

Minutes

September 14, 2021

Commissioners Present: Timothy Bechtol and William Bateson present. Michael Pepple absent.

Also Present: Lynn Taylor, Phil Johnson, Charity Rauschenberg, Adam Witteman and Mary Ann LaRoche.

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 September 9, 2021 meeting were read and approved. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #604-21 – Authorizing the payment of the listed and/or attached Purchase Orders. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #605-21 – Transfer of funds from the General Fund to Capital Projects. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #606-21 – Transfer of funds from Job & Family – General Office to Children Services. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #607-21 – Transfer of funds from Indigent Defense to General Fund July 2021 \$1,392.01. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #608-21 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Soldiers Relief. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #609-21 – Transfer of funds from Job & Family – General Office to Children Services. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

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Resolution #612-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to MV & GT. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

William Bateson made the motion for Timothy Bechtol to sign the Certificate of County-Wide Cost Allocation Plan. Tim seconded. Motion passed 2-0. The invoice from Squire, Patton and Boggs was approved for \$2,821.50 for August 2021 services.

Phil Johnson presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #613-21 – Authorizing approval of proposed partial settlement of pending claims related to Mallinckrodt Companies. Phil stated that funds from this settlement may possibly trickle down to subdivisions within Ohio. This is a result of a settlement resulting from Bankruptcy Court with entities under the Mallinckrodt LLC name. William Bateson inquired if the distribution of these funds will be similar to the prior settlement. Phil stated that yes, the process is similar, however the length of the settlement is 8 years. William stated that the other settlement term is 19 years. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Phil Johnson requested an executive session regarding potential personal property acquisition and potential real estate acquisition.

Charity Rauschenberg stated that she had administrative questions but would ask them later.

Meetings/Reports

William Bateson stated that he attended the Ag Meeting and the Chamber of Commerce Ag Committee Meeting. Bill also attended the September 11, 2021 memorial at the Fairgrounds and said it was very nice. Bill stated that the Ag Committee is focused on helping more Ag youth via fundraisers and at the public sale on Labor Day.

Timothy Bechtol provided the most recent Hancock County Juvenile/Probate Court Building Project Funding which includes August 2021 deposits from the sales tax. Charity stated that the August sales tax number percentage is not like the past historical trends. Last year, refunds were coming out and most recently in August 2021, as a result of the state audit, more revenue was generated. Hence the result of the one-time large percentage of increase. Tim stated that August sales tax figures were \$443,091.41 and after deposits to the Juvenile/Probate Project and the Juvenile/Probate Court Bond & Note funds, \$228,091.41 was deposited to the General Fund for use along the way. Tim also attended the Ag Council meeting.

At 10:05 a.m., Timothy Bechtol requested an executive session in regards to potential personal property acquisition and potential real estate acquisition. William Bateson seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Timothy Bechtol, yes; William Bateson, yes. At 10:28 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made the motion to come out of executive session, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

At 10:30 a.m., the Commissioners met with Auditor Rauschenberg and Adam Witteman. Lynn Taylor and Cindy Land were also in attendance. Charity stated that she received communication from legal counsel regarding the status of some of our notes. Adam went over the Distribution Drive Project, the Justice Center Renovation project and the Juvenile/Probate Construction

Project. In addition, the advances for several ditches were discussed; Howard Run, Liberty Reed, and Dreitzler.

At 11:00 a.m., the Commissioners met with Judge Starn, Judge Routson, Cathy Wilcox, Kim Switzer and Tim Stuart. Lynn Taylor was also present. Kim Switzer stated that the Courts are wanting to upgrade to the Court View 3 system that currently is being used by Judge Johnson's court. This updated version is more efficient and allows more options to be performed remotely. Kim has been working with the vendor to get the price quote down to between \$200,000 and \$225,000.00. Initially, the price began around \$300,000.00. There is a possibility that the future maintenance fees could be shared between the Courts. Bill Bateson inquired if a version 4 is available and Tim Stuart said no. Tim Stuart stated that the Court View 2 which is currently being used was turned live in 2000 and it uses older technology. Court View 3 is more web based. Tim Stuart stated that about 33 employees would use View 3. Cathy Wilcox stated that the newer version would eliminate redundancy. Kim stated that no hardware would be purchased, that this cost is only for the program. Judge Starn stated that View 3 would give the Judges the ability to file directly from the bench. Judge Starn inquired if funds from ARPA could be used. Tim Bechtol stated that he was concerned about hacking if View 3 can be used remotely. Tim Stuart stated that View 3 is an internal program and our IT department would load it. Tim Stuart explained that training would come from Equivant and Kim stated that she is on top of other Counties training news who currently use the system. Tim Bechtol inquired from Cathy Wilcox if this new version would provide less paper for her office since it's more digital. Cathy stated that it wouldn't be much of a difference in that regard, however this would speed up the docketing time. The time frame was discussed and Tim Stuart stated that it took 8 months for Judge Johnson to get their View 3 program. Judge Starn said that some money would be due in 2021, while the remainder of the balance due in 2022. They could request the money in the 2022 budget, however, they did not budget this expense in the 2021 budget. Tim Bechtol stated that they will speak with Commissioner Pepple and advise. Bill Bateson concurred. Judge Starn stated that he has spoken with a Judge from Elyria and he felt that the Hancock County staff would have no issues converting to a newer system. Kim stated that she will provide some written information soon for review.

At 1:15 p.m., the Commissioners met with Mike Kindell from CEBCO. Lynn Taylor, Cindy Land and Adam Witterman were also in attendance. Mike stated that he spoke to the Commissioners in October of 2020 and was happy to be back to provide a quote. He is able to quote current rates for 2022 to compare with the renewal rates from our current insurance group. Tim Bechtol and Bill Bateson both agreed to proceed with a quote. The items that Mike needs to provide a quote are similar to the items Mike requested in 2020. Cindy Land stated that Sarah Mutchler has the information from last year and it's possible to provide the information again. Mike stated that he anticipates that at the end of the 3rd quarter in 2021, the member equity in CEBCO will be around \$76 million. Tim Bechtol inquired if we are able to share rates with CEBCO and Mike stated that it is ok. We just can't share formulas. Mike stated that once he has the information, he needs about 2 weeks to provide a quote. Mike stated that he will do his best to provide an "apples to apples" quote. In addition, he will provide up to 9 quotes that will include prescription options as well. Mike continued to state that CEBCO currently has 41 counties in their program with 12,500 employers and 28,000 members. This would be a 3-year commitment. If after 3 years, we leave the program, CEBCO will pay the run outs. Tim stated that the current consortium needs to receive a letter by October 1, 2021 of intent to shop around. He wanted to know what would happen. Mike stated that it's important to double check what

stipulations they may have. Cindy concurred. Mike provided a list of the advantages of CEBCO and this is included as an attachment.

At 2:35 p.m., the Commissioner's meeting was reconvened. In attendance were: Lynn Taylor, Phil Johnson and Lou Wilin.

Phil Johnson presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #614-21 – Resolution to authorize the expenditure of funds for additional estimates and suggested scope of work regarding possible construction at 1800 Tiffin Avenue. Phil stated that the investigation has produced a desire for construction estimates at the mall location. Two companies are committed to provide a quote. BW Construction out of Indianapolis and Lee & Associates out of Cincinnati. BW can provide a quote for \$8,200 and Lee & Associates charges will be up to \$5,150.00. Tim stated that these are not local contractors who not be able to bid in the bidding process, but will provide live estimates from contractors in the know. They will use this information to compare to the architect's estimate. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0. Lou Wilin asked if these estimates relate to security and Bill Bateson stated that they do not. This is a general contractor estimate. Tim stated that this information will be released to the committee of 7 once they review it.

At 3:17 p.m., the Commissioners meeting was reconvened. Lynn Taylor and Cindy Land were present.


Cindy Land presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #615-21 – A resolution requesting an extension of time for consideration of an application for certification of a qualified energy project filed by Border Basin I, LLC. Cindy stated that the prior extension was for 30 days and this extension is for an additional 14 days. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0. Tim wanted to know what happens if this extension is not approved. Cindy wasn't 100% sure, but she thought that the opportunity for the Pilot would be lost. Bill stated that the Completeness Report is not yet finished. Cindy agreed that until that report is finished, we should be ok.


Lynn Taylor, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:


Timothy K. Bechtol

Absent
Michael W. Pepple

William L. Bateson

**Hancock County Juvenile / Probate Court
Building Project Funding**

Year	Month	1/4% Sales & Use Tax Revenue	Juvenile/Probate Court Capital Project Fund	Juv/Probate Court Bond & Note Retirement Funds	Remainder for County Operations & Carry-over		
2019	January	\$336,152.76	Final Two Deposits into Flood Mitigation Fund				
	February	\$287,226.02					
	March	\$404,571.53	\$656,479.75	\$0.00	\$1,316,480.10		
	April	\$310,209.27		\$0.00			
	May	\$297,162.52		\$0.00			
	June	\$315,247.72		\$0.00			
	July	\$323,154.24		\$0.00			
	August	\$322,614.57		\$0.00			
	September	\$355,042.74		\$100,000.00		\$0.00	\$255,042.74
	October	\$325,010.87		\$100,000.00		\$0.00	\$225,010.87
	November	\$347,609.79		\$100,000.00		\$0.00	\$247,609.79
	December	\$354,074.94		\$100,000.00		\$0.00	\$254,074.94
	2019 Totals	\$3,978,076.97	\$1,056,479.75	\$0.00	\$2,298,218.44		
	plus FEMA Money Transfer		\$443,520.25				
	Total Deposits in 2019		\$1,500,000.00	For Project Funding			
2020	January	\$389,408.91	\$0.00	\$100,000.00	\$289,408.91		
	February	\$321,096.39	\$0.00	\$115,000.00	\$206,096.39		
	March	\$480,124.29	\$0.00	\$115,000.00	\$365,124.29		
	April	\$285,988.36	\$0.00	\$115,000.00	\$170,988.36		
	May	\$289,216.47	\$0.00	\$115,000.00	\$174,216.47		
	June	\$284,513.03	\$0.00	\$115,000.00	\$169,513.03		
	July	\$266,122.18	\$0.00	\$115,000.00	\$151,122.18		
	August	\$273,044.23	\$0.00	\$115,000.00	\$158,044.23		
	September	\$392,300.37	\$0.00	\$115,000.00	\$277,300.37		
	October	\$323,507.00	\$0.00	\$115,000.00	\$208,507.00		
	November	\$319,064.63	\$0.00	\$115,000.00	\$204,064.63		
	December	\$351,748.18	\$0.00	\$115,000.00	\$236,748.18		
	2020 Totals	\$3,976,134.04	\$0.00	\$1,365,000.00	\$2,611,134.04		
2021	January	\$325,447.84	\$0.00	\$215,000.00	\$110,447.84		
	February	\$314,822.56	\$0.00	\$215,000.00	\$99,822.56		
	March	\$427,825.57	\$0.00	\$215,000.00	\$212,825.57		
	April	\$320,330.15	\$0.00	\$215,000.00	\$105,330.15		
	May	\$322,464.58	\$0.00	\$215,000.00	\$107,464.58		
	June	\$407,300.56	\$0.00	\$215,000.00	\$192,300.56		
	July	\$419,446.00	\$0.00	\$215,000.00	\$204,446.00		
	August	\$443,091.41	\$0.00	\$215,000.00	\$228,091.41		
	September		\$0.00		\$0.00		
	October		\$0.00		\$0.00		
	November		\$0.00		\$0.00		
	December		\$0.00		\$0.00		
	2021 Totals	\$2,980,728.67	\$0.00	\$1,720,000.00	\$1,260,728.67		
	20-Month Payback for Bond Retirement		\$2,585,000.00	of \$5.8M borrowed			

CEBCO Advantages:

- In the initial rating process, each County will be credited using CEBCO's "**Expected Rx Rebate**" formula even though rebates can take 9 – 12 months to be received
- Depending on the size of the county, there is a credibility factor used in our initial quote and will be used for future with minimum and maximum rate "guardrails" in place to provide **stability**
- Tiered rates determined initially and at each renewal which provides **budgetary certainty**
- COBRA administration provided at **no charge**
- Employee Assistance Program (EAP) provided at **no charge**
- **Wellness Grant Funds:** \$4,000 admin/\$30 PEPY – **\$16,000** for a county covering 400 employees
- Wellness Vendor (Health Works) will provide on-site blood draws and a wellness platform at **no charge**
- CEBCO **pays the PCORI fee** each year for our counties
- At the completion of each three year participation agreement, a County can leave with **no penalty or liability** – CEBCO pays all runoff claims
- After confirmation of enrollment by the county, CEBCO **will file the ACA 1094 with the IRS**, for each year at **no charge**
- CEBCO **will provide a pdf file of the ACA 1095 forms at no charge** to a County or our enrollment vendor can print and mail to each employee for a small fee (approximately \$2.00 per form)
- A predetermined pooling level based on county size – CEBCO provides stop loss coverage above this point
- CEBCO includes the following **Anthem "buy-up" enhancements:**
 - **Sydney Preferred** – enhanced mobile app/benefits hub with custom member messaging to the county level
 - **Anthem Health Guide** – concierge Customer Service with extended hours
 - **Smart Shopper** – CEBCO **paid rewards** to members for voluntary re-direction to high quality, lower cost providers
 - **LiveHealth Online** - \$0 copay for medical **and** behavioral health visits for the PPO plan