

Minutes

August 02, 2022

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

Also Present: Christine Carrigan, Phil Johnson, Doug Cade, Charity Rauschenberg and Adam Witteman.

Commissioner Pepple opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the July 28th 2022, meeting was read with William Bateson making a motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 2-0. Timothy Bechtol abstained.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #470-22 – Authorizing payment of the listed and/or attached purchase orders. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #471-22 – Additional appropriation – within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Ditch Maintenance. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Phil Johnson presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #472-22 Authorization regarding an offer for purchase and sale of real property located at 201 Clinton Court in Findlay, Hancock County, Ohio. Phil stated the Board and the property owners have agreed upon a purchase price of \$75,000. Closing costs are estimated to be up to \$3,000. The purchase of this property will get us closer to the second phase of the benching project. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #473-22 Authorizing payment of an invoice for one-time grounds maintenance upon parcels located immediately south of 208 North Main Street for lawn mowing ground maintenance services and herbicide application, owned by the Board of Hancock County Commissioners in Findlay, Hancock County, Ohio. Phil stated the last two years the maintenance of these parcels has been taken care of by a city contractor that was using the property for staging. This year it is necessary to have The Feasel Group perform a one-time service of mowing, trimming and herbicide application on the parcels. The total cost for this one-time service is \$325. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #474-22 Authorizing the imposition of time and usage restrictions within that parking lot located south of the Findlay-Hancock County Library, north of West Main Cross Street, east of Cory Street and west of Broadway Avenue in Findlay. Phil stated the parking spaces numbered 1-42 shall be restricted to Hancock County employees from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. During all other hours, public parking shall be permitted in the numbered spaces. The spaces marked "Library" will be limited to individuals engaged in library business. The "Library" space restrictions shall be in effect from one-half hour before the library opens, until one-half hour after the library closes, on all days the library is open to the public. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Phil Johnson requested an executive session in regards to potential real estate acquisition and potential real estate sale.

Engineer Doug Cade stated he would have the OPWC resolution for Thursday.

Auditor Charity Rauschenberg inquired if the Commissioners had any questions or concerns regarding the information that was provided at the exit conference with the State Auditor's office. Commissioner Pepple stated it was a great report and they do not expect any major changes. The State Auditor's office will not be performing the audit next year. They will be putting together an RFP to submit to several State Auditor approved CPA firms for next year's audit. A quick glance at August sales tax shows a little bit of a rebound. The presentation of the CAUV program will be held next Wednesday, August 10, 2022, at 7 p.m., at the Brugeman Lodge. Budget Commission hearings for the 2023 budget are scheduled. Auditor Rauschenberg invited the Commissioners to attend Budget Commission hearings with all of the political subdivisions.

Meetings/Reports

Timothy Bechtol thanked the other Commissioners for allowing him to take time off for vacation.

William Bateson attended the Findlay First Council and the Fresh Brewed Business meeting.

Michael Pepple had nothing to report.

At 9:54 a.m. Michael Pepple made a motion to enter into executive session in regards to potential real estate acquisition and potential real estate sale. William Bateson seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes.

At 10:28 a.m., Michael Pepple made a motion to come out of executive session, in regards to potential real estate acquisition and potential real estate sale with no action taken. William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Commissioners reconvened the meeting to discuss the potential use of County owned property. Phil Johnson, Doug Cade and Christine Carrigan were also in attendance. Doug provided an update of the development of the County Road 140 property which included the potential placement of the new Litter Landing facility.

Cindy Land requested an executive session in regards to threatened litigation.

At 10:52 a.m. Michael Pepple made a motion to enter into executive session in regards to threatened litigation. William Bateson seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes.

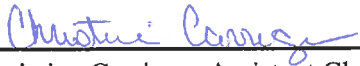
At 11:32 a.m., Michael Pepple made a motion to come out of executive session, in regards to threatened litigation with no action taken. William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

At 2:40 p.m., The Commissioners reconvened the meeting to rescind resolution 470-22. Christine Carrigan, Lynn Taylor and Cindy Land were also in attendance.

Resolution #475-22 – Rescinding Hancock County Commissioners’ Resolution #470-22 dated August 2, 2022 (authorizing payment of the listed and/or attached purchase order). Cindy stated The Auditor’s office brought to the Commissioners attention today’s Then & Now resolution needed to be rescinded due to having a request for a non-payable item, specifically alcohol charges for reimbursement. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #476-22 – Authorizing payment of the listed and/or attached purchase orders. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Christine Carrigan, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:



Michael W. Pepple



William L. Bateson



Timothy K. Bechtol