

COMMISSIONERS MEETING MAY 12, 2009

The Board of Hocking County Commissioners met in regular session this 12th day of May 2009 with the following members present Sandy Ogle, Greg Green and John Walker.

MEETING: The meeting was called to order by President John Walker.

MINUTES: Motion by Sandy Ogle and seconded by Greg Green to accept the minutes with the correction that Sandy spoke with EMA for Murray City. Vote: Ogle, yea, Green, yea, Walker, abstained.

AGENDA: Motion by Greg Green and seconded by Sandy Ogle to approve the agenda. Vote: Ogle, yea, Green, yea, Walker, yea.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Greg Green and seconded by Sandy Ogle to enter into Executive Session at 9:37 am with Scenic Hills Senior Center Director Marjorie Moore to discuss personnel. Vote: Ogle, yea, Green, yea, Walker, yea.

EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Sandy Ogle and seconded by Greg Green to exit Executive Session at 9:55 am, no action taken. Vote: Ogle, yea, Green, yea, Walker, yea.

SHSC APPROPRIATION AND REVENUE REPORT –APRIL 2009: Motion by Sandy Ogle and seconded by Greg Green to approve the Scenic Hills Senior Center Appropriation and Revenue Report for the month of April 2009. Vote: Ogle, yea, Green, yea, Walker, yea.

APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF OVERHEAD CONSTRUCTION ON HOCKING COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAY: Motion by Sandy Ogle and seconded by Greg Green to approve the Application for Approval of Overhead Construction on Hocking County Right-of-way for AEP to relocate overhead electric power facilities to allow for bridge construction on Laurel Run Road. Vote: Ogle, yea, Green, yea, Walker, yea.

PERFECTION GROUP: The Perfection Group spoke with the Commissioners about the possible upgrades that can be made to some of the county buildings to help with energy efficiency. The Commissioners will discuss the possibility of moving forward.

BILL ACTION: Motion by Greg Green and seconded by Sandy Ogle to approve the Job & Family Services bills dated May 7, 2009 totaling \$14,345.13. Vote: Ogle, yea, Green, yea, Walker, yea.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Greg Green and seconded by Sandy Ogle to enter into Executive Session at 10:30 am with Chris Gompf, Nancy Powers and Ed Manley to discuss personnel. Vote: Ogle, yea, Green, yea, Walker, yea.

FOR THE RECORD: Sandy stepped out of the meeting.

EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Greg Green and seconded by John Walker to exit Executive Session, no action taken. Vote: Green, yea, Walker, yea.

GORDON FLESCH COPIER MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS-AUDITOR: Motion by Greg Green and seconded by John Walker to authorize President John Walker to sign the Gordon Flesch Copier Maintenance Agreements for the Auditor's Office. Vote: Green, yea, Walker, yea.

FOR THE RECORD: Sandy returned to the meeting.

SAFETY COORDINATOR MARJORIE DAVIS: Safety Coordinator Marjorie Davis asked the Commissioners to make a determination about an area for employees to smoke.

DESIGNATE SMOKING AREA: Motion by Sandy Ogle and seconded by Greg Green to designate the area behind the Old Sheriffs Building as the smoking area or 25 feet from county buildings. Vote: Ogle, yea, Green, yea, Walker, yea.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS: Motion by Greg Green and seconded by Sandy Ogle to approve the following Additional Appropriations:

1) Voca - \$348.83 to TT62-12B/Workers Comp

Vote: Ogle, yea, Green, yea, Walker, yea.

APPROPRIATION TRANSFER: Motion by Sandy Ogle and seconded by Greg Green to approve the following Appropriation Transfers:

1) Municipal - \$4,000.00 from G13-01/Salaries to G13-05/Other

2) Community Corrections \$1,166.00 from R49-14/Salaries to R49-14A/Fringes

3) Community Corrections \$342.00 from R49-14/Salaries to R49-16/Program Expenses

4) Community Corrections \$405.00 from R49-15/Operating Expenses to R49-17/Equipment

5) Community Corrections \$294.00 from R49-15/Operating Expenses to R49-16/Program Expenses

6) SHSC - \$21.00 from S24-15/Other Expense to S24-13/Workers Comp

7) Commissioners - \$109.00 from A15A17A/Contengencies to A08C01/Reg of Vital Statistics

Vote: Ogle, yea, Green, yea, Walker, yea.

TRAVEL: Motion by Greg Green and seconded by Sandy Ogle to approve the following requests for travel:

1) J&FS - Bob Smith, Theresa Wahl, Donna Sanders, Cindi Garrelts and Shannon Wenger to attend an Area 14 fiscal meeting in Athens, Ohio on May 12, 2009.

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2) J&FS - Amy Guda to attend the ABLE/Stackables meeting in Nelsonville, Ohio on May 27, 2009.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Green, yea, Walker, yea.

EMA DIRECTOR SUE RAUBER- REQUEST FOR CREDIT CARD: EMA Director Sue Rauber requested that the Commissioners consider allowing the department a credit card for food and printing purposes. The Commissioners will look over the request and consider it.

CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL: Motion by Sandy Ogle and seconded by Greg Green to authorize the membership renewal with the Logan Hocking Chamber of Commerce for \$150.00. Vote: Ogle, yea, Green, yea, Walker, yea.

BUTCH VALENTINE: Butch Valentine spoke to the Commissioners on behalf on the Volunteer Firefighters of Hocking County. He spoke about the Permanent Technical Advisory Committee that was originally in the Final Plan and that he is concerned with the amendments, specifically the amendments that will now require the departments to purchase printers if they need replaced instead of 911 purchasing them and that there is no safety officers on the TAC. He continued about the letter that he sent to the Attorney Generals Office requesting an opinion on the amendments and if they were done correctly. Butch said that the AG will not give an opinion until Brent’s case is over unless the prosecutor states in her letter that the opinion will not interfere with the case. The Prosecutor did send a letter requesting an opinion and is still waiting on a response. Butch asked the Commissioners to reconsider the amendments. Butch said he feels that the Planning Committee didn’t actually make the amendments, but two Commissioners. Greg stated that the County’s Liability Insurance Attorney advised of the changes. Butch continued that the firefighters would like the original plan to be reinstated. He said that when they approached the voters to pass the levy, that they stressed that neither the county or city would be over the 911 operation. John said that when the Prosecutor receives the opinion, then they could revisit the plan. Laina said that she feels that would be the best option rather than to argue over if the plan was amended correctly or not. Greg said that the printer issue could be looked at. Laina added that if the funding source changed, then the amendments would have had to go through a different process but because the funding source did not change, they did not follow that process, but the question now is what qualifies as an amendment. Butch said that the Commissioners approved the Final Plan in 1997. Greg replied by saying that the statute says that the plan cannot be approved before the funding source was set. Butch said that if that is what the statute says, then the county has no 911 plan.

TERRY MCGRATH: Terry McGrath added that the AG’s opinion is not final, that it is only an opinion and can be challenged.

FLEA MARKET BILLING: Motion by Sandy Ogle and seconded by Greg Green to allow Mr. Roger Shaw to be billed for 3 sewer taps, for The Hocking Hills Farmer’s Flea Market, Hocking Hills Antique Barn and Rockbridge Oufitters, at the rate of \$40.00 per tap per month; also a 4th tap, for a second restroom, was purchased but not in use , and by Hocking County Policy, Mr. Shaw has the option to drop payment for one year for that tap, but at the end of that year will resume the \$40.00 per month payment along with a reconnect fee, or if he so chooses, he may forego the payment after one year and when the tap is used, it will be considered a new tap fee; and, in addition Mr. Roger Shaw will be sent the bills, not the tenants, for these properties. Vote: Ogle, yea, Green, yea, Walker, yea.

FOR THE RECORD: Sandy said that she was asked again about having the Bicentennial Bell displayed at the Washboard Festival. John and Greg said that they don’t mind as long as there is security and if someone will put the bell on wheels and will move the bell in and out of the courthouse.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Sandy Ogle and seconded by Greg Green to adjourn the meeting. Vote: Ogle, yea, Green, yea, Walker, yea.

Kalena Ogg, Clerk

Board of Hocking County Commissioners

This is to certify that the above is the true action taken by this Board of Hocking County Commissioners at a regular meeting of the Board held on May 12, 2009.

Kalena Ogg, Clerk

John Walker, President