

Minutes for June 11, 2020

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

RES 20-0497 Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Porter.

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

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

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

The Commissioners participated in a video meeting with Corey Hamilton, Health Department; Mayor Mason, City of Zanesville; Sheriff Lutz and Jeff Jadwin, EMA Director.

- Muskingum Speedway plans to open this weekend
 - Maximum 2000 spectators
- Lazy Acres Campground has asked to allow a live summer concert this weekend
 - They have been told they cannot
 - Their attorney is planning to file an injunction
 - Lazy Acres has presented a plan
 - Mark Zanghi, Assistant Prosecutor, joined the conversation. He has talked with Lazy Acres' attorney
 - Corey's concern is that campgrounds do have specific rules; race tracks have no specific rules
 - How do we prevent other businesses from asking the same?
 - Mark said that allowing them to file an injunction leaves the Health Department out of the decision
 - Health Department did not write the rules, only entrusted to enforce the rules
 - Corey will send Mark the guidelines for campgrounds and let the justice system do their work

Commissioner Cameron informed the Board that she would need to leave by 3:15 today for an appointment.

She also reported that Fergus from Bass Environmental called Friday and she recorded the conversation.

- Stan had planned to visit the Shreveport plant Wednesday, but could not get flights arranged
- Stan is visiting a similar plant in Youngstown today

There was discussion regarding the tap fee for Bass

- Stan thinks \$500,000 is fair in light of the amount of revenue the facility could produce for the County
- Commissioner Porter reminded that Stan said rules are rules
- Commissioner Porter does have hesitations with allowing this business. When asked why he said because of the negative comments on the media coverage.

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Also he doesn't think the facility will operate at full capacity. He believes the tap fee should be based on usage

- Commissioner Crooks believes the benefits to be: investment in the community, tap fee income, jobs for the County and the use of local college interns. She trusts Stan's guidance
- Stan will check in after today's visit to Youngstown

Matt Abbott, Port Authority Director, joined the conversation

- Matt has been involved in the site search
- Stan has called the Chamber of Commerce in Youngstown
- Bass is waiting on County decision
- Matt believes our due diligence is good
- Muskingum County is in a good position to be selective
- Does Matt think an information hearing for the public be productive?

Don Madden also joined the conversation

- West Muskingum could handle the flow
- Bass has met with the City
- Commissioner Cameron would still like for Stan to visit Shreveport

Matt was asked about the pre-bid meeting for National Road this morning

- There were ten contractors there; a good mix of local contractors
- Matt has also talked with Jobs Ohio

Commissioner Cameron asked Commissioner Porter if he asked the Fair Board about the \$1,000 charge for the housing of the Dog Kennel dogs during the distemper incident. He did not.

The following legislation was now considered:

RESOLUTION 20-0498 approve the funds transfer of monies for the Muskingum County Engineer as requested by Mark Eicher, as follows:

FUND TRANSFER OF MONIES

| <u>From Fund</u> | <u>To Fund</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 009-368-510002 | 110-000-414002 | \$2,000.00 |

These funds will be utilized for the local share of the engineering services for the Duncan Falls/Philo Bridge project.

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Porter.

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

RESOLUTION 20-0499 authorize to sign CHIP Grant Application documents.

Requested by Sheila Samson, Director, Muskingum County Community Development.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

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RESOLUTION 20-0500 approve and authorize Cindy S. Cameron to sign on behalf of the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners the Pay Request Number Five (5) in the amount of (\$289,149.21) to Paul Construction for the Health Department Renovations. (see attached)

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Porter.

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

RESOLUTION 20-0501 authorize the Muskingum County Building Department/aka Mid-East Ohio Building Department to waive Plan Approval Application fees in the amount of \$3,154.53 for Muskingum County Court.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

RESOLUTION 20-0502 approve the line item transfer of monies within Fund Number 099 as requested by Vicki Vallee, Finance Manager, Muskingum County Juvenile Court, as follows:

LINE ITEM TRANSFER OF MONIES

| <u>From Line Item</u> | <u>To Line Item</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|---|--------------------------------|---------------|
| 099-444-504308 Re-Entry Assess/Counseling | 099-444-501002RECLM – Salaries | \$200.00 |
| 099-444-504308 Re-Entry Assess/Counseling | 099-444-501002REENT – Salaries | \$200.00 |

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Porter.

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

RESOLUTION 20-0503 authorize to sign PY2020 CD Grant Application documents. Requested by Sheila Samson, Director, Muskingum County Community Development.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

RESOLUTION 20-0504 approve the award of bid to Luburgh, Inc., 4174 East Pike, Zanesville, OH 43701 in the amount of \$437,534.00 for the culvert replacement on Ferncliff Road. Luburgh, Inc. submitted the lowest bid and was below the estimate of \$450,000.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

RESOLUTION 20-0505 approve the payment of invoices incurred in 2019 with 2020 Funds payable to the following vendors for invoice(s) dated prior to encumbrances as requested by Beth Iden, Deputy Clerk, Muskingum County Commissioners.

| <u>Name of Vendor</u> | <u>Description</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| Mollie S. Crooks | CCAO Conference Expense | \$392.66 |

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

Roll call: Cameron, aye; Crooks, abstain; Porter, aye. Motion carried.

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RESOLUTION 20-0506 approve the payment of invoices incurred in 2019 with 2020 Funds payable to the following vendors for invoice(s) dated prior to encumbrances as requested by Tom Smith, Fiscal Supervisor, Muskingum County Job and Family Services.

| <u>Name of Vendor</u> | <u>Description</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| Treasurer State of Ohio | CSEA TSSP Port Chgs Jul-Sept | \$180.39 |
| Treasurer State of Ohio | CSEA TSSP Port Chgs Oct-Dec | \$180.39 |

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Porter.

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

RESOLUTION 20-0507 authorize to sign Partnership Agreement between Muskingum County and City of Zanesville for the Application and Administration of the PY2020 Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program (CHIP).

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Porter.

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

Commissioner Crooks reported on the Fair Board meeting June 09.

- She asked the Fair Board about the \$1,000 charge for housing the Dog Kennel dogs
 - Commissioner Cameron asked if they discussed with anyone
 - John Graham said he is a dog-lover and just told them okay to move in
 - When asked if everything was left satisfactory, the Board said no one has looked at the stalls yet, but heard that some dogs had dug holes from one stall to the other
 - She told them to make sure the stalls are cleaned to their satisfaction
- Commissioner Porter said no one mentioned anything about the Governor's 5:00 decision to give \$50,000 to the Fair Board if a Junior Fair is held. The funding would be \$15,000 if fair canceled
- Fair Board member Kreis said all fair members want to have a fair, but looking at it as a business they decide with their heads not their hearts
- Commissioner Porter said John Graham would have \$60,000 just in signage if fair was held

The following legislation was considered:

RESOLUTION 20-0508 approve payment of \$1,000 to Muskingum County Agricultural Society for the use of B Barn for housing Muskingum County Dog Warden Dogs during distemper event. See attached invoice.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

Mark Eicher, Engineer; Matt Abbott, Port Authority Director and Don Madden, Projects Director, came to meet with the Commissioners to discuss additional staffing at the Engineer's office.

- Would it be beneficial for these three entities to share the cost of an additional employee at the Engineer's office?
- Should they hire additional staff and take on more projects?

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- Should they continue with current staff and incur overtime?
- Could easily keep additional person busy with drafting and project management
- Don could use some of the additional engineering but would prefer to stay with Morgan Coast for water projects, mainly because of history with Vaughn, Coast and Vaughn.
- Mark would like to have the time to do 90-95% in-house design as opposed to using consulting firms
- They could also move Licking View along faster if they had additional staff
- They could have two bridge inspection crews
- It would be a savings to the Port Authority, as well
- Annual wage would be \$60-\$80,000
- Could hold joint interviews
- Start with one additional employee
- Mark would still sign off on all plans, etc

All agreed for Mark to write a job description, to post the position and proceed.

There was discussion regarding sewer for Licking View.

- Could apply for OPWC loan at 0%; a quick way of getting money for the project
 - Could apply this fall and begin work July 1, 2021
- If Casting Solutions would tap-in they would then be part of the JEDD
 - Would need clarification
 - Don not sure EPA would require them to tap-in

Dan Long, IT Director, came to talk with the Board about a new recording system. He will come back at a later time.

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

Pam Davis, Human Resources, came to talk with the Board.

- She asked about CORSA Live Training for this year.
 - Possible topic: THE FMLA; Managing Leaves including COVID-19 FMLA
 - Possible date: July 30

Pam also reported that she and Robbie Frame, Housekeeping Supervisor, interviewed five candidates for a housekeeping position. The following was then considered:

RESOLUTION 20-0509 approve the employment of Justine Bowman as a County employee, as Housekeeper for Muskingum County Maintenance/Housekeeping, contingent upon passage of the pre-employment assessments. Starting wage will be \$11.00 per hour with the opportunity for a \$.50 an hour increase at the end of a successful 180 day probationary period.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

Motion carried.

Commissioner Porter suggested that we make Mikey at Recycling a County employee.

Commissioner Porter will talk with Rob Reiter about that.

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There was discussion regarding the video recordings and a proposed records retention policy for the recordings. Corrie Marple will be consulted about that. Records Commission will have to approve. .

There will be another Fair Board meeting Tuesday.

The Board took a call from Sheriff Lutz regarding the 9-1-1 Equipment.

- Mark Zanghi, Assistant Prosecutor, thinks this equipment will need to be bid. Will try to have an answer by Monday

Stan Lucas, Sewer Department Manager, called in to report to the Commissioners on his trip to Youngstown.

- He visited the facility which is next to the landfill; not really much smell
- Been there 2-3 years
- Didn't see any red flags
- Talked to the operators of the water treatment plant where the water is taken from the treatment facility, they had no issues with anything
- They did have high ammonia issues early on but the treatment facility fixed that
- This facility was not built by Bass
- Revenue could be as much as \$730,000 annually; they may never reach that
- Could their tap fee be based on the annual revenue stream?
- Bass is requesting a \$500,000 tap fee, \$100,000 up front and \$100,000 for the four following years
 - Technically, based on the max design flow, it could have been \$6,000,000
 - Would any company pay that kind of tap fee?
- Bass will not proceed with process until they know Muskingum County will allow them to tap into the system
- Stan would promise that the smell is no where near either Quasar or the City Treatment plant
- Can we agree to give them a tap and decide the amount later?
 - They will want an amount now
- Any discussion about a bond for them?
- Cleanups and/or cleanup if abandoned
- Commissioner Cameron would still like to see Stan visit the Shreveport plant

The following was then considered:

RESOLUTION 20-0510 authorize to grant tap to Bass Environmental for \$500,000; \$100,000 up front and \$100,000 a year for an additional four years.

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

Roll call: Cameron, aye; Crooks, aye; Porter, nay, should be based on their usage. Motion carried.

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Commissioner Crooks moved to approve the minutes of the June 08, 2020 session.
Commissioner Cameron seconded.

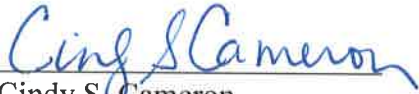
Vote was Cameron, aye; Crooks, aye; Porter, good until noon. Motion carried.

Mark Zanghi, Assistant Prosecutor, returned the Commissioners' call.

- Could a tap fee be based on the amount of usage?
 - That would be within the sound discretion of the Commissioners to set the tap fees
- Can we require a bond for Bass?
 - We could issue a bond to insure payment of the tap fee
 - Concern with cleanups and abandonment of facility
 - Mark will do research as to what kind of bond could be issued
- Would EPA require Bass to have a contract with a cleanup company?
 - Mark would think they would have some kind of requirements to get permits

Mark was asked to let the Board know the outcome of the Lazy Acres injunction hearing tomorrow.

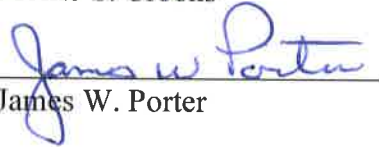
With no further business being before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:57 p.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Crooks.



Cindy S. Cameron



Mollie S. Crooks



James W. Porter

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

