

## Minutes

January 17, 2023

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

Also Present: Lynn Taylor, Cindy Land, Phil Johnson, Steve Wilson and Adam Witteman.

Commissioner Bateson opened the meeting at 2:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' 1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the January 12, 2023 meeting were approved.

A travel request was approved for the Sheriff's Office. The ODOT mileage certification was signed by the Board. A late fee for \$75.00 was approved.

The Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #32-23 – Authorizing the payment of the listed and/or attached Purchase Orders. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #33-23 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – CASA Fund 2246. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #34-23 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Prosecutor – Hancock Co Probation Services 2128. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #35-23 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – General Fund – Sheriff - 1001. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #36-23 – Appointment of Mike Jablonski as Hancock County Apiary Inspector for 2023. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Phil Johnson presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #37-23 – Authorizing revocation of resolution No. 957-22 which addressed emergency action to remediate boiler malfunction and water and other damages to the JFS building from malfunction of the boiler at the Job & Family services building in Findlay, Hancock County, Ohio. Phil explained that due to the water issues at the JFS building, several quotes were gathered and analyzed due to the situation. This resolution was not needed due to the costs of the emergency were now less than \$100,000.00. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #38-23 – Authorization for entry into agreement with Kramer Enterprises, INC. DBA City Uniforms and linen for the provision of uniforms, floor mats and other related services to the Hancock County Landfill. Phil stated that for 10 years, the landfill has had Kramer Enterprises DBA, City Uniform provide floor mat and uniform cleaning at the landfill. Recently, their prices were reviewed and they range from \$180-\$290 per week. Due to the adjustment of

some services, they are now able to get more services for a much better cost. The price now is \$189.19 per week. Mike inquired if this is for a year and Phil stated that it was a year contract price, however he doesn't have the contract. That will be forthcoming. Also, Phil stated that the price could be adjusted if services change. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #39 -23 – Authorizing issuance of a request for qualifications, soliciting responses from qualified engineering firms for design and field survey services for the construction of a storm sewer infrastructure project as part of Hancock County's 2022 critical infrastructure grant No. B-X-22-1BC-1. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Steve Wilson stated that a few weeks back there was a discussion regarding the transmission issue with the packer. Don Moses thought it to be an \$80,000 repair. Since then, CAT has taken a look at the packer and thinks that there are additional things wrong with it. The estimated costs to repair those items are \$70,000.00. Steve will be getting with Don in the days ahead and will send over a request for a resolution. Bill Bateson asked the age of the compactor. Steve wasn't sure.

Adam Witteman stated that he and Auditor Rauschenberg would like to view the JFS building today. Bill Bateson stated that they can be there around 4:15 today. It is also possible that they head out there now because someone should be there now as well. Adam acknowledged.

## **Meetings and Reports**

Mike Pepple stated that he and the other Commissioners and the Clerk attended the MPRMA Quarterly Insurance meeting this morning in Celina.

Timothy Bechtol stated that he along with RCM staff members went up to Wood County for a preliminary building review for the proposed Juvenile and Probate building. No major concerns were stated. Tim has also toured the JFS building. Lou Wilin has been contacting Tim for articles on the JFS building and the new Juvenile and Probate building.

Bill Bateson stated that he attended the Chamber of Commerce Ag Committee meeting. The annual sausage sale is coming up.

Cindy Land requested an executive session in regards to litigation.

At 2:21 p.m., Bill Bateson made the motion to enter into executive session in regards to litigation. Timothy Bechtol seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Bill Bateson, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes; Mike Pepple, yes. At 2:32 p.m., Bill Bateson made the motion to exit executive session after discussing litigation. Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

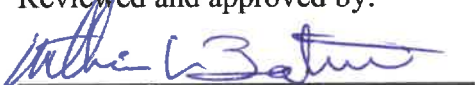
At 2:32 p.m., the Commissioners met with Haley Reese and Daryll Baird. Lynn Taylor was also in attendance. Haley introduced Daryll to the Board and stated that the 2022 bed tax revenue was \$249,000.00. That money is used to pay the mortgage on the Old Millstream building. Based upon the forecasts, they should have the debt paid off in the third quarter of 2023. With that said, they are looking for ways to use the upcoming bed tax since there is a 3-year commitment. Haley discussed the possibility of creating an expo like center at the fairgrounds. The AG offices currently along CR 140 could be placed in this location. Often times, people are looking for a gathering of 150-300 people and this could be incorporated into this spot. The Old Millstream building is booked 44 of the 52 weekends in 2023.

Some weekends in 2024 and 2025 are booked. They have just begun to look at what the community needs are to spend this money wisely. Possible long-range use is to replace the Grange building or the expo center to house a multitude of things. Tim Bechtol inquired if they have looked at a multi floor building due to space limitations currently at the fairgrounds. Darryl said that they have looked into that. Bill Bateson appreciated the interesting information and inquired if any other fairgrounds have an expo center. Haley stated that she doesn't think that there are any that have an expo center, however several of them are in close proximity to the fairgrounds. Bill Bateson also inquired the status on the restrooms for the campsite area. Haley stated that they are working on that as well and will be attending the solar eclipse meeting to begin preparations for the April 2024 event. Haley stressed the importance of working together. Tim Bechtol stated that it's important to keep the flood control measures in mind when making improvements. Lye Creek runs throughout the fairgrounds and the South parking area often floods. Darryl acknowledged.



Lynn Taylor, Clerk

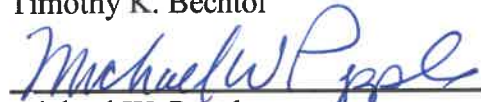
Reviewed and approved by:



William L. Bateson



Timothy K. Bechtol



Michael W. Pepple