

# Minutes for May 18, 2023

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

The Commissioners participated in a virtual call with John Adams, Chief; Scott Filiki, Asst Chief; Chris Darlington, Project Manager with Bureau Adult Detention and James Kennedy from CCAO at 9:00 a.m.

They also attended a brief Land Bank meeting at 10:00 a.m.

**RES 23-0536** Meeting was called to order at 10:37 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.

Eric Reed, ARPA Compliance Officer, came to update the Commissioners.

**RESOLUTION 23-0546** award \$3,500 to the Convention Visitors' Bureau of Muskingum County for the design of the State Street Improvements. This funding will come from the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Bell.

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

Commissioner Bell reported to the Board that she met with a lobbyist/communications group earlier this week. She asked the Board if they would be agreeable to allowing them to make a presentation to the Commissioners. All agreed.

The Commissioners left for the Mill Street Road Vacation viewing.

**RESOLUTION 23-0547** approve to open the Road Vacation Viewing for Mill Street, Newton Township, Muskingum County.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Bell.

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

The Commissioners adjourned for lunch to resume session at 1:30 p.m.

Don Madden, Projects Manager, came to talk with the Commissioners.

- He spoke with Josh from EPA and they are expecting the announcement of awards next Friday.
- Don was contacted about meeting with the City regarding purchasing water

The Commissioners met, virtually, with ODOT for IR70 updates.

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Larry Emerson came in to talk with the Commissioners about his concerns with the way the Commissioners may be handling blighted properties in Muskingum County.

Pam Davis, Human Resources, met with the Commissioners and presented the following for consideration:

**RESOLUTION 23-0545** approve the employment of Justin Crom as Field Operator for the Muskingum County Sewer Department, contingent upon passage of the pre-employment assessments. Starting wage will be \$16.50 per hour with the opportunity for a \$.50 increase at the successful completion of 180 day probationary period.

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Bell.

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

Motion carried.

Pam reported that the C & V inspection for the Lorena is scheduled for Monday, May 22; 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Crooks shared conversation with a wife of a County employees regarding some concerns about the change in prescription policy through the change to TruData Rx. The Clerk is to schedule a time for Pam and Kenzie to come to session and discuss.

The following legislation was now considered:

**RESOLUTION 23-0537** approve and authorize the payment of invoice(s) incurred prior to funds being encumbered in the amount of \$3,309.35 as requested by Vicki Vallee, Finance Manager of the Muskingum County Juvenile Court.

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Bell.

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 23-0538** approve the fund to fund transfer of monies & supplemental Appropriations for the Muskingum County Water Department as requested by Peggy Taylor, Office Manager as follows:

**FUND TRANSFER OF MONIES**

<u>From Fund</u>	<u>To Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
014-373-510002-Water Fund	168-000-414002-New Well Field Projects	\$60,000.00

**SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Contract Services	168-373-504001	\$60,000.00

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 23-0539** approve the fund to fund transfer of monies for the Muskingum County Sewer Department as requested by Peggy Taylor, Office Manager, as follows:

**FUND TRANSFER OF MONIES**

<u>From Fund</u>	<u>To Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
013-372-510001-Advance Out	173-000-414001-Advance In	\$50,000.00

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Bell.

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 23-0540** approve the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds within Fund Number 037 , for the Muskingum County EMA, as requested by Jeff Jadwin, Director .

## **SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS**

<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Account Code</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Contract Services	037-461-511100	\$27,000.00

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 23-0541** approve the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds within Fund Number 087, for the Muskingum County Community Development, as requested by Kyle Dunn, Director.

## **SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS**

<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Account Code</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Contract Repairs	087-375-504001	\$21,661.25

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Bell.

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 23-0542** authorize Cindy S. Cameron to sign on behalf of the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners the Notice to Proceed for Dreams Excavating & Paving LLC for the Village of Dresden, Kendra & Allison Street Improvement project.

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 23-0543** authorize Cindy S. Cameron to sign on behalf of the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners the Release of Mortgage form for the mortgage of Connie Taylor, in the original amount of \$40,110.00 for the Muskingum County Community Housing Improvement Program. This request was submitted by Kyle Dunn, Program Director.

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Bell.

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 23-0544** accept and sign the U.S. Bridge contract for the MUS-CR5-4.10 Clay Pike Bridge Replacement, requested by Mark Eicher, County Engineer.

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

Motion carried.

Commissioner Cameron reported that Captain Page had called Stan Lucas about pumping the sewage holding tank on the Lorena.

Scott Lee, Facilities Superintendent, came to present landscape drawings to the Commissioners. No final decision was made. Scott and Susan will work on the drawing options and meet with the landscaper again to get a price and timeline.

Scott also reported that the window washing for the Courthouse will be Friday, May 26.

There was discussion regarding the Convention Facilities' billboard and the need for it to be removed for the proposed Gateway project.


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With no further business being before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:43 p.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Bell.

  
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.*