

Minutes  
October 2, 2018

Commissioners Present: Brian Robertson and Timothy Bechtol

Also Present: Lucinda Land, Charity Rauschenberg, Jim Maurer, and Doug Jenkins.

Commissioner Robertson opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' 1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the September 27, 2018 meeting were read with Timothy Bechtol making the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

The Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #608-18 – Authorizing payment of the listed and/or attached purchase orders. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #609-18 – Resolution to reappoint Aaron Ried to Facilities Governing Board. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #610-18 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-Family First Council. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Resolution #611-18 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioners to appropriate to Ohio Public Works Commission. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

The Commissioners signed a joint proclamation for Revive Ohio. They also signed a Notice of Annexation for the Brown Annexation, filed in our office on September 28, 2018. This is a Type 2 Expedited Annexation. The Clerk will be contacting the Village of Bluffton regarding the status of the statement of services. Brian Robertson also requested the Clerk request the purpose of the annexation. The Commissioners signed the Explosive Gas Monitoring Report for the Sanitary Landfill.

Lucinda Land presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #612-18 – Authorization to submit an application for Ohio Public Works Commission Funding. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Charity requested clarification on the Blanchard River Stream Enhancement Maintenance Project assessment. The Commissioners decided the assessment for Hancock County would be paid for out of the Flood Mitigation Fund.

### **Meetings/Reports**

Timothy Bechtol attended the Ag Council Breakfast. He also met with Scott Gray regarding Strategic Planning. Timothy reported the Justice Center Boiler Project is underway. He has also been working on reviewing the Proposals given for architectural firms for the Juvenile/Probate

Court Building. Timothy has been working on a hunting map that will address some of the concerns with the building proximity to County hunting property.

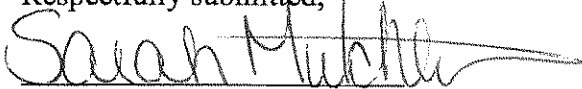
Brian Robertson attended the Red Cross Board meeting. He reported the Strategic Planning process is approximately 60% complete. This process will help address the concerns with communication that the public expressed last year at the polls. He drove in the Findlay High School Homecoming Parade. The Commissioners have been made aware of another county appointment opening on the Blanchard Valley Port Authority. He asked that the Clerk post the opening as done in the past. Brian also asked the status of a response letter to the Blanchard Valley Port Authority. The Clerk will compose a response letter. Brian suggested adding a request for minutes from each meeting and notice of the meetings be given to the Commissioners. Brian also wanted to clarify the articles that have been in the newspaper regarding the sales tax. He pointed out that last year when the Commissioners decided to split the tax and remove the levy for tax money to be used for flood mitigation, it was not a unanimous decision by the Board of Commissioners. There were only two Commissioners present to vote on that issue.

Timothy Bechtol stated the sales tax to be discussed is not an additional sales tax and will not increase tax rates. He said the Board of Commissioners have worked within their means for as long as possible this year.

At 11:00 a.m. the Commissioners met with Precia Stuby, Mark Rimelspach, and Rosalie King to discuss ADAMHS. Precia introduced the new leadership for the ADAMHS Board and went over appointments for next year. She invited the Commissioners to a press conference on October 12 at 10:00 a.m. in City Council Chambers. They will discuss the receipt of a Federal Grant in the amount of \$1,000,000/year for four years to help with children's mental health. Precia also gave an update on the Stepping Up Initiative and invited the Commissioners to attend the Stepping Up Conference on October 22. Rosalie King also mentioned the necessity of analyzing suicides in order to create programs for prevention.

At 11:37 a.m. the Commissioners met with Josh Anderson, Director of the Community Action Commission. Josh was made aware of Brian Robertson's concerns regarding the extension of their lease, so he wanted to discuss that further with the Commissioners. At this time, the Community Action Commission is still evaluating the feasibility of renovating the Tiffin Avenue property. The most recent estimate was double what their projected maximum budget was, largely due to the necessary replacement of the HVAC system to meet recently updated building codes. They are also searching for real estate in case the Tiffin Avenue property is not an affordable option. Brian stated his concern is having two vacant properties in the community. He asked that Josh speak with the Community Action Commission board to schedule a time when Brian could talk to the Board. Josh stated the quicker a solution can be met the better, especially for employee morale.

Respectfully submitted,



Sarah Mutchler, Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:

  
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Brian J. Robertson

  
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Timothy K. Bechtol

  
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