

COMMISSIONER'S JOURNAL

Wednesday **Regular** **January 19, 2011**

The Coshocton County Commissioners met in Regular session on Wednesday, January 19, 2011 with Mr. Dane Shryock, Mr. Gary Fischer and Mr. D. Curtis Lee. Also in attendance was Mr. Ken Smailes, WTNNS, Ms. Kathie Dickerson, The Tribune and Mrs. Mary Beck, Administrator/Clerk.

Minutes

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shryock to approve the minutes of the Wednesday, January 12, 2011 meeting.

Vote:	Fischer	yea
	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea

Permission to Hire Council

Mr. Shryock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee granting permission to Sheriff Tim Rogers to use Downes, Fishel, Hass & Kim LLP as their consultant on personnel issues for the 2011 year.

Vote:	Fischer	yea
	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea

Dog Wardens Report

Received the Dog Wardens Report for the week ending 1/13/11 with 31 dogs left in the box, 12 dogs picked up by the warden, 14 dogs per owner surrender, 2 dogs brought in as strays, 29 dogs destroyed, 19 warnings issued, 2 citations issued, 22 calls handled, 79 dog licenses sold, 2 dogs sold, 1 dog redeemed for a total of \$993.00 in fees collected.

Court Square

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shryock granting permission to the Coshocton Firefighters the use of the Court Square on August 6, 2011 for a 5K run for MDA.

Vote:	Fischer	yea
	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea

4th Quarter Solid Waste Report

Received the 4th Quarter 2010 Solid Waste Report from Mr. Ralph Fogle, Coshocton County Health Department.

Meeting Request – Auditor

Mr. Shryock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee granting permission to the County Auditor and Staff to attend educational meetings during the 2011 calendar year. The expenses will meet the guidelines established by the County Commissioners and will not exceed the line item budgeted for travel.

Vote:	Fischer	yea
	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea



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AAA9 Passport Provider Service Agreement and Contract for January 14, 2011 through June 30, 2012

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shryock to sign the AAA9 Passport Provider Service Agreement and Contract for January 14, 2011 through June 30, 2012 as requested by Mrs. Tracy Haines, Coordinated Transportation Director.

Vote:	Fischer	yea
	Shryock	yea
	Lee	yea

Crows on the Court Square

Mr. Garth Goodyear attended the meeting to discuss the crow issue at the court square. He stated that this has been an issue for several years. He stated that crows are very smart and adaptable. They tend to flock in the fall and winter times. No one knows exactly why they are starting to move into the cities. He gave some printouts to the Commissioners that discussed crows. Mr. Fischer stated that the biggest health and safety concern that we have is the dropping being tracked into the courthouse as well as right now, the maintenance department is power-washing the sidewalks and then trying to salt them to keep them safe. Mr. Shryock stated that the odor from the crow droppings being tracked into the courthouse is horrific. The war memorials are unreadable because of the number of droppings. Mr. Fischer stated that we don't want to push our problem on to someone else; however, it is a health issue. Mr. Goodyear stated that we have to determine what the best way to get rid of them is. He stated that at first the cannons worked, but now he feels that the only solution is to shoot them. However, since we are in the city that does not appear to be an option. He now thinks they should have just left the crows where they were down by the river and behind Stone Container. Mr. Lee asked from past experience, when they normally break-up and become less of a problem. Mr. Goodyear stated that probably in March they break-up and then migrate back in the fall. Mr. Lee asked if he had an approximate number of how many we have in the county. Mr. Goodyear stated that he does not know the number of crows there are here. Mr. Goodyear stated that he printed off some sonic bird repellents, but the more he looks into things solutions that work this year may not work next year because of the crow's ability to adapt. He stated that he doesn't know what to tell the Commissioners as the only thing they won't adapt to is shooting them. Mr. Shryock asked if shooting a few of the crows would take care of the issue. Mr. Goodyear agreed with Mr. Shryock stating he feels it will make them move their roost. Mr. Fischer stated that we really need a solution to this situation. Mr. Goodyear stated that he is working on it, but in his research he has been unable to find a solution at this time. He has even looked at other states and can find no options. He stated that if we could somehow do it safely, lethal means would be the way to proceed. Mr. Fischer stated that whatever we can do will not be popular with some segment of the population; we are trying to find the best solution for everyone.

Security Cameras/GIS Updates

Mr. Mike LaVigne and Mrs. Robin Schonauer attended the meeting to discuss security cameras and GIS updates. Mr. LaVigne stated that he has spoken with Mr. Wachtel, Andy Jones and Barb Mainwaring about what they would like to do in the way of upgrading the GIS System. He stated that in order to do any upgrades, all of the files will need to go through an update and this will cost the county approximately \$30,000. In talking with the Engineer's Office, they would like to purchase her a new computer and see if she can do the upgrades to the files herself. He feels this may be a solution to their problem. He then stated that they also have a server that need to be replaced and he would like to go the virtual route. However, he cannot get the company that supports the software to call him back to see if they will support the virtualization. Mr. Shryock asked what the cost for a server would be. Mr. LaVigne stated that it could run between \$5,000-\$8,000.

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Mr. Shryock stated what the cost would be to expand the SANS? Mr. LaVigne stated that when we bought them they were about \$20,000, but he feels they have dropped in price since that time. Mr. LaVigne feels we need to let her try to do the file transfers if she can, and then either purchase a new server or another SANS. The Commissioners stated that they will give Barb time to see if she is able to do the conversion and proceed from there. Mr. LaVigne then stated that he has done research on placing security cameras in the county buildings. General discussion then followed.

Water & Sewer Update

Mr. Brian Simmons attended the meeting to give an update on the county water & sewer services. There was general discussion that followed.

Regional Airport Authority – 2011 Budget

Mr. John Strasser, Mr. Bethel Toler, Mr. Dave Johnson, and Mr. Mark Chaffin attended the meeting to discuss the Airports 2011 budget. General discussion then followed.

Mr. Joseph Robertson – Bonds

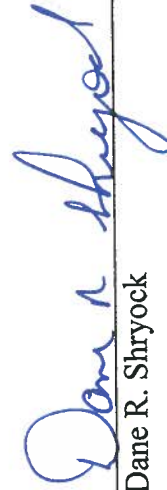
Mr. Joseph Robertson attended the meeting to discuss the option of re-issuing bonds for the county. General bond discussion followed.

Adjourn

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



Gary L. Fischer



Dane R. Shryock



D. Curtis Lee



Administrator/Clerk