

Minutes

June 22, 2023

Commissioners present: Timothy Bechtol and Michael Pepple. William Bateson absent

Also Present: Alec Helms, Cindy Land, Phil Johnson, Auditor Charity Rauschenberg, Adam Witteman, Jeremy Kalb and Lou Wilin from the Courier.

Commissioner Bechtol 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 June 20th, 2023 meeting was read with Michael Pepple making a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Michael Pepple made a motion to approve the warrant journal. Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #404-23 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification - Commissioners to appropriate to WPCLF #2202. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #405-23 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification - Commissioners to appropriate to WPCLF #2202. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #406-23 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification - Commissioners to appropriate to WPCLF #2202. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #407-23 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification - Commissioners to appropriate to MV & GT Fund 2002. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #408-23 – 2023 Ditch Maintenance Recollections. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #409-23 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Juvenile Probate Capital Projects Fund #4235. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Cindy Land presented the following resolutions:

Resolution #410-23 – Authorizing a contract with Robin Kershner, D/B/A Kershner Excavating for the design and installation of a new home sewage treatment system as part of the Hancock County WPCLF grant project HS#390032-0008-2022-05. Cindy Land stated this is for a

property located on County Road 140, Findlay. This is a 50% grant funded project and the homeowner has already paid their portion. The total for the project is \$24,109.00 with the soil testing. This contract with Robin Kershner is for \$22,924.00. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #411-23 – Authorizing a contract with Robin Kershner, D/B/A Kershner Excavating for the design and installation of a new home sewage treatment system as part of the Hancock County WPCLF grant project HS#390032-0008-2022-07. Cindy Land stated this is for a property located on State Route 103, Arlington. This is a 50% grant funded project and the homeowner has already paid their portion. The total for the project is \$23,057.00. This contract with Robin Kershner is for \$21,807.00. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #412-23 – Authorizing a contract with Robin Kershner, D/B/A Kershner Excavating for the design and installation of a new home sewage treatment system as part of the Hancock County WPCLF grant project HS#390032-0008-2022-08. Cindy Land stated this is for a property located on County Road 9, Arlington. This is an 85% grant funded project and the homeowner has already paid their portion. The total for the project is \$18,407.00 with the soil testing. This contract with Robin Kershner is for \$17,557.00. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #413-23 – Authorizing an agreement with Guardian for Employee Supplemental Insurance benefits. Cindy Land stated these would be provided for county employees to purchase to along with our insurance. This is for short term disability, voluntary life and AD&D, critical illness, accident and hospital options. These have always been available but this is a new company. We had First Insurance go out and get several different companies that could provide these and this was the best deal. These will be available for next year and they can enroll when we do our regular open enrollment. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Charity Rauschenberg stated that there is a statute stating that the options must be put in front of everyone and we must have a 10% employee participation rate in order to be a payroll deduction. Cindy Land explained that some are considered post and pre-tax deductions and stated there were no rate changes from the insurance meeting when they were presented.

Phil Johnson presented the following resolution:

Resolution #414-23 – Resolution authorizing entry into contract with CT Consultants, Inc. to provide third party materials testing and special inspections in relation to the Hancock County Judicial Center Project in Findlay, Ohio. Phil Johnson stated these are for the services that the Wood County Inspections office stated needed to be done but they are unable to complete. The cost is a not to exceed of \$112,000.00. Phil explained the attachments included with the resolution. Commissioner Bechtol stated that the addendum was prepared by Matt Sagone. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0. Commissioner Bechtol stated the last document that will need signed is the Wood County document stating all of the special inspections they will need.

There was a discussion on the different addendums and change orders that have been approved and the corresponding contracts they go with.

Phil Johnson requested an executive session in regard to potential real estate lease and acquisition.

Auditor Rauschenberg stated they finished the bond paperwork yesterday. There were a few glitches but everything was submitted and they have let the Treasurer's office know they should be seeing the proceeds coming in today. There was further discussion on the addendums and change order and what is included in the GMP. Commissioner Bechtol stated we are still working on Change Order #2 for the pre-construction services. Cindy Land stated she would like to come to the Commissioners office and go through the file to make sure everything is all sorted out. Auditor Rauschenberg stated they have disclosed to audit that we are issuing the debit and we may need to disclose the contract has been signed since it is such a large amount.

Jeremy Kalb stated he was here in case the Commissioner had any further questions on the annexation. The Commissioners stated they did not have any questions.

Meetings/Reports

William Bateson was absent.

Michael Pepple had nothing to report.

Timothy Bechtol attended the Chamber of Commerce Advisory Committee meeting this morning.

At 9:58 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made a motion to enter into executive session in regards to potential real estate lease and acquisition. Michael Pepple seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Timothy Bechtol, yes; Michael Pepple, yes;

At 10:36 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made a motion to come out of executive session, in regards to potential real estate lease and acquisition with no action taken. Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

At 10:36 a.m., the Commissioners met with Randall Galbraith for a JFS update. Also present was Alec Helms, Cindy Land and Phil Johnson. Randy stated that the CPSU financials are doing fairly well. They currently have \$1.4 million to get through till September. The only dark spot could be that there is currently a child in custody that has a per-diem daily cost of \$1,200.00 to \$1,500.00. He is meeting with ADAMHS and some other agencies to talk about possible cost sharing options. The number of children in care has gone down a bit and was at 96 at the end of May. There was 43 in foster care and 34 in kinship placement. There are 2 kids in an adoption placement and he is looking to see more adoptions coming soon. The number of kids being receiving in-home services was at 81. CPSU has received two awards totaling \$45,263.00. They are currently meeting all of the metrics for timely and comprehensive investigations. Randy stated the office is deep into the Medicaid unwinding from the pandemic. Everything seems to be coming along but they do have a year to get through all of the cases. Randy stated the

Commissioners have seen some of the contract amendments coming through for the non-emergency Medicaid transportation program. The program is booming and we may see another increase. Phil Johnson asked if they had received the two new vehicles they had purchased. Randy stated they had both of vehicles and provided an update on where the titles are. There was a discussion on the process of kinship care.

At 6:00 p.m., the Commissioner's meeting was reconvened at the Liberty Benton High School to hold the final hearing on the Liberty-Reed Single County Petition Ditch. Alec Helms, Christine Carrigan, Phil Johnson, Engineer Doug Cade and Kyle Parker were also present. See attached sheets for members of the public in attendance.

Commissioner Bechtol opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and stating the purpose of the hearing based on ORC Section 6131 which establishes the process for denial or establishment of a petition ditch. Alec Helms read the history of the petition. Commissioner Bechtol stated the rules for the hearing. Jeff Hunker, Liberty Township Trustee, spoke about the trustees reasoning for petitioning the ditch. He provided background information on the ditch and how that led into their decision to submit the petition. He stated provided some statistical facts about the proposed assessments and stated they do not like the idea of having more taxes but this seemed the best option for having the ditch taken care of. Engineer Doug Cade submitted the Schedule of Damages to the Commissioners for review. He provided background information and pictures of the ditch, explained the process of how the design and cost assessment was established and presented the Report of the County Engineer. Doug stated the total cost for this project would be \$968,085.14 and after complete the cost/benefit analysis on this project he recommends moving forward. Public testimony then followed. Each individual was sworn in by Commissioner Bechtol prior to giving testimony. Several members of the public spoke in opposition of the project. Commissioner Bechtol stated that there was one request for Exception to the Assessment and one Claim for Damages or Compensation received. Anneliese Kolan was not in attendance to give testimony in regards to her request for Exception to the Assessment. Aric Hochstettler provided testimony on why he has chosen to submit the claim. He requested to review the Schedule of Damages that was submitted by Engineer Cade. He explained his interpretation of the Schedule of Damages and stated that after viewing this he is even more opposed to the project. Commissioner Bechtol made a motion to adjourn the meeting so the Commissioner can review all of the information they have been provided during the hearing. Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 2-0. Commissioner Bechtol announced there would be notices sent to the residents stating when the hearing will be continued. Engineer Cade stated that if anyone has any questions on the project to please reach out to his office.

Respectfully submitted,



Alec Helms, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:



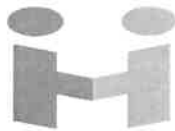
William L. Bateson

Timothy K. Bechtol

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Michael W. Pepple

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Randall L. Galbraith, Esq., Director

Commissioner's Report – June 22nd, 2023

1) CPSU Financials

Balance Brought Forward (end of December 2022 placement:	(1,031,842.47)
2023 YTD Foster Care Placement	840,593.89
YTD Shared Placement Costs	-
ADAMHS and Juvenile Court Share	-
SCPA and Title XX used for shared	-
YTD Adoption (county share)	43,966.81
IV-E Reimbursement for Placements	(259,258.13)
Title XX Reimbursements for Placements	(76,476.01)
SS & Child Support	(41,442.16)
MSY Reimbursement (May)	-
MSY Reimbursement	-
SCPA SFY23 used for foster care services	-
Levy funds received	(984,699.07)
30-Days to Family Salary, Benefits, & Shared Costs	33,290.50
Balance	(1,475,866.64)

2) CPSU Children in Care

3) CPSU Incentive Award

October 2022- March 2023

Composite Visitation

- 54 counties achieved 95% or higher for Composite Visitation, receiving \$18,981.00
- 54 counties showed some sort of improvement on Composite Visitation.
- 9 counties showed 10% or higher improvement on Composite Visitation.

Timely Investigation Highlights

- 39 counties achieved 95% or higher for Timely Investigations, receiving \$26,282.00
- 57 counties demonstrated improvement on Timely Investigations.
- 23 counties showed 10% or higher improvement on Timely Investigations.
- 11 counties showed 20% or higher improvement on Timely Investigations.

Providing Help Today and Building Hope for Tomorrow

Comprehensive Visitation Incentive Award Winners...\$18,981.00 with 96% of visits met

Timely Investigations Incentive Award Winners.... \$26,282.00 with 96% of investigation completed timely

TOTAL= \$45,263.00

PLACEMENTS SUMMARY STATEMENT *

Hancock County Job & Family Services

Providing Help Today and Building Hope for Tomorrow

7814 County Road 99
Findlay, OH 45840

DATE: 6/16/2023

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	242,794.48	-	6,753.94	(83,402.46)	(34,692.07)	131,453.89
February	217,251.68	-	7,164.38	(76,094.47)	(34,541.28)	113,780.31
March	215,357.17	-	7,164.38	(68,942.45)	(29,765.90)	123,813.20
April	165,190.56	-	7,588.24	(30,818.75)	(18,918.92)	123,041.13
May	-	-	7,718.63	-	-	7,718.63
June	-	-	7,577.24	-	-	7,577.24
July	-	-	-	-	-	-
August	-	-	-	-	-	-
September	-	-	-	-	-	-
October	-	-	-	-	-	-
November	-	-	-	-	-	-
December	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	840,593.89	-	43,966.81	(259,258.13)	(117,918.17)	507,384.40

Bal brought fwd	(1,031,842.47)
<u>County Paid</u>	
MSY	-
MSY	-
SCPA Applied	-
Levy funds February	-
Levy funds February	-
Levy funds March	(984,699.07)
Levy funds April	-
Levy funds August	-
Levy funds September	-
January	3,799.07
February	5,363.80
March	7,736.63
April	11,034.52
May	5,356.48
June	-
July	-
August	-
September	-
October	-
November	-
December	-
<u>TOTAL REC'D</u>	<u>(951,408.57)</u>
Balance	(1,475,866.64)

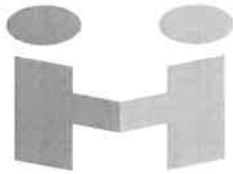
30 Days to Family personnel exp

NET BALANCE DUE (1,475,866.64)

* 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

May 2023

Date of Report: June 5, 2023

Total Number of reports Received:	
March 2023	160
April 2023	158
May 2023	160
Screened In/Out	
March 2023	IN= 39, OUT= 121
April 2023	IN= 36, OUT= 122
May 2023	IN= 42, OUT= 118
Breakdown of case Type Screened In:	
March 2023	TR= 15, AR= 20, FINS= 3, Dependency= 1
April 2023	TR= 11, AR= 18, FINS= 6, Dependency= 1
May 2023	TR= 14, AR= 20, FINS= 5, Dependency= 3
Total Number of Kids in Care at months end	
March 2023	98
April 2023	97
May 2023	96
Breakdown of <u>Current</u> Placements (96 + 2 AWOL)	
Family Foster Home	43
Adoptive	2
Kinship Placement	34
Group Home	6
Residential	9
Hospitalization	2
AWOL*	2
Total number of Children Entering Care/Exiting Care	
March 2023	Enter= 7, Exit= 8
April 2023	Enter= 5, Exit= 6
May 2023	Enter= 3, Exit= 4
Total number of Children Receiving In-Home Services	
March 2023	81

April 2023	85
May 2023	91

TR- Traditional Response

AR- Alternative Response

FINS- Family in Need of Services

AWOL- Absent without leave

LIBERTY-REED SINGLE COUNTY DITCH FINAL HEARING SIGN IN - 6/22/2023

NAME (PLEASE PRINT)	DEPARTMENT/ADDRESS
Teresa Streacker	6750 TR 136
BRINA LEMONS	7426 TR 136
DOUG HEASTOR	7064 TR 136
Jill Haley	7585 TR 95
Don Haley	7585 TR 95
Mike Wolford	7396 TR 136
Dean Recker	8730 W US RT 224

Sign in

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
ROBERT C. HYER	787 7945 Driftwood
Nichole Smith	7921 W US 224
Dave Ellorbrock	7942 Driftwood Dr.
Jerry Rader	7905 Driftwood
Mike Thapen	8701 W US 224
Clarence Baker, Pamela	7495 Twp Rd 95
Angie Laune	109 Renee Ct McCombs
Maria Lawrence	6255 Twp Rd 136
Kerry Frey	7884 Driftwood Dr.
Jason Althaus	Hancock SWCD
Just Baker	7500 TWP 94
Ray Coger	7416 Twp 136
Chad [Signature]	8498 TR 94

SPEAKERS



	Name	Address
N	Craig C Stower	6924 TR 136
N	Carol J Stower	6924 TR 136
→	Jeff Hunter	7018 TR 136
N	Date Hovest	13248 Rd. L
N	Matt Smith	7921 W us 229
-	DeAnna Cardona	7825 Dr. Howard DR
←	MARK LAWARRE	6755 Tup. Rd. 136
-	Oliver Perry	7884 Driftwood Lane
N	William + Linda Winkelman	8114 Tup Rd 95
N	Gene Gordon	8361 Rd 5H
N	Carl Bertan	8163 Rd 5H Leysin

~ Kris Kaple 5396 CR 131 McComb

LIBERTY-REED SINGLE COUNTY DITCH FINAL HEARING TESTIMONY SIGN UP SHEET

	NAME (PLEASE PRINT)	DEPARTMENT/ADDRESS
N	David Streaker	6820 Twp Rd 136
-	ARIC HOCHSTETTLER	7687 TR 94
N	Karl Streaker	7860 TR 94
N	Joe Streaker	6760 TR 136
-	Lissa Streaker	6760 TR 136
N	Mike Wolfford	7391 Twp Rd 120
	Richard Johnston	7096 Twp Rd 136

**LIBERTY-REED SINGLE COUNTY DITCH FINAL HEARING
TESTIMONY SIGN UP SHEET**

NAME (PLEASE PRINT)	DEPARTMENT/ADDRESS
N David Kohan	8402 TWP RD 94