigation. Brian Robertson would like to add pending litigation. Mark Gazarek seconded. A roll call resulted as follows: Commissioner Bechtol, yes; Commissioner Gazarek, yes; Commissioner Robertson, yes. At 10:21 a.m. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to come out of executive session having discussed pending

litigation, potential litigation and potential hiring with no action taken. Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

At 10:21 a.m. Commissioners met with maintenance personnel. Those present were James Sammet and Mike Thompson. James discussed some plumbing issues that they are having. Last Saturday night, James received a phone call from Mike about the drains backing up at the Justice Center. Some towels had been flushed down the toilets on Friday. Mike was trying to get the problem fixed but broke a cable in the sewer. After 3 hours of trying with a secondary snake, he was still unable to get it fixed. It was a challenge trying to get a contractor to come out at 9:30 p.m. but he did eventually get ahold of Rotor Rooter. The bill was \$650. Also, they were not able to get anything to come out so they had Bugner's run a camera through there to see what was in there. There was gravel in the sewer, but they did not see any cracks. Possibly this could have come from construction due to it being below grade. Bugner will try to get something to blow the gravel out and anything else that may be in there. Unfortunately, there will be a high expense to this. Mike showed some photos of the drains and manholes out in the street and some of the items being put in the drains. There was a bedsheet coming out of the justice center main into the city main manhole, along with other things. James stated that they are getting numerous calls for overtime to handle these issues and looking for suggestions to help with the situation. The commissioners recommended speaking with Captain Kidwell and Sheriff Heldman about these issues. There was also a discussion regarding the possibility of hiring someone part time to cover the time in the evenings.

## 10:30 A.M. - Budget Work Session

3:30 P.M. - The Commissioners met with Garmann Miller and Judge Johnson in regards to the new Hancock County Probate/Juvenile Courthouse. Those present included Judge Kristen Johnson, Shawn Carpenter, Lucinda Land, Jim Maurer, Bruce Miller, Kasey Corbet and Chris Monnin. Bruce Miller started the meeting by going over the agenda and the discussion of a name of the building, stating that is something to start thinking about. He reviewed the schedule with those present and the proposed timelines. In January, they would begin Hazardous Materials Abatement bid documents and do the Abatement in February. Existing building demo and new temporary security entrance on March 12th and existing building demo new security entrance bid date would be April 9th. Demo happening the first of May and new building design development documents, about 75% on March 12th. The new building construction documents completed the first week of May and will submit plan approval sometime during that timeline. New building bid documents would be going out as the building is being demoed May 14th and new building bid date would be June 11th. Construction would begin sometime the first part of July and at least 12 - 14 months to complete. Parking areas were discussed and also Judge Johnson's timeline to vacate the building, which will be around mid-February. The question arose of when maintenance will be starting the renovations of the CAC building for the Judge to move into. Timothy Bechtol is waiting for approval from the City of Findlay regarding the deed restriction so he doesn't have an answer yet. Courthouse security during construction will be discussed at

the December 10<sup>th</sup> meeting with Sheriff Heldman present. Other meetings will be scheduled every 3 weeks to discuss updates and the status of timelines, problems or questions. Meetings have already been scheduled for Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. in the Grand Jury Room; Tuesday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. and January 28<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. with the last 2 meetings being held at the job site.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Erwin, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:

Timothy K. Bachte

Mark D. Gazarek

Brian J. Robertson