

Minutes for Monday, August 04, 2025

Commissioners Present: Bell, Prouty, Cameron
Staff Present: Susan Reese & Kacey Stackhouse

RES 25-0766 Meeting was called to order at 8a.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Prouty.
Vote was Bell, absent at the time of voting; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

Commissioner Cameron moved to approve the payment of bills, pending review.
Seconded by Commissioner Prouty.
Vote was Bell, absent at the time of voting; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

It was reported that the walls for the jail were coming today, but the crane is broken down at the jail site. Will keep us updated.

Commissioner Cameron reported that she had a conversation with Wendy Sowers, Clerk of Courts. Wendy wanted the Commissioners to know that she has asked her employees to sign an agreement to not park on city streets. Wendy has heard many concerns about jurors not having places to park when they report for duty.

The following legislation was now considered:

RESOLUTION 25-0767 approve the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds within Fund Number 001, for the Muskingum County Prosecutors office, as requested by Ron Welch, Prosecutor.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

<u>Description</u>	<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Employee Salaries	001-105-501002	\$45,999.80
Medicare	001-105-502001	\$ 667.00
PERS	001-105-502003	\$ 6,439.97
Workers Compensation	001-105-502009	\$ 690.00

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

RESOLUTION 25-0768 approve the line item transfer of monies within Fund Number 018 as requested by Stephanie Neuhart, Business Manager, as follows:

LINE ITEM TRANSFER OF MONIES

<u>From Line Item</u>	<u>To Line Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
018-694-504001-Contract Services	018-694-504398-Subsidy Waiver Match	\$225,000.00

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

RESOLUTION 25-0769 approve the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds within Fund Number 014, for the Muskingum County Water Department, as requested by Peggy Taylor, Office Manager.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

<u>Description</u>	<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Utilities Office Reno	014-373-504061	\$75,000.00

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

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RESOLUTION 25-0770 approve and authorize the payment of One Thousand – Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) for Annual County Membership Dues for 4th and Market effective August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2026. This membership will allow County employees a 30% discount on all gym membership options.

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 25-0771 approve and authorize the ADVANCE of Funds from fund 014 to fund 180 for the Muskingum County Water Department as requested by Peggy Taylor, as follows:

ADVANCE OF MONIES

<u>From Fund</u>	<u>To Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
014-373-510001	180-000-414001	\$100,000.00

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

Motion carried.

The Commissioners placed a call to Eric Reed, Port Authority Director, to talk with him about an email he had sent to the Commissioners regarding a support letter for the AOFF Award through ODOD. The County match would be 25% of the project cost.

Commissioner Bell reported an email from Mayor Mason regarding the 34 North Fourth Street property the Commissioners recently acquired. He suggested installing storm sewer when building the parking lot.

Commissioner Bell addressed the email from Mark Zanghi, Assistant Prosecutor, determining that without zoning, group homes cannot be prohibited.

The Clerk was asked to set up a meeting with Ron Bucci to discuss his proposal for Good Deed Challenge Coins.

Commissioner Bell moved to approve the minutes of the July 24, 2025 session. Commissioner Prouty seconded.

Vote was: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, abstain.

Motion carried.

Commissioner Bell moved to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2025 session. Commissioner Prouty seconded.

Vote was: Bell, aye; Prouty, aye; Cameron, aye.

Motion carried.

Commissioner Bell confirmed that the Ribbon Cutting for the new South Entrance Restroom at the Fairgrounds will be Sunday, August 10; 11:30 a.m.

Commissioner Bell reported that she participated in the Shoot – Be Shot exercise at Mid-East Friday.

Commissioner Cameron reported that Pat Nash called her to discuss his idea of coordinating an event to recognize local Foundations for their contributions to the community. He would like to hold this event sometime in September.

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Don Madden and Zack Forker, Projects Department, presented updates on AMLER. There was much discussion.

They also presented a proposal for a premium answering service for the Water Department; Doppler. There will be continued discussion.

Clerk Reese left for a family medical need.
Deputy Clerk Stackhouse joined session.

Eric Reed, Port Authority Director came to session and requested the following:

RESOLUTION 25-0772 declare an Executive Session at 10:18 a.m. for the purpose of discussing confidential business information of an applicant for economic development assistance, Muskingum County Commissioners. This session ended about 11:05 a.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

Eric then presented the following for consideration:

RESOLUTION 25-0773 accept and sign MOU between Rockstone Holdings, LLC, Zanesville-Muskingum County Port Authority and the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners.

Motion made by Commissioner Prouty, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

Kade Haddox, County Administrator, came in to give updates:

- Courtroom HVAC will be completed by the end of the week
- Met with contractors for repairs on several parking lots
- Fairgrounds South Entrance Restroom meeting tomorrow to do a walk through

The Commissioners adjourned for lunch to resume session at 1:00 p.m.

Doug Brown came in to speak to the Commissioners about a memorial for his father, who served in law enforcement for over 40 years. Commissioner Bell informed him the Commissioners would do some research and see what they could do and get back to him.

Commissioner Prouty gave some updates:

- The tree was trimmed at the Rural Services Building
- Replacing the man lift for maintenance is necessary, Prouty believes buying a used one would be ok

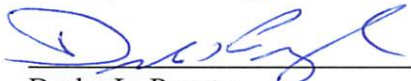
Medben, Forker, Mackenzie and Pam came in to give updates on some new programs for prescriptions.


Judge Anderson, Judge Cottrill, Mark Zanghi & Kade Haddox came in to go over the RFQ's for the Courthouse renovations.

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With no further business being before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:54p.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Prouty.


Melissa J. Bell


Drake L. Prouty


Cindy S. Cameron