

Minutes
September 21, 2017

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

Also Present: Heather Pendleton, Lucinda Land, Philip Johnson, Chris Long, Steve Wilson, Jackie Berger, Mary Anne LaRoche, Ruby Sampson, Sharon Dunbar, Doug Jenkins and Jim Maurer.

Commissioner Gazarek opened the meeting at 9:33 a.m. in the Commissioners' 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the September 19, 2017 meeting were read with Mark Gazarek making the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 2-0, Timothy Bechtol abstained.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #515-17 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-General. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #516-17 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-ADAMHS. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #517-17 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-County Victim Assistance VOCA Grant. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #518-17 – Transfer of Hancock County (Additional Sales & Use Tax) General Fund to the Flood Mitigation Capital Projects Fund September 2017-\$315,845.47. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #519-17 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioners to appropriate to Targeted Community Alternatives to Prison Fund. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #520-17 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioners to appropriate to Special Improvement Ditch. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #521-17 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-Redevelopment Tax Equivalent. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #522-17 – Additional appropriation within the Auditor's certification-Commissioners to appropriate to Severance (Juvenile Court). Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #523-17 – Commissioners' order levying assessments and collections of Wanda Way Paving Project starting January, 2017. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #524-17 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-Special Improvement Ditch. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Commissioners approved payment to the Maumee Watershed Conservancy District for \$121,959.71 for work performed by Stantec on the Upper Blanchard Flood Mitigation Project. They signed a proclamation for National Disability Employment Awareness Month. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve the Auditor's warrant list, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Lucinda Land presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #525-17 – Authorizing solicitation of bids for construction of the W.A.B. Dalzell Single County Ditch Project. Brian Robertson made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #526-17 – Petition for Annexation of land in Pleasant Township to the Village of McComb, Hancock County, Ohio (Hoffman Annexation). Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Lucinda requested an executive session to discuss potential litigation, threatened litigation, and personnel regarding hiring and discipline. She requested Chris Long join the executive session.

Philip Johnson presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #527-17 – Authorization for entry into agreement to purchase real property located at 448 Clinton Court in Findlay, OH. Purchase price is \$9,000 with up to an additional \$2,000 for closing costs. Timothy Bechtol made the motion to approve, Brian Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Philip requested an executive session to discuss potential real estate acquisition.

Chris Long gave an update on projects the Engineer's Office is working on.

Steve Wilson had nothing to report, but will be joining Philip Johnson's executive session regarding potential real estate acquisition.

Sharon Dunbar asked who authorized the locations of the recycling bins in the County. Heather Pendleton stated the Commissioners followed the recommendation of the Ohio EPA report in order to reduce inefficiencies. Brian Robertson added the report took into consideration effective locations and the amount of trash being deposited in the recycling bins. Heather offered to provide a list of all recycling receptacle locations.

Ruby Sampson said she reviewed the Commissioners website, and it states the Commissioners are involved in preserving farmland. She feels the Commissioners are not preserving farmland, especially if they decide to move forward with the dry basin project in Mount Blanchard. She expressed that cleaning the river would be a better solution. Mark Gazarek stated that since he and Commissioner Robertson came into office the river has been cleaned twice. It is an ongoing project. Dredging the river will not solve the flooding issue. Brian Robertson said moving

forward with the dry basin project will not be a decision made by the Hancock County Commissioners. The Maumee Watershed Conservancy District will make that decision. Mark Gazarek said Commissioners do not have expertise over flooding or waterways. That is why the Conservancy District was created.

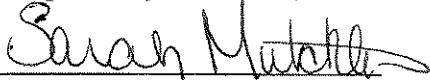
Reports

Timothy Bechtol attended Agriculture Day with the Hancock Leadership class. He participated in the Historic Barn Tour. He also attended public records training. He informed the Commissioners and public of a class being offered by the University of Findlay free of charge entitled "Combating Chemical Dependency: A Community Effort."

Brian Robertson met with Mr. Lammers to discuss flooding. He appreciates the public input regarding flooding. He met with Jerry Murray from RCM Architects. He also attended a Regional Planning meeting in which they discussed subdivision regulations.

At 10:00 a.m. Mark Gazarek made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss potential litigation, threatened litigation, personnel regarding hiring and discipline, and potential real estate acquisition, Timothy Bechtol seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Mark Gazarek, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes; Brian Robertson, yes. At 11:40 a.m. Mark Gazarek made the motion to come out of executive session with no action taken, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Sarah Mutchler, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:


Mark D. Gazarek
Brian J. Robertson
Timothy K. Bechtol