Minutes June 22, 2017

Commissioners Present: Mark Gazarek, Brian Robertson and Timothy Bechtol.

Also Present: Lucinda Land, Philip Johnson, Steve Wilson, Doug Cade, Julie Benziger, Doug Jenkins and Jim Maurer.

Commissioner Gazarek opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the June 20, 2017 meeting were read with Timothy Bechtol making the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #321-17 – Resolution-Order fixing time of final hearing on Engineer's reports on estimated assessments, on the proceedings for the improvement and on claims for compensation and damages. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #322-17 – Additional appropriation within Auditor's certification-Commissioners to appropriate to ODOT State Grant Fund. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Commissioners approved payroll for their staff and Job & Family Services. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve the warrant list from the Auditor's office, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Lucinda Land presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #323-17 – Authorizing a contract with Robin Kershner, dba Kershner Excavating for the design and installation of a new home sewage treatment system as part of the Hancock County WPCLF Grant WPCLF Project #HS390032-0003-2017-4. Lucinda stated this is paid 85% by the grant and 15% by the homeowner. The total contract price is \$17,069.00. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Philip Johnson requested an executive session to discuss real estate acquisition. Brian Robertson also asked for executive session to discuss real estate acquisition.

Doug Cade, Steve Wilson and Julie Benziger had nothing for the meeting.

Reports

Brian Robertson attended the Hancock County Health meeting Tuesday afternoon, the Chamber Advisory Board meeting this morning, and met with John Haywood from the Alliance.

Timothy Bechtol attended the Board of Revisions meeting all day yesterday.

Mark Gazarek talked to Senator Hite regarding the elimination of the Medicaid sales tax in the state budget. Senator Hite is working on getting that changed but as of right now, this change will affect Hancock County revenue by \$400,000. He encouraged Commissioner Robertson and Commissioner Bechtol to also contact the Senator.

At 9:40 a.m. Mark Gazarek made the motion to go into executive session to discuss real estate acquisition, Timothy Bechtol seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Mark Gazarek, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes; Brian Robertson, yes. At 10:05 a.m. Mark Gazarek made the motion to come out of executive session, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

10:00 a.m. telephone conference with Wood County regarding Joint County Ditch Maintenance. Wood County prepared three resolutions for joint ditches for approval as follows: Resolution #17-00665 C.C. Schuff Joint County Ditch and Glen Rader Joint County Ditch; Resolution #17-00666 Frank Funk Joint County Ditch, Cloyce Wells Joint County Ditch and Donald Todd Joint County Ditch; and Resolution #17-00667 Cloyce Well Joint County Ditch. All three resolutions passed and a copy will be forwarded to me for our files.

At 10:10 a.m. Mark Gazarek made the motion to go back into executive session to discuss real estate acquisition, Brian Robertson seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Mark Gazarek, yes; Brian Robertson, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes. At 10:30 a.m. Mark Gazarek made the motion to come out of executive session with no action taken, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

At 11:00 a.m. the Commissioners went to view the site for the Markle Street vacation in Marion Township.

At 1:33 p.m. a hearing was held regarding the Markle Street vacation. Those in attendance: Mark Gazarek, Timothy Bechtol, Lucinda Land, Donna & Ron Coon, Kelley Foltz and Randy Roberts. Lucinda Land stated that we received a letter from the Engineer's office stating that this vacation would not be detrimental to the public convenience and welfare and the existing parcels will not be landlocked. The Commissioners were in favor of moving forward.

Lucinda Land presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #324-17 – Vacation of a portion of Markle Street in Marion Township, Hancock County Ohio pursuant to Ohio Revised Code #5553.02, 5553.04, 5553.042 and 5553.05. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

At 2:00 p.m. Gary Tuttle met with the Commissioners to discuss the Nimrod Bright Ditch. Also in attendance were Lucinda Land and Heather Pendleton. Gary Tuttle said they have received quotes but they haven't signed a contract yet. He said for this project they have to move concrete culverts and asked if they break while moving, who is going to pay to replace them. The cost to replace them would be \$20,000. The Commissioners asked Gary to find out if the culverts are in stock or have to be ordered and also, how much are the old culverts worth. Also, Gary has to make sure the right of entry agreements are signed by the landowners before a contract is signed. The clerk also asked Gary Tuttle about the A.J.Smith Tile project near McComb. The Commissioners have not made a decision yet. It will be brought up at Tuesday's meeting.

2:30 p.m. telephone conference with Allen County regarding Joint County Ditch Maintenance was cancelled.

At 2:45 p.m. Kraig Kutschbach - Blanchard Valley Port Authority interview.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Bishop, Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:

Mark D. Gazarek

Brian J. Robertson

Timothy K. Bechtol

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