

# Minutes for September 30, 2021

Commissioners Present: Crooks, Porter, Cameron

Staff Present: Beth Iden/ Susan Reese

**RES 21-0939** Meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.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.

Eric Reed came to update the Commissioners on the ARPA Funding.

Senator Schaffer stopped in to see the Commissioners after attending the Ridge Expansion Project ribbon cutting.

- He offered his assistance on any questions or concerns regarding the ARPA Funding process
- He also mentioned that there will be \$350 million for Brownfield statewide
- The Commissioners mentioned some transportation issues to the Senator
  - Intersection of SR60 and SR16
  - Intersection of SR40 and Airport Road

After Senator Schaffer left, Eric updated the Commissioners on ARPA funds.

- Heroes Landing
  - Received an opinion letter from the Prosecutor's office in support of the ARPA funding
  - Not comfortable with using regular ARPA funds for the building and establishment
    - Supporting an established/existing program would be more justifiable
  - Something we could consider if taken from the Revenue Loss funding portion of ARPA
    - Supporting an established/existing program would be more justifiable
  - Commissioner Porter asked how we are going to handle a future opinion that we don't agree with
    - Attaching pages of the Interim Final Rule to the resolution
    - The Auditor is the one we are going to have to answer to
  - We have to go by the rulebook for ARPA expenditures
- Commissioner Porter would appreciate the Prosecutor's opinion, but it is still a Board decision whether or not we grant the request

Commissioner Porter asked Eric if he is bonded.

- The Clerk will check with HR about putting Eric on the CORSA "Surety In Lieu of Bond" schedule

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Commissioner Cameron reported that Corey Hamilton offered to come in to talk with the Board to explain why the Health Department is still in need of funds.

- Munson School renovations
  - HUD Funding?
  - Roof estimate \$88,000
  - Need more information
- Eric said he talked with Don about pipe for the Clean Face project at the fairgrounds
  - Don can get 680' of 6" C900 pipe for \$9.89/foot
    - \$6,725
  - Don's guess for a hydrant - \$7,000
  - Could have Chad look at it, as far as fittings, etc
  - Commissioner Porter said they've asked for a T to be installed so that if they (Fair Board) would get more funding they could run 6" line to the grandstand, if the additional restroom were to be put in; easier to do now
  - Commissioner Cameron asked if Zemba will still do the work
    - Commissioner Porter said, yes, that's the way it was bid
- New Well #7
  - Commissioner Porter said Don thought they (Water Department) could handle for \$400,000
  - Agreed
- Lear Property
  - Eric still has several questions about this request
    - The City would say it qualified for ARPA because it is 3/10 of a mile from a qualified census track posing a public health risk
      - Question would be....how can we prove that COVID caused it to be a public health risk
- Genesis
  - Eric talked with Mike Norman
  - They are asking for two ventilators
    - Approximately \$90,000
    - Eric will tell him the Commissioners are in support, but we need estimate
  - Commissioner Porter asked if they (Genesis) didn't lend out or refuse ventilators in the past
- Honor Flight
  - Commissioner Cameron thought we had done that last week for \$1,000 - 2 participants
  - Commissioner Porter had suggested doing \$16,000 for all 33 participants
  - Eric explained that in 2020 they couldn't fly because of COVID
    - So they are doing two a year now
    - Negatively impacted due to COVID
  - Commissioner Cameron pointed out they are a non-profit which qualifies, but the other non-profits we said we were not going to do

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- If we are going to do \$16,000 for non-profit should it all be for Veterans, or should we entertain some of the other non-profits that have approached us
- Commissioner Porter thought Welch is a non-profit
  - Commissioner Cameron views that differently than Transitions or Habitat
    - Transitions asked for salary and we agreed that we weren't going to do that and she got money the last time
  - Commissioner Crooks said that the Prosecutor is creating a non-profit to address a need in this Community
    - This is an operational expense – one and done

Commissioner Crooks mentioned a road trip that she scheduled, to view Clean Face at the fairgrounds for 1:30 on Monday.

- She talked with Dave Kreis and he feels like perhaps not everyone was on the same page
- He will be there with his Grounds Committee
  - Commissioner Crooks also invited Stan and Don to the meeting
- Commissioner Cameron is not sure she is going
  - Her last thought was when they were in here, they were supposed to come back with costs to do Clean Face
  - Why is everything with the fairgrounds so complicated
- Commissioner Crooks said she has talked to John Graham a couple of times as he's worked on estimates; not sure there's been clear communication about what they can do
- Commissioner Cameron said she has not talked with Dave or John
  - Thought the Board has agreed to help them with Clean Face
- Commissioner Porter will not be going
  - Ron Shirer is in Florida and he should be included
    - Commissioner Crooks didn't think Dave thought that was necessary

There was discussion regarding Corey Hamilton's request to come in to address the Board regarding her request.

- Commissioner Cameron said that Corey wanted to apologize for possibly sounding ungrateful on Unified Command
  - Just trying to stress how short they are at the Health Department
  - Her Board tries to keep a certain amount (one year operating cost) in case revenue or funding may be cut
- Commissioner Cameron told her that it's hard to pay for people that aren't hired yet
- Commissioner Crooks asked Commissioner Porter if he had questions for Corey
  - He said he voiced his opinion by the way he voted; he doesn't need to hear from her

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Commissioner Crooks reported that she contacted the Mayor about a good date for the Washington JEDD meeting.

- October 28 works for him
- She also mentioned to him about meeting with the Commissioners before that meeting
- Commissioner Cameron said that she talked to the Mayor yesterday and he told her that if the Board wants him to come in with Kade, they will come in
  - She also asked him about their JEDD money going in to their Park and Recreation fund and he said no, that is not true
- The Mayor did agree to Monday, October 25; 3:00 p.m., to come in to discuss the JEDD with the Board

Commissioner Porter asked if anyone else got an email from Justin Embrey with Ohio TT requesting a meeting with the Commissioners to discuss broadband.

- Commissioner Porter forwarded the email to the Clerk
- Commissioner Crooks mentioned OhioGig to invite to session, also
  - OMEGA and Matt Abbott, Port Authority have talked with them
  - She will follow up with OhioGig
- Commissioner Cameron said not sure how we could talk to one and not the other
- Commissioner Crooks thinks it will take a lot of time if we talk to all of them
- The Clerk will schedule

There was also an email from the Census Bureau inviting the Board to schedule a 60- minute webinar “Census Bureau tools and resources for local governments.”

The following legislation was now considered:

**RESOLUTION 21-0940** authorize Mollie S. Crooks to sign Pay Application Number 3, for the County Line Road Water Main Extension. This Pay Application is for \$16,415.30 made payable to Hazen Services LLC.  
Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.  
Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 21-0941** accept and sign Subgrant Award Agreement for reimbursement of salary expenses for the Muskingum County Sheriff's Department.  
Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Porter.  
Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 21-0942** approve the use of the Courthouse esplanade for the Veterans Day Parade on November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from 9:00am – 11:30am, requested by Rev. Robert J. Sees, Jr.  
Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.  
Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

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**RESOLUTION 21-0943** approve the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds within Fund Number 088, 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>
ARPA Funds for the Health Department (Dr. Butterfields Salary)	088-103-503022	\$75,000.00
ARPA Funds for the Health Department (FTE for contact tracing)	088-103-503022	\$25,000.00

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Porter.

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

**RESOLUTION 21-0944** accept and approve Voluntary Disability Separation for Ann Combs, Director, Muskingum County Center for Seniors, with an effective date of October 01, 2021.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

**RESOLUTION 21-0945** approve and authorize the ADVANCE of Funds from County General Fund 001 to Fund 177 for the Muskingum County Community Development as requested by Sheila Samson, as follows:

**ADVANCE OF MONIES**

<u>From Fund</u>	<u>To Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001-990-510001	177-000-414001	\$50,000.00

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Porter.

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

**RESOLUTION 21-0946** WHEREAS, a petition has been submitted by Mitchel and Kimberly Smith with the object and prayer being to vacate a portion of an unnamed alley in Hamilton Moore's Subdivision of Fultonham (Plat Book 2, Page 138), Newton Township, Township 15 North, Range 14 West, Muskingum County, State of Ohio. The description is as follows:  
Being a proposed vacation of a portion of alley (20'x100') in Hamilton Moore's Subdivision of Fultonham, (Plat Book 2, page 138) in Newton Township. The proposed vacation is the portion of alley between Lot 26 and Lot 35, and Lot 27 and Lot 34.

BE IT RESOLVED, that, Thursday, October 14, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. be fixed as the time when the Muskingum County Commissioners will meet at the above points to view the location and to go over the proposed vacation, and be it further

RESOLVED, that, Thursday, October 21, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. be fixed as the date and time when the Muskingum County Commissioners will meet in their office, 401 Main Street, Zanesville, Ohio for the final hearing on the matter of vacation, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this Board be and she is hereby directed to give notice of the time and place for both such viewing and hearing on the matter of vacation to be given by publication once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Times Recorder, to be published in issues dated October 04, 2021 and October 11, 2021, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this Board be and she is hereby directed to give written notice of the dates of the viewing and hearing to the following individuals: Clerk of the Newton Township Trustees, Muskingum County Engineer; Director of Natural Resources and the following property owners: Mitchel and Kimberly Smith; Kyle and Maria Rock; Benjamin Ahn.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Cameron.

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

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**RESOLUTION 21-0947** approve funding for Honor Flight, for the qualifying reason “Negative Economic Impact” in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Muskingum County’s ARPA funds.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Porter.

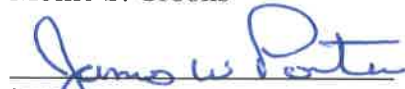
Roll Call: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye; Cameron, aye. Motion carried.

Commissioner Cameron suggested that we try to make a decision on 333 Putnam, next week.

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 Crooks.



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.*