COMMISSIONER'S JOURNAL

Wednesday

Regular

July 10, 2019

The Coshocton County Commissioners met in Regular session on Wednesday, July 10, 2019 with Mr. Gary L. Fischer and Mr. Dane R. Shryock. Also in attendance was Mrs. Beth Scott, The Beacon, Mr. Leonard Hayhurst, The Tribune and Mrs. Mary Beck, Administrator/Clerk.

Approve Minutes

Mr. Shryock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to approve the minutes of the Monday, July 8, 2019 meeting as presented.

Vote: Lee

absent

Fischer Shryock yea yea

Approve Bills

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shryock to approve the bills per computer printout dated July 10, 2019.

Vote: Lee

absent

Fischer

yea

Shryock

yea

Dog Wardens Report

Received the Dog Wardens Report for the week ending July 8, 2019 with 7 dogs picked up by the warden, 1 dog brought in as a stray, 3 dogs euthanized, 14 dog licenses sold, 6 late fees paid, 7 dogs sold, 7 dogs redeemed, 11 dogs per owner surrender, \$35.00 in boarding fees collected, 17 citations issued, 31 calls handled for a total of \$685.00 in fees collected.

Auditor's Certificate

Received the Certificate of the County Auditor that the total appropriations from each fund do not exceed the Official Estimate of Resources.

Amended Certificate

Received the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources dated July 9, 2019 from the Coshocton County Budget Commission.

Employee Hired EMS

Mr. Shryock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to hire Mr. Todd E. Gibson, Physician's Assistant as an Intermittent Part-time employee for the Coshocton County Emergency Medical Services to assist our Paramedic Staff on critical calls and to help with other tasks within his scope of practice as a Physician's Assistant as requested by Mr. Todd Shroyer, EMS Director. Mr. Gibson's employment is contingent upon successful completion of his pre-employment testing.

Vote: Lee

absent

Fischer

yea

Shryock

yea

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Then and Now Certificate

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shryock to approve the following Then and Now Certificate which has been certified by the County Auditor.

VENDOR	ACCOUNT NUMBER	AMO	JNT	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	
Licking Co. Coroner	001-0260-5260.00	\$1,200.00		Coroner	
ū		Vote:	Lee Fische Shryo	•	

Transfers/Additionals/Reductions

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

Transfer - Sheriff

TO 001-0611-5400.00	Other Exp.	FROM 001-0611-5210.04	Equip J	ail	AMOUNT \$100.00	
		Transfer – Soil & V	Water			
060-0100-5102.00	Sal. Emp.	060-0100-5210.00	Equipme	ent	\$807.84	
	Additional – CDBG					
220-0544-5260.07	NGR St. Imp. C	City			\$2,393.00	
			Vote:	Lee Fischer Shryock	absent yea yea	

Ohio Treasurer of State - Ag Link

Mr. Cody Petitt, Ohio Treasurer of State's Office stopped into the meeting to talk to the Commissioners about the extended deadline for farmers to apply for Ag Link which helps farmers get a low interest loan for loss of crops and other weather related issues. The extension is due to the recent storm damage. He also he talked about Re-energize and Re-grow Ohio which would possibly help small businesses with repairs.

Children Services Levy Renewal

Mr. Danny Brenneman, DJFS Director attended the meeting to request the Commissioners put the 1 mil Renewal levy on the ballot in the November 2019 general election. Mr. Brenneman stated that this levy expires next year and this is our first opportunity to go on the ballot to renew this levy. By renewing this levy, the 1 mil will allow us to continue to provide the services already in place at this time. This levy has been in place since sometime in the early 1990's. Last year we asked for additional monies, and were turned down by the residents. However, we are anticipating that if we can continue this renewal and have additional assistance from the State of Ohio we will be able to continue the same services. The Commissioners stated that we will ask for Auditor Certification for this levy renewal in our next meeting. Mr. Brenneman then stated that this levy will collect approximately \$480,000. He stated that he feels the foster situation has stabilized at right about 50 with an all-time high at 58 last year. He stated that typically when the economy is bad, they tend to have more foster care needs. However, the economy has been good and things seem to have gone down and are now stabilizing. The Commissioners thanked Mr. Brenneman for attending.

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Viewing - Kirk Drain

Mr. Greg Waters, Mr. Ryan Medley, Ms. Deb Bigelow, Soil & Water Conservation District, Mr. Tracy Schlarb, Mr. Jim Schumaker, Lafayette Township Trustees, Mayor Steve Bordenkircher and Mr. Tim Ross, Congressman Bob Gibbs Office attended the viewing. Mr. Shryock stated that we have a file in our office from back in 2002 with plans and funding for a project on the Kirk Drain. This was all stopped in 2006 and we are not quite sure why. Mr. Schumaker stated that he believes that the Shurtz Farm did not want a pipe going through their field. He was alright with a tile drain though, but not a 24" pipe. Mr. Shryock stated that in 2002 there was Federal Capital monies available that he does not think would be available today. However, we could possibly look at OMEGA, OPWC or maybe CDBG if we would qualify. We are not certain if we would be eligible for the CDBG Critical Infrastructure Grant. We will have to do more research to determine this possibility. Mr. Shryock asked if the 24" pipe was put in place in 2002 would it have prevented this most recent tragedy. Mr. Medley stated that he wanted to make it perfectly clear that even if the Kirk Drain was working at 100%, the flooding from this storm event would have occurred. He stated that typically entities plan for a 25 year storm event because of the cost factor. This was a 100 year flood event which means that entities plan for approximately 4-4.5" of rain in one event and the area received 7.5" of rain in the event that caused all the flooding. So, the flooding would have still occurred. It wouldn't probably have been quite as bad as it was though. Mayor Bordenkircher stated that the West Lafayette Storm Sewer failed as well during this recent flooding. Mr. Medley stated that there are actually two different watersheds that were affected. The one at the Commons and the Kirk Drain. The Kirk Drain was put in place in approximately 1890 and there has not been anything really done to update it at all. There have been many attempts to get funding to fix it, but it has never happened. It would possibly help this issue, but once flood waters reach the 802 foot elevation level houses will be flooded. Mr. Waters stated that if a pipe is installed, then that will mean major water issues for himself and Mr. Schumaker and it would not solve the problem, but move it. Ms. Bigelow questioned the possibility of making the wetlands larger to alleviate some of these issues. That would need to be approved by the EPA however. Mr. Medley is in agreement with this thought process. The group then toured the Kirk Drain area. There is major damage to the tile and there is approximately 1 acre exposed. It was determined to continue work with Soil & Water Conservation District, the affected farmers and residents to do what least affects them but everyone will benefit from. The Commissioners thanked everyone for attending.

Adjourn

At 12:00 p.m. Mr. Fischer adjourned the meeting.

<u>Abstain</u>

D. Curtis Lee

Gary L. Fischer

Dane R. Shryock

Administrator/Clerk