

Minutes

November 19, 2020

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

Also Present: Sarah Mutchler, Lucinda Land, Steve Wilson, William Bateson, Matthew Bechtol, MaryAnn LaRoche, and Jim Maurer.

Commissioner Gazarek opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from November 17, 2020 were read with Timothy Bechtol making the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #921-20 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to Water Pollution Control. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #922-20 – Was not presented.

Resolution #923-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioners to appropriate to Auditor. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #924-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioners to appropriate to Children's Trust Fund. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #925-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioners to appropriate to Sheriff. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #926-20 – Transfer of funds from Indigent Defense to the General Fund (October 2020)-\$1,967.36. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #927-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioners to appropriate to Local Coronavirus Fund. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #928-20 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-Buildings & Grounds-Maintenance. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #929-20 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-Microfilm. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #930-20 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-Commissioners-General Office. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Commissioners approved payroll for their staff and JFS. They initialed approval on an invoice from Squire, Patton and Boggs for \$495.00. The Commissioners approved a travel request from the Sheriff's Office. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve the Warrant Journal, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Clerk requested an executive session to discuss pending litigation.

Lucinda Land presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #931-20 – Authorizing a contract with Robin Kershner, D/B/A Kershner Excavating for the design and installation of a new home sewage treatment system as part of the Hancock County WPCLF Grant WPCLF Project #HS390032-003-2020-14. The total project cost is \$10,400. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #932-20 – Resolution authorizing the purchase of one (1) 2021 Dodge Durango from Reineke Family Dealerships Inc., of Findlay, Ohio for the Hancock County Sheriff's office. The total cost of the vehicle is \$40,020.00 less trade in of 8 vehicles for \$15,100.00, making the total \$29,086.14. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #933-20 – Resolution authorizing the Hancock County Commissioners and the Hancock County Sheriff to enter into Amendment No. 4 to the contract with Aramark Correctional Services, LLC. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Steve Wilson reported receiving a phone call from Lindsay Summit regarding the contract with Hancock Public Health for inspections at the Sanitary Landfill. They would like to renew the contract for 2021 at the same rate. Steve requested an executive session to discuss potential real estate acquisition and potential litigation.

William Bateson requested clarification regarding the Sheriff's vehicle purchase. Lucinda explained that the vehicles being used as trade-in had already been replaced. They usually keep old cruisers on hand for parts.

Matthew Bechtol introduced himself to the Board. He is Timothy Bechtol's son, a junior at Cory-Rawson where he participates in band, baseball, and quiz bowl.

Meetings/Reports

Brian Robertson sent an email to Jim Maurer regarding the closure at JFS.

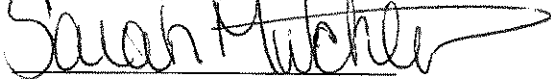
Timothy Bechtol attended the last Chamber of Commerce meeting for the year by Zoom this morning. He also attended the CARES funding meeting yesterday. Timothy and Charity Rauschenberg are working to coordinate a schedule for food bank trucks to be in the villages within the county.

Mark Gazarek asked Lucinda Land if she received an email requesting Engineer Cade be re-appointed to OPWC as Hancock County's representative. She said she had and the resolution will be prepared for Tuesday.

At 9:49 a.m. Mark Gazarek made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss pending litigation, potential litigation, and potential real estate acquisition. Timothy Bechtol seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Mark Gazarek, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes; Brian Robertson, yes. At 10:20 a.m. Mark Gazarek made the motion to come out of executive session with no action taken, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

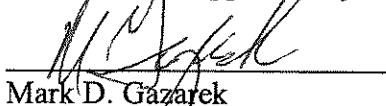
At 10:27 a.m. the Commissioners held the Budget Work Session. Sarah Mutchler, Adam Witteman, Michael Pepple, William Bateson, and Jim Maurer were also present. Mark first made comment that the reports provided by the Auditor's office this year are the best prepared that he has seen in his time in office. He thanked Adam for his hard work in creating the spreadsheets. Also, he pointed out that overall the county is under budget, however there were some offices that requested well above the 1.5% increase guidance the Commissioners provided. Those departments were Prosecutor, Public Defender, and Sheriff. The Commissioners agreed to cut approximately \$197,000 from the Prosecutor's requested budget, \$316,000 from the Sheriff's requested budget, and \$20,000 from the Public Defender's requested budget. They will inform those departments of the cuts and request their changes be submitted to Sarah Mutchler and Adam Witteman by the end of business on Friday, November 20.

Respectfully submitted,



Sarah Mutchler, Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:


Mark D. Gazarek
Brian J. Robertson

Timothy K. Bechtol