

Minutes
October 7, 2021

Commissioners Present: Timothy Bechtol, Michael Pepple and William Bateson

Also Present: Sarah Mutchler, Lucinda Land, Philip Johnson, Steve Wilson, Adam Witteman, Charity Rauschenberg, MaryAnn LaRoche, and Lizzy Essinger.

Commissioner Bechtol opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The minutes from the October 5, 2021 meeting were read with William Bateson making the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #678-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioners to appropriate to Water Pollution Control. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #679-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioners to appropriate to Severance (Sheriff). William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

William Bateson made the motion to approve the Warrant Journal. Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0. The Commissioners approved payroll for JFS. They also approved two travel requests for Commissioner Bechtol to attend CCAO meetings in Columbus and a travel request for Commissioner Pepple to attend a CCAO meeting in Bowling Green. The Clerk presented a disciplinary notice for signature, but Lucinda Land requested an executive session to discuss personnel in regards to discipline prior to the notice being signed. The Clerk presented a letter to the Auditor's office requesting sick/vacation time for Christine Carrigan be transferred to the Commissioners' office. Charity requested an executive session to discuss personnel in regards to hiring before the letter was signed.

Lucinda Land presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #680-21 – Authorization to solicit bids for a food service vendor for the Hancock County Justice Center. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #681-21 – Authorizing a service agreement with Isolved Benefit Services for administration of the Hancock County FSA. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #682-21 – Authorization to enter into an amendment to the grant agreement for PY 2020 CDBG-CV Grant, Grant No. B-D-20-1BC-4. Lizzy Essinger stated this funding went to 50 North and the Family Resource Center. This is for an additional \$13,000 in grant money for those entities. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Lucinda Land requested executive session to discuss personnel in regards to hiring and discipline.

Philip Johnson presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #683-21 – Authorizing the purchase of personal property to be used at Litter Landing. Philip Johnson stated H&O Services has equipment that Litter Landing could use. The purchase price for the equipment is \$500,000. This also includes lease of the space that housed H&O Services for 18 months at \$5,000/month. William stated this is a great opportunity for the county. The equipment will be used when Litter Landing has expanded. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0, Michael Pepple abstained. Timothy Bechtol thanked Philip Johnson for coordinating.

Resolution #684-21 – Authorizing the solicitation of bids for the demolition of structures located at 410 East Sandusky Street in Findlay, Ohio. William asked if the asphalt would be removed. Steve Wilson said it would except for a small strip. Grass would then be planted. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #685-21 – Authorizing entry into a contract with Tom Hiatt's Plumbing & Excavating Services Co., LLC for performance of inspections, removal, and installation services upon gas lines located at Litter Landing. The costs is not to exceed \$4,619.42. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Steve Wilson had nothing to report.

Lizzy Essinger stated HRPC continues to work on securing grant money for the community.

Adam Witteman asked what the status was on creating a procurement policy. Lizzy stated HRPC has a sample and would be happy to sit down with the Auditor's office to discuss it.

Meetings/Reports

William Bateson attended the Economic Development meeting.

Michael Pepple spoke about Flood Mitigation Efforts at the Hancock County Retired Employee luncheon.

Timothy Bechtol attended the LEPC meeting.

At 9:51 a.m. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel regarding hiring and discipline. Michael Pepple seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Timothy Bechtol, yes; Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes. At 10:16 a.m. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to come out of executive session having discussed personnel regarding hiring and discipline. Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0. The Commissioners signed the disciplinary notice and the letter to the Auditor's office regarding sick/vacation time transfer with a change to the letter that it is addressed to Auditor Charity Rauschenberg.

At 10:30 a.m. the Commissioners met with Sheriff Heldman. Sarah Mutchler, Lucinda Land, Captain Ryan Kidwell, Charity Rauschenberg, and Adam Witteman were also present. Captain

Kidwell presented a quote for table tops at the Justice Center. The current paint does not stay and it is causing problems. Sausser Steel has suggested building stainless steel covers that can be welded to the current tables. This welding would take 1 day per table. Cindy suggested this project could be paid for out of ARPA funds, but would need to be bid out. William Bateson made the motion to authorize solicitation of bids for the table cover project at the Justice Center, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0. The legal notice will be published October 12th and 19th then the bid opening will be October 26th at 11:30 a.m. The Sheriff then said, as a result of the active shooter incident at Ball Metal, they would like to ask for donations for an armored vehicle. This vehicle would hold 12 people and be completely bullet proof. This would allow the Emergency Response Team to get closer to situations, but still be safe. Sheriff stated Shane Leeth has prepared a presentation on the purchase that they will give to area businesses to request a donation for the vehicle. They are hoping to raise \$130,000 in donations and requesting \$60,000 from the City of Findlay and \$60,000 from the County. Charity said a restricted fund will need to be created and the checks will need to identify that the funds are restricted for that purpose. She also suggested reaching out to schools to see if there is interest from them to donate. The Sheriff then asked about the status of the radio purchase. Lucinda Land said she believes this purchase qualifies for ARPA funds. The Sheriff will get updated quotes and bring the information back to the Commissioners.

Respectfully submitted,



Sarah Mutchler, Clerk

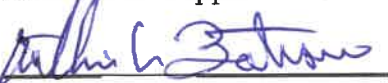
Reviewed and approved by:



Timothy K. Bechtol



Michael W. Pepple



William L. Bateson