

# Minutes for March 07, 2022

Commissioners Present: Crooks, Porter, Cameron  
Staff Present: Susan Reese  
Mark Zanghi, Assistant Prosecutor, was also present

**RES 22-0234** Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on the motion of Commissioner Porter and the second of Commissioner Cameron.  
Vote was Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

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

Commissioner Cameron noted that she had asked about the Township Financial Grants last Thursday. The Clerk reported that has not yet been approved by resolution. Commissioner Cameron introduced the following:

**RESOLUTION 22-0235** 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 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 Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

Commissioner Crooks presented a letter to include with the checks. One change was made, then approved.

Commissioner Crooks distributed the Intergovernmental Line spreadsheet.

The following legislation was now considered:

**RESOLUTION 22-0236** approve the employment of Lauren Gildow, Unit Support Worker II, MCJFS contingent upon passage of the pre-employment assessments.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Porter.

Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 22-0237** authorize Mollie S. Crooks to sign Change Order No. 1 for the Water Main Extensions to Imlay Road and Wilsonwood Road.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

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**RESOLUTION 22-0238** approve the fund to fund transfer of monies for the Muskingum County Job & Family Services as requested by Tom Smith, Fiscal Officer of MCJFS, as follows:

**FUND TRANSFER OF MONIES**

<u>From Fund</u>	<u>To Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001-999-510013-JFS Flex Support	069-000-414002- Transfer in	\$150,000.00

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 22-0239** request for payment of the county's mandated share of the Income Maintenance programs for the fiscal year of 2021 was requested to be paid for the period of January 2022 through March 2022, in the amount of \$54,459.50 has been submitted by the Muskingum County Department of Job and Family Services, Fiscal Supervisor, Tom Smith, as follows:

**FUND TO FUND TRANSFER**

<u>From Transfer Out</u>	<u>To Transfer In</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001-999-510004 County General	007-000-414002 PA Fund	\$54,459.50

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 22-0240** hereby approve the payment of invoices incurred in 2021 with 2022 Funds payable to the following vendors for invoice(s) dated prior to encumbrances as requested by Shannon Bell, Director of Rambo.

<u>Name of Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Sanofi Pasteur	Flu Vaccine	\$573.72

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Porter.

Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 22-0241** hereby approve the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds within Fund Number 193, for the Muskingum County Community Development, as requested by Kyle Dunn, Director.

**SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Village of South Zanesville	193-375-504365	\$20,000.00

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 22-0242** accept the resignation, for reason of retirement, of William Page III, Captain of the Lorena. Retirement to be effective March 04, 2022.

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Cameron for discussion.

*There was discussion regarding the wording of the resolution.*

- *Commissioner Cameron asked Mark if employees can retire or resign without the acceptance of the Board*

- *Yes, acceptance is a formality*

- *In the future, Mark would prefer the word "acknowledge" rather than "accept"*

*Commissioner Crooks moved to amend her previous motion to "acknowledge" his resignation. There was no second... Commissioner Cameron would prefer Roll Call as originally presented.*

Roll Call on Original resolution to "accept"; Crooks, aye; Porter, nay; Cameron, abstain. Motion failed.

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**RESOLUTION 22-0243** approve the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners to sign the 2021 County Highway System Mileage Certification as requested by Mark Eicher, County Engineer.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

Shawn Smith, joined session to discuss Sports booking/betting license according to State legislation.

- Mr. Smith said that the state will be granting 50 license at \$1,000,000 each according to HB29
- Mr. Smith has spoken with the Sheriff and Dana Matz of the Chamber
- Mr. Smith asks why we can't have this in our County
- Mr. Smith will call to make an appointment for a later day

The following were in attendance for the Avondale Window Project bid opening;

Eric Reed, APRA Compliance Officer; Erin Couch, Times Recorder; Kailan Martin WHIZ; Quay Devoll, WHIZ; Gary King, Avondale; Art Chonko, Energility; Mark Zanghi, Prosecutor's Office.

The following was now considered:

**RESOLUTION 22-0244** approve to open bids for Avondale Youth Center Window Project.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 22-0245** reject bid for the Avondale Youth Center Window Project, of \$510,977 from Timekey Enterprise, LLC. Project estimate: \$196,232.00.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

Art will revisit the bid estimate and notify the company that submitted a bid, of its rejection.

Eric Reed, ARPA Compliance Officer, stayed to give his updates.

- Eric brought with him Title Sheets for the fairgrounds water project to be signed by the Commissioners and the following was considered:

**RESOLUTION 22-0246** accept the specifications and authorize the advertisement of the Fairgrounds Waterline project as presented by Mark Eicher, Engineer. Advertisement will be in the March 11 and 18 editions of the Zanesville Times Recorder with the bid opening on Monday, March 28, 2022.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

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**RESOLUTION 22-0247** authorize the Muskingum County Building Department/aka Mid-East Ohio Building Department to waive building fees in the amount of \$700.40 for underground Fire Suppression at the Muskingum County Fairgrounds/Muskingum County Agricultural Society.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

The Commissioners adjourned for lunch to resume session at 2:30 p.m.

Commissioners Crooks and Porter attended the SEO Joint Solid Waste meeting in Caldwell.

**RESOLUTION 22-0248** declare an Executive Session at 2:38 p.m. for the purpose of discussing Personnel Matters pertaining to Interviews for the Muskingum County Job and Family Services Director Position. This session ended about 3:34 p.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Porter.

Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

Don Madden, Projects Manager; Zack Forker, Assistant; and Stan Lucas, Sewer Department Manager, came to meet with the Commissioners to discuss Licking View Sewer.

- Mark Zanghi had been asked to prepare an MOU with Falls Township in August of 2021, for Falls Townships' contribution to storm sewer at Licking View of \$239,000 of the Township's ARPA funds; the MOU didn't get prepared until this week
- Mark has talked to one of the Trustees and now they say they will put \$100,000 toward the project
  - Don called that Trustee and said in talking to the other Trustees they could possibly agree on \$150,000
- Commissioner Porter notes that storm water is not our responsibility
- Stan said even though there is not a written agreement, the Township made a verbal commitment to the total storm water project
- Commissioner Porter suggests the County put in the sewer and then the storm water will be the Township's problem; Falls Township has the money
- Commissioner Cameron suggests we invite them to come in to discuss
  - Do they think we are just going to pick up the difference, if you tell them no, but if they come in we can discuss it with them
- There is some-what of a storm water drainage there now that the developer installed many years ago
  - Our responsibility would be to put it back when we're done with the sewer project, if it sustains
- Commissioner Crooks said the first step would be for Don and Stan to talk with the Trustees and if they flat out say no, then they can come in to discuss with the Board
- Commissioner Crooks reported that according to the spreadsheet showing the individual townships and amounts, it appears that Falls will be receiving over \$800,000 in ARPA funding
- Commissioner Porter is not comfortable with a final number on an MOU until we get a price

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- Stan said that is why they wanted the agreement six months ago when Falls had the money
- Commissioner Cameron's thought is that as much trouble as Falls Township knows we've had over Licking View, if they have the means to help solve that problem and choose not to, then shame on them
- Commissioner Porter reiterated.....it's the Township's responsibility

Commissioner Porter asked for a ball park figure for when this project may be bid and completed

- Don said would apply for WPCLF funding, which is the next available funding source, in August and find out in November

It was decided that Stan will go back to Falls Township and tell them that the Commissioners are not willing to pay for the storm water project. They would, however, pick up the slack on Rehl Road and Don will figure that price.

- Update on Southern-Sundale
  - Drilling crew will be moving in next week
  - Fittings will be here by the middle of the month
  - Little Creek was here to pick spot for pipe storage
- Twin Hills Update
  - Received railroad permit
  - Hoping to bid by end of March – first of April
  - Supply availability is always a question

Stan explained about needing new manhole linings – eight in total

- All agreed to the purchase

Pam Davis, Human Resources, came to meet with the Commissioners to update them on Center for Seniors Union Negotiations and the following was considered:

**RESOLUTION 22-0249** declare an Executive Session at 4:00 p.m. for the purpose of discussing Union Negotiation Matters of the Muskingum County Center for Seniors. This session ended about 4:29 p.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Porter.

Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye.

Motion carried.

There was discussion regarding Captain Page's resignation from the Lorena.

- Commissioner Porter would be all for "selling" the vessel
  - Ask CVB if they would be interested in it for \$1.00
  - Pam will check with Mark Zanghi about the process of giving CVB the vessel; is CVB considered a government entity?
- Who does the dock belong to?
- Current inspection is good through June 06, 2023
- In 2019 we paid Dingey \$40,000 for dry-docking
- Someone will have to be monitoring water levels
  - Hopefully, Maintenance can keep an eye on that
- In checking with Scott and asking him to keep an eye on the vessel, the Captain has already talked with Scott and Maintenance will take care of it

Pam presented a new pharmacy program that MedBen is offering...True Data Rx

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- It could save the County money, but could cause interruptions for some employees; 322 could be affected
- Presentation is available Thursday, March 24 if the Commissioners are interested
- Pam would like to see how it works in Licking County, who just signed up for this year, before considering it for our County
- Commissioners may meet for presentation of program later down the road, but would like for Pam to monitor other clients' transition first

The Clerk presented the Commissioners with specs and estimate from James Electric for a fire alarm system for the Courthouse from Scott. The following was then considered:

**RESOLUTION 22-0250** authorize to proceed with preparing bid specs and documents for the advertising in regards to the bidding of a fire alarm system for the County Courthouse.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye.

Motion carried.

The Clerk is to ask Mark Zanghi, Assistant Prosecutor, to prepare front end documents to start the bidding process.

There was discussion regarding the K-9 Adoption Center money at the Muskingum Community Foundation.

- The Sheriff is to contact Foundation to have the money released
- Where should the money be deposited?
  - Stephanie Spencer from the Auditor's office, said it shouldn't be put in the Construction Fund, because construction is nearly paid for
  - She suggested the Adoption Center Donation Fund that would help cover ongoing expenses
- Commissioner Porter pointed out that the construction costs came from the County General fund not the Dog and Kennel Fund
- No decision was made
- The Clerk will research further

Commissioner Cameron reported that Dave Kreis, President of the Fair Board called her, she believes, upon being instructed to call.

- Dave explained that the Fair Board received a grant for \$200,00 to renovate the grandstand, but they will not have enough money to complete the project; prices have increased since the project began
  - Approximately \$25-30,000 for for electrical, lighting out front, doors and safety rails
- Commissioner Porter said Dave has not called him
- Dave said they have felt badly about the \$300,000 estimate for the Clean Face bathroom; they have a quote for \$100,000 for bathroom renovations
  - They appreciate the County doing the water and sewer and if we can't help with the bathroom, he would understand

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- Commissioner Cameron says she does not have an issue with the amount of money but would ask if the bathroom has to be \$300,000, why couldn't we use some of that money to help them finish the grandstand
  - Dave expressed that he feels in the middle, again
- Commissioner Porter reported that he, John Graham, Ron Shirer and Andy Spiker had gone to look at the restrooms and estimated much less than \$50,000; maybe around \$10,000
- When Dave called Commissioner Cameron this morning, she called Eric to come in to hear the conversation, as well, because she wanted someone else to hear it
- Commissioner Crooks believes that where John Graham started was getting individual prices; then when we all met there and she suggested leveling it and starting over, that's when it was decided to gut it and John started putting together everyone's wish list and that's where Jeremy Davis, Architect, got his list
- Commissioner Cameron reported that Dave said they have applied for the \$250,000 State Capital Bill Grant
- Commissioner Crooks would just rather give the money for the Clean Face bathroom
- Commissioner Cameron would vote for completing the grandstand and the bathroom with the \$300,000
- Commissioner Crooks would suggest that Jeremy's estimate is a place to start; why not put out to bid
- Commissioner Cameron said that it was suggested by Eric Reed to get the showers and toilets working, making sure that the new water and sewer lines are working and then do more the next year
  - Commissioner Crooks says the place is a disaster, how would you even get it functional
- Dave said he would get a cost for the doors, painting and safety rails
- Commissioner Porter said this bathroom will be torn up; can be fixed to be functional
- Commissioner Cameron would have liked to have called Dave today during session
- Commissioner Porter said many folks' response to a \$300,000 bathroom is "that's crazy"
  - Commissioner Cameron said, again, Dave said they are not expecting that, nor did they ask for that
- The project will need bid no matter who is paying for it
- Commissioner Porter's opinion is that Clean Face can be fixed up to be functional and if we're going to spend \$300,000 he'd rather see it in a bathroom by the hog barn where it's really needed
- Commissioner Crooks said we are not building the new restroom for one week out of the year; Fair Board is moving the fairgrounds toward becoming an event center
- Commissioner Porter threw this out there again, this is the kind of stuff that really ticks him off, what's wrong with them coming in and seeing us all

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The Board acknowledged a letter from a resident of Wyoming wants to buy the Fleet Garage property.

- The Commissioners know nothing about it

With no further business being before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:54 p.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Porter.



Mollie S. Crooks



James W. Porter



Cindy S. Cameron

(absent when approved)  
on 3/17/2022

*This is a condensed version of today's session. For a more detailed account, feel free to request a DVD recording.*