

Minutes for Monday, December 23, 2024

Commissioners Present: Cameron, Bell.
Staff Present: Beth Iden

RES 24-1232 Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Bell.
Vote was Cameron, aye; Bell, aye, Crooks, absent at time of voting Motion carried.

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

Commissioner Crooks joined session.

Commissioner Crooks presented the America 250 flag that was given to the County by America 250 Ohio Commission.

The swearing-in of Drake L. Prouty, as new Commissioner, will take place at 10:30 a.m. in the big courtroom.

A call was made to Don Madden, Projects Manager, regarding a grant received for the Boggs Rd sewer project. Gary Williams, Engineer's Office, was instrumental in this grant being approved.

The following legislation was now considered:

RESOLUTION 24-1233 approve the line item transfer of monies within Fund Number 194 as requested by Kyle Dunn, Director of Community Development, as follows:

LINE ITEM TRANSFER OF MONIES

<u>From Line Item</u>	<u>To Line Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
194-375-503001-Supplies	194-375-502003-PERS	\$100.00

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.
Roll call: Cameron, aye; Bell, aye; Crooks, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 24-1234 authorize the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners to sign Memorandum of Understanding with Rosewood Farm 101LLC for a waterline extension beginning at the intersection of Lodge Road and Norfield Road and extending the line approximately .7 mile east along Norfield Road.

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.
Roll call: Cameron, aye, Bell, aye; Crooks, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 24-1235 approve the decrease in Appropriations within Fund Number 104 for Muskingum County Auditors Office as follows:

DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS

<u>Description</u>	<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Interest Expense	104-801-509001	\$5,100,000

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.
Roll call: Cameron, aye; Bell, aye; Crooks, aye, Motion carried.

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RESOLUTION 24-1236 approve the line item transfer of monies within Fund Number 057 as requested by Stephanie Spencer, Chief Administrator, Muskingum County Auditors Office, as follows:

LINE ITEM TRANSFER OF MONIES

<u>From Line Item</u>	<u>To Line Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
057-103-502001-Medicare	057-103-501002-Salaries	\$16.73

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 24-1237 approve the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds within Fund Number 048, 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>
New Construction	048-102-504365	\$10,216,154.00

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 24-1238 approve the award of bid to Griffen Pavement Striping, LLC in the amount of \$137,255.50 for the Pavement Marking, Various Roads Project for the Muskingum County Engineer's Office.

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 24-1239 approve the award of bid to PDK Construction, Inc in the amount of \$286,775.00 for the Guardrail Improvements Various Roads Project for the Muskingum County Engineer's Office.

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 24-1240 authorize the Board of Commissioners to approve dedication of Cass Hill Road, as recommended by Mark Eicher, County Engineer.

Cass Hill Road was built by ODOT, as part of the State Route 16 project, in order for the property owners, who had their properties severed by the State Route 16 project, to have access to their properties. There have been problems with portions of this road ever since it was constructed. It took years to resolve these problems. Also, part of the property was inadvertently deeded to the State of Ohio, instead of Muskingum County. It was a few more years before the state provided Muskingum County a Governor's Deed for that portion of the property. The road is about 3,300' long and has a bridge, which will become part of the Muskingum County Engineer's Office bridge inventory. The road is a dead-end road, which requires it to be a Cass Township road. Cass Township Trustees have been notified and they have named the road Cass Hill Road.

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

Motion carried.

Matt Schley, City of Zanesville along with Steve Layman, Shai-Hess, Mark Zanghi, Assistant Prosecutor, and Eric Reed, County Administrator came to session.

- Discussion on the residential TIF for the new housing project being constructed on 74 acres between St. Rt. 60 North and Northpointe (Leasure Farm).

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- 84 single family homes and 16 condos will be constructed
- Starting date will be approximately February 2025 and be completed in approximately 24 months

The Commissioners and office staff went to the swearing-in for Drake L. Prouty, County Commissioner.

Eric Reed, County Administrator, came to session to give updates.

- Jail
 - Work is being done in finalizing the Award Documents for Granger
- Fairground South End restroom project
 - GeoTech report is completed by PSI
 - Change order will be requested from Paul Construction in the amount of \$46,376.00 for additional excavating to remove unsuitable fill
 - Call was placed to Jeremy Davis, Architect, for clarification of change order
 - Jeremy Davis to talk with Carter Paul and get back to us with a recommendation

Danny Brenneman, MCJFS Director, came to session and the following Legislation was considered.

RESOLUTION 24-1241 authorize the establishment of benefits for the non-bargaining employees of the Muskingum County Job and Family Services for the period of January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027. This will be consistent with the recently negotiated union contract.

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

Motion carried.

Stephanie Spencer, Chief Administrator, came to session to answer questions the Commissioners had regarding the County budget.

Don Madden, Projects Manager, came to discuss the purchase of a hoe for the Water Department, and has the funds to purchase.

RESOLUTION 24-1242 hereby agree to change order number one for the South Entrance Restroom Project at the Muskingum County Fairgrounds. Undercut unsuitable material and replace with stone infill in the amount of \$46,377.00.

Motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Bell.

Roll call: Cameron, aye; Bell, aye; Crooks, not voting.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 24-1243 approve a wage increase of \$1.55 per hour for Tiffany Beardsley effective December 28, 2024, Muskingum County EMA. Requested by Jeff Jadwin, Director of EMA. The pay increase also includes the Coroners Office, as requested by Coroner Seth J. Vensil to be in line with the increase from EMA.

Motion made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

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

Motion carried.

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With no further business being before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:22 p.m. on the motion of Commissioner Crooks and the second of Commissioner Bell.


Cindy S. Cameron


Melissa J. Bell


Mollie S. Crooks