

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

Mr. Roades called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. All documents referenced in the minutes are filed in the Commissioners’ office and are available for review upon request.

NOTE Caryl Rayburn, Lori Moore, Alex Butler, Phil Loudin, Gary Lewis, Kaley Fannin, Michael Griffith, Donnie Griffith, Donna Griffith, Nicole Oberrecht, Caitlin Forsha, Jacob Clary were present at the meeting.

MOTION Mr. Britton moved, seconded by Mr. Daniels, to approve the regular meeting minutes from 3/26 as well as the Emergency Meeting on 3/21. The vote was as follows: Mr. Roades, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea.

MOTION Mr. Britton moved, seconded by Mr. Daniels, to approve payment of Bill File No. 25-12. The total file amount paid was \$613,197.30. The total General Fund paid was \$72,907.58. The vote was as follows: Mr. Roades, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea.

MEETINGS/APPOINTMENTS

9:00 a.m. – Donna Griffith – Silver Spurs 4-H – Horse Barn

Commissioners met with Ms. Griffith to discuss the Horse Barn at the fairgrounds. She expressed that it was built in 1960 and has had minimal upgrades. They have received a donation from someone in the amount of \$20,000.00 to help make improvements, so now they are seeking donations from other community members and organizations. The barn itself they believe is structurally sound, but the horse stalls inside do need replacement. They came in to ask the Commissioners if they had any extra funding for this project. The Commissioners asked them to get more information as they had only got a price for front panels, not the whole thing. Currently they have 59 stalls, and they got a price of \$1,100.00 per stall.

RESOLUTIONS

Res No 25-70 Mr. Britton moved, seconded by Mr. Daniels, Commissioners request a budget modification within the 1000 County General fund in the amount of \$58,000.00. The vote was as follows: Mr. Roades, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea.

Res No 25-71 Mr. Britton moved, seconded by Mr. Daniels, Auditor requests a budget modification within the 1000 County General fund in the \$1,022.16. The vote was as follows: Mr. Roades, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea.

Res No 25-72 Mr. Britton moved, seconded by Mr. Daniels, Commissioners request an additional appropriation from unappropriated funds within the 4010 GIS Project fund in the amount of \$12,804.68. The vote was as follows: Mr. Roades, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea.

Res No 25-73 Mr. Britton moved, seconded by Mr. Daniels, Board of DD requests an additional appropriation from unappropriated funds within the 2500 DD Development Fund in the amount of \$335,166.47. Ms. Lori Moore expressed that this was money that they received for the sale of the Glenavy property, 301 E. South Street and the Art Studio. The vote was as follows: Mr. Roades, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea.

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AEP – Easement & Right of Way

MOTION Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Britton, to approve the AEP Easement for the Engineer’s Office. The vote was as follows: Mr. Roades, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea.

Change Order 005 – Highland County Records Storage Building – Elevator Flooring

MOTION Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Britton, to approve the Change Order for the Records Storage Building in the amount of \$821.16. The vote was as follows: Mr. Roades, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea.

Change Order 4 – Doll Layman, LTD. – Rocky Fork Lake WWTP Imp.

MOTION Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Britton, to approve the Change Order for Doll Layman in the amount of \$15,060.50. The vote was as follows: Mr. Roades, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea.

Pay App 1 – Mechanical Construction Co. Inc. – Rocky Fork Lake WWTP Improvements Ph II

MOTION Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Britton, to approve the Mechanical Construction Pay App that they submitted for the bond and other submittals. The vote was as follows: Mr. Roades, yea; Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea.

DISCUSSION

Commissioner Roades highlighted the relocation of the 2nd floor offices to the basement for the months of April – August and also that the Commissioners meetings will be held at SSCC in room 306. Commissioner Roades also announced that we received 9 submittals from the courthouse RFQs, and we will be reviewing and scoring those. Commissioner Britton gave an update on the Buford Park project. He said that the park is almost finished. The only thing left is painting the playground and sealing the black top. The Lynchburg Softball group did reach out and will be utilizing the park this season.

Commissioner Roades read off a list of where all the recycling bins are in the county. We have been having an overflow problem not only with recycling, but with trash as well. Commissioner Daniels expressed that the Commissioners would like to look into a mega-site like Fayette County and hope that we can do something like this here for the residents of Highland County to ensure we have a nice site for folks to dump recycling in.

Commissioner Roades also highlighted that the Indigent Reimbursement Rate increased from 78% to 93% for the remainder of FY25.

Commissioner Roades also noted that the county has been placing a lot of items for sale on GovDeals and encouraged anyone who may be interested in office furniture to get on and take a look at those items.

Auditor Butler wanted to remind everyone that he will be hosting Information Sessions in the month of April throughout the county.

Mr. Gary Lewis of Greenfield was present for the meeting and added that the Railroad Project was complete and that it actually came in under budget. He said that between the Commissioners and the Village, we would be getting approximately \$7,000.00 back each. He thanked the Commissioners for their support on this project. Commissioner

Daniels added that he should check in and make sure no other items need completed that they could utilize this money for.

Ms. Nicole Oberrecht was present for the meeting. She gave an update on the Sheriff's Office body worn camera grant. The county has received full reimbursement for this grant which was in total to cover 18 body cameras. She reported that she is still working on the energy efficient grant as well as RFQs for the MARCs towers within the next few weeks.

MEETINGS/APPOINTMENTS

9:30 a.m. – Work Session – Sheriff Sanders

Sheriff Sanders, Chief Schinkel, Nicole Oberrecht

Sheriff Sanders came in with a few quotes for Central Square upgrades. The Next Gen 9-1-1 upgrades do utilize the cloud, so he thinks this would be a good time to switch everything over. It does come with a significant price increase as he said currently we pay \$57K per year, but it would go up to \$144K. Commissioner Daniels asked Sheriff Sanders to also talk about the upcoming information session on April 5th. Other topics of discussion include a body camera policy, double authentication, and security at the hospital.

10:30 a.m. – Brown Rayborn – Insurance Updates

David Brown, Belinda McCollum, Amy Bradley, Jeff Flemming

Brown Rayborn and Medical Mutual were present to give the Commissioners an account update prior to our upcoming renewal this summer.

Recess 11:29 a.m. // Reconvene

RESOLUTIONS

Res No 25-68 Commissioners award the 2025 Highland County Chip Seal Program bid to Miller-Mason Paving Co. in the amount of \$739,709.00.

Recess 10:48 a.m. // Reconvene 1:00 p.m.

MEETINGS/APPOINTMENTS

1:00 p.m. – Work Session - Administration Building

Chris Fauber, Chad McConaughy, Vickie Warnock, Amy Bradley, Julie Wallingford, Austin Neville, Alex Butler, Heather Loudin, Gary Martin, Jeff Turner

Commissioners met with all of the second floor departments and our project manager, Jeff Turner to discuss the move.

CORRESPONDENCE

Office of Ohio Public Defender – Indigent Defense Update on FY25 Reimbursement Rate

Gov. DeWine Comms – First Lady DeWine Celebrates 20 million Books Mailed from Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Ohio

allForms – Mathew Quick

Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor DeWine Appoints Terpstra to Clermont County Municipal Court

allForms – Jada Vallinas

Karlee Clay – Highland Co Commissioners (HGC) – OHIO811 Database

Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor DeWine Announces Plans for Children's Dental Services Pilot Program

Gina Collinsworth – Registration Now Open! 2025 Appalachian Ohio State of the Region Conference on May 13, 2025

Tom Lehman – Ambulance Remounts

Secretary LaRose Press – RELEASE: Secretary LaRose Continues Audit of Voter Registration Data to Eliminate

Noncitizen Registrations

Swift Architecture & Estimating LLC – Architecture and Estimating Services

Department of Development – Ohio Business Matchmaker Early Bird Registration Pricing Ends Soon

Gina Collinsworth – Congressional Community Project Funding Guidance

CCAO – Ohio Counties 2025 Scholarship

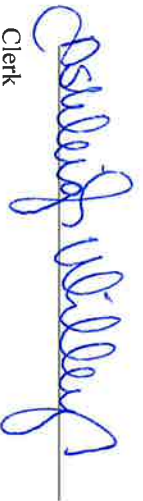
LM Construction & Landscaping, LLC. – Business Brochure

REPORTS

Dog and Kennel – Dog Count Report – 3/16/2025 to 3/22/2025

Dog and Kennel – Call Log Report – 03/17/2025 to 03/22/2025

Meeting Adjourned at 1:51 p.m.



Clerk





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