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Monday Regular February 22, 2021

The Coshocton County Commissioners met in Regular session on Monday, February 22, 2021 with Mr. Dane R. Shryock, Mr. Rick Conkle and Mr. Gary L. Fischer. Also in attendance was Mr. Ken Smailes, WTNS and Mrs. Mary Beck, Administrator/Clerk.

Approve Minutes

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Conkle to approve the minutes of the Wednesday, February 17, 2020 meeting as presented.

Vote: Shryock yea Conkle yea Fischer yea

Employee Hired – DJFS

Mr. Conkle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to accept the resignation of Marie Shinn, Legal Specialist from Coshocton County Job and Family Services as requested by Mr. Jed McCoy.

Vote: Shryock yea Conkle yea Fischer yea

Resignation – CCCTA

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Conkle to accept the resignation of Mr. Timothy Kohler, part-time driver for CCCTA at the request of Ms. Valerie Shaw, CCCTA Director.

Vote: Shryock yea Conkle yea Fischer yea

Beachy Farm Private Road Subdivision

Mr. Conkle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign the re-plat of Lot 1 Beachy Farm Private Road Subdivision. The creation of the Lot 15 out of the re-platted Lot 1 of the Beachy Farms Private Road Subdivision located on TR 214 and SR 643 in Mill Creek Township, on property owned by Dan H. Yoder and Alma D. Yoder, Auditor Parcel Identification Number 0230000029000 at the request of Mr. Fred Wachtel, County Engineer.

Vote: Shryock yea Conkle yea Fischer yea

Advertise Bids - 2021 MVG Seal Coat

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Conkle to grant permission to advertise bids for the 2021 MVG Sealing Contract on March 19, 2021 at 9:00 AM at the request of Joshua Kempf, Assistant County Engineer.

Vote: Shryock yea Conkle yea Fischer yea

Letter of Support – County Engineer Position

Mr. Conkle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign a letter of support at the request of Mr. Fred Wachtel, County Engineer in support of keeping the County Engineer position a dual licensed position.

Vote: Shryock yea Conkle yea Fischer yea

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Executive Session - Opioid Litigation Update

At 9:00 a.m. Mr. Fischer made a motion seconded by Mr. Conkle to go into executive session to discuss the Opioid Litigation Lawsuit. All vote aye. At 9:10 a.m. Mr. Shryock returned the meeting to regular session. No action taken.

Public Hearing - 2021 CDBG Grants

At 10:00 a.m. Mr. Shryock opened the public hearing for the 2021 CDBG Grants with the following persons in attendance: Mrs. Robin Schonauer, Commissioners Office, Ms. Hannah Diewald, CDC of Ohio, Mrs. Bambi Zinkon and Mr. David Carpenter. Ms. Diebold then reviewed what qualifies for CDBG grant funding. She discussed the Low to Moderate Income areas, elimination of Slum and Blight and Limited Clientele. She then reviewed the CDBG Grant Programs: Allocation, which Coshocton County should receive funds this year to undertake eligible infrastructure, Public facility, public service and planning activities. Neighborhood Revitalizations, \$750,000 in funding for LMI residential neighborhood, Downtown Revitalization, funds for façade, code enforcement and street-scape improvements in downtown business districts. Requires owner participation and funding commitments, Critical Infrastructure, up to \$500,000 to fund public infrastructure improvements with significant community impact. Residential Public Infrastructure Program, Public water and sanitary sewer improvements that address and EPA or local health department mandate, Economic Development Program, Loans and gap financing for on-site equipment and improvements or grants for off-site infrastructure improvements that will help a business create or retain jobs for LMI persons and Fair Housing which grantee must conduct local fair housing trainings, distribute fair housing material, designate a local fair housing contact person and develop a process for addressing fair housing complaints. She then stated that she has had interest from the Village of West Lafayette for a large sidewalk project and also they have interest in a storm sewer project. Tuscarawas Township is also interested in continuing some of their projects as well. Mr. Shryock asked if multi-use paths are being funded as Ms. Diebold stated that they do not seem to be funding sidewalks very much anymore. Ms. Diebold asked the Commissioners thoughts on continuing a Targets of Opportunity Grant to work on up to 3 buildings in the downtown area. Mr. Fischer stated that there is a good movement right now going on in the downtown area and he asked that they work with Our Towne Coshocton on possibly applying for this grant funding. Both Mr. Shryock and Mr. Conkle are in agreement. Mrs. Schonauer asked if there is a local match for that grant. Ms. Diebold stated that she was not sure, but she did not think there was a match. She will check with the State on this. This grant does require some shop owner participation on this grant is very important. Mrs. Schonauer asked what amount the county would receive for their Allocation funds. Ms. Diebold stated that we should receive approximately \$150,000. Ms. Diebold then stated that she has had interest from the Village of West Lafayette to apply for a Neighborhood Revitalization Grant and wondered if the Commissioners have an issue with allowing that. The Commissioners stated that they do not want to hinder any entity from submitting a request. Mr. Carpenter then asked where he should go to determine where he can find accessibility for the disabled persons of the county. Mr. Shryock stated that he retired from the Sheriff's Office and thought that the Sheriff's Office has something that will translate for a deaf person. We have also upgraded our 911 system to accommodate the ability to text into 911. However, that upgrade has not been complete to date. Sheriff Crawford stated that it is something that he is working on. Mr. Carpenter stated that TTY is outdated and really not used much any longer. There was general discussion on how the county should be working to address issues with deaf and disabled residents. The Commissioners thanked Mr. Carpenter for attending.

Meetings Attended

Mr. Fischer and Mr. Shryock attended Zoom Meeting with Hopewell School on February 17th and Mr. Shryock at the Covid Clinic on February 18th and 20th.

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Adjourn

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

Dane R. Shryock

Rick D. Conkle

Gary L. Fischer

Administrator/Clerk

