

COMMISSIONERS MEETING JULY 21, 2020

The Board of Hocking County Commissioners met in regular session this 21st day of July 2020 with the following members present: Sandra Ogle, Jeff Dickerson, and Gary Waugh.

MEETING: The meeting was called to order by President Gary Waugh.

MINUTES: Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to approve minutes from July 09th.

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

AGENDA: Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to approve the agenda.

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

RECESS: Motion by Jeff Dickerson and seconded by Sandra Ogle to recess for a photo with Director Chief Scott Brooker and Supervisor Carrie Alford from Hocking County EMS with the new ambulance.

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

END RECESS: at 9:36am.

FOR THE RECORD: Motion by Jeff Dickerson and seconded by Sandra Ogle to amend the agenda for Health Commissioner Doug Fisher, Fair Board Secretary Jessica Dicken and Vice President Mike Schrader.

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

FAIR:

Commissioner Dickerson started the discussion off by stating that there was a huge misunderstanding, and there would be no voting today on rather to hold or cancel the fair. The Commissioners simply wanted a better understanding of the safety precautions being put into play during the Hocking County Fair. The Commissioners were disappointed that nobody called the Commissioners office before jumping to conclusions, considering the Board of Commissioners are huge supporters of the Hocking County Fair. Commissioner Waugh commented on an email received stating the Hocking County School Board requested the Commissioners cancel the fair, stating that was untrue and the school board has not contacted the Commissioners. Waugh added that social media can be cruel, and the language used toward the Commissioners is uncalled for considering the miscommunication.

The fair board presented the Commissioners with a binder enclosed with COVID plans for the 2020 Hocking County fair, and recapped the last discussion the fair board held with the Commissioners about future plans for the fair. If the County holds a fair, even if modified, they will receive state funding of \$50,000.00, if no fair is held the state funding will decrease to \$15,000.00. The fair board has purchased masks for board members, thermometers, signage for the fairgrounds, etc.

Jessica Dicken discussed the contents of the binder presented to the Commissioners, and went over the plans for a safe 2020 Hocking County Fair. Dicken mentioned that food vendors and carnies have their own set of protocols and guidelines for COVID. Dicken added that the youth of Hocking County deserve this. So much as been taken from them already, she would hate to see the fair be something else COVID will impact.

Commissioner Dickerson said the main concern is the spread of the virus. Health Commissioner Doug Fisher said it goes beyond the plan, and will require a lot of enforcing of the plan. The Hocking County fair board and County citizens are passionate, which will help. Fisher discussed the color chart for the state and perhaps a consideration of a modified fair if the risk rises. The fair board and Health Department will have a better understanding come August.

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Commissioner Ogle commends the Fair Board and Health Commissioner for all their hard work on making sure Hocking County stays safe while holding a 2020 fair. Dicken discussed what they could potentially use the state funding for. Commissioner Ogle discussed the possibility of mandated masks for the fair. Schrader said that is a possibility, but a huge cost for the fair considering the fair board would have to provide masks at the gate for those who came without a face covering. Dicken went over plans for show arenas and judges.

Caleb Conrad came to show his support for his fellow youth and 4-H peers. Conrad expressed his gratitude toward the fair board, Commissioners, Health Commissioner, Jessica Dicken, and Mike Schrader.

Commissioner Ogle added that she has a lengthy family history surrounding the Hocking County Fair, and has always supported the Fair. The Commissioners have always gone above and beyond to show their support for the Fair. The nasty comments on Facebook was truly upsetting, claiming personal gain for a Commissioner, and was not appreciated.

John Stran from the Logan Daily News asked Jessica Dicken if there was a particular time line the board could cancel the fair. Dicken replied 10 days with no penalty. Stran asked how much money has been spent on the Hocking County Fair up to this point, and Dicken replied she was unsure but could provide that amount at a later time, once contracts are finalized.

Jeremy Conrad was present to show his support for the youth and Caleb Conrad.

Commissioner Waugh said all the questions he had was answered in todays meeting. Schrader told the Commissioner to feel free to contact the Fair Board at any time if they have any questions or would like an update. Health Commissioner Fisher said it's important for everyone to work together.

FOR THE RECORD: Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to add Major Caleb Moritz to the agenda for executive session at the end of the meeting.

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

GENERAL BUISNESS

CERTIFICATION OF ADDITIONAL REVENUE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS:

911 - Wireless NG 911 Other Expense H76-07 \$178,696.14; HC911 Other Expense S21-07 \$119,129.77

BOE - General Fund BOE Salaries Employees A03A02 \$8,610.00; BOE PERS A03A09A \$1,205.40; BOE Medicare A03A09C \$124.85; Worker's Comp A03A09B \$129.15; Contract Services A03A06 \$694.75; Printing and Advertising A03A08 \$2,151.15; Postage \$7,713.70

Motion by Jeff Dickerson and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve.

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

AEP:

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to approve the Annual Aggregator Registration Application for Aggregator Services in Ohio Power Company d/b/a AEP Ohio.

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

CCAOSC:

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jeff Dickerson to approve the letter of intent for potential purchase of solar-generated energy and related electric consulting agreement.

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

DISCUSSION:

Commissioner Ogle asked Major Caleb Moritz about sales tax for 911. Major replied he was unsure of the current standings, because he hasn't seen those numbers.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Jeff Dickerson and seconded by Sandra Ogle with Major Caleb Moritz under Compensation of a Public Employee at 10:02 am.

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

END: at 11:21 am with no decisions made.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Jeff Dickerson and seconded by Sandra Ogle to adjourn.

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

Kaula Funk, 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 July 21, 2020.

Kaula Funk, Clerk

Gary Waugh, President