

The Board of County Commissioners, Highland County, Ohio, met this day in Regular Session with David Daniels, Brad Roades and Terry Britton present.

Mr. Daniels called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. All documents referenced in the minutes are filed in the Commissioners' office and are available for review upon request.

NOTE Rita Smith-Daulton, Nicklas Lafferty, Sandra Lafferty, Alex Butler, Vickie Warnock, Brandon Stratton, Kirk Seeling, Julie Bolender, Roger Ruggles, Karen Faust, Dinah Phillips, Caitlin Forsha and Jacob Clary were present for the meeting.

MOTION Mr. Roades moved, seconded by Mr. Britton, to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea and Mr. Britton, yea,

MOTION Mr. Roades moved, seconded by Mr. Britton, to approve payment of Bill File No. 24-07. The total bill file amount paid was \$540,858.04. The total General Fund paid was \$61,225.12. The vote was as follows: Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; and Mr. Roades, Yea

RESOLUTIONS

Res No 24-32 Mr. Roades moved, seconded by Mr. Britton, Commissioners have been informed by Highland County Engineer Christopher Fauber of a new load rating requirement. The Commissioners do hereby authorize the reduction of load limits of structures on the attached list with a percentage of reduced loading being as shown for each structure. The Commissioners grant the County Engineer to post said bridges accordingly. The vote was as follows: Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; and Mr. Roades, Yea

Res No 24-33 Mr. Roades moved, seconded by Mr. Britton, Commissioners authorize the County Engineer to purchase one (1) new 2024 Ford Truck F-350 Super Duty 4WD Crew Cab XL SRW from Mt. Orab Ford, not to exceed a total of \$60,165.00. The vote was as follows: Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; and Mr. Roades, Yea

Res No 24-34 Mr. Roades moved, seconded by Mr. Britton, Job & Family Services requests an additional appropriation from unappropriated funds in the amount of \$100,000.00 to Transfers Out Child Emergency. Also requested is a budget modification from Transfers Out to Advances out in the amount of \$100,000.00. Also requested is an advance from Child Emergency Fund, Advances Out to Children Services Special (2115) in the amount of \$100,000.00. The vote was as follows: Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; and Mr. Roades, Yea

Res No 24-35 Mr. Roades moved, seconded by Mr. Britton, Commissioners authorize an additional appropriation from unappropriated funds within the Lakeside Sub-Division Sewer (5050) fund in the amount of \$6,000.00. The vote was as follows: Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; and Mr. Roades, Yea

CONTRACTS

#9 Commissioners, Sheriff, Tek84 – Annual Service Agreement Quote SA2023-11-59 – Intercept Whole Body Scanner

#10 Commissioners, Unger Construction, LTD – Independent Contract Agreement - RFL Shut-Off Insillation

MOTION Mr. Britton moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to approve the contract as submitted. The vote was as follows: Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; and Mr. Roades, Yea

AUTHORIZE TO EXECUTE

Contractors Application for Payment – Doll Layman, Ltd. – RFL W/WTP – App No. 6

MOTION Mr. Britton moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to approve the Contractors Application for the Doll Layman Pay App Number 6. The vote was as follows: Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; and Mr. Roades, Yea

APPROVALS

BMV Painting – Quotes

Commissioner Roades read two quotes that were received for the painting job at the BMV. The first quote was from BMN in the amount of \$1,850.00. The second quote was received in the amount of \$1,346.00.

MOTION Mr. Britton moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to approve the quote from Ultra Pro in the amount of \$1,346.00. The vote was as follows: Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea

DISCUSSION

Commissioner Daniels announced that we would be holding off on the Gordon Plumbing quote as we were going to ask around for some more quotes.

MOTION Mr. Britton moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to amend the agenda to allow the Lafferty's to speak before Mr. Seeling. The vote was as follows: Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea

MEETINGS/APPOINTMENTS

9:30 a.m. – Nicklas Lafferty

Rita Smith-Daulton, Nicklas Lafferty, Sandra Lafferty, Julie Bolender, Alex Butler, Vickie Warnock, Brandon Stratton, Kirk Seeling, Caitlin Forsha, Jacob Clary

Mr. Niklas Lafferty came in asking for a response from the Commissioners based off of his email that he had sent on February 9th that he had not received back yet. Commissioner Daniels said that they had not replied, but

do not have jurisdiction over this issue. This was something they would need to reach out to the Sheriff's Office about. Mr. Lafferty said they had done this. Commissioner Daniels said they would determine if this was criminal or not and that the Commissioners do not have any authority over this issue. He thanked Mr. Lafferty for his time. At this time, Sheriff Stratton said he could speak to them about this outside.

9:15 a.m. – Kirk Seeling – Utility Pipeline – Gas Delivery and Expansion
Rita Smith-Daulton, Julie Bolender, Alex Butler, Vickie Warnock, Kirk Seeling, Caitlin Forsha, Jacob Clary
 Commissioners met with Mr. Kirk Seeling and Ms. Julie Bolender to discuss the expansion at the Leesburg Industrial Park gas line. Currently it has 20,000 MCF extra capacity per month. The current pipe is a four-inch main, where the new one would be 6 inches or bigger. This repair would have to be done all the way back 20 miles to Sabina. Currently, this transmission line services all the industry in Leesburg and would be able to service a little more, but a lot of the industries looking to come to the park would not be able to operate through phase two of operation. Commissioner Daniels asked if what manufacturers are asking for is wide range. Mr. Seeling explained that it is something that we could accommodate but would be a multi-million-dollar project. Commissioner Daniels asked Mr. Seeling to put some numbers together.

Recess 9:25 a.m. // Reconvene 9:27 a.m.

9:30 a.m. - Board of Elections – Acquiring Electronic Pollbooks with State Funding
Roger Ruggles, Karen Faust, Dinah Phillips, Hunter Ellis, Caitlin Forsha, Jacob Clary
 Commissioners met with Election Admin Hunter Ellis to discuss the upcoming need for new Poll Books. The quote he provided was for \$47,000.00. HB36 has been put in place and will allow for 85% reimbursement to the general fund if we are able to cover the cost up front. In order to qualify for the reimbursement, we will need to order and pay by May 1st.

CORRESPONDENCE

Gina Collinsworth – Orphan Rail Crossing Funding Available
 Kelly Smith – A Conversation on Housing in Ohio and the New Ohio Homebuyer Plus Program
 Upcoming Blood Drive – Highland County Health Department
 GRIT Project – 4 Great Tracks to Stimulate Ideas for Workforce Readiness
 2023 CCAO Annual Report
 ODNR – Annual 2023 Newsletter
 Cardinal Land Conservation – The Newsletter
 Ohio Department of Development – OHS Email Blast – PY24 AAP Memo
 Gina Collinsworth – Ohio trail Town Summit in Dayton
 Ohio Economic Development Association – Register Today for Team NEO NED Now February 23
 Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor's Appointments for February 9, 2024
 Secretary LaRose Press – Ohio Secretary of State Week in Review: Voter Registration Deadline Approaching Fast
 Gov. DeWine Comms – Ohio Governor DeWine Week in Review
 Common Pleas Court – Motion for Default Judgement and Summary Judgement of Expedited Tax Foreclosure with Order to Direct Transfer
 Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor DeWine Announces Availability of Funding for Sexual Assault Kit Testing
 Gov. DeWine Comms – First Lady DeWine Celebrates Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Ohio Milestones Reaching Record Number of Ohio Children
 Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor DeWine Announces Support for Local Major Bridge Projects
 GRIT Team – Learn From 3 School Leaders at Leap Forward with GRIT
 Shannon Nichols – ARC Information & Pre-Applications Reminder
 GRIT Projects – Join GRIT for Worker Voices this Thursday
 Ohio Department of Administrative Services – Highland County 2024 PSAP Operations Rules Review
 Gina Collinsworth – OVRDC to host Online Office Hours for ARC Projects This Wednesday

REPORTS

Dog and Kennel – Dog Count Report – 02/05/2024– 02/10/2024
Dog and Kennel – Call Log Report – 02/04/2024 – 02/11/2024

Meeting Adjourned at 9:35 a.m.





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