

## Minutes

January 8, 2024

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

Also Present: Lynn Taylor, Jeff Wobser and Lee Weygandt.

Commissioner Pepple opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' 1st floor

The Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #15-24 – In the matter of organization – Board of County Commissioners – Timothy K. Bechtol - President. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #16-24 – In the matter of organization – Board of County Commissioners – Michael W. Pepple - Vice President. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #17-24 – Employing Lynnette Taylor as Clerk of the Board of Hancock County Commissioners. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

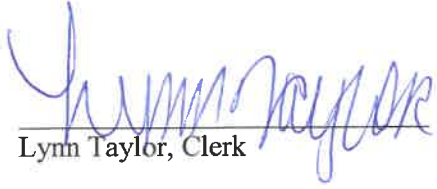
Resolution #18-24 – Employing Christine Carrigan and Alec Helms as Assistant Clerks of the Board of Hancock County Commissioners. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #19-24 – Setting forth various boards that the Commissioners agree to be a member of for the year 2024. Michel Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

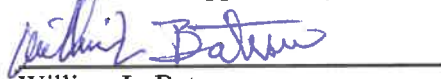
Resolution #20-24 – Resolution to designate the official representative and alternate for the purpose of voting at the annual meeting of the County Commissioners Associate of Ohio in 2024. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.


Jeff Wobser had no comment.


Lee Weygandt stated that he wanted to schedule a time to meet with the officials to discuss the potential closing of the Litter Landing facility. Lee is hearing a lot of rumors and said there is a lot of community interest in this situation. Bill Bateson explained that no decision has been made at this time and that they are exploring different options. Furthermore, the Board realizes that the County is required to offer recycling and the Board likes recycling. An objective of this decision is to look at the best cost share for the public. By reaching out to other Counties, they are looking into contracting out recycling. Lee stated that he doesn't want to make recycling so inconvenient that no one participates. The Board agreed. Lee expressed his concern that if bins are placed throughout the City, they will become misused and be a collection site for garbage. Bill stated he understands the concern, however, at some point the responsibility falls on the citizens to recycle properly. Tim Bechtol stated that this decision is not an end all decision. Changes can be made. The current recycling facility has outgrown its capacity; therefore, something needs to be done.

  
Lynn Taylor, Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:

  
William L. Bateson

  
Timothy K. Bechtol

  
Michael W. Pepple