

Minutes for Wednesday, August 17, 2022

Commissioners Present: Crooks and Cameron
Commissioner Porter was at the fair/4-H Advisor
Staff Present: Susan Reese

RES 22-0814 Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Crooks.
Vote was Crooks, aye; Porter, absent; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

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

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

The Clerk distributed the wording from the State for the November ballot for the Health Department Levy and the Mental Health and Recovery Levy.
Commissioner Crooks signed off on it.

Rob Reiter, SEO Joint Solid Waste Director, called and asked if he could stop in to introduce Michael, the new Director. Yes, that's fine and Commissioner Porter knows him already because he interviewed him.

Commissioner Cameron reported that the some of the Volunteers at the K-9 Adoption Center wanted the Commissioners to know that they are thankful for the new facility. They said there's a lot of bad, but there's a lot of good, and they didn't want the Board to think they were critical. It's still nicer than it was, it has a lot of issues, but they are thankful for it.

There was question as to whether Troy Quinlin, the new Regional Liaison for the State Treasurer, is coming in today. He had called the Clerk and she told him that it was fair week, they would be in session for a very short time and Commissioner Porter would not be present. She offered to make him an appointment for another day. He said he would call back.
In the meantime, he called Commissioner Cameron and said he might stop in today.

Commissioner Crooks reported that as far as scheduling, she ran into Pastor Joe Dunlap at the fair. He approached her, and started out by saying, "I'm coming to meet with you." She didn't realize who he was. She asked him, "what about" and he said, "Sewer, church" whatever. She said they had a nice conversation. He said it doesn't sound like I need to come in, I don't want to waste your time. She told him no, you can definitely come in. she was just telling him what information we have discovered, and about the history. He said again, that he was told he didn't have to pay a sewer bill. She asked him if he was getting a bill...yes. He said three times, he doesn't need to come in and three times she told him, he is still welcome.

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Commissioner Cameron said he needs to come in.

Commissioner Crooks said the last thing he said was, I trust you to tell them. She told him she is only one Commissioner and if you want to present your position to the other two, you can do that. She told him, if he changes his mind, he knows how to get ahold of us. He said he would follow up with Todd Hixson. So, that's his choice.

The Clerk gave the Commissioners a letter from Buckeye Community Hope Foundation about the facility they are constructing at 1420 Sharon Avenue.

The Clerk reported that David Han, USDA called yesterday regarding the Request for Lease Application. Kacey was also on the phone call with David. He offered to set up a virtual meeting to help walk through the application.

The Clerk asked why the application deadline was extended. He gave no explanation that anyone could understand.

The Clerk reported that Kacey found the applications that were sent in before to include with the application.

The Commissioners reviewed the minutes.

Commissioner Cameron noted that when Commissioner Porter had requested a copy of the JEDD minutes, she didn't know if he meant the minutes from the meetings down at the Welcome Center that we had with everyone, including the trustees or if he meant the minutes when we discussed it in here, because Commissioner Porter didn't attend either meeting regarding the Washington JEDD. She had called Kade at the City because he is the one that does the distribution of the money from the JEDD. She reported it to everyone in session what the difference was in what Washington Township was now receiving compared to what they had previously received. That is only the County, because the City, as far as she knows, has not done anything about their percentage.

The Clerk had given Commissioner Porter the minutes from the October 8, 2021 meeting at the Welcome Center with the Washington Township Trustees and the City.

The following legislation was now considered:

RESOLUTION 22-0815 approve the line item transfer of monies within Fund Number 009 as requested by Mark Eicher, County Engineer, as follows:

LINE ITEM TRANSFER OF MONIES

<u>From Line Item</u>	<u>To Line Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
009-368-506010-Vehicles	009-368-504004-Contract Projects	\$17,000.00

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 22-0816 approve the award of bid to Asphalt Materials, Inc. for the purchase of Asphalt Emulsion for the Muskingum County Engineer.

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

Motion carried.

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RESOLUTION 22-0817 approve the fund to fund transfer of monies for the Muskingum County Job & Family Services as requested by Tom Smith, Fiscal Supervisor, as follows:

FUND TRANSFER OF MONIES

<u>From Fund</u>	<u>To Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001-999-510013-JFS Flex Support	069-000-414002- Child Support Enforcement	\$150,000.00

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

RESOLUTION 22-0818 authorize Mollie S. Crooks to sign on behalf of the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners the OPWC Application for Financial Assistance for County Road Paving (Priority 1) as requested by Mark Eicher, County Engineer

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

RESOLUTION 22-0819 authorize Mollie S. Crooks to sign on behalf of the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners the OPWC Application for Financial Assistance for County Road Paving (Priority 2) as requested by Mark Eicher, County Engineer.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

RESOLUTION 22-0820 authorize Mollie S. Crooks to sign on behalf of the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners the OPWC Application for Financial Assistance for Bagley Road Bridge Replacement (Priority 3) as requested by Mark Eicher, County Engineer.

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

RESOLUTION 22-0821 approve promotion of Johnathon Wires to Maintenance Tech II resulting in a wage increase of \$.50 per hour to \$16.00 per hour, as requested by Scott Lee, Facilities Superintendent. Promotion to be effective August 23, 2022.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

RESOLUTION 22-0822 approve the fund to fund transfer of monies for the Muskingum County Job & Family Services as requested by Tom Smith, Fiscal Supervisor, as follows:

FUND TRANSFER OF MONIES

<u>From Fund</u>	<u>To Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001-999-510004-County General	007-000-414002- Public Assistance	\$57,182

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

RESOLUTION 22-0823 approve and authorize Courthouse lighting in Purple on August 31st for Overdose Awareness Day.

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

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RESOLUTION 22-0824 accept and sign contract for Shelly Company for project 22-7, various streets, Falls Township in the amount of 409,526.00 requested by Mark Eicher, County Engineer.

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

RESOLUTION 22-0825 authorize Mollie S. Crooks to sign on behalf of the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners Pay Application Number Five the Final Pay Application for the Big B Road, Mutton Ridge Road, and Shek Road Water Main Extension. Pay Application Number Five is for \$34,725.52

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

RESOLUTION 22-0826 accept and sign The contract for Shelly Company for project 22-2, various County roads in the amount of 822,799.76. Requested by Mark Eicher, County Engineer.

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

RESOLUTION 22-0827 accept and sign the Contract for Shelly company for project 22-6 Eastpointe Park Improvements in the amount of \$617,120.00 as requested by Mark Eicher, County Engineer.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

RESOLUTION 22-0828 accept and sign The contract for Shelly Company, Project 22-5A, Eco Parkway in the amount of \$633,204.00 as requested by Mark Eicher, County Engineer.

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

RESOLUTION 22-0829 approve the payment of invoices incurred in 2021 with 2022 Funds payable to the following vendors for invoice(s) dated prior to encumbrances as requested by Mark Fleegle, Judge.

<u>Name of Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Supreme Court Of Ohio	Reimbursement to the state of Ohio for the County's portion of payments made to retired assigned Judges.	\$770.00

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

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RESOLUTION 22-0830 approve the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds within Fund Number 013, for the Muskingum County Auditor, as requested by Stephanie Spencer, Chief Administrator.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

<u>Description</u>	<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Debt Service Transfers	013-372-510003	\$195,000

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

RESOLUTION 22-0831 approve the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds within Fund Number 001, for the Muskingum County Commissioners, as requested by Beth Iden, Deputy Clerk .

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

<u>Description</u>	<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Humane Officer Mileage Reimbursement	001-579-502013	\$2,500.00

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

RESOLUTION 22-0832 approve the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds within Fund Number 001, for the Muskingum County Prosecutors Office, as requested by Ron Welch, Prosecuting Attorney.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

<u>Description</u>	<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Special Legal Counsel	001-105-504036	\$25,000.00

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

Commissioner Cameron reported that Mark Eicher said he has found Denis a new vehicle so his equipment doesn't get wet. She believes the surveyor should have a have a vehicle that he can have all of his equipment in without getting wet.

Commissioner Cameron said she talked with Danny Brenneman at the Fair when the Governor was there.

He said they were very appreciative of the wage increase but wasn't sure what date he would get it effective because they had already contacted the Union. In fact, he had first called the Union foreman. And he said, well, I've learned a lot. Then they called the attorney who they'd already talked to. And there were two words that they had to change in the memorandum of understanding. So he had told them about the increase, but he wasn't sure when he'd get that actually submitted it to payroll. He said, thanks again. Commissioner Cameron said, I realize you have your own budget, but we also supplement you with \$600,000 annually. Danny said, I'm well aware of that. And very appreciative of that because we wouldn't have to do that.

Commissioner Cameron said, but considering that you get matching funds and you have a big agency and you do a lot.

Commissioner Cameron said she saw Mark Zanghi in the alley Monday or Tuesday. He was going into the office and he asked if our resolutions went okay on the roofing. And Commissioner Cameron asked, so you're still saying though, because of that later email, when Pam said it asked about the estimates, you're saying we still should get those estimates? Does it matter that it's past the fact? He said, no, to still get those, and Scott is working on getting those.

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There was discussion regarding the minutes of August 4th and 8th. Commissioner Cameron said that Commissioner Porter was here when they were discussed last session, so it was decided to move on them.

Commissioner Cameron moved to approve the minutes of August 04, 2022 with changes.
Commissioner Crooks seconded.

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

Commissioner Cameron moved to approve the minutes of August 08, 2022 with changes.
Commissioner Crooks seconded.

Votes was Crooks, aye; Porter, absent; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

Eric Reed, ARPA Compliance Officer, was called to session.

Commissioner Cameron said, "Eric, I just don't really know. I just have a concern. I don't know what's gonna happen next week. I made a motion about the money for the bathroom and the stuff for the bleachers in the grand stand, because we had offered that to them. I just am concerned if I don't get a second again... we said that we would do it."

"When I asked Commissioner Porter about it, he was gonna wait to see after the fair about the bathrooms, but the grand stand money. I mean, the grand stands seats are there and they're put in. I know I jokingly said to him, why? Do you think do you think they're gonna fall off? Or you gonna fall off of them? But I mean, I was trying to just kid, but I just wanted it known that I did present a motion for both and didn't get a second and I just don't know what to do if that, if I don't get a second, again. Because I assume they're counting on that money and the bathroom still. To be honest, I have not gone into the bathroom."

Commissioner Cameron said she asked Rodney Crooks, one of the Board Members who to ask about the display case under Vickie Reed's name. She then saw Jamie McConnell, 4-H Educator, and sent her a picture of the display case. She said it was on their list to paint and update, but didn't get to it. She agreed that it looks bad. Commissioner Cameron told her that at least we could have Maintenance, or Eric's family would've painted it if we'd have known that it looked like that. Then there was a comment about the bathroom and she said, she'd not gone into the bathrooms. Has anyone talked about whether the showers are hot....did the hot water tanks do what we wanted them to?

Eric said he washed his hands there on Saturday and the water was hot. The ceiling was fixed, they covered the hole in the ceiling and capped of the showers that didn't work.

Commissioner Cameron asked Eric if it was his understanding that we had agreed to pay for that stuff for the bathroom and the grandstand. Commissioner Cameron said there was an article in the newspaper about the grandstand, but she hadn't read it.

Eric said yes, about having money left from the grant. They'll have to talk about that.

Commissioner Crooks said that was not accurate.

Commissioner Cameron said, "They're gonna have to address that then, right? Because that was in the paper, correct? Which, I'm not saying they even have to use that money for the bleachers, but I just feel badly that we committed to that. And now if I don't get a second, that's not gonna happen. A fair board member asked me about it. I said, I can't do it by myself. I made a motion. I can't do anything in there by myself. I don't need anymore explanation. I can see that the

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grandstands are done. I'd like to know what they did or if the improvements in the bathroom worked. But that is what we said we would do."

Eric said he's only been in there once and the showers worked...it was all set up like they said it was. And the hot water worked.

Commissioner Cameron took it from the Kelso bill that the Fair Board had paid that. But she doesn't know about the bill for the bleachers.

Eric verified that the Kelso bill has been paid by the Fair Board. He talked to Jerry Miller. They are just asking because we said we would help them with it. Eric told Jerry that a decision had not been reached and it would be voted on after the fair. That's how I left it with him.

Commissioner Cameron just didn't want them think that she wasn't doing what we said we would do.

Commissioner Crooks reported, as a fair visitor, they had a water break last night. So for the concert night, none of the restrooms were working.

Commissioner Crooks said her sister came up, during the concert, and said she'd gone to the restroom and none of the toilets were working in the one by the hog barn. And she said, "What?? ...Because I've been on a rant about the restroom...it's like my thing...as a visitor." She found out later they had a water break, so that whole end of the fairgrounds...So, last she knew when she left at midnight, Fred was able to fix it.

Commissioner Cameron asked Eric if it was his understanding that the Board had said we should pay for the bathroom stuff. We had talked about that in here.

Eric said, that's how he understood it, but not the specifics like where it's going to come from and all that.

Commissioner Crooks suggested checking the minutes because she believes those statements were made in the minutes. She remembers reading in the minutes that there was a commitment made.

Rob and Michael Reiter, SEO Joint Solid Waste Directors, came to meet with the Board.

Commissioner Cameron talked to Mark at Recycling and he said that Mike had been there and we knew that Jim had met him but we'd like to meet him, too.

Mike said he gave Mark a hand the other day when he was quite shorthanded. He was a little overwhelmed and Mike told him to take off, he had this.

Commissioner Cameron noted how our Recycling is sometimes a bit overwhelmed. Rob has said that the other sites take the last half hour of the day and kind of clean up. Do you think that would help? Have you got to talk to Mark about that?

Rob said since his money goes into that guy's salary, he told Mark that he's got a good guy out there now that had worked for Rumpke, so he knows how it works...what's good and what's bad. So I told Mark, since it's on my nickel, I said at a half hour at the end of every day put that guy out on that yard cleaning stuff up

Commissioner Crooks said for her, I know you've put money, and Cindy's out there more often than I am with the recycling part, but maybe letting us know if you need reinforcement for Mark, because I don't know these things.

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Rob said he knows it's different. Because at Marietta it goes straight out of the truck and into the conveyor, like at Caldwell, but you know that day I was there it looked like a mountain in there. And then I told them, hey, at 2:00 grab a can, or whatever and go out there and just start picking stuff up. I said, it's gonna storm and stuff's blowing everywhere. Rob said he's told Mark if somebody brings in a big source of separated cardboard, set it aside and put in the bailer. But don't go picking through the co-mingled stuff trying to pull cereal boxes out. Mike said it's like stepping over a dollar to pick up a dime.

Commissioner Crooks said she's heard Rob say that but didn't know what he meant by that. So I think those are the kind of things like when we do his evaluation, we don't have any of this information. But those are definitely things that we should be noting as far as recommendations that are made or goals that he has and, and then things that aren't followed through with. So if we can support one another, but we need to know both sides. But, if we know that, then she's going to reinforce those best practices.

Mike noted that the shredded paper stuff makes a mess. He suggests sacrificing the back and just start putting straight into the compactor hopper to save the mess. When that stuff hits the ground, it's like it's snowing up there.

Rob said that essentially two people would be replacing him, and Michael will have more time to spend at more places than he could have, although he'll have to run special operations, but he'll have more time to spend with these guys, just trying to tune things up. When things are more efficient, they cost less to run.

Commissioner Crooks asked, what if we had a meeting, the three Commissioners and Mark. That way we're all on the same page and whenever we know there are issues.... and I think Mark gets frustrated and I'm not sure why.

Rob thinks his biggest frustration is he feels it's a little overwhelming with lack of people. But if this new guy works out, he should fix the problem. He's a good guy.

Commissioner Cameron asked if Rob knew when the next Solid Waste meeting would be. Rob thinks probably Monday, September 12.

Rob explained that Mike will be the Director, there will be an administrator in the office that can actually go out of the office, run equipment and work, and Crystal will still be there until she retires.

Mike was asked if he used to pick up the recycling trailers and who's going to do that now. He said it's already covered, already taken care of.

Rob was asked if he has a retirement date. He's got to get another person and make sure there's enough training. He's looking at October.

Rob confirmed that he would be at the September and December meetings. December will be a budget commission.

Kyle Dunn, Community Development, came to see the Commissioners.

He got an email today from Ben Kepler State of Ohio for the 2022 Community Development application that he applied and he said it's missing a Fair Housing Resolution. He just wanted to get that back to him as soon as he could. In his defense, there's a checklist of things you're supposed to turn in and this that was not on it. The following was then considered:

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RESOLUTION 22-0833

LET IT BE KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS OF THE MUSKINGUM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS that discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing, financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing, or in the provision of brokerage services because of race, color, religion, ancestry, military status, sex, national origin, familial status (families with children), handicap or disability is prohibited by Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Federal Fair Housing Law), as amended, and the Ohio Civil Rights Commission. It is the policy of the Muskingum County Commissioners to implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, ancestry, military status, sex, national origin, handicap or disability, or familial status (families with children).

THEREFORE, the Muskingum County Commissioners does hereby pass the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that within available resources of the Muskingum County Commissioners will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against because of race, color, religion, ancestry, military status, sex, national origin, handicap or disability or familial status (families with children) to seek equity under federal and state laws by filing a complaint with the Ohio Civil Rights Commission and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Muskingum County Commissioners shall distribute this Resolution and, through this distribution, shall cause owners of real estate, developers, and builders to become aware of their respective responsibilities and rights, under the Federal Fair Housing Law, the Ohio Civil Rights Commission, and any local laws or ordinances. Publicity will, at a minimum, include, but not be limited to:

- 1) the publication of this resolution or other applicable fair housing information through local media and community contacts;
- 2) distribution of posters, flyers, and any other available means which will bring to the attention of those affected, the knowledge of their respective responsibilities and rights concerning equal opportunity in housing.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

Motion carried.

The Commissioners left to attend the Port Authority Meeting. It was decided that the Commissioners will return after this meeting.

Commissioner Cameron reported that Rob Reiter called and said that the Recycling Center is the cleanest he's ever seen it.

The Commissioners reviewed an email from Pam Davis regarding her conversation with Debbie Nye about Andy Roberts' hours. The following was then considered:

RESOLUTION 22-0834

approve and authorize to reallocate Andy Roberts' hours per pay to 40 hours GIS and 40 hours Planning Commission. This change to be effective October 10, 2022.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

Motion carried.

There was brief discussion regarding asking different companies for additional estimates for the HVAC and roofing for the hail damage as Mark Zanghi suggested. Commissioner Cameron thinks it unfair to ask the other companies when work and supplies are already in place. She would suggest offering to pay them for their estimate. Commissioner Crooks said she used to do that frequently when needing additional estimates and never paid for them.

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The Clerk is to ask the Sheriff to come in to discuss HB687.

The Clerk was asked to put the date of September 12 on the calendar for the SEO Joint Solid Waste. Commissioner Cameron said that Rob said he would be at the September and December meetings.

Commissioner Crooks asked about the signage at the Health Department Meeting that still has the Board of Elections sign on it. We will ask Scott to see if he's done anything yet.

Commissioner Cameron said that Scott asked about continuing the roofing project at the Engineer's Office. Should he cancel? If we do we will lose our priority in line. Commissioner Cameron said we can talk about it Wednesday, but her thought would be not to cancel because we did the Emergency Resolutions and that is who is going to do it. Commissioner Crooks agreed.

With no further business being before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:49 a.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Crooks.



Mollie S. Crooks

ABSENT

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.