

Minutes  
June 29, 2017

At 9:36 a.m. the Commissioners discussed the Moser Joint County Ditch with the Allen County Commissioners per telephone conference. A resolution was presented by Allen County for maintenance collection

Commissioners Present: Brian Robertson and Timothy Bechtol.

Also Present: Heather Pendleton, Lucinda Land, Philip Johnson, Charity Rauschenberg, Adam Witteman, Andrew Rappin, and Alex Parker.

Commissioner Robertson opened the meeting at 9:40 a.m. in the Commissioners' 1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the June 27, 2017 meeting were read with Timothy Bechtol making the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0. Minutes from the June 28, 2017 elected officials meeting were read with Timothy Bechtol making the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #327-17 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-Litter Landing. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #328-17 – Transfer of Hancock County (Additional Sales & Use Tax) General Fund to the Flood Mitigation Capital Projects Fund-June 2017. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #329-17 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioners to appropriate to Juvenile Court Specialized Docket. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

The Commissioners signed an updated position description form from Job & Family Services. Timothy Bechtol made the motion for the Vice Chairman's signature on the Julian & Grube audit letter, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0. The Commissioners waived the exit conference. Charity stated there is nothing of significance that would be discussed during the exit conference. She also introduced Adam Witteman. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve the Auditor's warrant journal, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Lucinda Land presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #330-17 – Resolution rescinding Resolution No. 323-17 authorizing a contract with Robin Kershner, D/B/A Kershner Excavating for the installation of a new home sewage treatment system as part of the Hancock County WPCLF grant for WPCLF Project #HS390032-0003-2017-4. The original estimate for this project was incorrect. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #331-17 – 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 WPCLF Project #HS390032-0003-2017-4. Also authorized is a refund to the landowner in the amount of \$333 due to overpayment of the necessary 15%. The total project cost is \$14,849.00. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #332-17 – Resolution authorizing the Hancock County Job & Family Services, administrative agent for the Family & Children First Council to enter into a contract with the Hancock County Board of Developmental Disabilities to provide necessary Help Me Grow services. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Lucinda requested an executive session to discuss personnel in regards to hiring.

Brian Robertson also requested an executive session to discuss potential real estate acquisition and economic development. Lucinda Land checked the qualifications for an executive session regarding economic development and Brian Robertson stated the discussion meets those parameters.

Philip Johnson presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #333-17 – Approving Change Order #3 to the contract with Heyne Construction, Inc., for the Hancock County Courthouse Foundation Repair Project. The change order is necessary in order to provide a handicap entrance on the north side of the courthouse. The cost is \$1,353.00. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Philip requested an executive session to discuss potential real estate acquisition.

### **Reports**

Timothy Bechtol attended the elected officials meeting on Wednesday.

Brian Robertson attended the elected officials meeting on Wednesday, a Dorney Plaza committee meeting, a Community Action committee meeting, a telephone conference with Blanchard Valley Port Authority, and a Dorney Plaza construction meeting. The North end of Dorney Plaza will have a gravel inlay with decorative grass. Brian instructed the Assistant Clerk to send out notice that Dorney Plaza is currently a hard hat area. He will also be sending notice to the contractor to remind them to lock the gates after hours. Gary Tuttle notified Brian that Soil & Water will be removing the log jam Mr. Howard referred, weather permitting, next week. Brian also wanted to clarify the sales tax information. The current Commissioners are facing the same infrastructure issues that the former Commissioners have faced. Former Commissioner Ed Ingold articulated that point in his letter to the editor. This sales tax is not intended to grow the County government, but to strengthen the safety and security of our community.

At 10:03 a.m. the Commissioners recessed until the afternoon in order to enter into executive session to discuss personnel in regards to hiring, potential real estate acquisition, and economic development. No action is anticipated.

At 1:27 p.m. the Commissioners reconvened. Present: Brian Robertson, Timothy Bechtol, Heather Pendleton, Lucinda Land, Philip Johnson, and Andrew Rappin.

Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve the Auditor's warrant list, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

At 1:31 p.m. Brian Robertson made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel in regards to hiring, potential real estate acquisition, and economic development to consider confidential information related to marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development, Timothy Bechtol seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Brian Robertson, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes. At 2:24 p.m. Brian Robertson made the motion to come out of executive session with no action taken, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Sarah Mutchler, Assistant Clerk


Reviewed and approved by:



Mark D. Gazarek



Brian J. Robertson



Timothy K. Bechtol