

COMMISSIONER'S JOURNAL

Wednesday

Regular

June 24, 2009

The Coshocton County Commissioners met in Regular session on Wednesday, June 24, 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 and Mrs. Mary Beck, Administrator/Clerk.

Minutes

Mr. Fischer made motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to approve the minutes of the Monday, June 22, 2009 meeting.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Lee	yea

Public Hearing – Brine Application - Walhonding Hills Campground

At 9:00 a.m. the public hearing was opened for the Walhonding Hills Campground Brine Application. There being no persons present with objections, Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign Resolution 2009-35 for the surface application of salt brine to be spread on their property at 32236 TR 364, Walhonding, Ohio.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Lee	yea

Purchase of Service Contract – JFS/Coordinated Transportation

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to sign a Purchase of Service Contract between JFS and Coshocton Coordinated Transportation – 2009-2010 for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 as requested by Mr. Terry Miller, JFS Director.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Lee	yea

Purchase of Service Contract – JFS/MRDD

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign a Purchase of Service Contract between JFS and MR/DD CES – WIA & TANF Youth 2009-10 in an amount not to exceed \$65,000.00 for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 as requested by Mr. Terry Miller, JFS Director.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Lee	yea

Purchase of Service Contract – JFS/Clene Rite Cleaners

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to sign a Purchase of Service Contract between JFS and Clene-Rite Cleaners – 2009-10 in an amount not to exceed \$75,994.20 for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 as requested by Mr. Terry Miller, JFS Director.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Lee	yea

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Purchase of Service Contract – JFS/East Central Career Programs

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign a Purchase of Service Contract between JFS and East Central Career Programs – JOG-2009-10 in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00 for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 as requested by Mr. Terry Miller, JFS Director.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Lee	yea

Purchase of Service Contract – JFS/MVESC

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to sign a Purchase of Service Contract between JFS and MVESC – TLC-2009-10 in an amount not to exceed \$19,000.00 for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 as requested by Mr. Terry Miller, JFS Director.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Lee	yea

Approve Bills

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to approve the bills per computer printout date June 24, 2009.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Lee	yea

Court Square

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee granting permission to Michele Greenawalt the use of the court square on September 12, 2009 for a wedding.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Lee	yea

Purchase of Service Contract – JFS/FCFC

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign a Purchase of Service Contract between JFS and FCFC – Care Teams – 2009-10 in an amount not to exceed \$42,605.00 for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 as requested by Mr. Terry Miller, JFS Director.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Lee	yea

Dog Wardens Report

Received the Dog Warden's Report for the week ending June 22, 2009 with 8 dogs left in the box, 19 dogs picked up, 6 dogs per owner surrender, 2 dogs brought in as strays, 13 dogs destroyed, 25 warnings issued, 13 citations issued, 23 tags sold, 2 late fees paid, 14 dogs sold, 1 puppy under 90 days sold, 10 dogs or puppies sold to rescue, \$10.00 in boarding fees paid, 4 dogs redeemed for a total of \$510.00 in fees collected.

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Purchase of Service Agreement – JFS/FCFC

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to sign a Purchase of Service Agreement between JFS and FCFC-NPP-Protect Ohio -2009-10 in an amount not to exceed \$79,276.00 for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 as requested by Mr. Terry Miller, JFS Director.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Lee	yea

Auctioneer Agreement

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign a Uniform Personal Property & Real Estate Auction Contract with Peddicord Rice Auction Realty to provide the auctioneer service for the County Auction on August 6, 2009.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Lee	yea

Court Square

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee granting permission to the Presbyterian Church the use of the court square on September 13, 2009 from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. for a Carillon Concert.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Lee	yea

Mr. Don Quicksall, W. E. Quicksall and Associates

Mr. Don Quicksall attended the meeting to see how things are going on in the county. He stated that CDBG has been given an additional funding amount of \$12 million for water and sewer projects for LMI families. Secondly, for areas that need septic systems renovated or improved, we could apply for funding up to \$500,000.00. Mr. Shryock stated that we were notified yesterday from our Health Department about the septic system funding. Mr. Shryock asked if this should be funded through the Health Department or the Commissioners Office. Mr. Quicksall stated that he would think the funding should come through the Health Department as they will be the ones that know what septic systems in the county need repaired. Mr. Shryock then stated that he is aware that Tuscarawas Township is very interested in getting waste water to the LMI residents in the Pleasant Valley area. He asked if the funding was grant funding or loan funding. Mr. Quicksall stated that it is grant funding and it is for water or waste water. He feels the Commissioners should try to go after other types of funding for this project as well. The Commissioners thanked him for attending.

Litter Report

Mr. Jeff Wherley attended the meeting to give his monthly Litter Report. He stated that most of his contractual obligations are either scheduled or have been met. He discussed the appliance round-up and the computer collection. He then stated that the recycling has picked-up and we are having trouble keeping up with the trailers as well as picking-up the paper recycling in the county buildings. He is requesting that the Commissioners allow the paper recycling to be done by Mr. Fielden. The Commissioners stated that they have no problem with this change. The Commissioners thanked him for attending.

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OSU Extension Levy Possibility

Mrs. Sara Jane Lindsay and Mr. Jack Kerrigan, OSU Extension attended the meeting to discuss the possibility of putting on an Extension levy. Mr. Kerrigan stated that we are in a holding pattern with the State Budget. Things don't look very good at this point. He then stated that we have been placed in the Cross Roads area. This is not a major change for our county. The resources in the area are to be utilized by the best people in that field. They will take what employees do the best and utilize that in all the counties. Mrs. Lindsay stated that in her last Advisory Committee Meeting, they discussed the possibility of putting on a levy. She stated that they are interested in determining from the Commissioners as to when they would want them to put the levy on the ballot. Mr. Shryock stated that the Commissioners are very concerned with the State Budgets and at this time we are doing our estimated budgets. Looking at those numbers as they are coming in, the revenue is not coming in as high as 2009. However, departments are not reducing expenses. So, the best case scenario will be level funding and he does not see this happening for 2010. When making cuts, this board has historically looked at making non-mandated cuts first. OSU Extension would fall into this category. So, if a levy is not put on and passed this year, they may receive additional cuts. Mrs. Beck explained that if they put a levy on the ballot in November, then the levy will not start to be collected until January 2010 and they would not see any of the funding until July 2010. Mr. Fischer explained that the Commissioners feel that if they have options available such as a levy then they should look at that very seriously. Mr. Kerrigan asked if the Commissioners would recommend the levy. Ms. Beck explained the process for requesting that a levy be put on the ballot by the Commissioners. Mr. Shryock stated that it just comes down to the numbers. If the funding is not there, cuts have to be made. Mr. Fischer stated that when budgets are cuts at this point the State and Local Governments are cutting quality of life programs. Mrs. Lindsay asked what their options are if her Advisory Committee comes back to her and tells her that they do not feel that a levy will work for them. Mr. Kerrigan stated that he feels that she make certain that the Advisory Board understands the Commissioners stance on this issue. Mr. Lee stated that he feels we need to look at this on a more positive aspect. He feels that this is an option to assure funding for OSU Extension for 5 years. Mr. Kerrigan stated that he is concerned about running a levy against other agencies that they work with. Mr. Shryock stated that we have not heard from any other agencies of an interest to put a levy on the ballot. Mr. Lee stated that there is only one other county in the state that has a Soil and Water Levy . Mrs. Lindsay stated that when Noble County put on their first levy, it did not pass. After the office closed, it was put back on and then did pass. Mr. Kerrigan feels this levy will be very difficult to pass in Coshocton County. He understands the financial situation. He is thankful that the Commissioners are being so forth right about the funding situation. Mr. Fischer stated that he is certain that all the Commissioners will help support this levy. Mr. Shryock stated that the Commissioners would like the Advisory Committee to look at this option and get back to the Commissioners with their suggestions. The Commissioners thanked them for attending.

Recess

At 12:01 p.m. Mr. Shryock moved the meeting to recess. At 12:55p.m. the meeting returned to regular session.

ARC Grant Presentation

Mr. Fred Deel, ARC, Mr. Greg DiDonato, OMEGA, Mr. Jon Mosier, Mr. Michael Calevski, Congressman Space's Office, Mr. Brandon Kearns, Senator Voinovich's Office, Mrs. Robin Schonauer, County Budget Director, Mr. Jeff Gamrath, SZD Whiteboard, Mr. Kyle Quillen, LightSpeed Wireless and Mr. Kyle Yoder, LightSpeed Wireless attended the meeting for the presentation of the \$38,400.00 grant award from the Ohio Appalachian Regional Commission. Mr. Shryock stated that Mr. Daryl Anderson from MARCS was unable to attend do to being out of the state. Mr. Quillen gave a brief description of where they are on the project. He stated that they are in the process of lighting-up the WOSU Tower site at River View High School. They will be

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installing residents starting next week on this tower. They have over 800 requests for service and within the next couple months he hopes to have hooked up over 200 residents. Mr. Deal asked if they will be able to get service to all the residents that have requested it. Mr. Quillen stated that due to geographical issues, it is impossible to get service to everyone. They are working diligently to get service to as many residents as possible. Mr. Fischer stated that the county has been the conduit between the government and MARCS. He then stated that SZD Whiteboard was instrumental in helping to develop the RFP. He then read an e-mail from Mr. Tony Gretch from One Community who is working with LightSpeed to make Coshocton a very special project. Mr. Quillen stated that everyone that was involved in this project should be commended. From the Commissioners and their fore-thought to Congressman Space's Office and SZD Whiteboard. Mr. Fischer reiterated that he feels this project was successful because of everyone's willingness to work together. Mr. Deel stated that they are very excited to be part of this. With all the bad news we here daily it is great to hear of such a success story. He stated that he is working with three other counties at this time on a similar project. He commended Coshocton County on their initiative and for laying the ground work for other counties. The Governor's Office is very positive about this project and they are using Coshocton County as a model for other counties. He then presented the Commissioners with a mock check in the amount of \$38,400.00. Mr. Kyle Yoder stated that he would like to commend the Commissioners most of all because without their fore-thought this would have never come to fruition. Mr. Gamrath stated that he is very appreciative of everyone in the room. It was stated several times to him that this couldn't be done, and he is thankful for being part of the project. Mr. Shryock stated that we have discussed how this has been a great benefit for residents, but we should also remember that this project was first started because a business in the eastern end of the county came to us with a need. Mr. Deal stated that the economic development factor is also a huge issue in this matter. Mr. Calevski stated that Congressman Space's Office is very proud to be part of this project. Mr. Brandon Kearns stated that on behalf of Senator Voinovich's Office he would also like to commend everyone on this project. Mr. Fischer thanked everyone for attending.

Mr. Brandon Kearns – Senator Voinovich's Office

Mr. Shryock welcomed Mr. Kearns. Mr. Kearns stated that he is in town today for not only the check presentation, but he meets with local leaders and residents to have a personal connection with the senator's office. Because the Senator is in Washington, he sometimes feels that he doesn't get that personal connection with residents. He stated that the senator is really happy with the work the county has done with the telecommunications monies. He really feels this county will serve as a model for others in how we can get to where we want to be in telecommunications. He asked if the Commissioners have any concerns or issues that they are concerned about. Mr. Shryock stated that he feels that the broadband project here in Coshocton is being watched by not only other counties, but other states and if we move forward as expected, this will be huge for the whole United States. He then stated that we have received stimulus monies for the Fresno Sanitary Sewer Project and that will be going to bid very soon. Besides our broadband needs, we have a very great need for water and waste water projects. There is a lot of funding available, but it is mostly loan monies that are required to be paid back and we just don't have any additional funding for that right now. We would welcome any assistance on this if we could get some. He also stated that we have many roads and bridges that need work as well. Mr. Kearns stated that the senator is working very hard on these issues. He is trying to work on legislation that will find funding for these issues. He stated that he is working on a new affordability formula and provide more grant funding when being mandated on projects. The Commissioners thanked him for attending.

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Adjourn

At 3:45 p.m. Mr. Shryock adjourned the meeting.


Dane R. Shryock


Gary L. Fischer


D. Curtis Lee


Administrator/Clerk

