

Minutes

February 14, 2023

Commissioners present: William Bateson and Michael Pepple. Timothy Bechtol attended via conference call.

Also Present: Christine Carrigan, Cindy Land, Phil Johnson, Adam Witteman, Steve Wilson and Lou Wilin.

Commissioner Bateson opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the February 9th 2023, meeting was read. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Cindy stated, since Tim is attending by conference call, he does not count for quorum and is not allowed to vote. The Commissioners signed the Notice of Filing an Annexation for parcels in Allen Township. The annexation was filed on February 9, 2023. The hearing date is scheduled for April 25, 2023, at 10:30 a.m., in the Commissioners' conference room.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #95-23 – Authorizing payment of the listed and/or attached purchase orders. Michael Pepple, made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #96-23 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Comm Corr Comp Plan Fund 2089. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #97-23 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Jail Diversion Fund 2137. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #98-23 – Advance of funds from the General Fund to HUD Fund 2062. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #99-23 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioner's to appropriate to the General Fund 1001. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #100-23 – Transfer of funds from the General Fund to Juvenile Probate Bond Retirement Fund 3237. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #101-23 – This resolution was presented at the 1:15 p.m., reconvene meeting.

Resolution #102-23 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Engineer Fund 2002. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Phil Johnson presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #103-23 – Authorizing entry into a contract with Erie Environmental Inc., to provide complete abatement of asbestos within a structure located at 401 South Main Street in Findlay, Ohio pursuant to the

401 South Main Street Abatement project. Phil stated Hancock County Regional Planning Commission (HRPC) received two proposals from qualified asbestos abatement firms to provide services. HRPC recommended entry into a contract with Erie Environmental Inc., for \$11,376.00. Funds will be reimbursed from grant proceeds. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Adam Witteman had nothing to report.

Steve Wilson had nothing to report.

Lou Wilin stated that a past HRPC director told him under the law, the Commissioners do not have much discretion to deny an annexation request. Cindy stated the statute directs the steps required by the Commissioners and items that need to be analyzed. Cindy stated the Commissioners do have discretion on multiple items regarding annexation. Lou inquired if the Commissioners were getting much comment against the annexations. Commissioner Bateson and Commissioner Pepple stated they have only heard from the Township Trustees.

Meetings/Reports

Michael Pepple attended the Hancock County Coalition on Addiction. They continue to work on their strategic plan to mitigate drug addiction in Hancock County.

Timothy Bechtol was in contact with Tyler Smith, from Traveler's Insurance regarding the JFS building. Maintenance staff took him on a virtual walk through of the JFS building. Tim stated, Greg Wright, from Dynamics Inc., plans to finalize his report, regarding upgrades to Hancock County's HVAC systems by the end of the week.

William Bateson attended the monthly Hancock County Ag meeting.

At 10:30 A.M., the Commissioners met with Randy Galbraith from Job & Family Services. Christine Carrigan, Cindy Land and Adam Witteman were in attendance. Randy presented the Commissioners with the current financials of Job & Family Services. He stated that some of the cost have went down, partly because the number of kids in care has dropped from 103 kids in November to 94 kids in January. The number of reports received are up, which is not surprising due to Christmas break. Randy stated they are currently down four staff members. They started interviewing for replacements yesterday. SNAP and Medicaid are being rolled back by the Federal government. Due to state government being very keen for people to be moved off of Medicaid April 1st, they have provided \$100,000 to cover the cost of staff overtime. Randy stated the Non-emergency Medicaid Transportation program uses federal pass through dollars, and is no cost to the county. JFS is currently working with five contractors to provide transportation to Medicaid recipients. This program is stabilizing transportation for the work force. Randy stated they are currently working with the City of McComb to get a childcare program up and running. In addition, they are working with partners on a community survey, to find what the actual need for child care is in Hancock County. Randy stated he received a quote from Enterprise regarding leasing two vehicles. He stated that it does not look like it will be more affordable than what they are currently doing. Randy stated they are working with Wood County for Student Fellowship. He provided information on the student fellowship program. He is hoping to be able to fill open position with already trained staff, by hiring the students from this program. Randy has been invited by ADAMHS to go to a mental health

conference in Las Angeles, California at no cost to the county. Cindy advised him to prepare a travel request for any incidental items. Conversation took place regarding agencies working together to provide community assistance and education resources to areas identified having a greater need under the Hancock County Health Equities Report. Commissioner Pepple stated he felt we should focus more of our attention on these identified census tracks. Randy suggested Mike reach out to The Family Center. Randy stated he also feels we should concentrate our efforts on where it could do the most good.

At 10:53 a.m., William Bateson made a motion to enter into executive session in regards to personnel - discipline. Michael Pepple seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: William Bateson, yes; Michael Pepple, yes.

At 11:10 a.m., William Bateson made a motion to come out of executive session, in regards to personnel - discipline with no action taken. Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

At 11:11 A.M., the Commissioners met with Karim Baroudi from Hancock Public Health. Christine Carrigan and Cindy Land were in attendance. Karim stated that in 2021 new legislation for the O.R.C. code called for establishing a review committee for suicide. Currently there is a review committee for overdose. Karim recommended the Commissioners create a hybrid board to review both overdose and suicide. Karim shared the 2015-2021 Overdose Fatality Review report created by the health department staff. The information gathered will be used to help direct programming needed from the county level to the public. Karim stated members from the health department will be providing free blood pressure checks and hands only CPR training on February 21st and 23rd from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Commissioners' meeting room. Karim invited the Commissioners to attend the annual District Advisory Committee meeting on March 6, 2023. Karim presented the Community Health Improvement Plan and the Hancock County Health Equities report to the Commissioners. Karim stated the Community Health Improvement Plan is a comprehensive plan created by community partners such as: Blanchard Valley Hospital; University of Findlay; several local non-profit agencies and The Community Foundation. The plan outlines how health issues, such as diabetes, mental health, and smoking cessation will be addressed in the community and with employers. One of the goals of The Community Health Improvement Plan is to create the board of review for overdose and suicide. Commissioner Pepple inquired if Karim was working with other county agencies to provide resources to census tracts identified in The Health Equities report as having greater health disparities. Karim stated that these two census tracts show there is a lot of depressed area. The housing is not up to par, poverty is high, high school graduation is low and the unemployment rate is high. Karim agreed community resources need to be directed in this area of Hancock County. Karim stated the Community Health Improvement Plan partners identified a need for a Community Navigator, to help with individuals to overcome social determinants that are keeping them from achieving better health. Commissioner Pepple stated he feels all county agencies need to pull their resources and come together to make a difference in these higher need areas. Karim concurred.

At 1:15 P.M., the Commissioners reconvened. Christine Carrigan and Phil Johnson were in attendance.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolution for consideration:


Resolution #101-23 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioner's to appropriate to JFS Capital Project Fund 4072. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Phil Johnson presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #104-23 – Authorizing entry into Change Order No. 3 to a contract with The Delventhal Company for services in the nature of execution of the JFS Building Roof Truss Repair/Reinforcing project at the Job & Family Services building in Findlay. Phil stated this authorizes entry into Change Order # 3. The cost of the change order will add \$218,320.00 to the revised contract price. The new contract amount will be \$817,284.00. The change order is a result of work on additional trusses and reinforcing trusses. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 2-0. Commissioner Bechtol stated the additional work on the trusses are specific of what the structural engineer found during his most recent visit to the site. The structural engineer marked each individual truss, so the contractor will know exactly what work needs to be done.


Commissioner Bechtol wanted to clarify information regarding parking at the new Judicial Center. Tim stated prior to the Media One building being torn down, there were 59 parking spaces. The Media One building housed the Board of Elections, Adult Probation, Veterans Services and the Board of Health. Tim stated all these departments used the parking spaces. He is not sure where city employees parked during this time. When the building was torn down, an additional 53 parking spaces were added, giving a total of 112 parking spaces. During construction of the new Judicial Center, 86 parking spaces will be available at the Marathon Performing Arts Center. Commissioner Bechtol and Phil Johnson stated there are 53 additional parking spaces available downtown, that are owned by the county. Tim stated once the new Juvenile/Probate Court building is finished there will be 31 parking spaces available behind the building.

Respectfully submitted,



Christine Carrigan, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:



William L. Bateson

Timothy K. Bechtol


Michael W. Pepple



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Job & Family Services

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Randall L. Galbraith, Esq., Director

Commissioner's Report – February 14th, 2023

1) CPSU Financials

Balance Brought Forward (end of December 2021 placements)	(530,528.80)
2022 YTD Foster Care Placement	2,177,943.94
YTD Shared Placement Costs	124,067.40
ADAMHS and Juvenile Court Share	(82,711.63)
SCPA and Title XX used for shared	(41,355.77)
YTD Adoption (county share)	78,429.97
IV-E Reimbursement for Placements	(749,763.53)
Title XX Reimbursements for Placements	(188,050.77)
SS & Child Support	(87,274.92)
MSY Reimbursement (May)	(117,342.00)
MSY Reimbursement	-
SCPA SFY22 used for foster care services	-
Levy funds received	(1,711,433.65)
30-Days to Family Salary, Benefits, & Shared Costs	96,893.90
Balance	(1,031,125.86)

2) CPSU Children in Care

3) SNAP/Medicaid Update - \$100,000.00 for OT

4) Updates:

- NET
- Child Care
- Vehicle Leasing
- Student Fellowship
- Employee Travel

5) Executive Session – Employee Discipline

Providing Help Today and Building Hope for Tomorrow

Child Support Enforcement
 (419) 424-1365
 Fax (419) 424-7288

Workforce Development
 (419) 422-3679
 Fax (419) 422-8349

Ohio Works First
 (419) 425-6375
 Fax (419) 422-1081

Childrens Protective Services
 (419) 424-7022
 Fax (419) 424-7485

PLACEMENTS SUMMARY STATEMENT *

Hancock County Job & Family Services

Providing Help Today and Building Hope for Tomorrow

7814 County Road 99
Findlay, OH 45840

DATE: 2/7/2023

To:

Honorable Board of Hancock County Commissioners
300 S. Main Street
Findlay, OH 45840

MONTHLY TOTALS **	Foster Placement	Shared Placements	Adoption	IV-E	Other reimb	Total County Owed
January	167,250.63	1,550.00	6,446.47	(49,690.90)	(19,725.01)	105,831.19
February	127,656.88	1,400.00	6,431.62	(46,677.31)	(18,707.11)	70,104.08
March	137,862.96	5,487.24	6,431.62	(49,068.36)	(24,483.80)	76,229.66
April	137,703.40	7,794.10	6,431.62	(48,486.07)	(26,877.12)	76,565.93
May	140,811.85	8,053.91	6,621.69	(50,921.53)	(28,733.10)	75,832.82
June	157,643.18	6,994.10	6,413.79	(53,011.40)	(26,468.08)	91,571.59
July	179,181.88	6,503.89	6,516.25	(65,243.55)	(28,124.83)	98,833.64
August	202,936.62	3,105.87	6,516.25	(76,974.97)	(27,455.39)	108,128.38
September	217,647.50	466.66	6,516.25	(73,808.98)	(22,799.12)	128,022.31
October	239,341.01	-	6,750.79	(77,952.94)	(29,598.15)	138,540.71
November	242,943.48	-	6,793.09	(81,630.55)	(30,434.44)	137,671.58
December	226,964.55	-	6,560.53	(76,296.97)	(33,275.31)	123,952.80
TOTAL	2,177,943.94	41,355.77	78,429.97	(749,763.53)	(316,681.46)	1,231,284.69
					Bal brought fwd	(530,528.80)
					County Paid	
					MSY	(117,342.00)
					MSY	-
					SCPA Applied	-
			Levy funds	February		-
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			Levy funds	March		(979,616.11)
			Levy funds	April		-
			Levy funds	August		(731,010.71)
			Levy funds	September		(806.83)
				January		11,551.37
				February		6,204.09
				March		6,181.20
				April		12,889.03
				May		6,204.51
				June		6,180.56
				July		6,180.56
				August		6,180.56
				September		13,313.04
				October		10,868.84
				November		6,180.56
				December		4,959.58
					NET REC'D	(1,731,881.75)
					Balance	(1,031,125.86)

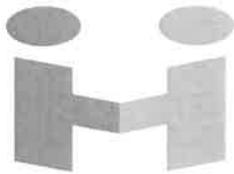
30 Days to Family Personnel Exp

NET BALANCE (1,031,125.86)

* Detailed placement log report available upon request.

** Includes invoices and reimbursements known as of date of report.

All expenses and receipts will be recorded in month accrued/obligated, even if received at a later date.



Hancock County
Job & Family Services

Children's Protective Services Unit
January 2023

Date of Report: February 13, 2023

Total Number of reports Received:	
November 2022	143
December 2022	110
January 2023	155
Screened In/Out	
November 2022	IN=39, OUT= 87
December 2022	IN= 37, OUT= 65
January 2023	IN= 54, OUT= 101
Breakdown of case Type Screened In:	
	TR/AR/FINS** (see below)
November 2022	TR= 20, AR= 16, FINS= 5
December 2022	TR= 16, AR= 17, FINS= 4, Dependency= 1
January 2023	TR= 21, AR= 22, FINS= 9, Dependency= 2
Total Number of Kids in Care at months end	
November 2022	103
December 2022	101
January 2023	94
Breakdown of <u>Current</u> Placements (94)	
Family Foster Homes	47
Kinship Placement	32
Group Home	5
Residential	7
Detention	0
AWOL*	3
Total number of Children Entering Care/Exiting Care	
November 2022	Enter= 3, Exit= 6
December 2022	Enter= 1, Exit= 3
January 2023	Enter= 7, Exit= 13

Total number of Children Receiving In-Home Services	
November 2022	79
December 2022	72
January 2023	78

TR- Traditional Response
AR- Alternative Response
FINS- Family in Need of Services
AWOL- Absent without leave