Minutes

October 14, 2021

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

Also Present: Lynn Taylor, Sarah Mutchler, Christine Carrigan, Cindy Land, Phil Johnson 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 October 12, 2021 were read and approved. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Chairman of the Board presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #696-21 – Employing Lynnette Taylor as Clerk of the Board of Hancock County Commissioners. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Lynn expressed thanks to the Board for this opportunity. In addition, she thanked Sarah Mutchler and Cindy Land for their guidance.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #697-21 – Employing Christine Carrigan as Assistant Clerk of the Board of Hancock County Commissioners. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Tim Bechtol welcomed Christine to the staff and expressed the Boards thanks for her being present.

Resolution #698-21 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification – Commissioner's to appropriate to Public Defender. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #699-21 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – Common Pleas Court General Office. 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. William Bateson made the motion to approve the Chair's signature on the OPWC Disbursement request form for the CR153-00.91 Bridge Replacement Project. Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0. The travel request was approved for the Sheriff's Office.

Phil Johnson presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #700-21 — Authorization for payment of invoice from Martin- Wood Appraisal Group, LTD., for preparation of Real Estate Appraisal. Phil stated that this appraisal is for a parcel that the County is deciding what to do with. The cost of the appraisal is \$2,400.00. Mike Pepple inquired if this is a Charles Davis appraisal and Phil stated that it was. William Bateson made the motion to approve, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Phil Johnson requested an executive session in regards to potential personal property acquisition and potential real estate acquisition.

Cindy Land reported that she did some research and an employee of the County can be a critical architect. Tim Bechtol expressed his thanks for the information.

Meetings/Reports

William Bateson stated that he attended the Public Defenders meeting. Bill expressed his thanks to Sarah for working with the new Board for 10 months and wished Sarah good luck in Seneca County. Seneca County is lucky to have her.

Michael Pepple echoed Bill's statement and wished Sarah good luck. Mike requested an executive session in regards to personnel and hiring.

Timothy Bechtol stated that he spoke with State Senator Rob McColley. Tim expressed his gratitude to Sarah for her time with Hancock County. Tim stated that he has vastly enjoyed working with Sarah for many years. Tim presented Sarah with a heartfelt plaque expressing his appreciation for her. Sarah thanked the current Board and the prior Boards for her time with Hancock County. Sarah stated that she has established life long friends with many people in Hancock County and will cherish them forever.

At 9:43 a.m., Timothy Bechtol requested an executive session in regards to potential personal property acquisition, potential real estate acquisition, personnel in regards to hiring and pending litigation, Michael Pepple seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Timothy Bechtol, yes; Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes. At 10:14 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made the motion to come out of executive session with no action taken, Michael Pepple seconded. Motion passed 2-0. Tim stated that the 10:15 a.m., meeting with Judge Johnson was postponed until a later date.

At 1:15 p.m., the Commissioners met with Courtney Comstock. Lynn Taylor and Christine Carrigan were also in attendance. Timothy Bechtol requested an executive session in regards to personnel and hiring. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Timothy Bechtol, yes; Michael Pepple, yes; William Bateson, yes. At 2:12 p.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, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by

Timothy K. Bechtol

Michael W. Pepple

William L. Bateson