

COMMISSIONER'S JOURNAL

Wednesday

Regular

January 7, 2009

The Coshocton County Commissioners meet in Regular session on Wednesday, January 7, 2009 with Mr. Dane Shryock, Mr. Gary Fischer and Mr. D. Curtis Lee in attendance. Also present was Mr. Ken Smailes, WTNS, Ms. Kathie Dickerson, The Tribune, Miss Jenna Horn and Ms. Mary Beck, Administrator/Clerk.

Minutes

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shryock to approve the minutes of the Monday, January 5, 2009 meeting.

Vote: Fischer	yea
Shryock	yea
Lee	yea

Then and Now Certificates

Mr. Shryock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to approve the following Then and Now Certificates which have been certified by the County Auditor.

PAYEE	AMOUNT	DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT NUMBER
Amber Mercer	\$207.76	DJFS	030-0101-5400.00
Radiology Assoc. of S.E.O.	\$339.00	DJFS	030-0100-5400.00
William Owens (Guardian ad Litem)	\$1,308.00	Common Pleas Court	001-0220-400.00
Decosky Ford	\$481.48	Litter	220-0300-400.01
Leech, Scherbel & Peddicord Ltd.	\$770.00	Regional Planning	070-0100-5260.00
C. Fenning Pierce	\$92.78	Probate Ct.	001-0240-300.00
Sprint Print	\$297.00	Juv. Ct.	001-0230-200.00
Matthew Bender	\$236.80	Juv. Ct.	001-0230-200.00
Visa 2	\$118.00	Juv. Ct.	001-0231-300.00
Mary Hall	\$142.16	DJFS	030-0101-300.00
Judi Hunt	\$142.16	DJFS	030-0101-300.00
Debbie Todd	\$191.30	DJFS	030-0101-300.00
Randy Stull	\$322.34	DJFS	030-0101-300.00
Heather Hosfelt-Grogro	\$265.01	DJFS	030-0101-300.00
Jennifer Selders	\$234.00	DJFS	030-0101-300.00
Megan Daugherty	\$212.36	DJFS	030-0101-300.00
Mindy Lyons	\$198.17	DJFS	030-0101-300.00
Tina Woodby	\$291.33	DJFS	090-0100-300.00
Shelaine Thomason	\$385.52	DJFS	090-0100-300.00
Lasha Woodruff	\$132.21	DJFS	090-0100-300.00
Debra Thomas	\$162.63	DJFS	090-0100-300.00
Renee Smith	\$210.60	DJFS	090-0100-300.00
Judy Harris	\$319.41	DJFS	090-0100-300.00
Tina Woodby	\$110.70	DJFS	090-0100-400.00
Debra Thomas	\$165.00	DJFS	090-0100-400.00
Angela Wheeler	\$1,000.00	DJFS	090-0100-820.00
AEP	\$175.00	DJFS	090-0100-820.00
Columbia Gas	\$287.22	Veterans	001-0910-5670.00
AEP	\$141.97	Veterans	001-0910-5670.00
David Goedel	\$475.00	Veterans	001-0910-5670.00
Property Data	\$535.00	Veterans	001-0910-5670.00
Home Loan Investment Bank	\$762.85	Veterans	001-0910-5670.00
Frontier Power	\$149.08	Veterans	001-0910-5670.00

Vote: Fischer	yea
Shryock	yea
Lee	yea

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Resolution 2009-02

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shryock to sign Resolution 2009-02 authorizing Mr. Fred Wachtel, County Engineer to employ labor and proceed by force account in the maintenance, repair and construction of roads, bridges and culverts in Coshocton County during 2009.

Vote:	Fischer	yea
	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea

Regional Planning Appointment – James Stoffer

Mr. Shryock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to appoint Mr. James Stoffer to serve a second four year term commencing January 1, 2009 and ending December 31, 2013 on the Regional Planning Commission. He will again serve as the Realtor Citizen Member.

Vote:	Fischer	yea
	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea

Dog Warden's Report

Received the Dog Warden's Report for the week ending January 2, 2009 with 16 dogs left in the drop box, 12 dogs picked up by the warden, 22 dogs per owner surrender, 3 dogs brought in as strays, 9 dogs destroyed, 4 warnings issued, 1 citation issued 15 calls handled, \$56.00 collected for kennel tags, 50 tags sold, 3 dogs sold, 3 puppies/dogs under 90 days sold, 37 puppies/dogs sold to rescue, \$15.00 collected in boarding fees, 6 dogs redeemed for a total of \$751.00 in fees collected.

Blanket Meeting Request – Juvenile/Probate

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shryock to approve a Blanket Meeting Request for Juvenile/Probate Court to attend Training and receive reimbursement for travel for the calendar year 2009. Expenses shall not exceed the budgeted travel expense for 2009.

Vote:	Fischer	yea
	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea

Blanket Meeting Request – Sheriff

Mr. Shryock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to approve a Blanket Meeting Request for the Sheriff's Office to attend trainings, educational seminars and meetings during the 2009 calendar year. Costs will not exceed the appropriated line items.

Vote:	Fischer	yea
	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea

Proclamation – Judge C. Fenning Pierce

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shryock to sign a proclamation commending Judge C. Fenning Pierce for his many years of service to Coshocton County.

Vote:	Fischer	yea
	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea

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Departmental Budget Meeting

Mrs. Robin Schonauer, Mrs. Ann Hartsock, Mrs. Janet Mosier, Mr. Steve Champaign, Mr. Doug Schonauer, Mrs. Teresa Bradford, Mrs. Sara Jane Lindsey, Mrs. Marissa Mullet, Mrs. Debbie Bowman, Mr. Jeff Mullen, Lt. Jim Crawford, Mr. Matt Lingo, Sheriff Tim Rogers, Mrs. Barb Karr, Mrs. Sandy Corder, Ms. Christine Sycks, Mr. Robert Batchelor, Mr. Dave Dilly and Mr. Fred Wachtel attended the meeting. Mr. Fischer opened the meeting and thanked everyone for attending. He stated that budgetary issues are on everyone's mind. State and Federal budgets are continually changing. He deferred to Mr. Shryock. Mr. Shryock stated that we have worked the last couple days on the numbers. Next year, we will probably not attempt to set a budget by the first of the year. He personally will take full responsibility for setting the first budgets. The numbers used are not good numbers for this year. He went over the funds and we are not going to have near the monies as we first thought. He stated that we are looking at the federal government to help us with this situation. He stated that he feels we should spend those monies that are given to us and we should appropriate as much as possible. He also feels we should protect the county as well. With that being said the state has cut 4.5% and have come back and cut an additional 7%. They have said in the next budget to anticipate a reduction of 25%. He then distributed a handout to all in attendance. He stated that there is a lot of input on this budget from the Treasures Office and the Auditor's Office. He stated that last year the county actually collected \$9,508,406.00, with a \$819,998.00 carryover for a total of \$10,328,404.00. We appropriated for 2009 \$9,841,252.00, which left a carryover for 2010 of \$487,152.00. When we received the 2009 amended certificate, the available revenue was \$8,666,766.00, and adding in the carryover, \$819,998.00 bringing the total available for appropriating to \$9,486,964.00. We feel it necessary to keep a cushion of \$246,000.00, the monies required to keep the county going for gas, electric, ect., is \$1,744,239.00. The mandated funds requested by the courts are \$1,463,573.00 this leaves \$6,032,952.00 to appropriate over the remaining funds. If we go by 2008 appropriations, we are short \$656,135.00. This is roughly a 10% across the board cut for the remaining funds. Mr. Shryock stated that we are anticipating a cut to the Local Government Funds, real estate property tax, investment income and some other miscellaneous funding may possibly be decreased because we are waiting on an Attorney Generals Opinion to determine if we are able to contract the dispatching for the EMS. Mr. Shryock stated that we were trying to set a budget on actual 2008 expenditures and not estimates for 2009. He then stated that we will go back to waiting until we have actual numbers to set the budgets in the future. The sales tax, other than two months of the year was up last year, ending the year with an increase of approximately 4% overall. Mr. Fischer stated that we hope everyone understands that when the budget was set previously we gave priority to mandated departments. He stated that we wanted the departments to hear this directly from them and not the newspaper. He stated that everyone will be hit with the cuts this time. We still have decisions to be made, we are looking at several options and it could be anywhere from 8-10 percent. Mr. Lee stated that we will be as fair as possible in the cuts and it could be as Mr. Fischer said anywhere from 8-10%. Mr. Shryock stated that in hind sight we possibly should have looked at estimated numbers instead of actual revenue, but he will accept full responsibility. Mrs. Corder stated that she spoke with the state office and they are stating that the sales tax is down 10% on the state level. We don't know our numbers at this time. She stated that they are saying we can anticipate a 5% decrease in our sales tax this year. Mr. Fischer stated that we are all going to have to be a little leaner in 2009. It is difficult to make these decisions when you know you will be affecting people's lives. Mr. Wachtel stated that at this time we are working on 50% of what we thought we were getting. Mr. Shryock stated that all non-general fund budgets were set at 100%. However, those are only temporary appropriations at this time and will be finalized when we set the 2009 budgets. The Commissioners thanked everyone for attending.

Recess

At 11:45 a.m. Mr. Fischer moved the meeting to recess.

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Discussion – 2009 Budget

Mrs. Robin Schonauer attended the meeting and the Commissioners discussed the 2009 proposed budgets.

Adjourn


At 4:09 p.m. Mr. Fischer adjourned the meeting.



Gary L. Fischer



Dane R. Shryock



D. Curtis Lee



Mary M. Beck, Administ Clerk