1:30 p.m.-Commissioner's Meeting

Commissioners Present: Brian Robertson, Timothy Bechtol and Mark Gazarek Also Present: Sarah Mutchler, Philip Johnson, Steve Wilson, Chris Long, Jim Maurer and Maryann LaRoche.

Commissioner Robertson opened the meeting at 1:30 p.m. in the Commissioners' 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from March 8, 2018 were read with Timothy Bechtol making the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #169-18 – Authorizing the payment of the listed and/or attached purchase orders. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #170-18 – Employing Sarah Mutchler as Clerk of the Board of Hancock County Commissioners. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #171-18 – Employing Beth Bishop as Assistant Clerk of the Board of Hancock County Commissioners. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #172-18 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Commissioners. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Commissioners signed travel requests for the Auditor and the Public Defender.

The assistant clerk said we received a letter from the County Engineer stating his appointment to the District 13 Public Works Commissioner Integrating Committee will expire in 2018. He requested a resolution be adopted to re-appoint him as the representative for Hancock County and suggested appointing Deputy Engineer Doug Cade as the alternate. The Commissioners asked that this information be given to the Prosecutor's office to prepare a resolution.

Mark Gazarek made the motion for Brian Robertson's signature on the request for disbursement of OPWC funds for the Landfill Waterline project, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The assistant clerk presented the following resolutions for the Prosecutor's office for consideration:

Resolution #173-18 - Termination of contract with Frostbite Falls, LLC for employment of Sanitary Engineer for Hancock County for calendar year 2018. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #174-18 – Resolution terminating the Hancock County Commissioners contract with Frostbite Falls, LLC, 1913 Queenswood Dr., Findlay, Ohio for Project Manager services related to Hancock County Flood Mitigation Projects. Mark Gazarek made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Philip Johnson requested an executive session regarding real estate acquisition and potential litigation.

Chris Long reported where his crews are working today.

Steve Wilson said the disbursement request that Brian Robertson signed was for the Landfill Waterline Project. Underground Utilities has started and they are on CR 99 almost to the RR tracks. They are going to do the RR bore tomorrow and head north from there. The Dalzell Ditch contractor has started working on the head wall along Bolton Street. Bolton Street will be closed for several days. Most of the trees are cleared and they are up to the parking lot at the High School.

Reports

Mark Gazarek said he and Sarah Mutchler were at Litter Landing during the Commissioners meeting last Thursday handling issues with the new baler. He met with the Common Pleas Judges this morning regarding issues at the Courthouse and also met with the Court Administrator. He met with members of the DAC Board regarding the Health Department.

Timothy Bechtol attended the Cattlemen's and Pheasants Forever Banquets on Saturday night and said they were very well attended, yesterday he attended the Ag Council breakfast at 50 North, the Opiate Task Force Community Awareness meeting at ADAMHS Board and he also attended a legislative round table meeting with Senator Rob McColley. Last night he attended the Hancock County Jr. High Quiz Bowl tournament where Cory Rawson came in 1st place. He announced that on Thursday, March 22, 2018, there will be a gathering at Cedar Creek Church being coordinated by the Sheriff's office and Cedar Creek Church at 6 p.m. regarding the heroin epidemic and drug problems. This gathering is open to the public. This morning he attended the MWCD meeting and gave a report on the recent tours he's taken and he has some comments he wanted verified between MCWC and Stantec that their emphasis is on the benching projects in Findlay and stated that the basin proposal is still in the investigative stage, not even close to being finalized.

Brian Robertson met with the Port Authority Friday morning and discussed how to take more of a cooperative agreement approach on projects. Saturday night he attended the NRA Banquet and stated it was very well attended. He attended the Red Cross Youth Council meeting last night and this morning he attended the MWCD.

Brian Robertson gave an update of resolutions that were passed this morning. They appointed Sarah Mutchler as Clerk to the Board due to the retirement of Beth Bishop effective April 30, 2018. The Commissioners thanked Beth for her years of service and expressed their appreciation of the knowledge and information that she has shared.

At 1:50 p.m. Brian Robertson made the motion to go into executive session regarding real estate acquisition and potential litigation Timothy Bechtol seconded. A roll call vote was taken and resulted as follows: Brian Robertson, yes; Mark Gazarek, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes. At 2:14 p.m. Brian Robertson made the motion to come out of executive session with no action taken, Mark Gazarek seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

2:30 p.m. Convention & Visitors Bureau Annual Update

Those present: Brian Robertson, Timothy Bechtol, Mark Gazarek, Sarah Mutchler, John Haywood, Danielle Wilkin, Alissa Preston, Tracy Dunn, Leah Esper and Heather Clow. John Haywood thanked the Commissioners for taking the time to meet with them. He said 2017 was very successful and they are looking forward to 2018. They handed out their 2017 Year in Review pamphlet and went through and explained each section.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Bishop, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:

Brian J. Robertson

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Mark D. Gazarek