The Board of Hocking County Commissioners met in regular session this 2nd day of December 2014 with the following members present Clark Sheets and Sandy Ogle.

**MEETING:** The meeting was called to order by President Sandy Ogle.

**MINUTES:** November 25, 2014 minutes approved.

**AGENDA:** Motion by Clark Sheets and seconded by Sandy Ogle to approve the Agenda.

Vote: Sheets, yea, Ogle, yea.

**LOAD LIMIT PERMIT:** Motion by Clark Sheets and seconded by Sandy Ogle to approve the Load Limit Permit to Ohio Oil Gathering, LLC to exceed the December 1, 2014 to April 1, 2015, 50% legal load reductions contained by the Salt Creek Township Trustees on the November 4, 2014 resolution. Vote: Sheets, yea, Ogle, yea.

**APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS:** Motion by Clark Sheets and seconded by Sandy Ogle to approve the following Appropriation Transfers:

1) Commissioners - $1, 450.00 from A15A17A/Contingencies to A06A15/Reg. Jail

2) Treasurer - $500.00 from D27-01/Treas. Tax Cert. Fund/Salary to D27-02/Treas. Tax Cert. Fund/Supplies

3) Prosecutor - $490.00 from A01E04/Supplies to A01E05/ Equipment

Vote: Sheets, yea, Ogle yea.

**TRAVEL**: Motion by Clark Sheets and seconded by Sandy Ogle to approve the following travel requests:

1) Auditor - Ken Wilson to attend the Buckeye Joint Liability Insurance meeting-Glouster, December 5, 2014.

2) Auditor - Ken Wilson to attend the Murray City Seniors meeting- Murray City, December 10, 2014.

3) Auditor - Ken Wilson to attend the Laurelville Seniors meeting-Laurelville, December 17, 2014.

4) Auditor - Ken Wilson to attend the County Auditors’ Association of Ohio meeting- Columbus, December 18, 2014.

Vote: Sheets, yea, Ogle, yea.

**REPORTS:** Motion by Clark Sheets and seconded by Sandy Ogle to approve the following reports for Prosecutor, Safety, and the Sewer District for the month of November 2014.

Vote: Sheets, yea, Ogle, yea.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Treasurer Diane Sargent asked if the bonus would be approached. Sandy said they would be discussing it.

**3% STIPEND:**  Motion by Clark Sheets and seconded by Sandy Ogle to give a one-time stipend increase of 3% that will be in the salary line item of the General Fund Departments with the exception of the employees who received raises in 2014.

Discussion: Sandy stated that it breaks her heart to say that some departments that gave their people a hourly increase but since she has sat behind her desk she has always said that whatever we do today be prepared to do tomorrow and since we have done it that way in the past than I feel it would be wrong to do that now. Treasurer Diane Sargent asked it that would include people who have retired and came back, is that counted as a pay raise. Sandy said that is handled by each department. Diane stated she would like to see a pay raise. Sandy said she would like to see that too and she is looking at the numbers. Diane said she truly feels and she has looked at the budget and there is enough funding we could allow an overall increase on everybody’s budget. Discussion continued regarding the stipend and raises.

Vote: Sheets, yea, Ogle, yea.

**APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS:** Motion by Clark Sheets and seconded by Sandy Ogle to approve the following Appropriation Transfers:

1) Commissioners - $1,000.00 from A15A17A/Contingencies to A02F05 Transport of Decedents

2) Commissioners - $7,700.00 from A15A17A/Contingencies to A02F17D/Other Expense

Vote: Sheets, yea, Ogle, yea.

**DISCUSSION:** Clerk of Courts Sharon Edwards asked if in the future will we know if there is going to be a 3% increase for wages or for a bonus. Sandy said her thinking is this that the money will go out for the bonuses this year is coming out of contingencies from this year’s money and if we approve a pay raise there will not be a bonus next year. Michelle Bell of Municipal Court said she thinks that the commissioners should reconsider the 3% by department because a lot of departments get bigger stipends than other departments and she doesn’t think that’s fair. Sandy stated she felt hurt by the whole thing because she would like to see everybody get it but in the past the way it was done and if I changed on that than I have gone against everything I’ve sit behind this desk and said that whatever we do today be prepared to do tomorrow don’t change it in the middle of the stream. Cindy Kassler of Municipal Court stated that it would be more fair as county employees to give the same to all county employees. Sandy stated that each department runs their own. Discussion continued on the stipend.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Clark Sheets and seconded by Sandy Ogle to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: Sheets, yea, Ogle, yea.

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| 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 December 2, 2014. | | |
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| Peggi Warthman, Clerk |  | Sandy Ogle, President |