

Minutes

November 18, 2021

Commissioners Present: Timothy Bechtol, Michael Pepple and William Bateson.

Also Present: Lynn Taylor, Cindy Land, Steve Wilson, Adam Witteman, Jay Myers, Doug Cade, Dave Tong, Mary Tong and Mary Ann LaRoche.

Commissioner Bechtol opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The minutes from November 16, 2021 were read and approved. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #795-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioner's to appropriate to Community Development Block Grant. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #796-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioner's to appropriate to Litter Landing Fund. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #797-21 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Buildings & Grounds. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #798-21 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Tier Fee. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #799-21 – Transfer of funds from Tier Fee to Litter Landing. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #800-21 – Repayment of advance from the BWC Substance Use Recovery & Workplace Safety to ADAMHS. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #801-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification- Commissioners to appropriate to Family First. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #802-21 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation- Developmental Disabilities. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #803-21 – Rescinding Hancock County Commissioner's Resolution #771-21 dated November 9, 2021 (Transfer of funds from Tier Fee to Litter Landing). William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #804-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor’s certification-Commissioner’s to appropriate to Severance (Sheriff). William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

William Bateson made the motion to approve the 2 Warrant Journals, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0. JFS Payroll and the Commissioner’s Office payroll was approved. William Bateson made the motion for Commissioner Bechtol to sign the OPWC Disbursement request for the County Township Resurfacing 2021. Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0. .

Cindy Land presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Cindy Land stated that the following Mannik & Smith resolutions relate to various contracts that are required by the EPA. In the past, Hancock County has relied on the expertise of Mannik & Smith to fulfill the other reporting requirements.

Resolution #805-21 – Contract for Engineering Services for future landfill expansion benefits between the Mannik & Smith Group, Inc., Consultants and the Board of Hancock County Commissioners work order No. H1010070. This contract is for \$75,000.00. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #806-21 – Contract for General Consulting Services between the Mannik & Smith Group, Inc., Consultants and the Board of Hancock County Commissioners work order no. H1010071. This contract is for \$120,000.00. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #807-21 – Contract for 2022 SWMC Annual District Report for 2021 services between the Mannik & Smith Group, Inc., Consultants and the Board of Hancock County Commissioners work order No. H1010072. This contract is for \$7,000.00. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #808-21 – Contract for Groundwater Monitoring Services between the Mannik & Smith Group, Inc., Consultants and the Board of Hancock County Commissioners work order No. H1010073. This contract is for \$93,000.00. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Steve Wilson stated that the resolutions that pertain to the landfill expansion do not need to be presented today due to the uncertainty of the expansion. Cindy Land acknowledged. In addition, Steve stated that the funds for the Annual Report Resolution will come from the Tier Fee Fund, the remainder will come from funds at the Landfill.

Resolution #809-21 – Contract for Gas Collection/Control System Coordination for 2022 between the Mannik & Smith Group, Inc., Consultants and the Board of Hancock County Commissioners work order No. H1010074. This contract is for \$18,000.00. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #810-21 – Authorizing Change Order No. 1 to the Contract with The Beaverdam Contracting Inc. for the County Road 172 Road Improvement Project. Doug Cade stated that the project has been completed and final quantities measured. This created a reduction in cost of

\$1,041.45. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #811-21 – Authorizing Change Order No.1 to the combined 2021 County/Township OPWC Resurfacing Program Contract with M & B Asphalt Co. Inc. for the Hancock County 2021 Road Resurfacing Program. Cindy stated that the this is also a reduction of \$15,535.04 to the final contract price. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #812-21 – Authorizing Change Order No. 1 to the 2021 County/Township Resurfacing Program contract with The Shelly Company for the Hancock County 2021 Road Resurfacing Program. This change order is for \$12,894.43. Total project cost is \$1,852,244.98. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Doug also provided a summary of work performed from the Engineer's Office. The Commissioners were appreciated of their work and results for the year and the 2022 recent projects announced.

Cindy Land requested an executive session regarding potential litigation.

Steve Wilson stated that MWCD received news this week of the Federal Grant award of 7 million dollars for the replacement of the Norfolk/Southern railroad bridge. Construction should begin at the end of 2022. Steve will look into the paperwork required. Steve thanked Stantec and the Board of Commissioners for their support.

Steve requested an executive session in regards to potential real estate acquisition.

Tim Bechtol inquired if the grant money goes directly to the MWCD and Steve said it will go directly to MWCD. Tim also inquired if this project will affect the Benching Project and Steve said that the timing will be just fine. The Board of Commissioners thanks Steve for the information.

Adam Witteman reported the November 1% sales tax numbers of \$1,420,674.57. Which is up from 2020, however as a comparison to 2019, this is an increase of 3%. Adam stated that Dianne will provide the email with this information.

Dave and Mary Tong spoke to the Commissioners about the Solar Farm Project as they are property owners in Washington Township.

Meetings/Reports

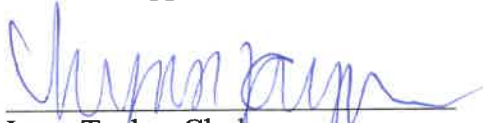
William Bateson stated that he attended the AEP Transmission meeting for the Findlay and surrounding area.

Michael Pepple stated that he also attended the AEP Transmission meeting, the Welcome to a New Life meeting and attended the Chamber Advisory Board Meeting.


Timothy Bechtol did not have anything to report.


At 10:30 a.m., the Commissioners met with Jamie Baker from HHWP. Lynn Taylor and Cindy Land were also in attendance. Jamie introduced himself as the HHWP Mobility Manager that deals with transportation issues around Hancock County. He provided the plan to the Commissioners for their review and acceptance. Jamie stated that this plan needs to be approved before he can send to ODOT and it must be sent to ODOT by Thanksgiving. Jamie also stated that he will be forming a coalition with more representatives from Hancock County. For example, he would like a representative from the hospital, the University of Findlay and maybe the County Engineer to be on his coalition. Recently, HHWP was awarded a match \$5,000 grant from The Community Foundation. They have implemented a shuttle beginning on Saturdays in December for the Village of Mt. Blanchard. Jamie has started a Facebook page and Website to start spreading the word. Mike Pepple asked if HHWP is asking for any funds and Jamie stated that at this time they are not. HHWP is funded a lot with United Way dollars. Cindy requested that Jamie provide a final plan to review that does not indicate "draft" for the Commissioners to acknowledge at Tuesday's meeting. Jamie acknowledged.


At 10:47 a.m., Timothy Bechtol requested an executive session in regards to potential litigation and potential real estate acquisition. Michael Pepple seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Timothy Bechtol, yes; Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes. At 11:34 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made the motion to come out of executive session with no action taken, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.


Lynn Taylor, Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:


Timothy K. Bechtol


Michael W. Pepple


William L. Bateson

County Engineer Report on Projects

Change Orders

1. County Road 172 Widening – Reduction of \$1,041.45. Final Cost of \$400,062.55.
Widened 2.00 Miles of County Road in Jackson Township.
2. OPWC County Township Resurfacing- Reduction of \$15,535.04. Final Cost of \$1,431,394.46.
Participating Townships – Allen, Biglick, Blanchard, Liberty, Eagle, Marion and Pleasant.
Resurfacing 20.5 Miles.
3. County Township Locally Funded Resurfacing - Increase of \$12,894.43. Final Cost of \$1,852,244.98 to the County. Total Project was increased by \$12,894.42. Final Project Cost of \$2,425,255.50.
Participating Townships and Villages were Allen, Jackson, Marion, Madison, Pleasant, Washington and Vanlue. Resurfacing 37.3 Miles.

Additional Projects That Were Recently Completed

1. County Road 153 Bridge in Delaware Township final cost of \$353,007.25.
2. County Road 2 Bridge in Delaware Township final cost of \$128,718.89.
3. Township Road 137 Bridge in Pleasant Township final cost of \$221,255.00.
4. Howard Street Bridge in City of Findlay final cost of \$354,902.40.
5. Township Chip Seal final cost of \$215,359.66. Chip Sealing 14 Miles of Township Roads.
Participating Townships and Villages – Biglick, Blanchard, Madison, Portage, Union and Vanlue.

Total Project Managed \$5,529,955.71. Resurfacing 74 miles of roadway and replacing 4 Bridges. Cooperating with 15 Township, City and Villages.

OPWC Funding for 2022 – Approved at District Level on Tuesday

1. County Township Resurfacing 2022 – \$687,928 grant / \$687,929 local – Total Project \$1,375,857
Participating Townships - 9
2. TR 205 Bridge in Marion Township - \$170,581 grant / \$194,419 local – Total Project \$365,000
3. Washington Ave. Storm Sewer in City of Findlay - \$300,000 grant / \$513,280 local – Total Project \$813,280
4. Rector Ave Waterline Relining in City of Findlay - \$218,647 grant / \$225,000 local – Total Project \$443,647.