# **COMMISSIONER'S JOURNAL**

# Wednesday

# Regular

May 13, 2009

The Coshocton County Commissioners meet in Regular session on Wednesday, May 13, 2009 with Mr. Dane Shryock, Mr. Gary Fischer and Mr. D. Curtis Lee in attendance. Also present was, Mr. Ken Smailes, WTNS, and Mrs. Mary Beck, Administrator/Clerk.

#### Minutes

Mr. Fischer made motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to approve the minutes of the Wednesday, May 6, 2009 meeting.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer Lee

yea yea

Award Bid - FY 2008 Formula - Graham Court Paving Project

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to award the bid for FY 2008 Formula - Graham Court Paving Project to Small's Asphalt Paving, Inc. Gambier, Ohio with their unit price bid total of \$26,977.36 as recommended by Mr. Fred Wachtel, County Engineer.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Lee

yea

Request For Payment – BF-08-016-1

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to sign a Request for Payment and Status of Funds Report requesting \$38,950.00 for the BF-08-016-1 Water/Sewer Facility for the Village of Warsaw as requested by Mrs. Robin Schonauer, Financial Analyst.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Lee

yea

## Resolution 2009-26

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign Resolution 2009-26 to establish a Service Award Program at the Coshocton County Emergency Medical Services.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer Lee

yea yea

# Monthly Pay-In Report

Received the Monthly Pay-In Report for the Month of April 2009 from Ms. Janet Mosier, Coshocton County Clerk of Courts.

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#### Additionals/Transfers

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to approve the following Transfers/Additionals which have been certified by the County Auditor.

## JFS - Additional

FROM Unappropriated Fund Balance	035-0200-260.01 035-0200-260.02	Cont Serv-Youth Contr Serv-Adult Contr Serv-Dis. Worker Stimulus Administration RMS Transfer Total	1 \$ 21,700.00 \$121,300.00		
Additional – Hopewell					
Unappropriated Fund Balance	080-0100-260.00	Contract Services	\$100,000.00		
	Vo	te: Shryock yea Fischer yea Lee yea			

#### Neighborhood Stabilization Sub-Grant Agreement

Me. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign the Neighborhood Stabilization Program Grant Sub-recipient Agreement between the City of Coshocton and the Coshocton County Commissioners.

Vote: Shryock yea Fischer yea Lee yea

# Proclamation - Motorcycle Awareness

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to sign a Proclamation declaring the month of May as Motorcycle Awareness Month in Coshocton County and urging all citizens to join in this special recognition.

Vote: Shryock yea Fischer yea Lee yea

# New Employee - JFS

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to hire Ms. Katrina Havranek to fill the Social Services Worker 2 position at the Department of Job and Family Services effective May 26, 2009 as requested by Mr. Terry Miller, Director.

Vote: Shryock yea Fischer yea Lee yea

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Resolution 2009-27

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to sign Resolution 2009-27 authorizing a Retirement Incentive Plan for the Coshocton County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities.

Vote: Shryock yea Fischer yea Lee yea

## Then and Now Certificates

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

PAYEE	AMOUNT	DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT NUMBER
Debra Thomas	\$305.00	DJFS	090-0100-5400.00
		Vote: Shryock Fischer Lee	yea yea yea

## Approve Bills

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to approve the bills per computer printout dated May 13, 2009.

Vote: Shryock yea Fischer yea Lee yea

# Hydrologic Station Tower Site Agreement

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign an agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture for the use of the water tower at the North Appalachian Experimental Watershed for the transmission of wireless broadband services.

Vote: Shryock yea Fischer yea Lee yea

# Proclamation Relay for Life

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to sign a Proclamation for the 2009 Relay for Life for research to reduce cancer occurrence with the ultimate goal of blotting out the disease all together.

Vote: Shryock yea Fischer yea Lee yea

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WIA Sub-Grant Agreement - American Recovery and Reinvestment

Mr. Lynn Jacobs and Ms. Lisa Scott attended the meeting to explain the agreement. Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to sign a Sub-Grant Agreement with Workforce Investment Area 7 for workforce development purposes, specifically American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 funds.

Vote: Shryock yea Fischer yea Lee yea

# WIA Sub-Grant Agreement

Mr. Lynn Jacobs and Ms. Lisa Scott attended the meeting to explain the agreement. Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign a Sub-Grant Agreement with Workforce Investment Area 7 for any workforce development purposes, including but not limited to WIA, Rapid Response, NEG, Veterans and other funds.

Vote: Shryock yea Fischer yea Lee yea

# Discussion – Dog & Kennel Blackberries

Mr. Rusty Dreher, Mr. Steve Cox, Mr. Mike LaVigne and Mrs. Robin Schonauer attended the meeting. Mr. LaVigne stated that at this time the D&K has cell phones and a Verizon card that they utilize. He stated that by going to a blackberry, the county can save monies and they will only have to carry a blackberry. Mr. Dreher stated that they can attach the blackberry to the computer and utilize it that way. Mr. LaVigne stated that they could also just utilize the blackberry for this purpose as well. He also stated that they will be able to utilize this tool to send the phone messages to them as well. This will alleviate them from having to call into the office to get them off the message system. Mr. LaVigne stated that there is a one time license fee of \$100 for each phone. The Commissioners are in favor of making this change for the D&K. Mr. LaVigne will make the appropriate contacts to make these changes. The Commissioners thanked them for attending.

## The Campus at Coshocton Update

Mrs. Dorothy Skorunski, Dr. Bonnie Coe and Mrs. Joy Padgett attended the meeting to give an update on the Campus at Coshocton. Dr. Coe thanked the Commissioners for allowing her to come back and give an update on the campus. She presented the Commissioners with what they call a View Book. It gives an overview of the Campus. She stated that the Coshocton Campus is a small portion of a much larger whole. The Newark Campus is the only campus in the State of Ohio organized the way it is. They legally own ½ of everything on that campus. All the facilities are jointly owned. There is not a debt load on the facilities. Their employees are also cost-shared. It is a highly financial system. They are often asked how they can provide the facilities they have without the debt load. She stated that they are very financially responsible and they have great community support. By them not having a debt load, they are able to keep tuition costs down to \$100 per credit hour. Mrs. Padgett stated that she needed to leave the meeting to attend the State Budget hearings in Columbus. She stated that this bi-anneum budget was not very friendly to 2 year schools. This is very concerning because as the economy is under much stress, this has more residents coming back to the 2 year colleges. Mr. Shryock asked if there is anything we can do to help with this. Mrs. Padgett stated that she will get more of a feeling about things today and then get back with the Commissioners. Mrs. Coe stated that 95% of their most recent graduates have attained employment. They do survey their graduates once a year. The Campus at Coshocton continues to grow in enrollment over the past 7 years. They continue to tell the Ohio Board of

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#### Coshocton Campus continued

Regents that the 2 year colleges is where the growth is. The Campus at Coshocton was number one in growth from last year to this year. Spring Quarter 2009 has 3,900 students. The College has 4 campuses. Newark is the home base, Coshocton is the most mature campus, in Mt. Vernon, they are now renovating a building and Pataskala has nearly 700 students. They also have 300 on-line students. Mrs. Dorothy Skorunski stated that this our biggest quarter. There are 900 students in the spring quarter and 700 of those students are COTC students. We are a GED test sight. This brings people in to get their GED and then enroll in college classes. We have just signed a partnership with Ohio University for an associate to bachelor's degree. Mr. Fischer stated that he was unaware that there were 300 students doing on-line work. Dr. Coe stated that they have moved very slowly in this arena. They have many single courses on line, but are just now getting ready to offer their first on-line degree. Mr. Fischer stated that he feels that the Campus is really the jewel and that is exactly what we need in this community. Dr. Coe stated that for every 2 year college in a community, \$1 invested has a great economic impact. Economic impact means when possible, we buy locally, graduates are generally employed in the region and the number of part-time faculty persons hired. She stated that there are 400 part-time and 70 full-time employees that are employed by COTC. Mr. Shryock stated that sometimes these types of measures are hard to see, but they really do exist and it does help our economy. Mrs. Skorunski stated that we have students coming to Coshocton from 24 other counties to attend school. Mrs. Skorunski stated that she feels that it is not just an education, it is hope. Mr. Shryock asked if they anticipate needing more space where they are located at this time. Dr. Coe stated that at this time, they can accommodate 1000 students. This is starting at 7 am and going until 9 pm at night. They believe that there will be a time within the next 10 years that they will want to expand. She also stated that if we could get the Columbus to Pittsburgh Corridor (SR 16) Project completed, then there would be no limit to the amount of students that would come to the Coshocton Campus. The Commissioners thanked them for attending.

## Broadband

Mrs. Dorothy Skorunski stated that she has recently installed the new LightSpeed wireless broadband service and it is a wireless service that is very inexpensive and it is 24 times faster than what she did have in the past. She stated that in the past, she had a service that was one phone line. Now she said that it is like a phone line 24 times faster. She would like to thank the Commissioners for all their hard work on this project. The broadband will allow rural students to now be able to participate in on-line studies and she is very very pleased with this system. The Commissioners thanked her for attending.

#### **Light Duty Policy**

Mr. Bernie Minet and Mrs. Tiffany Swigert attended the meeting to discuss the new EMS Light Duty Policy. He stated that he is going to have CORSA review this project and if the Commissioners would like to have the Prosecutor look at it as well. He reviewed some of the sections that he has questions about. The Commissioners stated that we will have our policy attorney look at it and get back with him about it.

# Employee/Employer Relations

Mrs. Cheryl Smailes, Mr. Ed Zinkon, Mr. Bernie Minet, Mrs. Tiffany Swigert and Mrs. Kathy Jones attended the meeting. Minutes from the last meeting were read and approved. Mr. Shryock asked for concerns. Mrs. Cheryl Smailes stated that everyone is still complimenting the cleaning of the buildings. She then asked if they could move the thermostat from the Treasurer's Office to the Recorder's Office to see if this could help in the fluctuation in temperatures in the Annex Building 1st floor. Mr. Shryock asked Mrs. Beck to contact Maintenance to see if there is something we can do to alleviate this problem. Ms. Smailes then asked why her Verizon bill changed from a 20% to a

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### Employee/Employer Relations- continued

15% benefit. Mr. Shryock stated that we will contact Mr. LaVigne to see if he can look into this and we will get back with them. Mr. Minet then stated that they have an issue with the sidewalk at the West Lafayette Squad House. Mr. Shryock asked Mrs. Swigert to contact the Village Administrator in West Lafayette to determine how this sidewalk can be fixed. That being all, the next meeting will be held Wednesday, June 10, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.

#### Ohio Casino

Mr. Trevor Vessels attended the meeting to discuss Ohio's Casinos. Mr. Vessels stated that he represents the Ohio Jobs and Growth Plan. This plan will put the potential for 4 casinos in Ohio on the ballot in November. The casinos would be located in the 4 largest cities in Ohio. The plan will create 20,000 new jobs with 13,000 being temporary with the construction and 7,000 being permanent jobs. The amendment only calls for a casino and not a hotel or restaurants. That will come later. The money derived off the revenue will go to all 88 counties. The monies received by the counties will be based on population. The 5 year revenue forecast shows that each year the revenue will increase. In the first year, Coshocton County should receive an estimated \$1,774,917.00. This is based on estimates and can decrease or increase based on the success of the casinos. He then stated that the monies received by the county would be divided between the county general fund and the local school districts. The language in the amendment will also establish the Ohio Casino Control Commission. They would be a bi-partisan group will oversee the controls on the gaming. He feels very comfortable in telling the Commissioners that this will be on the ballot in November. The Commissioners thanked him for attending.

#### **EPA Grant Award**

Mr. TJ Justice stated that the EPA granted the county a \$400,000 award to do a Brownsfield Study and a petroleum study for Coshocton County. The grant has been awarded, but there are many things to do before we will sign a grant agreement with the government. He just wanted to make the Commissioners aware that the grant has been awarded. The Commissioners thanked him for attending.

#### Litter Update

Mr. Jeff Wherley attended the meeting to give a Litter and Recycling update. He stated that they had 88 people come through on the Tire Day. They loaded 2 semi-truck loads. He stated that he has been approached by schools to do paper recycling from their schools. He is looking into a trailer that could be modified to work for us. He feels this would be a good pilot project at Warsaw Elementary School. He feels that he will be able to make a couple budget transfers to fund this project. Mr. Lee stated that it would be pretty labor intensive for him. Mr. Shryock stated that he should look into the project and come back to the Commissioners with more information. He has been approached about recycling in the county buildings. He told them that we do the paper at this time, but will check about the bottles and cans. Mr. Shryock stated that they are ok with them doing the bottles and cans. Mr. Wherley stated that he has a new website that he is working on and it is called recyclecoshocton.com. The Commissioners thanked him for attending.

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Adjourn

At 3:30 p.m. Mr. Shryock adjourned the meeting.

Dane R. Shryock

Gary L. Fische

D. Curtis Lee

Administrator/Clerk