

Minutes

February 13, 2020

Commissioners present: Brian Robertson and Timothy Bechtol.

Also Present: Tammy Erwin, Jim Maurer, Bill Bateson, Mary Ann LaRoche and Ronald Decooman.

Commissioner Robertson 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 February 11th, 2020 meeting were read with Timothy Bechtol making a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions

Resolution #103-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Family First. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #104-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Sheriff-Jail. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #105-20 – Transfer of funds from the Hotel Motel fund to the General Fund (4th Quarter 2019 Fees) \$23,948.82. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #106-20 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Severance – Sheriff. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #107-20 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – ADAMHS. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #108-20 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Dog & Kennel. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #109-20 – Transfer of funds from Job and Family Services-General office to Children Services. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #110-20 – Transfer of funds from Job and Family Services-General office to Children Services. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #111-20 – Authorizing payment of the listed and/or attached purchase orders. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Commissioner Bechtol made a motion to approve the Warrant Journal, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0. The Commissioners signed payroll for their staff and JFS staff. They initialed an authorization to pay a late fee requested from the Board of Elections in the amount of \$39.00.

Meetings/Reports

Timothy Bechtol reported that Randy Galbraith, Director of Job and Family Services was the speaker at the weekly Kiwanis meeting. Randy talked about the upcoming issue on the ballot. He gave an overview of Children's Protective Services operations and the demands of those operations along with the rising costs that go with it. Brian talked about Randy and how the county decided to hire him in as a county employee vs. a contract employee. Bill Bateson asked if there was a drawback from hiring Randy that way instead of as a contract employee. And is this a pattern that other counties have followed? Brian explained the process of hiring Mr. Galbraith along with the 7 members of the Interview Committee and all 3 Commissioners. Bill Bateson asked for a list of those 7 people that were involved on the Interview Committee for hiring him. Ronald Decooman asked how many people Randy Galbraith oversees at JFS. Brian told him 75 – 80 people.

Brian Robertson met Tuesday with Mayor Muryn. They talked about the Census, STRICT funding and the budget, the overage of costs for the new building, the Probate Court building and the Mayor talked about a private sector option along with other options that Brian had suggested and would help to promote city/county partnership. The Mayor has requested \$100,000 from the Commissioners for the STRICT building. Brian stated that they just received a request from Judge Johnson for \$100,000 for the new case management system. Judge Johnson stated that she did not get a grant that they had applied for and that is why the money is needed. Brian said that the Public Defenders meeting scheduled for today was cancelled.

At 9:53 a.m. Brian Robertson made a motion to go into executive session to discuss pending and potential litigation and potential real estate acquisition. Timothy Bechtol seconded. A roll call resulted as follows: Brian Robertson, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes. At 10:45 a.m., Brian Robertson made a motion to come out of executive session having discussed pending and potential litigation and potential real estate acquisition with no action taken. Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

At 10:30 a.m. the Commissioners met with James Sammet regarding maintenance. Brian stated that they would allow \$25,000 in a fund for various minor to mid-size maintenance issues to speed up the process when basic maintenance repairs need to be made. That way, James does not need to get permission from the Commissioners every time repairs need made. The Commissioners do request however, that if a repair or cost is \$5,000 or more, that James talk

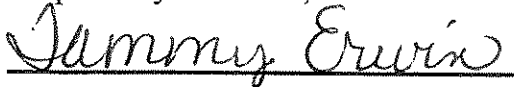
with the Commissioners first so that they are aware of what is going on. Also anything relating to gas leaks or fire calls, the Commissioners want to be made aware of. James asked how often they would like for him to give updates on maintenance. Brian Robertson and Timothy Bechtol both agreed for James to do a maintenance update when giving a regular report, and he could just join in at the 9:30 a.m. meetings instead of privately meeting. James made the Commissioners aware that Jefferson St. is all cleared out. They will be pulling out some plywood that the Prosecutor's office needs. Timothy Bechtol said that Habitat will be going in to take some things for their store.

At 11:30 a.m. the Commissioners held the Bid Opening for the Mt. Blanchard Waterline. There were a total of 5 bids received. The following companies submitted bids:

Helms & Sons Excavating	\$212,576.00
Buckeye Excavating & Construction	\$215,050.00
Rising Son Company	\$188,459.00
JDR Excavating Inc.	\$219,100.00
R.A. Bores Excavation, Inc.	\$222,722.50

Brian Robertson stated that all bids would be taken under advisement and appreciated everyone who applied for it.

Respectfully submitted,

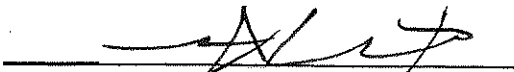


Tammy Erwin, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:



Mark D. Gazarek



Brian J. Robertson



Timothy K. Bechtol