Minutes October 22, 2019

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

Also Present: Charity Rauschenberg, Adam Witteman, Steve Wilson, MaryAnn LaRoche, Miranda Lobdell, and Jim Maurer.

Commissioner Bechtol opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the October 17, 2019 meeting were read with Mark Gazarek making the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Minutes from the October 18, 2019 special meeting were read and Brian making the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0. Mark Gazarek abstained.

The Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #713-19 – Authorizing the payment of the listed and/or attached Purchase Orders. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #714-19 – Acceptance of the County's Chemical Emergency Response and Preparedness Plan. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #715-19 – Transfer of funds from the Housing Trust Fund to the General Fund (3rd Quarter fees 2019) \$933.75. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #716-19 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Housing Trust Fund. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #717-19 – Transfer of funds from Indigent Defense to General Fund (September 2019 \$1,930.88). Advance of funds from the General Fund to Water Pollution Control. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #718-19 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification - Commissioners to appropriate to Severance Fund. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #719-19 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation - Common Pleas Court – Adult Probation. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #720-19 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – MV & GT. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #721-19 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Sheriff. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Commissioners approved travel requests for the Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Robertson and Commissioner Gazarek approved the travel request for Commissioner Bechtol to attend the CCAO Energy Program Board of Participants Annual Meeting. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve the VOCA Grant paperwork, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Charity Rauschenberg stated she will be emailing the Commissioners a letter shortly. Also, she asked when the Commissioners anticipate approval of the estimated revenues. The Commissioners informed her that will be approved on Thursday. Also, the new property values are available online.

Steve Wilson has received a request from Hancock Public Health to continue their contract for the Landfill at a cost of \$25,000. Lucinda Land will be presenting this resolution at a later date.

Meetings/Reports

Brian Robertson attended the Data Board meeting and the Strategic Planning review.

Mark Gazarek met with business executives to discuss future economic development.

Timothy Bechtol spoke with the Board of Elections and the voting machines have been moved to their storage building. He attended the Skywarn presentation regarding inter weather reporting and the Strategic Planning review. He also stated the City will begin work on the sidewalks today as part of the paving collaboration. He informed Mark and Brian that the North row of parking will need to find a different place to park while the work is being done. Timothy will prepare a communication for the employees regarding this work.

At 10:00 a.m. the Commissioners met with Mark Martin and David Bostwick, representing MJ Martin. Sheriff Heldman, Captain Kidwell, Lucind Land, Adam Witteman, and Jim Maurer were also present. MJ Martin has been collecting data in order to help the Commissioners and community make an educated decision on the future of the justice system. They provided statistics on community population, inmate population, incarceration rates, etc. They also pointed out some of the jail functionality issues that currently exist. They stated if all the factors remain the same, Hancock County will need a facility with 200-225 beds by year 2045. The current facility has 98 beds. They asked the Commissioners if this range seemed reasonable and if they should move forward to master planning. Brian asked if a consensus was reached between the Courts, Corrections, and Prosecutor's office regarding this range. David suggested giving the same presentation to those groups to get their input within the next few weeks. David commended Hancock County's community partnerships and efficiency for incarcerations.

Respectfully submitted.

Sarah Mutchler, Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:

Timothy K. B.

Mark D. Gazarel

Brian J. Robertson