

Minutes for March 13, 2023

Commissioners Present: Cameron, Bell, Crooks

Staff Present: Susan Reese

RES 23-0303 Meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Bell.

Vote was Cameron, aye; Bell, aye, Crooks, aye. Motion carried.

Commissioner Cameron moved to approve the payment of bills, pending review.

Seconded by Commissioner Bell.

Vote was Cameron, aye; Bell, aye; Crooks, aye. Motion carried.

The following legislation was now considered:

RESOLUTION 23-0304 approve the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds within fund number 047, for the Muskingum County Commissioners, as requested by Eric Reed, ARPA Compliance Officer.

Supplemental Appropriations:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
047-102-503022	Pass Thru Grants (Habitat For Humanity of SE OH Award) (Transitions, Inc. Award) (The Carr Center Award)	\$15,000

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Bell.

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

RESOLUTION 23-0305 approve and authorize the payment of invoice(s) incurred prior to funds being encumbered in the amount of \$5,130.00 as requested by Vicki Vallee, Finance Manager of the Muskingum County Juvenile Court.

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

RESOLUTION 23-0306 authorize and approve Flecto to complete the remaining 36 kennels at the Muskingum County K-9 Adoption Center, not to exceed \$108,000.

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

RESOLUTION 23-0308 rescind Resolution 23-0288 dated 03.09.2023 Per Peggy Taylor, Office Manager.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

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RESOLUTION 23-0309 approve the line item transfer of monies within Fund Number 145 as requested by Peggy Taylor, Office Manager of Water Department, as follows:

LINE ITEM TRANSFER OF MONIES

<u>From Line Item</u>	<u>To Line Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
145-373-504999-Contingency	145-373-506030-Land	\$100,000.00

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Bell.

Roll call: Cameron, aye; Crooks, aye; Bell, aye.

Motion carried.

Commissioner Cameron reported that she would not be going to the CCAO meeting in Sugarcreek Thursday, due to attending a funeral that day.

Commissioner Cameron reported on an email from Congressman Balderson's Office Friday regarding the Community Projects Funding. Don Madden, Zach Forker and Eric Reed will discuss later today when they come to session.

Kate Martin, a Tri-Valley High School Junior, came to talk with the Commissioners with an interest in interning part-time in the Commissioners' Office for a couple of months before summer break. The Commissioners agreed that no back-ground check would be necessary because of her age. Pam Davis, Human Resources, was also present for the meeting and will check with bookkeeping/payroll for the best way to hire Kate.

Mayor Don Mason came to discuss the operating of the Lorena.

- Mayor reported that he received additional information from Bill Page last night via email
 - He has changed some of his requests/requirements to be the Captain of the Lorena
 - One of the Mayor's concerns is that the Visitor's Bureau is not open on Fridays. He feels being open until at least 5:00 p.m. on Fridays is critical
 - Commissioner Cameron doesn't feel we, as County Commissioners, can tell them they have to be open on Fridays
 - Commissioner Crooks would question if the amount of time spent on operating the Lorena makes it worthwhile
 - Commissioner Crooks said that in her conversation with Kelly Ashby, Kelly said she was willing to run all the revenue and expenses through the CVB Board. But, if at the end of the year they are out of money, she wouldn't want to have to go to her Board and report a loss.
- Commissioner Bell made the point that if the City is not willing to split the cost 50 – 50, then that would be the end of any discussion.
 - Mayor said he would have to take to City Council

There was discussion with the Mayor regarding the possibility of the City combining their jail facility with the County.

Commissioner Crooks moved to approve the minutes of the March 02, 2023 session. Commissioner Bell seconded.

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

Motion carried.

Don Madden, Projects Manager; Zach Forker, Assistant Projects Manager and Eric Reed, ARPA Compliance Officer came to discuss the Community Project Funding through Congressman Troy Balderson's office.

- This funding is provided for transportation, water and wastewater improvements
 - It was decided to apply for the Maysville Regional Water Project as top priority

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Eric informed the Board of Pat Kelly's information regarding generators for Avondale.

- Do we want diesel powered or natural gas generators
 - The recommendations from Pat Kelly, Scott Lee and James from Avondale is natural gas
 - Lead time for diesel is 40 weeks; lead time for natural gas is 62 weeks
 - Pat Kelly said he is working on the HVAC design, but at present no plans are ready
- Cleanface
 - Eric asked if building fees could be waived for this project and the following was considered:

RESOLUTION 23-0307 agree to waive any fees from the Muskingum County Building Department for any Plan Approvals or Building Permits associated with the Cleanface Restroom Renovation Project at the Muskingum County Fairgrounds.

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll Call: Cameron, aye; Bell, aye; Crooks, not voting. Motion carried.

Commissioner Cameron reported that she has had messages saying that the bleacher backs are nice and appreciated.

Commissioner Crooks asked if the Spectrum information regarding the new sites they are working on for broadband, should be posted on the County Website.

Judge Kalis presented one estimate for flooring. She will be asked to get at least one more estimate.

The following was now considered at Peggy Taylor, Water Department's request.

RESOLUTION 23-0308 rescind Resolution 23-0288 dated 03.09.2023 Per Peggy Taylor, Office Manager.

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Bell.

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

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Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Bell.

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

The Commissioners left to attend the SEO Joint Solid Waste meeting in Caldwell.

Session resumed approximately 2:35. Commissioner Bell then attended the Records Commission Meeting.

Scott Lee, Facilities Supervisor, came to discuss cost estimates for mowing five County properties.

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Commissioner Crooks said she texted Dan Arter regarding the Soldiers and Sailors parking lot.

- She asked him if he and the president would come in to talk with the Commissioners about the lot
- He will call back with a date
- Commissioner Cameron asked if their attorney would be coming also, and should we ask Mark Zanghi, Assistant Prosecutor, to attend
 - Mark will attend

Eric Reed, ARPA Compliance Officer, came to talk about the Department of Development awards.

Commissioner Bell returned from Records Commission meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Andy Roberts came to join the discussion regarding the Appalachian Community Grant awards announced by Department of Development.

Commissioner Bell gave a brief report on the Records Commission meeting.

- Lucretia said their department had done ALICE Training
 - Cindy Rodgers recommended Chris Merry for Courthouse training

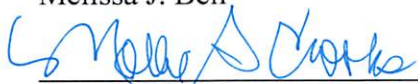
A call was placed to the Sheriff.

- He confirmed that they are pleased with the new kennels at the K-9 Adoption Center and asked that we complete the remaining kennels
- The Sheriff was asked if we could set up some dates for security and emergency evacuation training
 - Sheriff will contact Deputy Merry to set up some dates
- The matter of Muskingum County Deputies parking on City streets was addressed with Sheriff
- Commissioner Cameron told the Sheriff that the Commissioners had a conversation with the Mayor regarding the City jail facility and the Commissioners will be scheduling a meeting in the future, with all parties involved

With no further business being before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:42 p.m. on the motion of Commissioner Bell and the second of Commissioner Crooks.


Cindy S. Cameron


Melissa J. Bell


Mollie S. Crooks

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