

## Minutes

November 4, 2021

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

Also Present: Lynn Taylor, Cindy Land, Phil Johnson, Steve Wilson, Auditor Rauschenberg, Adam Witteman, Alex Wood and Tyler Koenig 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 2, 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 #756-21 – Transfer of funds from Job & Family – General Office to Children Services. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #757-21 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Common Pleas Office. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #758-21 – Transfer of Hancock County Solid Waste Management District Tier Disposal Fees to the Tiered Disposal Fee Fund. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #759-21 – 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 #760-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioner's to appropriate to Water Pollution Control. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #761-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioners to appropriate to Water Pollution Control. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #762-21 – Re-appointment of Kara Parker to the Hancock County Board of Developmental Disabilities for a four- year term commencing January 1, 2022. 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. A discussion was held about the notification from the State of Ohio Liquor Control and Feasel's request. Cindy Land stated that this is a preference of the Board and in the past the Boards have not requested hearings. William Bateson made the motion and Michael Pepple seconded, for Commissioner Bechtol to sign the Liquor Control notice for Feasel's liquor

license requesting no hearing. Motion passed 3-0. Payroll for the Commissioners Office and JFS was approved.

Lynn Taylor requested an executive session in regards to personnel and hiring.

Cindy Land presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #763-21 – Agreement and certification for the Inter- County adjustment of allocated funds to and from Hancock County Department of Job & Family Services. Cindy stated that this is an annual resolution between the Board and Job & Family Services.

Resolution #764-21 – Resolution authorizing the Hancock County Commissioners to enter into a contract with the Hancock County Combined General Health District, D/B/A/ Hancock Public Health to enforce Ohio Revised Code Sections 3734.01 to 3734.13 and rules, orders, and terms and conditions of permits, licenses, and variances adopted or issued under those sections for the Hancock County Solid Waste Management District. Cindy stated that this will allow the Health Public Health to provide services for the Solid Waste District. This contracted amount is \$30,000.00. Steve Wilson stated that if the Hancock Public Health Department didn't do this, the EPA would do it and it would be much more expensive. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #765-21 – Resolution authorizing the Hancock County Commissioners and the Hancock County Sheriff to enter into a contract with Aramark Corporation Correctional Services, Aramark Tower, 1102 Market Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107. Cindy stated that Ryan Kidwell reviewed both bids and he recommends Aramark. The fewer the inmates, the higher the price per meal, which is standard. Aramark provided about a \$1.00 less per meal. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Cindy inquired about the status of the Mannik Smith contract and Steve Wilson stated that he is still working on it. In addition, Cindy asked about the appointment to the SWMD to replace Bill Recker. Steve stated that an appointment doesn't need to be made until the next meeting which will be in 2022. Cindy acknowledged.

Phil Johnson presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #766-21 – Authorizing entry into contract with All Excavating & Demolition, LTD., for demolition of buildings located at 410 E. Sandusky St. in Findlay. Phil Johnson stated that the lowest bidder was All Excavating, even after a re-bid opening was performed on Tuesday. The bid amount was \$28,291.00. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #767-21 – Authorizing entry into a contract with H & O Services, LLC for Provision of Personnel to Operate Recycling Equipment. Phil stated that he didn't have time to prepare this resolution. However, the agreement states that since Hancock County doesn't have the personnel to perform duties at the H & O location, we have contracted their employees for up to 6 months at a cost of \$63,000 to pay for their services. Phil will provide the resolution and agreement for the Commissioners to sign later today. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Phil stated that the next resolution on the agenda will not be presented today.

Phil Johnson requested an executive session regarding threatened litigation, and potential real estate acquisition.

Auditor Rauschenberg had nothing to report.

Steve Wilson had nothing to report.

Tim Bechtol stated that he has spoken to Mayor Muryn and the grand re-opening for the MLK Parkway Project will be Wednesday, November 10, 2021. Tim also viewed the intersection and it looks nice.

### **Meetings/Reports**

William Bateson stated that he along with the other Commissioners attended the Township Trustee Association meeting on Wednesday.

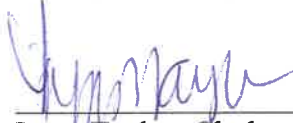
Michael Pepple stated that he attended the Findlay Downtown District Improvement Annual Board meeting.

Timothy Bechtol stated that he appreciated the good information at the Township Meeting and he also attended the CCAO Annual Energy Meeting with Palmer Energy in Columbus on Wednesday.

At 10:00 a.m., the Commissioners met with Tyler Koenig and Alex Wood from Soil & Water. In addition, Lynn Taylor, Cindy Land, Phil Johnson, Auditor Rauschenberg, Adam Witteman and Mary Ann LaRoche were also in attendance. Tyler stated that the log jam he spoke to Commissioner Pepple about will be addressed by Tawa in the upcoming days. Mike inquired about the process of when concerned citizens have an issue and Tyler explained their process. Tyler stated that it may be time to start looking at doing a log jam removal of the entire Blanchard River. This was last done a few years ago. Bill concurred with Tyler. Cindy said she can assist with organizing with the neighboring counties and the process with Tyler. Tyler will begin to look into the estimates and get with Cindy. There appears to be about 40,000 people in the watershed. Bill inquired if an agreement for scheduled maintenance exists with the 5 counties and Cindy stated that there is none. Mary Ann LaRoche stated that she would appreciate it if Aurand Run were cleaned out since it is appearing on her taxes. Tyler suggested that Mary Ann speak to him after the meeting to get more details. Tyler stated that there are currently 5 projects, including the Ottawa Creek cleanout that will be started within the next several weeks. He would anticipate the work to be finished by December 1, 2021. Tyler stated that he is working with many contractors to get them to commit to a project. Cindy stated that we can put a deadline on the time of completion for the projects and that may help Tyler in his process. Tim inquired how much of the Blanchard River will be affected by the cleanout, and Tyler said the entire length of the river.

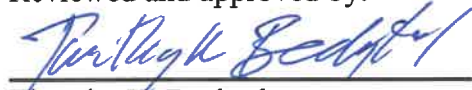
At 10:20 a.m., Timothy Bechtol requested an executive session in regards to personnel and hiring, threatened litigation and potential real estate acquisition. Michael Pepple seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Timothy Bechtol, yes; Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes. At 11:05 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made the motion to come out of executive session with no action taken, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

At 1:30 p.m., the Commissioners met with Barb Marquart and Eileen Stanic for the Treasurer's Investment meeting. Barb stated that she was acting as Steve's representative. The Board acknowledged. Mike Pepple made the motion to approve the minutes from the June 2021 meeting. Motion passed 2-0. There was a discussion regarding the requirement of having 2 Commissioners present that the Investment meetings. Eileen talked about the recent meeting of the Federal Reserve and the impact it had on the markets. Eileen also talked about inflation, the supply chain and the jobs report that should come out on November 5, 2021. The County and the Landfill financial portfolio looks good at this time.

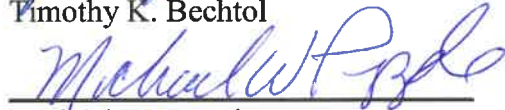


Lynn Taylor, Clerk

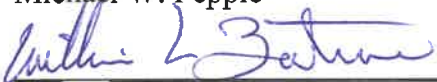
Reviewed and approved by:



Timothy K. Bechtol



Michael W. Pepple



William L. Bateson