

## Minutes

December 2, 2021

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

Also Present: Lynn Taylor, Cindy Land, Steve Wilson, and Mary Ann LaRoche.

Commissioner Bechtol opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The minutes from November 30, 2021 were read and approved. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #847-21 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Juvenile Court Felony Delinquent Care & Custody. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #848-21 – Transfer of funds with the appropriation – Soldier's Relief Fund. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #849-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioner's to appropriate to Severance (Sheriff). William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

William Bateson made the motion to approve the Warrant Journal, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0. JFS Payroll and the Commissioner's Office payroll was approved.

Cindy Land had nothing to report.

Steve Wilson had nothing to report.

### **Meetings/Reports**

William Bateson stated that he attended the Economic Development Meeting and the Township Trustee Meeting.

Michael Pepple stated that he also attended the Township Trustee Meeting and the Downtown Findlay Improvement Meeting.

Timothy Bechtol stated that he attended the Township Trustee Meeting and completed the IT Cyber training. Commissioner Pepple and Commissioner Bateson acknowledged they have completed the training as well.

At 10:30 a.m., the Commissioners met with Alissa Preston and Glenn Jost. Cindy Land and Lynn Taylor were also in attendance. Alissa stated that the current contract expires at the end of 2021 and appreciates all the support the Commissioners have given. If possible, she would like to have the time period extended to 5 years. Cindy stated that in the past, she does know of one time that the contract has been a 5-year term. Mike Pepple stated that it's nice to see the hotel/motel numbers increasing. Alissa acknowledged the same. For a small town, the hotels are doing a great job. Mike stated that it's good to see that the hotel on Tiffin Avenue that was damaged by fire, is being rebuilt as opposed to demolished. Glenn Jost stated that Alissa has prepared a conservative budget for 2022. Not knowing if the new variant will cause some difficulties in the coming year is on their radar. Bill Bateson did inquire if there has been any discussion for an indoor sports facility in Hancock County. Alissa stated that the discussion is ongoing. Many suggestions were stated as to why a facility like that would be beneficial to the community. Tim Bechtol stated that he is in favor of a 5-year contract, Mike and Bill concurred. Cindy stated she will be able to prepare a resolution for Tuesday stating as such.

At 10:47 a.m., Timothy Bechtol requested an executive session at 11:15 a.m., in regards to personnel and compensation. Michael Pepple seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Timothy Bechtol, yes; Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes. At 12:40 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made the motion to come out of executive session with no action taken, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

  
Lynn Taylor, Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:

  
Timothy K. Bechtol

  
Michael W. Pepple

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William L. Bateson