

COMMISSIONERS MEETING

The Board of Hocking County Commissioners met in regular session this 7th day of September 2023 with the following members present: Sandra Ogle, Jessica Dicken, and Jason D'Onofrio.

MEETING

The meeting was called to order by President Sandra Ogle.

MINUTES

Motion by Jessica Dicken and seconded by Jason D'Onofrio to approve the August 31 minutes.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

AGENDA

Motion by Jessica Dicken and seconded by Jason D'Onofrio to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

BILLS

The following bills were presented before examination and approval:

Name	No.	Purpose	Amount
CORPORATE PAYMENT SYSTEMS		MISC SUPPLIES-KAULA	1151.56
SUNRUSH WATER		WATER	28.8
ZASHIN & RICH CO., LPA		!! VARIOUS LEGAL EXPENSE	105
GORDON FLESCH COMPANY		COPIER MAINT	80
GLACIER MTN BOTTLED WATER		WATER SUPPLY THROUGH 2023	15.5
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES		SUPPLIES	673.68
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES		1G & 10G SFP TRANSCEIVER	154.99
COVIUS DOCUMENT SERVICES, LLC		CERTIFIED MAILERS	1202.12
STERICYCLE, INC.		!! SHREDDING SERVICE & BIN	85
VERIZON WIRELESS		CELL PHONE BILL	340.07
OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY		!! SERVICE TO ELEVATOR	150
FRONTIER		CO INTERNET SERVICE	610
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER		SERVICE	4890.28
COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.		SERVICE	528.35
CITY OF LOGAN		SERVICE	1247.82
LOGAN SCREEN PRINTING		!! DECALS	146
CORPORATE PAYMENT SYSTEMS		OFFICE SUPPLIES	88.3
CORPORATE PAYMENT SYSTEMS		OFFICE EQUIPMENT 07/5/2023	1620.26

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STATEWIDE MUNICIPAL LEASING	CRUISER	610
DAUBENMIRE AUTO PARTS	!! WRECKER SERVICE	340
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	HUB CAP	34.99
RAFFERTY, VICKI	REIMB SAFE LITE VAN WINDSHIELD	508.14
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER	ELECTRIC FOR 2023	151.71
CITY OF LOGAN	WATER UTILITIES 2023	65.18
BAUM LAW OFFICE	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	668.76
KLINE, DONALD L	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	1470
KLINE, DONALD L	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	2902.5
MOORE, WILLIAM	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	3067.5
KLINE, DONALD L	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	2527.5
MOORE, WILLIAM	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	967.5
WEAVER, CAMERON M.	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	3876.5
WEAVER, CAMERON M.	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	352.5
CORRECTIONS COMMISSION OF SEO	HOUSING OF INMATES	117796.93
STATEWIDE MUNICIPAL LEASING	CRUISER	60594
TREASURER STATE OF OHIO	2023 CPIM CERTIFICATION FEE	100
GIVENS, JOSH	TRAVEL	58.62
DECKARD TECHNOLOGIES, INC.	ADDRESS IDENTIFICATION/MONITORI	24160
SOUND COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	RECORDING SYSTEM FOR COURTROOM	2978.1
PROFORMA	SPECIAL FOLDERS,PAPERS	743.13
WYSKIVER, BRIAN	!! COINS FOR GRADUATION	22
SHAFCOM	POLY CAZZ CORDLESS/CATZ BATTERY	749.93
FRONTIER	TELEPHONE BILL	65.44
VALTECH COMMUNICATIONS	LONG DISTANCE PHONE	21.17
MASI, INC	TESTING MACHINE-SAMPLES	88.25
VERIZON WIRELESS	TIM & CRAIG CELL PHONES 2023	81.26
KRISTA'S PORTA JOHNS & SEPTIC	LABOR & HAUL OF WASTE	820
NELSONVILLE UTILITY OFFICE	MURRAY CITY & CARBON HILL SEWER	3914.55
CITY OF LOGAN	CHIEFTAIN,UF,ENTERPRISE SEWER	3486.54
PROCARE SEPTIC SYSTEM	SLUDGE REMOVAL	2250

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Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Jessica Dicken to approve.

Vote: Ogle, Abstain, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

APPOINTMENTS

Phil Dysard with Palmer Energy presented an Aggregation for the County, Primarily Falls and Marion Townships, to provide monthly electrical savings for residents. The current contract with Energy Harbor is ending in December, Mr Dysard recommends a contract for 2024-2025 with Energy Harbor and Dynegy.

Mr. Dysard also presented an Amendment to CCAO Energy Program Participation Agreement, Exhibit B, which pertains to electric purchases for County Facilities, pooling groups allow for purchasing power and gets the most savings for the County.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Energy Harbor and Dynegy Program

Motion by Jessica Dicken and seconded by Jason D'Onofrio to approve signing the Hocking County Electric Aggregation Program Agreement through Energy Harbor and Dynegy.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

CCAO Energy Program

Motion by Jessica Dicken and seconded by Jason D'Onofrio to approve signing the CCAO Energy Program Participation Agreement.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Commissioners - Sewer-38 - Contract Services - P38-06 - \$50,000.00

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

APPROPRIATION TRANSFER

911 - S21-03 Equipment - S21-05 Contract Services - \$11,000.00

Prosecutor - County - A10E02 - A10-E04 Supplies - \$1,500.00
A01-E02 - A01-E06 Contract services - \$575.00
A01E02 A01E03 Training - \$4,860.00

Sheriff - County - Equipment A06A04 - Contracts Repairs - \$4,000.00

Motion by Jessica Dicken and seconded by Jason D'Onofrio to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

Prosecutors Lot

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Jessica Dicken to approve McKee Paving to pave the Prosecutor's Office parking lot.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

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McKee Paving

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Jessica Dicken to approve McKee Paving to pave the Prosecutor's Office parking lot for the amount of \$5,925.00

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

Clean Ohio Conservation Easement Project

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Jessica Dicken to approve a letter of support for the Athens Conservancy's application for Clean Ohio funds for preservation of the Nelsonville Presbyterian Farm property in Hocking County via a Conservation easement. This land has been in ownership of the United Methodist organization since 1917, We support its long term conservation as a natural area with recreational use with the assistance of Clean Ohio Fund.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

Lodging Tax Report

Motion by Jessica Dicken and seconded by Jason D'Onofrio to approve August 2023 Lodging Tax Report.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

HOCKING COUNTY TAX SEWER ASSESSMENT

Motion by Jessica Dicken and seconded by Jason D'Onofrio to approve the Hocking County Treasurer to send a special assessment to Athens County Auditor to be applied to the Owners 2023 real estate taxes payable in 2024 for delinquent sewer account at 20981 Gift St. Murray City.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

HOCKING COUNTY TAX SEWER ASSESSMENT

Motion by Jessica Dicken and seconded by Jason D'Onofrio to approve the Hocking County Treasurer to assess delinquent sewer accounts to 2023 Real Estate Taxes payable in 2024

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

AEP

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Jessica Dicken to approve AEP's application for overhead construction of a new pole and line at 4295 Hawk Street.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

FINISH MOWER

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Jessica Dicken to approve placing an advertisement for sealed bids of a minimum of \$800.00 for the Finish Mower.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

Camper At Carbon Hill

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Jessica Dicken to approve Commissioner D'Onofrio to get legal advice on how to get a policy in place for partial use of sewer.

Roll Call Vote: Ogle, abstain, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

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ROOF LEAK

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Jessica Dicken to approve have Maintenance Supervisor Troy Vanbibber get estimates for roof repair at the Hall Of Justice building.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

Policy Handbook

Commissioner Ogle stated that we have not heard back from the attorney yet with an update on the revised Policy Handbook.

Benches

Commissioner Ogle stated that the price for the composite benches were to expensive and we should put that on hold for now.

Commissioner D'Onofrio asked if we should reach out to the Moose Lodge or Amvets and see if they would be interested in putting benches out there with their logo on it. Commissioner Ogle stated that the Kiwanis Club has some in the park. Commissioner Dicken suggested that maybe Rotary also may be interested.

Addendum to the County Base Corrections Grant Agreement

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Jessica Dicken to approve signing of Addendum to the County Base Corrections Agreement.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sue Morgan voiced concerns about making exceptions on limited sewer usage, which could lead to more exceptions. Commissioner Ogle stated, looking to the future, if we have other campgrounds, we need to have a policy.

Mike Nihiser stated that with the growth in the County maybe we should have a water department. Thinking of planning ahead, with zoning, you would have to provide County wide sewer and water. Mr. Nihiser feels now is the time to do some long range thought on growth in the county rather than wait and play catch up. And that we are so far behind on the Tourism thing right now that it is starting to hurt the citizens of the county. People on fixed incomes can't afford to buy their medications and food because taxes are so high. Mr. Nihiser feels they need to revisit the tourism society contract.

Sue Morgan stated that her friend has to sell his house and won't get near what it's worth because of the tourists in the area. 664 south is so congested people that would need EMS for an emergency are at risk of not getting help when they need it because of the heavy traffic caused by tourism. Mrs. Morgan feels that then the Tourism Society is indirectly responsible for these deaths.

Delilah Sinkovitz inquired if the Presbyterian church bought the Methodist church camp, Commissioner Ogle stated that yes they had.

Sue Morgan inquired if the people that are going to enforce zoning are just going to enforce what the Tourism Society considers eyesores? Or everybody, like people on backroads that are breaking the law as well?

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Jessica Dicken to adjourn.

Vote: Ogle, yea, Dicken, yea, D'Onofrio, yea.

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Christy Lindinger, Clerk

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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 the 7th of September , 2023.

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Christy Lindinger, Clerk

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Sandra Ogle, President