

Minutes for Thursday, February 06, 2025

Commissioners Present: Bell, Prouty, Cameron
Staff Present: Susan Reese

Commissioners attended Landbank meeting at the Welcome Center at 8:00 a.m.

RES 25-0142 Meeting was called to order at 9:17 a.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Prouty.
Vote was Bell, aye; Prouty, aye, Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

Commissioner Cameron moved to approve the payment of bills, pending review.
Seconded by Commissioner Prouty.
Vote was Bell, aye; Prouty, aye, Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

Kevin DeWine, CBD Consultants, came to update the Commissioners. Eric Reed, County Administrator, was also present.

- Increased taxes will go to the following:
 - Tobacco –
 - Child Tax Credit
 - Sports Betting
 - Professional sports stadiums
 - Marijuana
 - Jail Funding
 - Police Training

The Commissioners received and reviewed the January 2025 Finance Reports from the Muskingum County Auditor.

The following legislation was now considered:

RESOLUTION 25-0143 authorizes the advertisement of quotes for the Outdoor Maintenance, including mowing and trimming of grass, for the Muskingum County Water and Sewer Department to the Muskingum County Website on February 10,2025.
Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.
Roll call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 25-0144 approve the payment of invoices incurred in 2024 with 2025 Funds payable to the following vendors for invoice(s) dated prior to encumbrances as requested by Tom Smith, Fiscal Supervisor.

<u>Name of Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Shoe Carnival	Work Shoes for Client	\$90.00
Shoe Carnival	Work Shoes for Client	\$80.00
Shoe Carnival	Work Shoes for Client	\$44.98
Shoe Carnival	Work Shoes for Client	\$69.98

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.
Roll call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

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RESOLUTION 25-0145 authorize Heidi Rowland to attend the Sheltered Workshop for CCMEP in Guernsey County held February 06, 2025.

Estimated cost: \$76.40

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 25-0146 approve the lighting of the Courthouse yellow for “Dude, be kind” week February 9-15, 2025

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 25-0147 WHEREAS, R.C. 5538.08(A) requires a county and/or township to individually maintain their respective roads; and

WHEREAS, R.C. 5538.08(A) authorizes an agreement between a board of county commissioners and a board of township trustees for the contribution of funds from one entity to the other for the purpose of the repair and maintenance of the roads under the control of the other; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Muskingum County, Ohio, that pursuant to R.C. 5538.08(A), the sum of \$12,500.00 (twelve thousand five hundred & 00/100 dollars) shall be distributed from the County General fund to each of the townships located within Muskingum County for 2025, to be used solely for the purpose of the repair and maintenance of the roads under the control of the individual townships.

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 25-0148 WHEREAS, R.C. 723.01 requires a municipal corporation (village) to individually maintain their respective streets; and

WHEREAS, R.C. 5521.11 authorizes an agreement between a board of county commissioners and the legislative authority of a municipal corporation (village) for the contribution of funds from one entity to the other for the purpose of the repair and maintenance of the street under the control of the other within the municipal corporation (village); now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Muskingum County, Ohio, that pursuant to R.C. 5521.11, the sum of \$7,500.00 (seven thousand five hundred & 00/100 dollars) shall be distributed from the County General fund to each of the municipal corporations (villages) located within Muskingum County in 2025, to be used solely for the purpose of the repair and maintenance of the street under the control of the individual municipal corporations (villages).

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 25-0149 approve a Financial Grant FY 2025 for South East Area Transit in the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) from the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners from line item 001-902-507024.

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 25-0150 approve the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds within fund number 048, for the Muskingum County Commissioners, as requested by Eric Reed, County Administrator.

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Supplemental Appropriations:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
048-102-504365	Granger-PCO 001-Owner's Contingency (Change Order)	\$30,807.72

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 25-0151 approve the payment of invoices incurred in 2024 with 2025 Funds payable to the following vendors for invoice(s) dated prior to encumbrances as requested by Tom Smith, Fiscal Supervisor for MCJFS.

<u>Name of Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
MCJFS	RESEA RMS COST Dec 2024	\$4,771.97
MCJFS	Youth in School RMS Dec 2024	\$2,386.00
MCJFS	Youth out of school RMS Dec 2024	\$1,908.79

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 25-0152 approve the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds within Fund Number 063, for the Muskingum County Court, as requested by Crystal Brokaw, Clerk of Court.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

<u>Description</u>	<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Salaries	063-242-501002	\$21,880.00
PERS	063-242-502003	\$ 3,063.20
Medicare	063-242-502001	\$ 325.00
Program Expenses	063-242-504024	\$ 1,599.32

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 25-0153 approve the fund to fund transfer of monies for the Muskingum County EMA as requested by Tiffany Beardsley, Administrative Assistant, as follows:

FUND TRANSFER OF MONIES

<u>From Fund</u>	<u>To Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001-999-510002	130-000-414002	\$160,182.13

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 25-0154 authorize Melissa J. Bell to sign the Office of Community Development OCEAN User Agreement as requested by Kyle Dunn, Director, Muskingum County Community Development.

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 25-0155 authorize Melissa J. Bell to sign on behalf of the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) Final Exhibit for Home Sewage Treatment System (HSTS) 2023 as requested by Kyle Dunn, Director.

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

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RESOLUTION 25-0156 approve the payment of invoices incurred in 2024 with 2025 Funds payable to the following vendors for invoice(s) dated prior to encumbrances as requested by Kelly Cottrill, Judge.

<u>Name of Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Ohio Judicial conference	Dues	\$250.00

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.
Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 25-0157 approve the payment of invoices incurred in 2024 with 2025 Funds payable to the following vendors for invoice(s) dated prior to encumbrances as requested by Matthew J. Lutz, Sheriff.

<u>Name of Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Ford's Towing	10.28.2024	\$ 125.00
Hobart Service ITW Food	10.07.2024	\$1,229.55

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.
Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 25-0158 approve the payment of invoices incurred in 2024 with 2025 Funds payable to the following vendors for invoice(s) dated prior to encumbrances as requested by Beth Iden, Deputy Clerk.

<u>Name of Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Carolyn Hughes, Humane Officer	2024 Photo Processing	\$212.82

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.
Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 25-0159 authorize Melissa J. Bell to sign on behalf of the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners the Equitable Sharing Agreement & Certification for Muskingum County Sheriff's Office.

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.
Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

Commissioner Prouty reported that he received a call from Steve Tyo of the Duncan Falls Lions Club about placing American Flags on the Philo Bridge.

A call was placed to Mark Eicher regarding the request. He asked that the brackets for the flags be the same color as the poles on the bridge.

Commissioner Prouty let Mr. Tyo know of the request.

Kim Tatman of Mid-East Career Center came to meet with the Commissioners regarding "Dude, Be Kind" Week. The Commissioners presented a proclamation declaring the week of February 9-15 "Dude, Be Kind Week". The Courthouse will be lit yellow to commemorate the week.

A call was placed to Sheriff Lutz. He reported that they are currently housing seven Muskingum County inmates in the Guernsey County jail. The Sheriff was asked if the City might consider housing those inmates. The Sheriff will call.

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Commissioner Bell reported on her visits to the Animal Shelter. Some questions arose out of that meeting.

- Where is the County Adoption Center getting their spay and neuters performed
- How much do they cost
- Why not local

Commissioner Cameron said she is not interested in working with the Animal Shelter. We tried several years ago by scheduling meetings and the Animal Shelter and they cancelled. The Commissioners had offered to rent space from them and they refused.

A call was placed to the Sheriff to ask the above questions.

- Spay and neuters are cheaper in Columbus - \$150/each
- This facility hold 6-10 spots monthly specifically for Muskingum County
- Volunteers usually transport the dogs for the surgeries

Brian Addis, APG Architects and Eric Reed, County Administrator, came to update the Commissioners on jail progress.

- Fire Rated Penetrations Inspection
 - Per a requirement of MEOBD, a third party must perform inspection of these locations
 - Life safety item
 - Protection for occupants, building department and owner
 - Eric has sent addendum to Mark Zanghi
 - CTL, the firm who is performing material testing, inspection and reporting has provided a fee for this service.
 - The following was then considered:

RESOLUTION 25-0160 accept CTL's proposal of \$23,544 for fire rated penetration inspections as a part of testing, inspection and reporting on the New Jail Project.

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Prouty.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye.

Motion carried.

Eric and Brian Addis will set up monthly meetings for Owner Representative updates. Beginning in June the meeting will be held the first Thursday of every month; 10:00 a.m.

Eric met with DLZ and APG regarding storm water permit. Ohio EPA NPDE's Notice of Intent was required. Eric submitted with DLZ's assistance; fee \$346; completed

Commissioner Cameron asked if the Board was interested in revisiting the possible purchase of a site downtown. She will contact the owners.

Commissioner Bell will follow up with Katie Tennant of the State Auditor's Office regarding a visit to session to explain property tax increases.

A call was placed to Mark Zanghi, Assistant Prosecutor. He will create a standard resolution for groups asking to use the Courthouse Esplanade.

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The Commissioners reviewed and approved a letter to be sent to Trevor Scott of Greenbriar regarding his new sewer hook-up. A copy of the minutes with the monthly cost of the hook-up was also included.

There was discussion regarding a letter to the townships involved in possible zoning. Commissioner Bell will follow through.

The Commissioners adjourned for lunch to resume session at 1:00 p.m.

The Sheriff reported that he talked with Chief Comstock at the City Jail. He is willing to hold the City cases until the County has room.

There was discussion regarding the City's request for support of the Summer Concert Series and the following was considered:

RESOLUTION 25-0161 approve a financial grant for City of Zanesville, in the amount of Two-Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) as a "Major Sponsor" for the 2025 Secrest Summer Concert Series from the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners from line item 001-102-504120. Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye.

Motion carried.

The Commissioners placed a call to Laura Tompkins of Zanesville City Schools regarding her request for an SRO at the Zane Grey Elementary Campus.

- Cost would be \$9,600 per month; County will pay three months that school is not in session
- One time minimal cost for vehicle
- Commitment of 3-4 years

Andy Roberts, GIS Director, came to discuss the demolition bids for 25 West Fifth St., Dresden. Mark Zanghi, Assistant Prosecutor, has asked Andy to find out how the different bidders came up with the disposal cost....where and how.

Commissioner Prouty moved to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2025 session.

Commissioner Cameron seconded.

Vote was Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye.

Motion carried.

Commissioner Prouty moved to approve the minutes of the January 30, 2025 session.

Commissioner Cameron seconded.

Vote was Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye.

Motion carried.

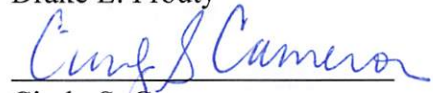
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With no further business being before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:55 p.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Bell.



Melissa J. Bell

Drake L. Prouty



Cindy S. Cameron