

Minutes for May 24, 2021

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

RES 21-0509 Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Porter.
Vote was Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

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

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

The Commissioners read a letter from Charles Hollins regarding his Sheriff Auction purchase of property on Brewster Grove Road.

The Commissioners reviewed the information request from Anthony Adornetto.

The following legislation was now considered:

RESOLUTION 20-0510 sign Ohio Department of Job and Family Services Subgrant Agreement G-2223-11-6971 for Muskingum Children Services. Requested by Candace Emmert, PCSA Director.
Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.
Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 20-0511 approve the creation of a new Revenue and Expenditure line items within Funds 021 and 105 for the Muskingum County Adult and Child Protective Services as requested by Candy Emmert, as follows:

CREATE NEW REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE LINE ITEMS

<u>Description</u>	<u>Line Item Number</u>
Chafee Stimulus	021-000-409227
Chafee Stimulus Contract Services	021-695-504397
Avondale Contributions	105-000-412002
Avondale Supplies	105-698-503001

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Porter.
Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

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RESOLUTION 20-0512 authorize Mollie S. Crooks to sign on behalf of the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners Pay Request #7 for Reimbursement for expenses paid by the County for the Water Main Extensions to North Moose Eye, Lodge, Maplebrook, Nel-Da-Mar, Tammy, McKinley & Tavenner Roads payable to Muskingum County Treasurer in the amount of \$420.00 for reimbursement to the Muskingum County Water Department.
Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.
Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 20-0513 authorize Mollie S. Crooks to sign on behalf of the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners Pay Request #8 for Reimbursement for expenses paid by the County for the Water Main Extensions to North Moose Eye, Lodge, Maplebrook, Nel-Da-Mar, Tammy, McKinley & Tavenner Roads payable to Muskingum County Treasurer in the amount of \$46,386.27 for reimbursement to the Muskingum County Water Department.
Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Porter.
Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 20-0514 accept in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code Section 5591.42 the weight limit changes for various bridges throughout Muskingum County as determined by Muskingum County Engineer Mark Eicher. This list is as follows:
SFN 6037240, CR 46, Darlington Drive Revise Load Limit
SFN 6031189 (formerly SFN 6031188, CR 45, Cutler Lake Road Remove Load Limit
Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.
Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye; Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 20-0515 approve the employment of Lester Hetrick as Clerical Specialist III for the Muskingum County Job and Family Services, Child Support Division, contingent upon passage of the pre-employment assessments. Requested by Amy Sprankle, Human Resources Manager.
Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Porter.
Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 20-0516 accept the Insurance Renewal quote of \$9,132.00 and to sign to reject Terrorism Insurance coverage for the Lorena Sternwheeler with London & Norfolk, Ltd. through Rankin and Rankin Insurance Company.
Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.
Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

Sheriff Lutz, Captain Suci and Anthony Adornetto came to meet with the Commissioners regarding a financial grant. The media (WHIZ and Times Recorder) were also present.

- Anthony had a fact sheet that he asked for the Board and Sheriff's help with completing for the grant

In discussing the possibility of a new jail facility, Sheriff Lutz would like to build as big as possible with the ability to use current staff.

- One Deputy per 60 inmates if minimum security dorm style
- One Deputy per 48 inmates if cell style

Sheriff also noted that all City felons must be housed/held in the County jail.
Anthony said there is no ceiling on the request for this grant.

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- Not sure when the grant monies will be awarded

Sheriff Lutz said a new facility would open up space for a mental health programming facility

Anthony would ask for a more updated estimate for the facility

Anthony will meet with Sheriff Lutz and Capt Suci to complete some of the information needed.

Robert Moore, IS Director, came to ask where his authority lies with the Courthouse lighting.

- Robert reported that Commissioner Crooks had asked him to research brightening up the lighting on Courthouse
- Commissioner Cameron asked him to explain because she doesn't have a clue what is going on
 - Commissioner Crooks said she had reported from the Storybook Christmas meeting last year, that it was brought up that the Courthouse lights were not as intense as they possibly could be
 - Someone in that meeting suggested Joel from AVC Communications, who does Guernsey County's Christmas display and Russ Nelson, who does American Pride's Christmas display
 - Commissioner Cameron had asked, several months ago, if we wanted to invite Russ Nelson in after we saw what he had done at American Pride
- Robert said that if we wanted a display like Guernsey County, it would be about \$250,000 and more if for this Christmas because would be rush at this point
 - Guernsey County also pays \$6-8,000 annually for programing
- Robert reported that there are currently seven segments burned out on our Courthouse
 - Anywhere from \$2,000 - \$10,000 each; cost of approximately \$50,000 to maintain to original
- If want lights to be brighter, would have to be LED and would involve re-doing everything
 - Both parties, AVC Communications and Russ Nelson, will come to observe the Courthouse at night
- Robert's question is how far to go with the lighting
 - Commissioner Porter asked why we wouldn't maintain what we already have
 - Robert's point in asking was, if replacing all lighting, why fix what's burned out now
- Commissioner Cameron said Commissioner Porter had asked her why Robert had called him with these questions, and she didn't know either
 - Commissioner Cameron said she had seen Russ Nelson who had said it would cost \$250-500,000 and why waste everyone's time if not considering upgrade
- Commissioner Porter would suggest discussion such as this, begin in session
 - He would support fixing what we already have
- Commissioner Cameron doesn't see a problem with what we already have except for what is burned out that needs fixed
- Commissioner Porter said the electricians union volunteered their time to install what is currently here

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- Suggested calling them to help with the repairs
 - Commissioner Porter will get Robert a contact name and number
- Commissioner Porter will support maintaining but not replacing
 - Could even enhance what we already have
- Commissioner Cameron agreed that finding out what needs replaced is a good place to start

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

Derrick Moorehead came to talk with the Commissioners and the following was considered:

RESOLUTION 21-0517 declare an Executive Session at 1:30 p.m. for the purpose of discussing a Real Estate Matter of the Muskingum County Commissioners. This session ended about 2:00 p.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Porter.

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

Motion carried.

Commissioner Cameron reported that Steve Dillon, Falls Township Trustee, has called twice about the camper situation on Licking View Road.

- The Township sent a certified letter declaring the property a nuisance, but it was never picked up, but they also sent it regular mail
- Erica Jackson from EPA went to Bob Lavy and told him EPA would site him for open dumping
 - He told her he didn't own that property
 - She insisted that he did, and said she would go to the County Auditor
- Dave from Burnham/Casting Solutions offered the resident \$2,500 if they would go away and he would bulldoze the stuff away
 - The resident really got angry with him
- Tracey Robinson is the owner of the property, but does not live there
 - His ex-girlfriend lives there and she has a restraining order against him
- Commissioner Crooks had talked to Bob Lavy's wife
- Commissioner Cameron suggested that the letter be hand delivered by a Sheriff's Deputy
 - We'll ask Mark Zanghi his opinion about it being hand delivered

Pam Davis, Human Resources, came to talk with the Commissioners about a Rambo employment.

- Shannon Bell, RN for Rambo has been appointed as the new Director as Gloria Brown retires July 2.

Because the full-time RN position will now be open, the following was then considered:

RESOLUTION 21-0518 approve the posting of the position of Full Time RN for the Muskingum County Rambo Memorial Health Center. This request was submitted by Pam Davis, Human Resources.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

Motion carried.

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The Commissioners also discussed the next Department Head Meeting, July 29.

- It was decided to hold the meeting in-person and the Commissioners would provide lunch

The Commissioners also discussed the interim plan until June 2 when Ohio's mask mandate will be lifted. Options include:

- No requirement of masks if fully vaccinated
- Maintain regulations as they are now; masks required
- Commissioner Porter feels that if we are not going to wear them, we shouldn't have a sign on the door requiring them
- Each individual business has the right to set their standard

It was decided to post the sign "Masks required, unless fully vaccinated" until June 2; with each Department doing what works for their department...determining their own guidelines

There was also discussion with Pam on the CORSA Loss Control Incentive trainings.

After some discussion it was decided to participate in Training Module #2: Administration of Employee Leaves During the Pandemic and Preparation for Post Pandemic Leave Policies and Practice.

- Pam will contact CORSA for a date for training; July 29 or July 22 as backup

Jack Marlin, Guernsey County Commissioner called to ask the Board if Muskingum County has a Medical Marijuana dispensary and their opinion of it.

- Not sure we have a dispensary here
 - Only the Grow Ohio facility
 - There are two physicians in Muskingum County that can issue the recommendations
 - Commissioner Porter believes there has been an application for a dispensary in Muskingum County
 - Commissioner Crooks gave him Dr. Feicht's phone number and Derek Dozer, Newton Township Trustee (Grow Ohio location)
 - Commissioner Porter gave him Dale Phillips', Springfield Township Trustee, phone number (part of the permitting process)

Commissioner Cameron asked him about their ARP facilitator.

- Guernsey County Financial Administrator will be handling their ARP funds

Commissioner Porter asked about the easement that the developer of Burger King, East, is asking for.

- Commissioners Crooks and Cameron explained to him what Stan and Mark had reported Thursday

Commissioner Crooks reported that she talked with John Graham and he wanted the Commissioners to understand about the camping fees at the fairgrounds.

- If people paid the camping fees for last year and they requested a refund, they were refunded their money.
- If they did not request a refund, their fees will be credited for the 2021 fair
 - Commissioner Porter asked if John explained that if people did request a refund, they lost their space and put to the bottom of the waiting

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list?...that's why very few took a refund – again didn't tell the complete story

- As with the motorcycle races, that group was to build a new fence around the track
 - They (fairboard) were using that group to replace that wooden fence
 - Commissioner Crooks said that's not correct, she talked directly to one of the guys planning the event
 - They (motorcycle group) offered to build the fence, but it couldn't be the white fence; it had be a certain type of fence to get professional riders in
 - A safety factor from AMA
 - They had initially offered to pay for the fence and she's not sure what happened from that point
 - They went to Guernsey County because they could meet the requirements

Commissioner Cameron reported that Steve Dillon, Falls Township Trustee called about the Licking View camping mess.

- Dave at Burnham offered them \$2,500 to move
- The renter gave him a piece of his mind
 - Dave decided best to go back to his office
- They sent a letter declaring nuisance certified and regular mail to Tracey Robinson; certified letter was not claimed
 - Commissioner Cameron's question is the regular letter enough to declare nuisance or should we have a Sheriff's Deputy serve the letter
 - Question for Mark Zanghi

Steve also asked if the Commissioners had heard about the company that wants to do the tubing and kayaking on property that the Trustees own.

- They've sent the contract to Mark Zanghi for his review

There was discussion regarding Todd Hixson, Treasurer, and the American Rescue Plan.

- It would be Commissioner Porter's opinion that as the Treasurer of this County, he (Todd) should be the one doing it
- Commissioners Crooks and Cameron explained the conversation that was had with Todd last Thursday

Mark Zanghi, Assistant Prosecutor, came at the Commissioners request.

- Mark confirmed that the regular mail letter sent to Mr. Robinson is sufficient to declare nuisance
- Mark suggested that Mr. Robinson file an eviction notice to get the renters out
 - Or just give them a three day notice to get out
- Mark will send Gary Hamilton, Falls Township Fiscal Officer, an email explaining that to him

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- Erica Jackson from EPA told Bob Lavy to clean up the mess
 - He does not own the property
 - Erica Jackson said she would contact Auditor

Mark has not yet had conversation with Grant Stubbins about the Dunfalls denial letter

Mark will respond to Steve Dillon about the tubing and kayaking company contract

Mark addressed the letter from Charles Hollins regarding his purchase of the Brewster Grove Road property at Sheriff's Auction.

- Mark will be sending Mr. Hollins a follow-up letter

Commissioner Cameron moved to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2021 session with corrections. Commissioner Crooks seconded.

Vote was Crooks, aye; Porter, present; Cameron, aye.

Motion carried.

Commissioner Cameron said Dr. Vinsel has not mentioned, but she's been wondering if the Coroner ever turns in mileage...was there a van at one time?

- Yes, but the Coroner doesn't use now
- Not aware of paying mileage

The Clerk reported that Mark Schneider called asking Beth who should pay for his new computer.

- The Commissioners will pay for it, also a new printer, if he needs it

Commissioner Crooks mentioned that the remodel will take a while

- Mark did get estimates on a tool box that locks and a new refrigerator
- Should the flooring be put in before getting those items
 - It was agreed to go ahead and purchase the tool box and refrigerator
 - The tool box will be County property

With no further business being before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:59 p.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Porter.



Mollie S. Crooks



James W. Porter



Cindy S. Cameron

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