

# COMMISSIONER'S JOURNAL

**Wednesday**

**Regular**

**May 23, 2012**

The Coshocton County Commissioners met in Regular session on Wednesday, May 23, 2012 with Mr. Dane Shryock, Mr. D. Curtis Lee and Mr. Gary Fischer. Also in attendance was Ken Smailes, WTNS, Leonard Hayhurst, The Tribune and Mrs. Mary Beck, Administrator/Clerk.

## Minutes

Mr. Shryock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to approve the minutes as presented for the Monday, May 21, 2012 meeting.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Lee	abstain
	Fischer	yea

## Confidentiality Agreement – Specialty Insurance & Financial Services

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to sign a Confidentiality Agreement for Specialty Insurance & Financial Services to have access to all information pertaining to the Coshocton County Commissioners Health Benefits.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea
	Fischer	yea

## Then and Now Certificates

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

<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NUMBER</u>
Julian & Grube	\$4,633.00	Auditor	001-0120-260.00

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea
	Fischer	yea

## James Hartzler Agreement

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to sign and Agreement with Mr. James Hartzler to revise the Coshocton County Commissioners Subdivision Regulations at a cost not to exceed \$7,600.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea
	Fischer	yea

## Dog Wardens Report

Received the Dog Warden's Report for the week ending May 21, 2012 with 8 dogs picked up by the warden, 2 dogs brought in as strays, 6 dogs destroyed, 1 citation issued, 19 calls handled, 8 licenses sold, 4 late fees paid, 1 dog sold, 4 dogs redeemed, 1 dog per owner surrender for a total of \$309.00 in fees collected.

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### Physio Control Service Agreement

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign a Service Support Agreement with Physio Control for the technical support of the AED's located in the Sheriff's cruisers for a one year period beginning May 1, 2012 and ending April 30, 2013 for the amount of \$2,387.00.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea
	Fischer	yea

### Award Bid 2012 County Asphalt Resurfacing

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to award the bid for the 2012 OPWC County Asphalt Resurfacing to The Shelly Company, Thornville, Ohio with a low bid of \$556,178.60 as recommended by Mr. Fred Wachtel, County Engineer.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea
	Fischer	yea

### Award Bid 2012 County Motor Paving

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to award the bid for the 2012 OPWC County Motor Paving to The Shelly Company, Thornville, Ohio with a low bid of \$169,918.50 as recommended by Mr. Fred Wachtel, County Engineer.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea
	Fischer	yea

### Satisfaction of Mortgage – Tia Rae Allman

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to sign a Satisfaction of Mortgage for Tia Rae Allman for the property located at 220 North Oak Street, West Lafayette, Ohio and recorded in Volume OR 568, page 286-288 instrument 201200001141 and subordination of mortgage bearing the date 3-30-2012, recorded in Volume 569, pages 70-74 instrument 201200001260.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea
	Fischer	yea

### Open Bids – JFS Janitorial

At 9:00 a.m. bids for JFS Janitorial was opened with Mrs. Sheila Reger and Mr. Stacy Young, Clene Rite in attendance. The bids were as follows: Kathy Dile's Faithful Cleaning - \$57,633.00 annually, Stacy Young, Clene Rite - \$54,930.00 annually and Jackie Jackson - \$5,050.00 per month or 60,600.00 annually. Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to turn over all bids to Melinda Fehrman, DJFS Director for her review and recommendation.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea
	Fischer	yea

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## Open Bids – Commissioners Janitorial

At 9:30 a.m. bids for Commissioners Janitorial were opened with the following bidders: John Holtz, HUSA bidding on all three units for a total bid of \$76,226.80 annually, Jackie Jackson bidding on all three units for a total bid of \$51,910.00 annually, Republic Industrial bidding on all three units \$57,672.00 annually and Cathy Dile's Faithful Cleaning bidding on all three units \$78,332.00 annually. Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to take these bids under advisement.

Vote: Shryock	yea
Lee	yea
Fischer	yea

## Hydrologic Station Lease - OARDC

Mr. Dave Denfield, Mr. Ken Scaife, Mr. Paul Golden and Ms. Gwen Wolford attended the meeting to discuss the OSU lease proposal for the Hydrologic Station Property. Mr. Shryock welcomed everyone and stated that there have been some letters back and forth between the Commissioners and OSU. Originally in our conversations with the USDA and being notified of the closing of the projects at the Hydrologic Station property. Dr. Bonta stated that there were two or three projects pending with OSU and wondered if these projects could be continued through a lease with OSU. The county requested that we purchase the USDA property so that we would have a contiguous 1000 acres for county use. We were informed that it had to be given to a land grant college. We have received a letter from OSU with a proposal that was not in the best interest of the county. We responded to that letter. Mr. Shryock then stated that we have supported the USDA at the Hydrologic Station as a research station in the past and since the Federal Government has determined that the research is no longer something they are willing to support, it is time the county looks out for the county and does what is in the best interest of the county. Mr. Denfield stated that they anticipated that originally the lease with USDA would be voided and they had some projects that will take 4-5 years to complete. Their purpose in meeting with the Commissioners in January was to establish a lease for the property to complete their projects. The letter that they intended to come to the Commissioners did not come until sometime later and it was not what they had intended as it came from the real estate section at OSU. Mr. Scaife stated that they had given the lease that the county had with USDA to OSU as a starting point. They intend to then negotiate what will work best for the county as well as work for OSU. They understand completely what the county is trying to do. They would like to continue a positive relationship with the County and he is apologizing and hopes we can move forward in a new light. He stated that they have worked out at the Hydrologic station for the past 40 years or so in collaboration with the USDA. There is an orchard of West Virginia Canin Fir on the county property. They are a very important source of seed for the nations Christmas tree growers. He stated that they have a collaborative agreement with the USDA and have not sub-let any of the property out there. They are supporting several families that work out there and they feel they will need another 3-4 years to finish the projects that they have going on now. If they go to a long term lease, it will need to be discussed in the future. Mr. Denfield stated that OSU is supported by the USDA and submitted a letter of intent in February and they submitted a proposal for the federal property in April of this year. Presently that proposal is pending with the USDA. There is a complication on May 14<sup>th</sup> that was sent to OSU stating that USDA was going to ask any other federal agency to utilize the property in assisting new farmers. They will have to wait and see if any other federal agency comes forward with a plan for the property. They are working with the USDA for a revocable permit on the federal property that will give them 5 years to get the land conveyed, work out an agreement with the property owner or complete their projects. They would like to move forward with the county and find a mutual agreement that will work for everyone. He feels there could be a real interesting collaboration on the drilling sites if the oil companies would be interested in this as well as the county. Mr. Lee asked how many projects are currently going on at the time on county property out there. He stated there are 3 projects going on at this time. They have asked everyone to not anticipate any projects until there is some agreement in place with the county. Mr. Shryock stated that we believed in the research and we still do. However, we need to utilize this property for what is best for the county.

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He asked if they feel hunting rights are an issue. Mr. Denfield stated that at this time he is not certain. Mr. Shryock stated that we thought the research was going away. So, we are looking at different options for that property. We are thinking hunting rights as well as we have farmers asking about leasing rights. Mr. Scaife state that all of these are possible, but as long as we are there we will have employees that live in the area and they will be keeping up the site and investing in it. He would encourage the Commissioners to have a long term look at their potential. Mr. Shryock stated that we have already talked with an oil company to let them know that we have this property with all this data in place and we feel that this would be a great opportunity for them, but we have not heard anything about if from them. Mr. Scaife stated that they have an office of energy and they are looking into this possibility as well. Mr. Shryock asked what the next step will be. Mr. Denfield stated that we need to go back and look at our needs to determine if we need the whole 400 plus acres and then come back to the Commissioners and discuss it. Mr. Shryock stated that we may have to do some research to determine if we can go into executive session to discuss this issue. Mr. Lee asked if OSU did not get the county property, what would happen to those 5 employees up there now. Mr. Denfield stated that it is possible that they could move the projects to the federal property, but they may have to move things elsewhere and then they would decrease the employees. Mr. Fischer stated that we did not see any conflicts when we had our first meeting early in the year and there has been some miscommunication since the first meeting. Communications are very important when dealing with these issues. Mr. Denfield asked if they would prefer to deal with himself and Mr. Scaife. Mr. Shryock stated that the Commissioners would like that. He then asked if the county signs a lease with an oil company will that create a problem with OSU. Mr. Denfield stated that at this time he cannot say how it will impact our operations. It may create a project in itself. They would like to work with the company to determine this. Mr. Fischer stated that if we sign a lease, then the ability to determine where they drill would be out of our hands. Mr. Denfield stated that they understand this. Possibly one way to go forward if we insert some language that OSU needs to be aware of the fact the county may utilize some of the land in the future. They could then bring a proposal back to the Commissioners. Mr. Shryock stated that we believe in research and if we have a choice that is in the best interest of this community we would like to continue to lease with OSU as well as being able to utilize the property to the best monetary interest of the county. The Commissioners thanked everyone for attending.

Joyce Healy-Abrams

Ms. Joyce Healy-Abrams and Mr. Joe Peterson attended the meeting to introduce herself as she is running against Bob Gibbs for the 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District in the November general election. She stated that she is a small business woman and she lives in Canton with her husband and 7 year old daughter. She has four other children all over the nation. She asked the Commissioners what the issues are in Coshocton County. Mr. Shryock stated that the motor/vehicle gas tax revenue is less and less as more and more people go to hybrid vehicles or natural gas cars. The cost to maintain, repair and build roads continues to increase and the monies coming in are less. Some where this needs to be addressed. Mr. Shryock then stated that unemployment, declining revenue, Federal and State mandates are also issues that we have in Coshocton County. We are hoping that the oil and gas influx in the county will help some of our issues. The Commissioners thanked her for attending.

Anadarko Oil & Gas Lease

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign a 5 year Paid-up Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease in the amount of \$1,279,575.00 up front monies and 17.5% royalties with Anadarko E&P Company LP for the Utica Shale Formation.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea
	Fischer	yea

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Adjourn

At 1:00 p.m. Mr. Shryock adjourned the meeting.

  
Dane R. Shryock  
D. Curtis Lee  
Gary L. Fischer  
Administrator/Clerk