

Minutes

August 11, 2022

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

Also Present: Christine Carrigan, Cindy Land, Phil Johnson, Charity Rauschenberg, Adam Witteman and Steve Wilson

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 August 9th 2022, meeting was read with Timothy Bechtol making a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #502-22 – Transfer of funds from the Hotel Motel Fund to the General Fund (2ND Quarter 2022 Fees)-\$26,286.54. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #503-22 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation - Juvenile Court. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #504-22 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation - Developmental Disability. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #505-22 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification - Commissioners to appropriate to HUD Fund 2062. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #506-22 – Transfer of funds within the General Fund. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #507-22 – Transfer of funds from Job & Family - General Office to Children Services. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

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Resolution #510-22 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification - Commissioners to appropriate to Sanitary Landfill. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Timothy Bechtol made the motion and William Bateson seconded to approve the Warrant Journals. Motion passed 3-0. Timothy Bechtol made a motion for Commissioner Pepple to sign the Annual Pollution Liability Renewal Application, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0. The

Commissioners approved a travel request for the Sheriff's department and payroll for Hancock County Job & Family Services and the Commissioners' office.

Cindy Land presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #511-22 – Authorizing agreement with Clean-Line Blacktop, Inc., Findlay, Ohio for seal-coating and striping the parking lot and drives at Hancock County Justice Center, Hancock County, Ohio. Cindy stated the Maintenance Supervisor has received a proposal from Clean-Line Blacktop, Inc. in the amount of \$3,796.00 for the seal-coating and striping of the parking lot. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #512-22 – Establishing a work clothing policy for maintenance and some landfill employees. Maintenance and landfill staff will be given an annual sum of \$150 per maintenance employee, operator or laborer to purchase durable work clothing. Housekeeping will be given an annual sum of \$50 for footwear. The items allowed are jeans or durable work pants; insulated/thermal underclothing; coats and outerwear; and work shoes or boots. Cindy stated the amount of purchase will show up on the employees W-2 as a taxable fringe. Auditor Rauschenberg stated that the purchase of steel toe shoes, flame-retardant gear or safety gear is exempt from fringe tax. 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, potential real estate lease and pending litigation. Cindy requested an executive session in regards to potential litigation.

Auditor Charity Rauschenberg brought to the Commissioners attention that she is currently looking for space to hold meetings. She would like the space to be on campus in a secure location. She stated she felt that last night's CAUV program was very informative and went very well. It was the first of many meetings. They plan to have additional CAUV meetings as more information is gathered. Information from last night's meeting will be available on the website. Charity inquired on the status for the need of financing. Discussion took place on the status of the design-build plan. Phil Johnson inquired if construction would start before the end of the year. Commission Bechtol stated that was the intent of all three of the design-build teams. The reason for Phil's question was regarding parking. Commissioner Bechtol stated we should plan on that parking area not being available by the end of the year. Phil stated the parking project is a work in progress. Discussion took place regarding the parking project. In addition, discussion took place on the removal of the Auditor-Real Estate Department's Ford Taurus.

Steve Wilson gave an update on the artifact's storage. He stated the offer from Mannik Smith Group to store the artifacts at their facility will need to be approved by the State Historic Preservation office. Mannik Smith Group stated the offer most likely will be rejected. Mannik Smith Group's fee to store the items is a one-time fee of \$100 per box. The State Historic Preservation office will store the items for a one-time fee of \$300 per box. Steve stated there could be up to 30 boxes. Steve will be attending the Conservancy District Board meeting next Tuesday.

Meetings/Reports

Timothy Bechtol attended the CCAO Deferred Compensation meeting by ZOOM. They will be having an information push to obtain more people to participate in deferred compensation. The new name for the CCAO deferred compensation program is Ohio County Employees Retirement Plan (OCERP). Auditor

Rauschenberg stated she has requested some changes with the current Empower system before she will promote our employees using that program. There are several Auditors from the County Auditor's Association that would like to see some internal controls in that program.

William Bateson attended the Auditor's CAUV meeting. He found it very interesting and very well attended. He also attended the Public Defender's monthly meeting.

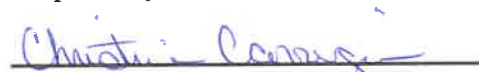
Michael Pepple attended a phone conference with John Bergman, President of MEBC regarding leaving the pool. Discussion took place regarding the MEBC financials. He also attended the CAUV meeting and found it very informative.

At 10:12 a.m., Michael Pepple made a motion to enter into executive session in regards to potential real estate acquisition, potential real estate lease, pending litigation and potential litigation. William Bateson seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes.


At 11:55 a.m., Michael Pepple made a motion to come out of executive session, in regards to potential real estate acquisition, potential real estate lease, pending litigation and potential litigation with no action taken. William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.


At 1:30 p.m., the Commissioner's met with Engineer Cade and Kyle Parker. Lynn Taylor, Alec Helms and Phil Johnson were also in attendance. Engineer Cade discussed ditch hearing procedures and the requirements per the Ohio Revised Code. It's important to remember that hearings are not a question and answer session. The Engineer is required to find a solution when a petition is filed. The information is gathered and prepared for the Board of Commissioners to render a decision.


Respectfully submitted,


Christine Carrigan, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:


Michael W. Pepple


William L. Bateson


Timothy K. Bechtol