

COMMISSIONER'S JOURNAL

Monday

Regular

August 13, 2007

The Coshocton County Commissioners meet in regular session on ^{MONDAY} ~~Wednesday~~, August ¹³ ~~8~~, 2007 with Mr. Dane Shryock, Mr. Gary Fischer and Mr. Larry Stahl in attendance. Also present was Mary Beck, Clerk

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stahl to approve the minutes as presented for Wednesday, August 8, 2007.

Vote: Shryock yea
Fischer yea
Stahl yea

Award Bid – Miscellaneous Structural Steel

Mr. Stahl made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to award the bid for Miscellaneous Structural Steel to Superior Steel Corporation of Cambridge, Ohio with a bid of \$60,300.00 as recommended by Mr. Fred Wachtel, County Engineer.

Vote: Shryock yea
Fischer yea
Stahl yea

Resolution 2007-181 – Public Hearing Brine Application Oxford Mining

At 9: 00 a.m. a public hearing for the surface application of salt brine was held at the request of Oxford Mining. Mr. Wayne Light, Oxford Mining, attended the public hearing. There being no persons present to voice any objections, Mr. Stahl made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign Resolution 2007-181 for the surface application of salt brine to be applied on haul roads and land surfaces on mine land.

Vote: Shryock yea
Fischer yea
Stahl yea

Transfer Requests

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

Engineer

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
050-0200-265.04 Chip Seal/asphalt	050-0300-202.00 Bridge Materials	\$6,000.00

Commissioners

001-0110-5400.00 CCC Other Exp.	001-0430-5210.00 IT Equipment	\$4,000.00
001-0430-5200.00 IT Supplies	001-0430-5210.00 IT Equipment	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
		Total \$6,000.00

Hopewell

080-0100-400-09 Insurance	080-0100-111.00 WC	\$13,000.00
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Vote: Shryock yea
Fischer yea
Stahl yea

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Vacation TR 341 Jefferson Township

Mr. Stahl made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to approve the request of the Jefferson Township Trustees for the vacation of all of the abandoned TR 341 in Jefferson Township, located on the properties of Pace and Farie. This is the previous location of the road prior to its relocation in the 1990's.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Stahl	yea

Resolution 2007-182 through 2007-196

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stahl to sign Resolutions 2007-182 through 2007-198, Then and Now Certificate of Payments as follows:

2007-182	AEP	\$47.56	Transportation
2007-183	AEP	\$1,560.76	DJFS
2007-184	AEP	\$110.95	DJFS
2007-185	AEP	\$38.59	DJFS
2007-186	AEP	\$32.36	Water & Sewer
2007-187	AEP	\$35.63	Water & Sewer
2007-188	AEP	\$22.52	Water & Sewer
2007-189	AEP	\$41.63	Maintenance
2007-190	AEP	\$354.49	Maintenance
2007-191	AEP	\$78.66	Maintenance
2007-192	AEP	\$22.77	Maintenance
2007-193	AEP	\$213.93	Maintenance
2007-194	AEP	\$184.84	Maintenance
2007-195	AEP	\$235.66	Maintenance
2007-196	AEP	\$84.65	Maintenance
2007-197	Smartbill	\$954.73	Auditor
2007-198	Graphic Enterprise	\$166.25	Clerk of Courts

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Stahl	yea

Small's Asphalt Contract

Mr. Stahl made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign a contract with Small's Asphalt Paving, Gambier, Ohio for the Seal Coat Unit Price Contract 2007 in an amount not to exceed \$162,000.00 as requested by Mr. Fred Wachtel, County Engineer.

Vote:	Shryock	yea
	Fischer	yea
	Stahl	yea

Monthly Mortgage Report

Received the Monthly Mortgage Report for the month of July 2007 from the Coshocton County Recorder.

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Airport Property Agreement

Mr. Craig Casey attended the meeting to sign the agreement for the purchase of approximately 2 acres and a 30 foot access road to a water tower that will be placed on the property. Mr. Fischer stated that the Commissioners will give the airport a check for \$65,000 today and once the property has been approved by the FAA it will be transferred to the Commissioners. This has all been approved by the Prosecuting Attorney. Mr. Casey then signed the agreement.

Budget Revision Litter Program

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stahl to sign a Program/Budget Revision Request Form for the Coshocton County Litter and Recycling Prevention.

Vote: Shryock	yea
Fischer	yea
Stahl	yea

Additional Appropriations

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

JFS

From	To	Amount
Unappropriated Funds	380-0100-102.00 Salaries	\$17,000.00
Unappropriated Funds	380-0100-113.00 Insurance	\$15,000.00
Unappropriated Funds	380-0100-262.00 purchase Services	\$25,000.00
	Total	\$57,000.00

Vote: Shryock	yea
Fischer	yea
Stahl	yea

Report of Meetings

Mr. Shryock stated that on Thursday, he and Mr. Don Brown and Mr. Matt Robinette met with Attorney John Albers on the issue of Water and Sewer in the North Corridor, Tuscarawas Township JEDD area.

Discussion – Water Well – Airport Property

Mr. Shryock stated that he feels the Commissioners should have the company that dug the water well at the bottom of Airport Road to determine what the flow rate and the type of pump is on that well. Mr. Fischer stated that he thinks that you would have to get EPA approve to utilize that well again. Mr. Robinette stated that Mr. Fischer is correct; they would need to have EPA approval. Mr. Shryock stated that if the well is cased and ready to go, all we will have to do is go through the permit process and then we can utilize that well to supplement our water system. Mr. Robinette stated that the wells at Hopewell are major producers of water. Mr. Robinette stated that it will not cost the county anything at this time. He is meeting with the company that drilled the well on Tuesday evening. He will let the Commissioners know what he finds out.

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Discussion – Mr. Jim Woody

Mr. Woody attended the meeting to discuss a Storm Water Drainage that comes down off the hill from the city and drains into property owned by the county. He stated that the storm water the township put in ties into the county pond and he has storm sewer that also drains into this pond. He received a letter from EPA stating that he needs to correct this. He also stated that the EPA told him if the site was designated as a Storm Sewer drop-off site, then he could get an exemption. Mr. Fischer asked if it was designated for this. Mr. Shryock stated that it has not been designated as such. Mr. Shryock asked for them to send a copy of the letter to us. Mr. Stahl asked if Soil and Water might be able to help with this issue. They have been hired by the City of Coshocton to take care of they're storm sewer issues. Mr. Shryock stated that we will look into the situation and get back with them.

Discussion – Bulk Water Rate – City

Mr. Matt Robinette and Mr. Orville Starkey attended the meeting. Mr. Shryock stated that he is toward accepting the city's proposal. He stated that Muskingum County is making their system work and they are paying \$2.56 per thousand. Mr. Fischer questioned the 3% increase in year three. Mr. Shryock stated that if we charge a flat \$30.00 fee up to a certain amount. Mr. Fischer stated that we will be penalizing senior citizens then. Mr. Shryock stated that if we do not get at least \$20 per household then the system will not be viable in his opinion. Mr. Stahl asked if we say alright to the proposal will they vote on it tonight. Mr. Shryock stated that he doubted that they would vote on it tonight. Mr. Shryock asked what Mr. Fischer would feel was a good charge for a flat rate. Mr. Fischer stated that he feels that we should focus on the agreement before we discuss water rates for our customers. Mr. Shryock stated that if we look at all water systems in the State of Ohio, we will be hard pressed to find any that pay less than \$30 per month for their water. Mr. Fischer stated that he feels that is a correct assumption, the majority of the users will use more than ~~30,000~~^{3,000} gallons per month, however we will have to be conscious of that when we get to that part of the project. Mr. Stahl stated that he would be willing to pay a little more to secure our monthly water. Mr. Fischer stated that if he understands what Mr. Shryock is trying to say is that we purchase water from the city for the first three years and then we will have our own system in place by then. Mr. Fischer then stated that according to Attorney John Albers, we will not be able to have our own system up by year three and therefore, we will be paying \$2.63 in year three, \$2.71 in year four and \$2.79 in year five. If we had the 2% we proposed, the numbers would be \$2.60, \$2.65 and \$2.71 and that is a big difference to the end user. Mr. Stahl stated that if we go with \$2.50 and have a three percent increase over the last three years; it would be \$2.58, \$2.66 and \$2.74 in the last year. Mr. Starkey stated that as a senior citizen, he feels that a \$30 per month charge could be sold to senior citizens. The Commissioners would need to do that correctly. After much discussion it was decided that the Commissioners will send a letter to the City stating that they would like the full council to vote on the proposal that was sent to them on July 20th since they were told by the Infrastructure Committee that the proposal would be taken to council for a vote.

Executive Session – Personnel

At 10:09 a.m. Mr. Stahl made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to go into executive session with Mr. Tracy Schlarb and Mr. Bob Walsh to discuss personnel hiring. At 10:19 a.m. the meeting was returned to regular session. No action taken.

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Discussion – Fred Wachtel

Mr. Wachtel attended the meeting and stated that he has received a letter from the census bureau about updating county information. He would like to utilize Andy Jones to help with this project. Mr. Shryock asked if this was a mandated request. Mr. Wachtel stated no it is not, but if we can give them very accurate information, then we have the opportunity to possibly get better funding through the Federal Government. Mr. Stahl stated that we should first get Mr. Jones opinion on this issue. Mr. Shryock stated if Mr. Wachtel would like to discuss this with Mr. Jones and then the board can talk with him to determine if he has the time to do this work, they will then make a determination on the issue.

Discussion – Fred Wachtel continued

Mr. Wachtel then stated that he is having a meeting with Lori Patterson at the Park District today to determine if there is any grant funding available for the Park. He is having Mr. Jones attend that meeting because he understands that he is very good at getting grants. He also asked if the Commissioners would be willing to have some property put in our name for future use as match monies if we do indeed apply for a grant. The Commissioners stated that they are willing to do this. They thanked Mr. Wachtel for attending.

Discussion – Fresno Sewer Project

Mr. Fischer brought up the issue of the Fresno Sewer Project and where we are on this issue. We have received a letter from the Prosecuting Attorney stating that the title for the property that the Commissioners want to purchase will take up to a year to clear. The Commissioners have received EPA mandated orders to have this project done. They discussed the option of looking at a different property to complete this project. Mr. Shryock suggested that a copy of Mr. Batchelor, County Prosecutor's letter be sent to Mr. Fred Schnell at the EPA.

Discussion – EMS

The Commissioners discussed the proposed EMS Levy. The Commissioners are trying to determine if it is in the best interest of the citizens to place this levy on the ballot. Mr. Stahl feels the levy should be put on the ballot and let the public determine if they are willing to pass the levy or not. Mr. Fischer stated that he agrees with Mr. Stahl. Although he would like to have another conversation with Mike Perkins before they make their final decision. Mr. Shryock asked that Ms. Beck contact Mike Perkins and ask him to come in on Wednesday.

Discussion – Workers Compensation

Mr. Fischer stated that what he heard in the show of hands vote at the Roscoe Visitors Center was that everyone wanted to share the cost. However, once they received the numbers and found out how much it will cost their department, the sentiment changed. Therefore, if we have a percentage of claims vs. payroll, it should be a small percentage of payroll and a large percentage of claims and then have the rainy day fund for a back-up. He does not feel we will ever have 100% satisfaction. Mr. Stahl stated that after he ran the numbers, he feels it should be either 85/15 (85 % claims and 15% payroll) or 90/10 (90% claims and 10% payroll) also utilizing \$50,000 for the rainy day fund. Mr. Shryock stated that this has been a very educational experience not only for the Commissioners but the other elected officials. He can understand the County Engineers feelings. However, if he had to vote today, he would vote for 100% based on claims. They will make a final decision on Wednesday.

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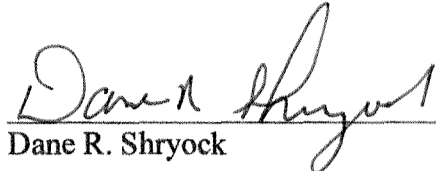
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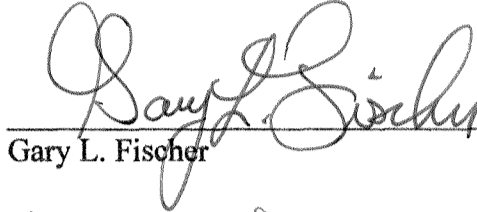
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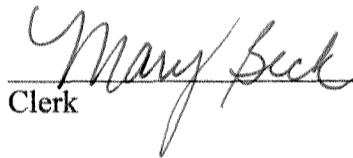
Adjourn

At 3:08 p.m. Mr. Shryock adjourned the meeting.


Dane R. Shryock


Gary L. Fischer


Larry K. Stahl


Clerk