

# COMMISSIONERS MEETING

The Board of Hocking County Commissioners met in regular session this 30th day of November 2023 with the following members present: Sandra Ogle, Jason D'Onofrio, Jessica Dicken is excused.

## **MEETING**

The meeting was called to order by President Sandra Ogle.

## **MINUTES**

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve the November 21, 2023 minutes, with the correction of an Appropriation Transfer for the Veterans service Commission that was read as \$186.45 instead of \$583.13.

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

## **AGENDA**

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve.

Vote: Ogle, yea D'Onofrio, yea.

## **BILLS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Amount</b>
OFFICE CITY EXPRESS	SUPPLIES	10.65
GORDON FLESCH COMPANY	COPIER MAINT	80.00
MODERN OFFICE METHODS, INC	COPIER MAINT	403.10
LOGAN-HOCKING TIMES	DELIQUENT TAX LISTS	2,142.00
COMDOC INC	MO MAINTENANCE XEROX 5550	89.53
SMART BILL	SERVICE FEES & SUPPLIES MH&RE	2,776.10
QUILL CORPORATION	SUPPLIES THROUGH 2023	159.43
GLACIER MTN BOTTLED WATER	WATER SUPPLY THROUGH 2023	15.50
KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLTI	PRINTER MAINTENANCE THRU 2023	110.39
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONE SERVICE THRU 2023	275.53
MILLHUFF-STANG, CPA, INC	ANNUAL AUDIT-2022	10,956.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	FILE FOLDERS, POST IT NOTES	370.19
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	DESK LAMP, MOUSE, MEMORY, ETC.	12,883.09
MODERN OFFICE METHODS, INC	COPIER	432.10
ONE STEP DETECT ASSOCIATES	50-14 PANEL DIP DRUG SCREENS	210.00

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COVIUS DOCUMENT SERVICES, LLC	1000 CERTIFIEND MAIL FORMS	1,001.74	
OHIO LABOR LAW POSTER SERVICE	COMPLETE SET OF 2024 ST & FED	99.50	
ROBERTS FUNERAL HOME	!! TRANSPORT OF DECEDENTS	875.00	
HILES, BRANDON	!! CONTRACT SERVICES	100.00	990
MARKIN, JEFF	!! CONTRACT SERVICES	200.00	
SAMS, STACEY	EDUCATION	867.14	
CUYAHOGA CO. MEDICAL EXAMINER	EDUCATION	700.00	
SAMS, STACEY	TRAVEL-MILEAGE	388.42	
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES	164.10	
RICKETTS-SMITH, GEORGIA	REIMB SUPPLIES ELECTION WORKER	200.00	
SCHWARTZE, LISA	ELECTION WORKER RECOG. REIMB.	129.40	
US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	COPIER LEASE-MOM RICOH IMC 3000	448.16	
CLEAR BALLOT GROUP, INC.	NOV 7, 2023 GENERAL ELECTION	325.00	
OAEO	2024 WINTER CONF. JAN. 9-12	1,200.00	
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONE BILL	340.95	
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER	SERVICE	6,654.69	
COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.	SERVICE	744.05	
FRONTIER	CO. INTERNET, JUV. CT FAX	652.00	
NAPA AUTO PARTS	CRUISER SUPPLIES	69.51	
COMPETITION MOTORS	!! CRUISER REPAIR	19.49	
TANSKY MOTORS, INC	CRUISER MAINT & REPAIR	142.62	
B & C COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	RADIO REPAIRS	141.38	
CURTIS AUTO REPAIR & TOWING	!! TOW FOR MRAP	650.00	
RANDOLPH, DAVID	REIMB. FOR SPECIAL DUTY	135.00	
CECIL, ROBERT	BOARD MEMBERS MEALS MILEAGE '23	93.02	
KORNMILLER, JEFFEREY	BOARD MEMBERS MEALS MILEAGE '23	93.02	
MCQUAIDE, RAYMOND	BOARD MEMBERS MEALS MILEAGE '23	93.02	
LOGAN SCREEN PRINTING	!! OFFICE SIGN	58.00	
BAUM LAW OFFICE	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	1,089.57	
MEADOWS, JORDEN M	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	3,330.00	
MEADOWS, JORDEN M	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	1,440.00	
MOORE, WILLIAM	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	2,085.00	
WEAVER, CAMERON M.	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	3,540.00	
WEAVER, CAMERON M.	!! PUBLIC DEFENDER	255.00	

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The following bills were presented for examination and approval:

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve.

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

## **APPOINTMENTS**

9:30 - EMA Director Mark Edgar - working on extending grants, anything over \$500 has to be approved by the Commissioners, Mr Edgar is asking that to be relinquished for the month of December to enable him to make purchases with the grant that are permissible to speed up the process.

9:33 - Karen Raymore presented the third quarter tourism report. Lodging tax is 22 percent higher. Overview of destination marketing and destination development including a Children's museum, Logan in Bloom is putting benches on Main Street, Hocking County Historical Society is replacing the Tessa Sweazy Webb historical marker, bus transportation for children to get to the museum. They have hired Clarity Of Place to lead the effort for a stewardship plan and will have an online survey for residents and stakeholders that will go live next week, also there will be printed forms in Libraries and Senior Centers. Ms Raymore stated that the tax loophole for units of 5 or less is 34 percent, which adds up to \$412,520.00 in uncollected sales tax. Ms. Raymore stated that she has been talking about this at the Ohio Association of Convention and Visitor Bureau and they are working on legislation and when the legislation is drafted we need to be ready to advocate for it, which the HHTA absolutely will, and will want the Commissioners advocating for it as well.

Commissioner Ogle asked at what percent did Ms. Raymore come up with the \$412,520.00.

Ms. Raymore responded at 1.5 percent.

Commissioner Ogle asked if Tourism could provide a shuttle service to bring people to downtown Logan? Ms. Raymore stated this past year they were working with Logan Transit and provided a shuttle service that ran on Saturdays and Sundays that left downtown Logan in the Morning and came back if there were any riders, and made a loop to Old Man's Cave, Cedar Falls, Ash Cave, and the Lodge.

Commissioner D'Onofrio asked if the people that are dropped off in Downtown Logan get a map so they know where things are.

Ms. Raymore that yes they would get a map.

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve going into Public Comment

Ogle, yea, D'Onofrio, yea

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jim Kalklosch asked Ms. Raymore if they are putting a new sign at the Historical Society in place of the one that is there?

Ms. Raymore stated that to her understanding they are replacing the sign with a new sign because the other one was damaged.

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve going into Appointments

Ogle, yea, D'Onofrio, yea

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## APPOINTMENTS

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve going into General Business.

Ogle, yea, D'Onofrio, yea

## GENERAL BUSINESS

### **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION**

HAPCAP	-	Housing RLF Account X36-04	-	Appropriation	-	X36-04	-	\$13,442.00
Municipal Court	-	Probation060	-	D60-05	-	Other Expense	-	\$20,000.00
Commissioners	-	County 001	-	Utilities	-	A04B18	-	\$7,000.00
				Public Defender	-	A15A14	-	\$35,000.00
EMA	-	EMA 091	-	Equipment	-	W91-03	-	\$15,000.00
Engineer	-	Auto Gas 002	-	Grants	-	K02-19	-	\$20,000.00

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve.

Ogle, yea, D'Onofrio, yea

### **CERTIFICATION OF ADDITIONAL REVENUE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**

Family Children First Council - Help Me Grow - Contract Services - TT80-14 - \$43,269.18

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve.

Ogle, yea, D'Onofrio, yea

### **AEP**

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve AEP to install 1 Phase Overhead Primary Line across and along roadway at 14132 Dawley Rd. Hocking county Ward Township, Sec.27 & 33 with work commencing on 12/01/2023- work completion on 4/30/2024.

Ogle, yea, D'Onofrio, yea

### **Sewer Hook Up**

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve tabling the sewer hookup request of Jessica Sarver until Tuesday's meeting after Sewer Superintendent Tim Meehling checks into it.

Ogle, yea, D'Onofrio, yea

### **APPROPRIATION TRANSFER**

Treasurer	-	Group hospital A14A06	-	Treasurer's Salary A01C01	-	\$1,000.00		
Commissioners	-	County	-	A14A06	-	A01A01	-	\$1,000.00
Treasurer	-	Group Hospital A14A06	-	Employee Salaries A01C02	-	\$1,000.00		
Juvenile Court	-	County General	-	Clerk salary A02C19 - A02C30A PERS	-	\$200.00		

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve.

Ogle, yea, D'Onofrio, yea

### **911 Phone Lines**

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve IT Director Mark Stout to add two phone lines at 911.

Ogle, yea, D'Onofrio, yea

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## **Parking Lights in the Parking Lot**

Commissioner Ogle stated that the lights in the parking lot are not working, Commissioner D'onofrio stated that Maintenance Supervisor Troy Vanbibber is looking into what needs done to have lights in the parking lot working.

## **Christmas Dinner**

Commissioner Ogle reminded everyone that we need a final count for the Christmas dinner soon.

## **Sewer Department Tires**

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve up to \$650.00 for 2 new tires and a rotation for the Sewer Department Assistant's truck.

Ogle, yea, D'Onofrio, yea

## **Senior Center Vehicle**

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve Senior Center Director Marjorie Moore or Nate Nelson to take the county car home to use to check the Senior Center in Laurelville when necessary.

Ogle, yea, D'Onofrio, yea

## **Policybook**

Commissioner D'Onofrio stated that CORSA has a non county specific policybook that we can get for almost no cost, Mr. D'Onofrio will get a copy to see how much better it is than ours and have legal look at it. And if after everyone looks at it and everyone is in agreement, then vote on it.

## **Sewer Rate Increase**

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve Treasurer Janie Harris to send a notice out with the bill that the \$1.50 rate increase is effective January 1, 2024.

Ogle, yea, D'Onofrio, yea

## **Knox Box**

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve EMA Director Mark Edgar working with Maintenance Supervisor Troy Vanbibber to put a 10 key knox box out front with a master key for the fire dept to have access to the Courthouse in case of an emergency.

Ogle, yea, D'Onofrio, yea

## **Sewer Pump**

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve the purchase of a new grinder pump for up to \$7,000.00 for pump and labor to install.

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

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## **Tansky's Sewer Tap**

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve Mr. Beiter to pay for the sewer tap fee at a commercial rate.

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

Commissioner Ogle asked Commissioner D'Onofrio to look at the Fred Weghorst sewer paperwork so they could discuss next week.

## **Huddles Discount Tires**

Commissioner D'Onofrio answered Commissioner Ogle's question that employees just need to show their county badge to get a discount for tires.

## **Otis Elevator**

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve Otis elevator to maintain the chairlift in municipal court along with the elevators, instead of having two different companies.

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

## **Columbus Day Holiday**

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve changing the paid holiday of Columbus Day to Black Friday, (the day after thanksgiving.) Once the new policybook is approved.

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

## **Budgets**

10:02 - Auditor Chris Robers went over his budget with the Commissioners.

## **Chair Lift**

Judge Moses inquired if there was an issue with the Chairlift, as it is working.

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve tabling the original motion regarding the chairlift in municipal Court, and address next week.

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

## **Recess**

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve going into recess until our next appointment.

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

## **Reconvene**

10:18 -Treasurer Janie Harris went over her budget with the Commissioners.

Commissioner D'Onofrio stated that Maintenance Supervisor Troy Vanbibber will call AEP about the parking lot light, there is one out there but it is not working. Also that Otis Elevator services our elevator and it would be simpler if they also serviced the chairlift.

10:25 - Clerk of Courts Rhonda Wykle went over her budget with the Commissioners.

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve going into Public Comment.

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

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Sherry Young inquired about blanket asking the County employees if they would like to switch the paid holiday Columbus Day for Black Friday, because the people she has talked with in her office ( Municipal Court) would not like having it switched around.

Commissioner Ogle stated that the Judges should be asked about it, Commissioner D'Onofrio stated that nothing would be official until we get the new Policybook.

Commissioner Ogle stated that Columbus Day would be the only day that could be changed because the others are Federal holidays.

Micheal Nihiser commented that with the HHTA pushing for a change in the regulations on bed sales tax, it would be a good time to address the changes to be made for the best interest of the county.

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve going into Appointments.

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

## **APPOINTMENTS**

10:37 - Sheriff Lanny North, Chief Pennie Stack, Chief Leif Bickel went over their budget with the Commissioners.

Chief Leif Bickel stated that the Nelsonville facility paperwork will need to be sent to legal counsel for review before signing.

Micheal Nihiser inquired if the sheriff's Office has to pay fuel tax.

10:46 - IT Director Mark Stout went over his budget with the Commissioners.

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to approve going into Executive Session.

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

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

10:48 - Executive Session - Employee Compensation

## **EXIT**

11:38 - with no action taken and no decisions made.

Commissioner Ogle reminded everyone that the commissioners meeting will be on December 5, 2023 at 9:30 AM instead of Thursday because of the CCAO Winter conference.

Commissioner Ogle also reminded everyone that the zoning meeting is at 2:00 PM today.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Jason D'Onofrio and seconded by Sandra Ogle to adjourn.

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

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Christy Lindinger, 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 November 30, 2023.

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Christy Lindinger, Clerk

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Sandra Ogle, President