

COMMISSIONER'S JOURNAL

Monday

Regular

July 2, 2007

The Coshocton County Commissioners meet in regular session on Monday, July 2, 2007 with Mr. Dane Shryock, Mr. Gary Fischer and Mr. Larry Stahl in attendance. Also present was Ken Smailes, WTNS, Kathie Dickerson, The Tribune, Mr. Orville Starkey and Mary Beck, Clerk

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Stahl made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to approve the minutes as presented for Monday, June 27, 2007.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Stahl	yea

Discussion – CVB/Chamber Internet Access

Mr. Rick Merrell, Mr. Mike LaVigne attended the meeting to discuss the possibility of the Chamber of Commerce and the Convention and Visitors Bureau getting access to our internet and website. Mr. Merrell stated that he is representing the Chamber of Commerce today, and is requesting the Commissioner allow them the use of our network. Mr. Shryock asked Mr. LaVigne his feelings. Mr. LaVigne stated that the county does have the capability to do this. He thinks the Commissioners need to determine a cost factor for the Chamber. Ms. Sweat from the Port Authority has volunteered to educate them on updating and designing their website. His only concern is that other offices might want the same benefit. Mr. Fischer asked what the Chamber is paying for this service now. Mr. Merrell stated that he does not know that figure. Mr. Stahl stated that he thinks it will be great to have anything Coshocton under our website. We do however need to be careful who we let on our server. He feels we will always have right of refusal if we want that. Mr. Shryock asked what we are charging adult probation. Mr. LaVigne stated that what we will be giving the Chamber is not the same thing as what we give Adult Probation. Mr. Fischer stated that he feels we are all on the same team and this is something that will benefit Coshocton County. Mr. Merrell stated that they are really working well together downstairs. Their only problem is the computers. Mr. Fischer asked that Mr. Merrell to determine what they pay for their internet and website access now. Mr. Merrell stated that he will get that information to the Commissioners. Mr. Shryock stated that he is in favor of this as well. We will need to determine pricing for the entities and get back with Mr. Merrell.

Litter Collection Report

Mr. John Fielden attended the meeting to present his Litter Collection Report for the month of June 2007.

Personnel Policy Manual Update

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stahl to approve the updated Coshocton County Personnel Policy Manual as presented by Downes, Hurst & Fishel effective July 1, 2007.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Stahl	yea

Resolution 2007-125

Mr. Stahl made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign Resolution 2007-125, authorizing the Coshocton County Commissioners to file an application with the State of Ohio to participate in the CDBG 2007 Formula Program Applications.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Stahl	yea

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Transfer Requests

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shryock to approve the following Transfer Requests which have been certified by the County Auditor.

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FROM	TO	AMOUNT
001-0420-5260.03 Copy Lease	001-0420-5400.00 Other Expense	\$2,000.00
001-0110-5111.00 W. Comp.	001-0110-5270.00 Advertisement	<u>\$1,500.00</u>
	Total	\$3,500.00

Litter

200-0100-400.00 Oth. Spec. Events	200-0100-210.00 Equipment	\$400.00
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Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Stahl	yea

Additional Appropriations Request

Mr. Stahl made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to approve the following Additional Appropriations Requests which have been certified by the County Auditor.

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FROM	TO	AMOUNT
Revenue not anticipated	140-0100-5400.00 Other Expense	\$5,000.00
	Commissioners	
Unappropriated Fund Balance	001-0420-5260.02 Phones	\$50,000.00

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Stahl	yea

Interagency Agreement – Family and Children First Council

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stahl to sign the Inter-Agency Agreement between the Coshocton Council Family and Children First Council and Coshocton County Commissioners for the purpose of funding the Council in accord with Revised Code Section 121.37 and OAG Opinion 2002-008.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Stahl	yea

Court Square

Mr. Stahl made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer granting permission to Debbie Addy the use of the Court Square on July 7, 2008 for the central location for prayer during "The Call".

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Stahl	yea

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Discussion – Workers Compensation

Ms. Pat Harsh and Mr. Shawn McKelley attended the meeting to discuss the Workers Compensation issues that have been addressed recently. Ms. Harsh stated that she is here to update the Commissioners on what they have been able to determine about the request from the departments for determining a steady rate for each department. Mr. McKelley stated that the Charge-back system is not a perfect system and they have found that more counties are going 70 percent charge back and 30 percent payroll. This will give departments incentive to keep all the programs in place that will help keep workers compensation costs down. Mr. Shryock asked if they were not able to break something down in a base rate for each department. Ms. Harsh feels it would be too difficult to break it down in each department. She feels the charge back method is the best for the county. Mr. Fischer stated that based on the straw vote at the last meeting, nobody is interested in doing it that way. Ms. Harsh stated that she is willing to go to the 70/30 as well. This will alleviate some of the large charges. Mr. McKelley stated that he feels by going with the 70/30 the county will see their rates come down eventually. Mr. Shryock asked if there is any other system out there that will work for the county. Mr. McKelley stated that he feels this is the best thing for the county. Mr. Shryock asked if Ms. Harsh would be satisfied with the 70/30 or would she prefer the 100%. Ms. Harsh stated that she feels this will satisfy some departments, and she will do whatever the Commissioners direct her to do. Ms. Harsh asked if she should breakdown the figures for the departments or will it be alright to give them a total and let them determine where it is paid from. The Commissioners stated that they would like her to give the departments a total and let them determine what line item it comes from. Mr. Stahl stated that he is in favor of the 70/30 charge back. Ms. Harsh then stated that she went to the Group Rating Meeting and presented a copy of the workers compensation that will be payable in 2008. Mr. McKelley explained that these numbers are set but, we will have to wait until the end of the year to add the payroll to the numbers. Mr. Shryock asked how the departments are to budget for the next year if they are not given the information early. Ms. Harsh stated that the departments are given their claims charges very early. They do not get the rates from the BWC until after the first of the year. Mr. McKelley stated that he can get some estimates for the departments so that they can use this for their estimated budgets in the next year. The Commissioners requested that they get some information about the counties that are doing the charge back and also if they go with the 70/30, what will the departmental charges be. Once they get this information, they will then make a decision.

Discussion – Transportation – Driving Candidate

Ms. Deb Laney attended the meeting to present a letter requesting to hire Mr. Edward "Al" Van Fossen as a driver for the County Transportation. Mr. Van Fossen has driven for the hospital in the past and understands how the county transportation works. They would like to hire him effective July 9, 2007. Mr. Shryock asked if he has been through all the checks and testing that the county requires. Ms. Laney stated that he has done all the testing and they are waiting for the criminal background check. Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stahl to hire Mr. Edward "Al" Van Fossen as a driver for the Coordinated Transportation effective July 9, 2007 pending all pre-employment screenings.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Stahl	yea

Discussion – Mr. Wayne Yoder

Mr. Wayne Yoder attended the meeting. He is representing Habitat for Humanity. They have started their fund raising and he would like the Commissioners to be aware that they are trying to get funding to do away with the old Pope Gosser Factory. They would eventually like to have a nice neighborhood in place of the factory. He is asking if the Commissioners could donate some funding to this project. They need \$240,000 for this project. He stated that the Mayor and City Services Director are in support of this project as well. Mr. Stahl stated that he feels this is a good idea. Mr. Shryock stated that the Commissioners will take this under advisement and thanked them for attending.

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Discussion – Three Rivers Fire District Contract

Mr. Batchelor attended the meeting and approved the contract as to form. Mr. Shryock stated that there are several pages that can be removed from the contract forms as we do not need to bid the project out. Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stahl to sign a contract with William Albert Excavating for the Water line Extension to serve the Three Rivers Fire District New Fire Station in the amount of \$23,800.00.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Stahl	yea

Discussion – Bob Jones

Mr. Bob Jones attended the meeting and he is requesting that there are two songs that have been written by Mr. Ron Geese and were played at the Community Band Concert. The songs are titled Where the Three Rivers Meet and the Coshocton Polka. He feels the music is fantastic and would like to Commissioners to adopt a resolution to make these the county songs. The Commissioners requested more information and a formal written request and then they will consider the request. Mr. Stahl stated that he will take on this project.

Discussion – Water

Mr. Matt Robinette attended the meeting to update the Commissioners on some of the water projects. He spoke with Quicksall's and they plan to come up and talk with the Commissioners next week about the Lake Park Project. Mr. Robinette then asked what was happening with the Fresno Project. Mr. Fischer stated that all that information is at the Prosecutor's Office and he feels Mr. Robinette should contact him to find out the progress on this project.

Discussion

Mr. Shryock stated that he has ^{two}~~two~~ people that have expressed an interest in the part-time dog warden's position. The fiscal officer has determined that we have funding for this position. However, we need to have a vehicle for this employee. Mr. Stahl asked if we could utilize the Friends of the Animal Shelter vehicle. Mr. Shryock stated that they purchased that vehicle for the Humane Society. He would prefer that the county utilize a vehicle of our own or possibly purchase a small truck. He would like to get this program started.

Executive Session – Ike Reger

At 11:07 a.m. Mr. Stahl made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to go into executive session to discuss personnel compensation. All vote aye. At 11:42 a.m. the meeting was returned to regular session. No action was taken.

Executive Session – Tim Greer

At 2:26 p.m. Mr. Shryock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to go into executive session to discuss personnel. All vote aye. At 2:32 p.m. the meeting returned to regular session. No action taken.

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Adjourn

At 3:06 p.m. Mr. Shryock adjourned the meeting.

Absent
Dane R. Shryock

Gary L. Fischer
Gary L. Fischer

Larry K. Stahl
Larry K. Stahl

Mary Beck
Clerk