

Minutes

April 23, 2024

Commissioners present: Timothy Bechtol, Michael Pepple and William Bateson present.

Also Present: Christine Carrigan, Phil Johnson, Auditor Charity Rauschenberg, Adam Witteman, Steve Wilson, Lynn Taylor and Lou Wilin. Please see attached sign in sheet for additional attendees.

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 April 18, 2024 meetings were read with Michael Pepple making the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Commissioners approved a travel request for the Auditor's office and seven travel requests for JFS. The Commissioners signed the 2023-2024 TDIM-SVAA Grant Award Acceptance Packet.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #250-24 – Authorizing the payment of the listed and/or attached Purchase Orders. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #251-24 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation - General Fund #1001 (Prosecutor). Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #252-24 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Sanitary Landfill Fund #5042. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Phil Johnson presented the following resolutions for consideration on behalf of Cindy Land:

Resolution #253-24 – Approval of an agreement between the Board of Hancock County Commissioners and the Lucas County Coroner for 2023. Phil stated this is an annual contract for necessary services provided by the coroner. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #254-24 – Resolution authorizing the Board of Hancock County Commissioners on behalf of the Hancock County Sanitary Landfill to purchase one (1) Moley Mag II 24 V (ESB) heavy duty magnet from Moley Magnetics Inc. Phil stated the cost of the magnet is \$27,180.00. Steve Wilson explained the magnet will be used to extract different metals from the landfill so they can be recycled. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Phil Johnson presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #255-24 – Authorizing a short-term agreement with Rumpke of Ohio, Inc. for the provision of services for the collection and processing of certain materials from recycling operations at Litter Landing. Phil stated due to low staff there is difficulty processing all the materials that are coming in. This contract will allow Rumpke to collect the material that the current staff is not able to process. The charge for this service is \$195.00 per visit, plus \$35.00 per ton of material collected. The estimated amount should be less than \$10,000.00. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #256-24 – Authorizing the correction of Resolution No. 167-24, correcting the amount authorized for Change Order # 1 to an agreement with Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc., (CEC) of Toledo, Ohio for environmental remediation services with relation to property formerly owned by Ra-Nik, LTD., pursuant to the Brownfield Remediation Grant Program. Phil explained the original Change Order #1 paper work approved by the Board was incorrect. This corrects the change order amount from \$7,700.00 to \$10,000.00. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #257-24 – Authorizing the correction of the contents of Resolution No. 168-24, authorizing Change Order # 3 to an agreement with King Development, LTD. d/b/a King Environmental Group of Toledo, Ohio for environmental remediation and restoration services in Findlay with relation to property formerly owned by Ra-Nik, LTD., pursuant to the Brownfield Remediation Grant Program. Phil explained the original page two of the resolution was incorrect. This will substitute the correct page two to the resolution for the incorrect page two. No change in money is involved. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Phil stated the resolution for authorization to enter into and execute easement agreement with Hancock County Performing Arts Center regarding daytime parking for county employees will not be presented at this time.

Resolution #258-24 – Authorizing entry into Change Order #1 to an agreement with Sigma Technologies, LTD., for the completion of the mapping, digitizing, fiber design and permitting engineering work, in preparation for the construction of an expansion of a fiber optic loop within Findlay and Hancock County, connecting city and county computer and technology systems. Phil stated this change order will put the project on hold status. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #259-24 – Authorizing entry into Change Order #2 to an agreement with Sigma Technologies, LTD., for the completion of the mapping, digitizing, fiber design and permitting engineering work in preparation for the construction of an expansion of a fiber optic loop within Findlay and Hancock County, connecting city and county computer and technology systems. Phil explained this change order redraws the specifications for what needs to be done. This reduces the contract amount to \$33,500.00. The northern portion will be completed. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #260-24 – Authorizing the solicitation of bids for the removal of current boilers and installation of new boilers and other related systems and equipment in county owned buildings located at the Hancock County Courthouse, the BMV building, the Agricultural Services building and the old Hancock County Home in Findlay, Ohio. Phil stated this is the next phase in the HVAC project. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Auditor Charity Rauschenberg stated the current months sales tax is 17% up over the prior years amount. This puts us at an increase of 7% for the year to date. We will not see the impact the solar eclipse had on the sales tax or the bed tax for several months.

Steve Wilson stated the construction for the landfill will start in July and should be completed by September. The 68/15 Interchange Modification project preconstruction meeting is scheduled for May 29th.

Representatives from Stantec and The Maumee Watershed Conservancy District came into town to visit the Northern Suffolk Railroad site. They took the opportunity to attend the Commissioner's meeting to provide an update on the railroad project. Commissioner Bateson expressed his concern of the depleting funds. He inquired what the benefits are of delaying the benching in order to pursue funding for the railroad project. He stated we want the most bang for are buck. In addition, Commissioner Bateson stated proceeding with the benching would not only help with the flood mitigation efforts but it will also allow for the hazardous waste in the soil to be removed. Commissioner Bechtol stated they have received a great deal of positive comments from citizens both in the area adjacent to the first benching project, as well as the citizens upstream. They have noticed a difference when they have flooding rains. Commissioner Bechtol stated we are very thankful for all that you have done for us. Steve stated they are still trying to find a way to have Northern Suffolk be a financial partner with us.

Meetings/Reports

William Bateson attended the OneOhio Region 17 meeting.

Michael Pepple also attended the OneOhio Region 17 meeting. He stated the eight Commissioners in Region 17 will be reviewing the funding application requests.


Timothy Bechtol had nothing to report.

Phil Johnson requested an executive session in regards to potential real estate lease and personnel hiring.

At 10:13 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made a motion to enter into executive session in regards to potential real estate lease and personnel hiring. William Bateson seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Timothy Bechtol, yes; William Bateson, yes; Michael Pepple, yes. At 10:40 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made a motion to come out of executive session, in regards to potential real estate lease and personnel hiring with no action taken. William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

At 11:00 a.m., the Commissioner's held a bid opening for the JFS building water damage repairs. Christine Carrigan, Phil Johnson, Auditor Charity Rauschenberg, Adam Witteman and Irvin Reinhart were also present. There were two bids received through Bid Express. The Delventhal Company provided a bid of \$229,768.00. Midwest Contracting provided a bid of \$197,800.00. All required bid documents were submitted through Bid Express for all bidders. The bids will be reviewed and a decision will be made at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,




Christine Carrigan, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:



Timothy K. Bechtol



Michael W. Pepple



William L. Bateson

SIGN IN

NAME (PLEASE PRINT)	DEPARTMENT/ADDRESS
Wendy Yunker	MWCD
ROSS WHITE	STANTEC
David Hayson	Stantec
MATT MORRIS	STANTEC
DAVID BEATTIE	MPC SEA
Chris Kelley	Econ Dev
Tim Maple	BRWS
Dan Sheaffer	Com. Dev.
TIM STWARD	HARRISBURG IT
KAREN TUCKER	OEL
Matt Cordumie	HRPC