

Minutes
September 3, 2020

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

Also Present: Sarah Mutchler, Lucinda Land, Charity Rauschenberg, Adam Witteman, William Bateson, Mike Pepple, MaryAnn LaRoche, Steve Wilson, Philip Johnson, Melissa Kritzell 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 the September 1, 2020 meeting 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 #662-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioners to appropriate to Contingencies. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

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Resolution #664-20 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-Buildings & Grounds. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #665-20 – Transfer of Hancock County Solid Waste Management District Tier Disposal Fees to the Tiered Disposal Fee Fund. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #666-20 – Repayment of advance from Ditch Maintenance to the General Fund. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #667-20 – Release of Permissive Tax-City of Findlay to pay for debt service associated with improvements to County Road 236-\$370,867.12. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #668-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioners to appropriate to Family First. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #669-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioners to appropriate to Agency on Aging. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #670-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioners to appropriate to Juvenile Court Title IV-E. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Commissioners signed the Landfill Explosive Gas Report. They also signed the Fund Report for August, 2020. The Commissioners initialed approval on a request from Board of Elections to pay \$1.66 in finance charges due to late payment. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0. The Clerk requested executive session to discuss threatened litigation at 10:15 a.m.

Lucinda Land presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #671-20 – Authorizing contract with Helms & Sons Excavating Inc. for construction of the Village of Mount Blanchard Street Improvements Project using the CDBG Critical Infrastructure Grant Program PY 2018. The total contract is for \$30,034.50. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Charity Rauschenberg reported the county has received the CARES funds allocated to counties from the State Controlling Board. That amount is approximately \$700,000 and will be distributed soon. She has also received notice that the State will be sending more CARES funds to the counties through Senate Bill 357. This allocation will be based on population. She also stated that Hancock Regional Planning Commission has helped with the administration of the small business grant that was implemented to assist Hancock County businesses for COVID related expense. She requested the Commissioners consider reinstating the money that was reduced from their budget due to their assistance. The Commissioners asked if the administration work from HRPC could be reimbursed from the CARES funding, and Charity stated it could. Lucinda Land will work on an MOU to that effect. Charity also said that the payroll tax aversion is not applicable to County employees because social security is not deducted from paychecks. She reminded the Commissioners that debt will be due next month, and they will need to discuss the note/bond structure.

Steve Wilson reported on the Vanlue Drainage Project. The pipe has been installed and the crew should be cleaning up this week. The paving repairs should be completed within the next few weeks.

Philip Johnson requested an executive session to discuss potential real estate acquisition.

Meetings/Reports

Brian Robertson met with Greg Burks from Soil & Water to discuss the status of the ditch projects. He also provided an update on the public records request he submitted to several elected officials. Mayor Muryn and Don Rasmussen have responded. He wanted to thank them for complying with the request, and for proving that the request is not unreasonable.

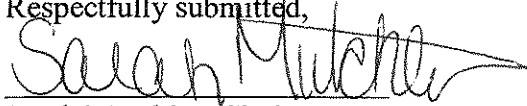
Timothy Bechtol attended a meeting with the contractor for the jail door replacement. They are currently completing a 2 day inspection. The plumbing contractor is waiting on the grease trap interceptor. He attended a Board of Revision meeting. He reported the library parking lot is being sealed and striped the rest of this week. The traffic pattern for those lots will change. He also reported there were approximately 30 applicants for the CARES funding small business grant through the County. HRPC will be reviewing all of the applications to make sure they qualify.

Mark Gazarek has been in contact with CCAO regarding the solar panel project. He has also been working on the budget.

At 9:54 a.m. Mark Gazarek made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss potential real estate acquisition, Brian Robertson seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Mark Gazarek, yes; Brian Robertson, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes. At 10:14 a.m. Mark Gazarek made the motion to come out of executive session having discussed potential real estate acquisition with no action taken, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

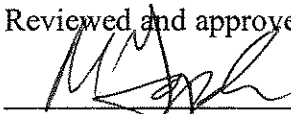
At 10:14 a.m. Mark Gazarek made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss threatened litigation, Brian Robertson seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Mark Gazarek, yes; Brian Robertson, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes. At 10:39 a.m. Mark Gazarek made the motion to come out of executive session having discussed threatened litigation with no action taken, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Sarah Mutchler, Clerk

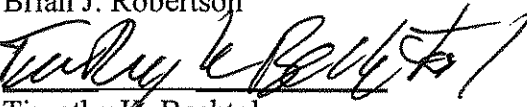
Reviewed and approved by:



Mark D. Gazarek



Brian J. Robertson



Timothy K. Bechtol