

Minutes

March 5, 2020

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

Also Present: Tammy Erwin, Lizzy Hile, James Sammet, Jim Maurer, Miranda Lobdell, Mike Pepple, Steve Wilson, Bill Bateson and 7 4-H students along with their advisor.

Commissioner Gazarek 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 March 3, 2020 meeting were read with Timothy Bechtol making a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0. A Proclamation was signed by the Commissioners for "Ohio and Hancock County 4-H Week."

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions:

Resolution #136-20 – Transfer of Hancock County Solid Waste Management District Tier Disposal Fees to the Tiered Disposal Fee Fund. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #137-20 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Commissioners General Office. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #138-20 – Amendments to the MEBC – Hancock County UMR Administrative Services Agreement. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #139-20 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Job and Family Services. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #140-20 – Authorizing a CHIP Partnership Agreement between Hancock County and the City of Findlay for the PY 2020 CHIP Grant. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #141-20 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Veterans Services. Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Timothy Bechtol made a motion to approve the Warrant Journal. Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0. The Commissioners signed the Fund Report for February.

The Assistant Clerk gave a Maintenance Update from a report that was given by James Sammet, Maintenance Supervisor. Assistant Clerk also informed the Commissioners of a "Notice of filing of a Single County Ditch Petition" filed on March 4, 2020 by Liberty Benton Township Trustees.

Meetings/Reports

Brian Robertson attended the Wood County Economic Development meeting on Tuesday. They had an interesting statistic that NW Ohio has had a population decline in every county with the exception of Hancock County, which went up 56%. Brian also attended the annual meeting for the DAC last night. There was some trouble getting quorum so the need for the village mayors to be there is important. Karim Baroudi, Health Commissioner for Hancock Public Health Department talked about a Needle Exchange Program they would like to see come to our community and wanted some feedback from the DAC. Brian shared some information that was discussed during that meeting regarding the Needle Exchange Program and what outcomes/goals they were hoping to expect if that program were to happen.

Timothy Bechtol commented on the Needle Exchange Program and stated that the treatment aspect is not required. It is completely optional and voluntary. Tim attended the 100th Year Kiwanis of Findlay Gala Event last night at Brugeman Lodge. Findlay Rotary Club is also celebrating 100 Years as service to the community. He attended the Housing Advisory Committee Meeting yesterday. There were 28 representatives from every aspect of housing in Hancock County. The handout will be up in the Commissioners' office. Timothy wanted to congratulate the two new Commissioners appointed in NW Ohio. Dave Courtad, from Upper Sandusky will be replacing Ron Metzger who just retired from the Wyandot County Commissioners Board. Also, Jeff Mires was appointed to replace Tom VonDeylon on the Henry County Commissioners Board.

Mark Gazarek had nothing to report and the meeting was adjourned.

At 11:00 a.m., the Census Count Committee met. Those present included: William Bateson, Sarah Clevidence, Commissioner Brian Robertson, Cheryl Kellogg, Tyler McKinney, Liz Ditto, Mayor Christina Muryn, Auditor Charity Rauschenberg, Kathy Launder, and Elicia Mitchell.

Mayor Muryn said she sent an email to those on the committee and other community leaders that included resources for the census. The radio ads will start next week. There will also be billboards in the community, facebook ads, and a courier editorial. She then presented a video regarding instructions on filling on the census. The City has reached out to the Friends of Findlay Group and is working with big industries on promoting completion of the census. The Chamber of Commerce will be sending information to its members as well.

Cheryl Kellogg brought posters, fliers, and other promotional items for the Census. She said overall, Hancock County/City of Findlay have done a great job promoting the completion of the census. They will be sending crews out to low response areas after April 1. There will also be mobile questionnaire assistants set up throughout the County.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Erwin

Tammy Erwin, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:

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