

Minutes
May 24, 2016

Commissioners Present: Phillip Riegler, Mark Gazarek, and Brian Robertson

Also Present: Lucinda Land, Heather Pendleton, Steve Wilson, Matt Cordonnier, Deb Cook, Doug Jenkins, Brian Bauman-Congressman Bob Latta's office, Tiffany Shaver and Terry Jacobs-WSOS and Charity Rauschenberg.

Commissioner Riegler opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the commissioner's 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the May 19, 2016 meeting were read with Mark Gazarek making the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Lucinda Land inquired about minutes from the Friday meeting in Buffalo, NY. Minutes are not available yet.

The Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #262-16 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-Sheriff. Brian Robertson made the motion to approve, Mark Gazarek seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #263-16 – Transfer of funds from Landfill to Landfill Bond Retirement. Brian Robertson made the motion to approve with correction, Mark Gazarek seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #264-16 – Transfer of funds from MV & GT to MV & GT Bond Retirement. Brian Robertson made the motion to approve, Mark Gazarek seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #265-16 – Authorizing payment of the listed and/or attached purchase orders. Brian Robertson made the motion to approve, Mark Gazarek seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Commissioners signed travel requests for Tom Davis and Job & Family Services. Brian Robertson made the motion to authorize Phillip Riegler's signature on the Ohio Department of Youth Services Subsidy Grant Juvenile Court Funding Application update form, Mark Gazarek seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Mark Gazarek made the motion to authorize Phillip Riegler's signature on the OPW Request to Proceed for the TR 112 00.87 Bridge Replacement, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The clerk reported that she received a letter from the Sheriff requesting additional funds for prisoner housing. They are housing inmates in Putnam County and they are estimating they will need an additional \$70,435.00 for the year. After discussing, the commissioners decided to appropriate \$20,000 now and then prepare additional appropriations quarterly.

Matt Cordonnier from Regional Planning had two FEMA forms for signature. One was for HMGP rules for limited uses. Mark Gazarek made the motion to authorize Phillip Riegler's signature, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0. The second form was a checklist that is done for each property acquired. Mark Gazarek made the motion to authorize Phillip Riegler's, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The WPCLF has been awarded a \$150,000 grant to help low income families to replace/repair home septic treatment systems. The clerk asked if it was ok that the news release was prepared on the BRWP letterhead. The commissioners agreed.

The clerk asked the commissioners about a Right of Entry Agreement for the ESC building. They were not aware of anything, so they will discuss it with Larry Busdeker when they meet with him at 11.

Commissioner Riegler asked Steve Wilson to give an overview of the meeting they had Friday with the Corp of Engineers in Buffalo. Steve said the Buffalo District submitted their report for the agency technical review estimate. At that time it was \$60 mil dollar project and after the agency technical review the estimate increased to \$80 mil which dropped the benefit cost ratio (BCR) to below 1. The Corps was looking for ways to increase our BCR however unless it is 3 or more, it's not likely that we will receive funding. Mark Gazarek said they didn't take into consideration public safety as far as transportation for emergency vehicles/ambulance getting from the east side to the hospital without going all the way to I-75. Brian Robertson said that Ottawa proceeded with their project without the Corps and that project came in about 20% less than estimated. Phillip Riegler stated that he appreciates the Corps honesty, however it is disappointing that they were told they were fully funded to receive the Chief's report and now they are saying we owe more money and the timeline has changed again and we won't get that report until the summer of 2017. There has been \$9 mil spent on this project with no end result. This has put the Commissioners in a challenging role.

Reports/Meetings

Mark Gazarek attended interviews for Raise the Bar yesterday.

Brian Robertson participated in reviewing the engineer firms for the diversion channel last Thursday at the Engineer's office with Paul Smelzer, Lynn Army and Steve Wilson. Brian also mentioned that he was copied and contacted this weekend about a post on FB regarding the Blanchard River cleaning and leaving the downed trees and debris lay.

Phillip Riegler attended BOR meetings most of Monday and he attended the Republican Central Committee meeting last night.

The Commissioners are in recess until 10:30 a.m. executive session. They will go into executive session upstairs and the 11 a.m. meeting will also be upstairs.

At 10:31 a.m. Phillip Riegler convened the Commissioners meeting. Phillip Riegler made the motion to go into executive session to discuss potential litigation, Mark Gazarek seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Phillip Riegler, yes; Mark Gazarek, yes; Brian Robertson, yes.

At 11:05 a.m. Phillip Riegler made the motion to come out of executive session with no action taken, Mark Gazarek seconded. Motion passed 3-0. The commissioners met with Larry Busdeker regarding space in the ESC building. Larry said they are interested in more space, approximately 10 rooms. The Commissioners said they are still working some things out but long term, yes they think it will work out. It will probably be a year or so before they could move in. Cindy Land said the lease for ESC ends June 30, 2016. The Commissioners asked her to extend it for one year with a \$.20 increase like we have done previously.

At 11:30 a.m. the commissioners attended a follow up meeting at the Courthouse regarding NCSC and security.


Respectfully submitted,


Beth Bishop, Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:


Phillip A. Riegler


Mark D. Gazarek


Brian J. Robertson