

COMMISSIONERS MEETING

The Board of Hocking County Commissioners met in regular session this 5th day of January, 2023 with the following members present: Sandra Ogle, Jessica Dicken, and Gary Waugh. Mark Stout Clerk.

MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Gary Waugh.

MINUTES

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Gary Waugh to approve the December 21, 2022 minutes; with the correction: Jessica Dicken was absent, Addendum to the County policy manual referring to Campaign Signs and Literature instead of just saying campaigning.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Waugh, yea, Dicken, Abstain

BILLS

The following bills were presented before examination and approval:

Name	No.	Purpose	Amount
GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES	1	WINDOW ENVELOPE	411.96
GORDON FLESCH COMPANY	2	COPIER MAINT.	81.85
COUNTY AUDITOR'S ASSOC. OF OH	3	DUES ASSESSMENT	2,200.00
COMDOC INC	4	#5550 PRINTER MONTHLY MAINT	81.39
OFFICE CITY EXPRESS	5	OFFICE SUPPLIES END OF 2022	1,260.65
SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP.	6	CAMBIUM CNWAVE V1000, ETC	3,672.47
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	7	HARD DRIVES,MONITORS,SCANNERS	7,331.50
SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP.	8	VEEAM ESSENTIALS	478.53
SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP.	9	SOPHOS ANIT VIRUS RENEWAL	5,134.50
MODERN OFFICE METHODS, INC	10	COPIER CONTRACT	136.79
DESPETORICH, JASON M	11	TRAVEL	251.11
AVERHEALTH	12	GPS MONITORING	1,092.00
CINTAS CORPORATION	13	RUG SERVICE/RENTAL	26.63
OH ASSOC. OF JUV. COURT JUDGE	14	2022 OAJCJ WINTER MEETING JUDGE	125.00
GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES	15	GRAND JURY VOUCHERS, ETC	298.06
SAFEGUARD BUSINESS SYSTEMS, I	16	BUSINESS CHECKS	693.79
XEROX FINANCIAL SERVICES	17	NEW COPY MACHINE OCTOBER	187.98
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ITECH	19	NEW COPIER	6,918.68
VAL TECH	20	LONG DISTANCE SERVICE	252.50
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER	21	SERVICE	5,427.91
COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.	22	SERVICE	5,693.74
FRONTIER	23	JUV. COURT, SUMMARY BILLING	1,132.69
COMDOC INC	24	SUPPLIES FOR COPIER	16.92
NAPA AUTO PARTS	25	CRUISER PARTS	136.94
GALLS, LLC	26	UNIFORMS	11,686.04
CORPORATE PAYMENT SYSTEMS	27	PRINTER	864.36
TANSKY MOTORS, INC	28	REPAIRS CRUISERS	1,863.94
FASHION & VANITY CLEANERS,INC	29	DRY CLEANING	346.28
HOCKING CO SHERIFF	30	PARTIAL WITHDRAWAL OF FOJ FUNDS	15,000.00
MEDICINE SHOPPE #1018	31	MED/MEDICINE INMATES FACILITIES	16.45

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GORDON FLESCH COMPANY	32	MONTHLY SERVICE FEE	18.46
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	33	HP LASER JET TRANSFER KIT	326.68
BAUM LAW OFFICE	34	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	4,028.50
ECKSTEIN, STEVEN H.	35	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	5,118.15
FICKEL, BENJAMIN E.	36	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	1,404.00
GLEESON, TIMOTHY P.	37	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	594.00
KLINE, DONALD L	38	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	2,882.00
KLINE, DONALD L	39	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	498.00
LESTER, TERRY L.,M.D.	40	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	4,815.00
MOORE, WILLIAM	41	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	510.00
MOORE, WILLIAM	42	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	1,128.00
SECCURO, KIMBERLYN	43	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	500.00
WEAVER, CAMERON M.	44	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	4,080.00
WEAVER, CAMERON M.	45	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	942.00
COMDOC INC	46	#5325 PRINTER MONTHY MAINTENACE	37.21
OHIO CLERK OF COURTS ASSOC.	47	2023 MEMBERSHIP DUES	2,235.20
XEROX CORPORATION	48	COPY MACHINE LEASE/COPY CHARGES	136.30
AVERHEALTH	49	DRUG SCREEN SERVICE	285.00
SPRINT NEXTEL	50	PROBATION CELL PHONES	479.97
OFFICE CITY EXPRESS	51	SUPPLIES	20.80
DRAKE, SONYA C/O	52	!! CASA GAL SERVICES	165.00
MEADOWS, JORDEN M	53	!! CASA GAL SERVICES	1,882.50
MCKEE, JERRY T	54	!! HO CO CDBG PY21 SHSC-C.S.	62,400.00
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES,	55	LEGAL SERVICES	5,300.00
WILSON, KENNETH R.	56	TRAVEL & MISC. EXPENSE	71.24
HORNER EXCAVATING	57	EXCAVATING WORK SPRING ST LOCAT	6,740.00
ALL PARTITIONS	58	RESTROOM PARTITION	2,697.00
CITY OF NELSONVILLE	59	MURRAY CITY & CARBON HILL SEWER	2,963.63
CITY OF LOGAN	60	CHIEFTAIN,UF,ENTERPRISE PROJECT	2,412.85
IGS ENERGY	61	SERVICE	197.28
FRONTIER	62	SERVICE	550.01
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER	63	SERVICE	1,144.44
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER	64	SERVICE	727.05
AT&T	65	MURRAY CITY	870.52
CITY OF LOGAN	66	RICKETTS SEWER RENTAL	187.00
ROSE, MARJORIE	67	SEWER CLEAN UP	400.00
ELM COURT APARTMENTS	68	!+ RECOVERY SUPPORT COSTS-ATP	872.00
HOPEWELL HEALTH CENTERS	69	COUNSELING/TREATMENT SERVICES	729.04
AQUAVITA BOTTLED WATER	70	WATER & SALT	107.25
COMDOC LEASING	71	COPIER LEASE	485.86
MADISON ENERGY COOPERATIVE	72	GAS SERVICE SHEWC 580 RADIO LN	210.29

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AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER	73	580 RADIO LANE	43.19
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER	74	ELECTRIC SERVICE 187 S SPRING	610.44
RUFF'S LAWN & TREE SERVICE,	75	GRASS MOWING/SNOW REMOVAL	225.00
SMITH, DEBRA	76	!! EXERCISE CLASS INSTRUCTOR	40.00
SOUTH CENTRAL POWER	77	LAUREVILLE SR. CTR ELECTRIC SER	212.00
JJP PLUMBING, INC	78	!! BACKFLOW RESTRICTORS&REPAIRS	500.00
HOCKING HILLS MESSENGER &	79	ANNUAL ADVERTISING	1,000.00
SAM FM WKNA	80	ANNUAL RADIO ADVERTISING	3,300.00
GORDON, LYNNE	81	TRAVEL-MILEAGE EXPENSE-PSI	30.44
AVERHEALTH	82	GPS MONITORING	294.00
KILBARGER CONSTRUCTION, INC.	83	!! CONTRACT SERVICES-WPCLF	11,915.25
HOCKING CO ENGINEER	84	FUEL NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2022	83.07
LED OUTFITTERS	85	VEHICLE EMERGENCY LIGHT BAR	363.93

Motion by Jessica Dicken and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

AGENDA

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jessica Dicken to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

APPOINTMENTS

9:30 Bid Opening - Engineer - Bid #112553 CR 249 Resurfacing

Shelley and Sands \$536,536.65

McKee Paving \$609,202.00

Maggie requested to table the decision until the next meeting.

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jessica Dicken to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Statement of No Loss for County Risk Sharing. Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Gary Waugh to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

Request to turn off sewer at 14294 Hack Street, Murray City. Letter was composed as a reply stating to provide proof that electricity has been disconnected. Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Jessica Dicken to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

VGSI Maintenance Contract for 2023 - Mark explained that this contract was from the company that maintains the County's budgetary software. The company was originally called MFCD but has merged into another company. The contract is for renewal of existing services. Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Jessica Dicken to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

Fund Transfer - A07A01B \$88,265.17 to 015005 Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

Additional Appropriation - Municipal Court

Personnel T89-01 \$130,000

Fringes T89-02 \$50,000

Other T89-02 \$2,000

Additional Appropriation - SWCD

015001 Other L15-13 \$690.77

Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Jessica Dicken to approve both.

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Certification of Additional Revenue - BOE - \$31,230.08. This money has already been appropriated for the 2022 budget. Motion by Jessica Dicken and seconded by Gary Waugh to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

Lodging Tax report for December 2022 Motion by Jessica Dicken and seconded by Gary Waugh to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

Sandra Ogle requested that the Board look into getting estimates to power wash the outside of the courthouse and to polish the hallway floors. Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Gary Waugh to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

Comment from Sandra Ogle that the policy meeting is coming up soon.

Sewer Rate Change - Residential sewer was increased by 11% rounded up to \$50.00. Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Jessica Dicken to increase commercial by 11% and 3% annual increases.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

Rate change to be added to the website and submitted to the newspaper. Motion by Gary Waugh and seconded by Jessica Dicken to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

Medical insurance waiver for County employees will be \$1,000 for 2023. Motion by Jessica Dicken and seconded by Gary Waugh to take the money from A14A06 insurance fund instead of payroll.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

Murray City - Express - Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Gary Waugh to settle for \$75,000. Payment must include agreement to say that everything is now final.

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

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Gary Waugh to approve up to \$500 for purchase of lightbulbs in the chandelier.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

Board would like to thank the city for their assistance with sewer projects.

January 19th scheduled for zoning meeting at Regional Planner office. Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Gary Waugh to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Gary Waugh to approve marking a parking spot for the Municipal Court to park when coming to the Courthouse.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

January 12th at 9:45, a developer requested to meet with the Commissioners.

Prosecutor Budget Increase

Sandra Ogle spoke about a budget increase of over \$100,000 in salaries was requested by the Prosecutor. The Prosecutor came over and spoke to Sandra Ogle last Thursday. After the meeting an email was sent from the Prosecutor to Sandra Ogle.

Commissioner Ogle, Thank you for taking the time to meet this morning and for the consideration of the proposed budget request. As well as your attentiveness to our presentation and reasoning. I look forward to your addressing this issue at your next meeting on January 6, 2023 as we discussed. Please find the attached motion that is necessary to file pending the outcome of your meeting as noted. We will be happy to withdraw the motion should the budget request be approved. Happy New Year.

Comment by Sandra Ogle that the Motion had to be filed by Monday and the office was closed on Monday and no meeting until Thursday.

Salary line item was \$208,514 2 years ago under the previous Prosecutor. The requested budget for Salaries in 2023 is \$422,933. An increase of 102.83% in 2 years time. Budget approved by the Commissioners was increased only by 10% for 2023. 2022 Salary was \$325,000 which is a 30.13% increase from 2022. Based on those numbers is why the Commissioners thought that 10% increase was sufficient. Common Pleas has ordered Case Number 23-145001 granting the amount of \$636,810 for the Prosecutor's 2023 budget.

Comment by Sandra Ogle and Gary Waugh that they were disappointed that they were not given the opportunity to present their side of the case.

Motion by Sandra Ogle and seconded by Jessica Dicken to approve to pay.

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

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Deb Tobin - Can the Commissioners talk to the Judge?

Gary Waugh - No, it is too late. It is already signed and dated.

Jessica Dicken - It was brought down yesterday from the Clerk of Courts.

Deb Tobin - Is there any reason why Judge didn't ask for their side?

Gary Waugh - I don't know, he didn't ask us anything. It does say "The amount is reasonable and necessary to perform the duties of said office of the Prosecuting Attorney.

Deb Tobin - Do you have that money that is going to cover that?

Sandra Ogle - We still have enough carryover to cover the budget.

Donna Gainer - How much are court costs for Express?

Sandra Ogle - Unknown but estimated to cost more than it would be worth to pursue.

Annette Harrison - Is this budget amount only for this year?

Sandra Ogle - No

Angela Ryan - Is there anything that gives justification for the increase in budget?

Jessica Dicken - Prosecutor will be hiring multiple people and bringing a part time civil attorney to full time.

Angela Ryan - Are the salaries public?

Sandra Ogle - Yes, make a public records request with the Auditor's office to get the information.

Sue Morgan - Commented whether the cost is less for the budget increase instead of hiring outside legal help.

Express, did the bond get pulled?

Sandra Ogle - Advised by legal counsel not to pull the bond.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Jessica Dicken and seconded by Sandra Ogle to adjourn at 10:22.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, Waugh, yea.

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Mark Stout, 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 January 5, 2023.

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Mark Stout, Clerk

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Gary Waugh, President