

COMMISSIONERS MEETING JULY 16, 2019

The Board of Hocking County Commissioners met in regular session this 16th day of July 2019 with the following members present: Sandra Ogle, Gary Waugh and Jeff Dickerson.

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

MINUTES: Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Jeff Dickerson.

Vote: Ogle, abstain, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

AGENDA: Motion by Jeff Dickerson and seconded by Gary Waugh to approve agenda.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

SANDY WINTERMUTE:

Sandy Wintermute discussed the tower located on Calico Ridge. One of the beacon lights went out and she has climbers coming to change it. The owner of the tower company is coming down to make sure all the anchors are secure due to trees being down around the tower and guide wires. Ms. Wintermute said the driveway is in desperate need of attention. She is going to contact a tree company to get trees removed and requested the Engineer or Township grade the driveway.

Commissioner Ogle asked if the trees were in the right-of-way of the lease. Ms. Wintermute said yes they lease the whole property.

Ms. Wintermute said they definitely need to do something because there are trees falling and they don't want to compromise the tower.

Commissioner Ogle suggested she get with the prosecutor before they cut anything.

Commissioner Dickerson asked what is the height of the tower. Ms. Wintermute said the structure is 340 feet. Commissioner Dickerson asked if they lose the top beacon do they notify the Federal Aviation. Ms. Wintermute said yes, she reports it right away.

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson for Sandy Wintermute to contact township trustees first to see if they can do it and if they say they won't do it, then contact the engineer.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

ODNR:

Commissioner Ogle presented a Notice of Tax Exempt Bond Funding for release of funds from Ohio Department of Natural Resources. Commissioner Ogle said the prosecutor says it looks good. Stantec has been working with the Railroad to get their consent for use of their ROW, but they are not cooperating. The form gives the county permission to use the ROW for the trail. Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Jeff Dickerson.

Commissioner Dickerson commented their trains come into Hocking County but yet they do not have the common curiosity to get back with our people.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

WPCLF LOAN AGREEMENT:

Commissioner Ogle presented the WPCLF Loan Agreement for Rockbridge. Motion by Jeff Dickerson and seconded by Gary Waugh to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

ENGINEER:

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Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to approve an application of Aerial Construction along Chieftain Drive.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

APPROPRIATION TRANSFER:

Commissioners - \$1594.00 from A04B14 to A01A10; \$1300.00 from A01A05 to A01A11D; \$620.00 from A01A03 to A01A11D

Motion by Jeff Dickerson and seconded by Gary Waugh to approve

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION:

Commissioners - Fund: Unclaimed Money Approp. Unclaimed Money BGG95-03 \$15,240.07

Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

LODGING TAX:

Commissioner Ogle read the follow:

Hocking County Lodging Tax Regulations: Section 2. Definitions © © “Lodging” means every establishment kept, used, maintained, advertised, or held out to the public to be a place where sleeping accommodations are offered for a consideration to guests, in which one or more rooms are used for the accommodation of such guests, whether such rooms are one or several structures. This includes but is not limited to hotels, motels, bed and breakfasts, cottages, cabins condominiums, and vacation homes.

Hocking County Lodging Tax Regulations - Amendment: Section 2. Definitions © © “Lodging” means every establishment kept, used, maintained, advertised, or held out to the public to be a place where sleeping accommodations are offered for a consideration to guests, in which one or more rooms are used for the accommodation of such guests, whether such rooms are one or several structures. A lodging shall be defined as any structure with running water and electricity. This includes but is not limited to hotels, motels, bed and breakfasts, cottages, cabins condominiums, and vacation homes.

Motion by Jeff Dickerson and seconded by Gary Waugh to approve amendment.

Roll Call Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea.

FOR THE RECORD:

Commissioner Ogle commented on the confusion at the dog shelter. The dogs were well cared for, it was cool, and she would appreciate it if people have concerns they direct their questions to the Humane Society because the commissioners are under contract with them.

Commissioner Dickerson commented people need to know what it is they are talking about and what they are speaking of and not be such knee-jerk reactors. He’s glad people are compassionate about proper care and good care for the animals but they are making acquisitions that aren’t even close to being true. They need to understand, they need to know the facts before jumping to conclusions. The shelter was closed to the public not to being used.

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Commissioner Waugh commented it's not about the dogs anymore. There is an underlying mission, but its not about the dogs. Every time they make an acquisition it's refuted. Then they make another acquisition and it's refuted.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no Public Comment.

ADJOURNMENT Motion by Jeff Dickerson and second by Gary Waugh.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dickerson, yea, Waugh, yea. All yea, motion carried.

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Rose Marshall, Clerk

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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 July 16, 2019.

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Rose Marshall, Clerk

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Sandra Ogle, President