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Monday

Regular

March 9, 2020

The Coshocton County Commissioners met in Regular session on Monday, March 9, 2020 with Mr. Gary L. Fischer, Mr. Dane R. Shryock and Mr. D. Curtis Lee. Also in attendance Mr. Leonard Hayhurst, The Tribune, Mr. Ken Smailes, WTNS and Mrs. Mary Beck, Administrator/Clerk.

Approve Minutes

Mr. Shryock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to approve the minutes of the Wednesday, March 4, 2020 meeting as presented.

Vote: Fischer

Shryock

yea yea

Lee

yea

Transfers/Additionals/Reductions

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shryock to approve the following Transfer/Additionals/Reductions which have been approved by the County Auditor.

Transfer-Commissioner	
173 (DA-22)	

TO FROM

<u>AMOUNT</u>

001-1510-5900.02 Transfer out Reg. Plan 070-0100-4900.02 Transfer in Reg. Plan

\$12,000.00

Additional-Sheriff-Rotary

150-0100-5210.06 Equip. Vehicle 150-0100-5400.03 Oth Exp Maint. Unappropriated Unappropriated

Total

\$4,000.00

\$6,000.00 \$10,000.00

Vote: Fischer

yea

Shryock

yea

Lee yea

Court Square Request

Mr. Shryock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to approve a Court Square Request for Century 21 Realty for Easter Celebration on April 11, 2020 from 11 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Vote: Fischer

yea

Shryock

yea

Lee

yea

Court Square Request - Tabled

The following motion was tabled until further notice: Request a motion to approve a Court Square Request for Americans Scavenger on April 25, 2020 from 11 a.m.- 6 a.m. at the request of Leo Smith.

Then and Now Certificates

Mr. Shryock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to approve the following Then and Now's which have been approved by the County Auditor.

Vendor	Account Number	Department		Amount	
Mid East Ohio Reg. Council	080-0100-526000	Hopewell FCFC		\$44,369.00	
Perry & Associates	084-0100-540000			\$ 3,950.00	
		Vote:	Fischer	yea	
			Shryock	yea	
			Lee	yea	

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Pay-In Report

Received Monthly Pay-In Report for the month of February 2020 from Camila J. Graham, Clerk of Courts.

Addendum - Copier Lease Rental Agreement

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shryock to sign an Addendum for a Copier Lease Rental Agreement #20438574 for the Coshocton County Sheriff's Office.

Vote: Fischer

yea

Shryock

yea

Lee

yea

Executive Session - Personnel Hiring

At 8:58 a.m. Mr. Shryock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to go into executive session with Mr. Ike Reger to discuss personnel hiring. All vote aye. At 9:07 a.m. Mr. Fischer returned the meeting to regular session. No action taken.

COVID -19 Virus Update

Mr. Rick Cosmar, EMS, Mr. Troy Cole, Mr. Robbie McMaster, EMA, Sheriff Timothy Rogers, Lt. Charles Udischas, Lt. Dean Hettinger, Sheriff's Office, Ms. Tammi Smith, Mr. Steve Lonsinger, Mr. Doug Schonauer, Juvenile/Probate Court and Mrs. Brooke Alverson attended the meeting to give an update on the COVID-19 Virus. Mr. Fischer welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated that the Commissioners asked for this update in order to formulate a plan for the county and county offices. Mr. Lonsinger stated that currently in Ohio, we have no confirmed cases although they are monitoring people. He stated that there is no need to panic and everyone should take the same precautions that they would take for the flu. If you are sick stay home. They are meeting with the schools as well. We do have some tests kits in Ohio now and hopefully the capability will increase as the week goes on. He stated that the system of monitoring and notifying does work. Ms. Smith reviewed some of the things to do, wash your hands, sneeze or cough in a Kleenex or your elbow if a Kleenex is not available and if you have a fever or are sick please stay home. Mr. Fischer stated that the Commissioners do have some concerns with our employees being exposed and how this will affect their offices. Mr. Cosmar stated that the EMS employees are prepared and aware of how to address patients when needed. Mr. Udischas stated that they do have protocol in place for this type of issue. It has been recently tested with a case of the flu and it worked. Mr. McMasters stated that they are here to help the Health Department with any needs they may have. Sheriff Rogers stated that their concern is if they don't isolate as soon as we see symptoms there could be an issue of spreading to other inmates. Lt. Udischas stated that they are updating their plan to match the CDC's recommendations as they come out. The Commissioners thanked everyone for attending.

Land Bank - Coshocton County

Mrs. Janette Donaker, County Treasurer, Mr. Tom Barcroft, Our Town Coshocton, Ms. Christine Sycks, County Auditor, Mrs. Tiffany Swigert, Coshocton Port Authority, Mr. Robert Pell, Coshocton Foundation, Ms. Robin Thomas, Western Reserve, Mr. Jim Rokakis, Western Reserve, Mr. Kirby Hasseman, Business Owner, Mr. Mark Mills, City of Coshocton, Mr. Jeff Corder, City of Coshocton, Mr. Jason Given, County Prosecutor and Mrs. Robin Schonauer, Budget Director attended the meeting to discuss a Land Bank for Coshocton County. Mr. Rokakis explained what happened in the City of Cleveland and Cuyahoga County that made them create a Land Bank. He stated that they have had a great deal of success with creating a Land Bank. He explained how land banks can benefit our county. There are 57 land banks at this time and 2 more are in the process of being created. Land Banks can benefit a county not only by demolition, by acquiring vacant land, rehabilitation, and aggregation of properties. Ms. Thomas then stated that other advantages could be expedited foreclosures (Board of Revision, direct transfer, impositions/1 sale and alternative right of redemption) forfeited land, tax exempt status and the Ohio EPA. To create a land bank, the Board of Commissioners and the County Treasurer work together to create this via resolution. A Board of Directors will be appointed and a code of regulations put in place. The land bank and the County Commissioners will then sign an agreement and plan. Mr. Lee asked how long the process

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takes from beginning to end. Ms. Thomas stated that typically 3-4 weeks and even up to 6 weeks. She then explained that a way to funding for the land bank is through the DTAC fee. At this time the DTAC fee is 5%. They recommend increasing it to 10%. These funds do not affect the monies that the Treasurer and Prosecutor get. However, it does affect the amount that the taxing entities will get from the penalty fees. She then discussed options for start-up funds for the land bank. The county can donate funds or loan funds, grants, donations and property sales. There can also be community partners such as Habitat for Humanity, local governments, schools and other entities. Mrs. Swigert stated that she has spoken with several counties that have established land banks and she has not heard any negatives. She feels this should be a great benefit to Coshocton County. They then asked for questions and then general discussion occurred. Mr. Fischer stated that the reason the Commissioners called this meeting is because they feel that land banks have many more resources than local governments and by creating a land bank it will give our county more options than we have at this time. Mr. Fischer asked if anyone in the room had an issue with proceeding down this path. No one had any objections. They thanked everyone for attending and stated that we will then proceed with the creation of a land bank.

Meetings Attended

Mr. Fischer and Mr. Shryock attended the Lincoln Day Dinner on March 5^{th} , and Mr. Shryock attended the Bike Trail Meeting on March 6^{th} .

Adjourn

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

Gary L. Fischer

Dane R. Shryock

D. Curtis Lee

Administrator/Clerk