

February 5, 2024

Approve Minutes

Vote: Shryock yea
Fischer yea
Conkle yea

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Then and Now Certificates

Mr. Conkle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to approve the following Then and Now Certificates which have been certified by the County Auditor.

Vendor	ACCOUNT	Amount	Department
Ohio State Coroners Association	001-0260-8400.00	2398	Commissioners
Coshocton County Land Reutilization Corp.	001-0410-5268.00	20000	Commissioners
		\$22,398.00	

Vote: Shryock	yea
Fischer	yea
Conkle	yea

Transfers/Additional/Reductions

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Conkle to approve the following Transfers/Additional/Reductions that were approved by County Administrator Mary Beck and certified by the County Auditor.

FROM ACCOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	APPROVED	AFFIRMED
088-0100-540000 (Other - Admin)	Transfer-CCCTA 088-0100-530001 (Meetings/Trainings - Admin)	\$3,600.00	1/30/2024	2/5/2024
088-0100-521000 (Equipment)	Transfer-CCCTA 088-0100-530001 (Meetings/Trainings - Admin)	\$1,400.00	1/30/2024	2/5/2024
088-0100-521000 (Equipment)	088-0100-530002 (Meetings/Trainings - Non-Adm	\$500.00		
		\$1,900.00		
	Additional-CCC 002-0100-526001 (CONTRACTS-CLAIMS)	\$5,000.00	1/30/2024	2/5/2024
	Additional-Veterans 001-0910-540001 (KIA MEMORIAL BRIDGE ACCT)	\$1,500.00	1/30/2024	2/5/2024
001-0420-540000 (OTHER EXPENSE)	Transfer-CCC 001-0420-526005 (RENTALS)	\$300.00	1/30/2024	2/5/2024
	Additional-Sheriff 150-0100-521006 (Equipment - Vehicle)	\$4,000.00	1/30/2024	2/5/2024
	Additional-BOE 201-0100-540001 (Other- Grant Reimbursement)	\$717.05	1/31/2024	2/5/2024
001-0230-510200 (SALARIES - EMPLOYEES)	Transfer-Juvenile Court 001-0235-510200 (Salaries)	\$20,585.00	2/2/2024	2/5/2024
001-0230-511000 (OPERS)	001-0235-511000 (OPERS)	\$2,882.00		
001-0230-511500 (MEDICARE TAX-EMPLOYERS)	001-0235-511500 (Medicare)	\$300.00		
		\$23,767.00		

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Fischer	yea
Conkle	yea

Executive Session-Opioid Litigation

At 9:30 a.m. Mr. Conkle made motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to go into executive session to discuss Opioid Litigation. All Vote Aye. At 9:45 a.m. Mr. Shryock returned the meeting to regular session. No action taken.

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Executive Session-Possible Litigation

At 10:00 a.m. Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Conkle to go into executive session to discuss possible Litigation. All vote aye. At 10:30 a.m. Mr. Shryock returned the meeting to regular session. No action taken.

Department Head Budget Meeting-Fin

At 1:00 p.m. a department head budget meeting was held with the following people present: Mr. Dane Shryock, Mr. Gary Fischer, Mr. Rick Conkle, Mrs. Mary Beck, Mrs. Robin Schonauer, Mrs. Cortnie Jamison, Ms. Alex Nelson, Mrs. Susan Turner, Mr. Jed McCoy, Mr. Ike Reger, Mr. Marty Dobson, Mr. Todd Shroyer, Ms. Kayla Chapman, Mr. Doug Schonauer, Mrs. Jinni Bowman, Ms. Christina Corbett, Ms. Debra Eppley, Ms. Kim Arden, Mr. Rob Mahle, Mrs. Lori Patterson, Mr. Jeff Mullen, Ms. Valerie Shaw, Mr. Mike LaVigne, Ms. Heather McMasters, Ms. Camila Graham, Mr. John Piper, Mrs. Ashley Andrews, Mr. Fred Wachtel, Mr. Grant Daugherty, Mr. Ryan Medley, Sheriff Crawford, Mr. Douglas Schaffer, Mr. Ben Hall, Mr. Merritt Roberson, Mr. Leonard Hayhurst, Tribune and Ms. Diana Bevins, WTNS. Mr. Shryock began the presentation by stating in the years past the general fund was able to budget all departmental request, however looking to the future there are concerns if these requests can be met for the 2025 year. Additionally, Mr. Shryock believes another meeting will need to be held before the June budgets is set, as the county can not run in a deficit. Mrs. Robin Schonauer, Budget Director addressed a couple different 5-year budget graphs in regards to revenue and expenses. She stressed the importance that the carryover needs to be larger than the budgets, the 2024 budgets were able to be fully funded, however this may not be true in 2025. Mr. Shryock asked the departments to be creative with their thoughts on funding the departments as well as employees, finding grant dollars is a great way to help offset budget numbers. Currently, Probate Court and Common Pleas Court have grant funds that pay for employees, Mr. Shryock encouraged all departments to look for grant funding. Sheriff Crawford was encouraged to sell beds in the new Justice Center if beds are open to help offset the cost of employees, contacts with agencies for these bed rentals have already been made and talks are taking place. Coshocton County is blessed with tourism to help with sales tax; however, we lack the big box stores and restaurants that neighboring counties have, this fact hurts our sales tax. Population and median household income are what drives big box stores and chain restaurants to an area and currently Coshocton County does not have those demographics. Sales tax for the month of January, that was collected in November is down 6%. Many factors can be driving this number, such as, interest rates, inflation, expendable income and hourly rate of pay. The general fund collected 1.9 million dollars last year in property tax, 15% of the property tax collected gets passed on to the voted in levies. Ohio law requires counties to revalue all real property every six years with an update at the three-year midpoint as ordered by the Tax Commissioner of the State of Ohio, the State of Ohio then passes those numbers on to the county to be used for property tax values. Another money factor for the general fund is interest income, as the county has bond money sitting in the bank, this money is collecting interest. However, currently the county is paying monthly bills for the Justice Center Project, which deflates the money the county is collecting in interest. Local Government Fund and Casino Tax are another two revenue sources for the general fund to collect money. Mr. Shryock spoke of how he is trying to change the image of Coshocton to make it attractive to live locally. The State of Ohio is pushing hard on trails and park in Ohio and Coshocton is working hard to make that happen locally as well. Currently, Coshocton County is applying for 15 million dollars in ARC (Appalachian Regional Commission) grant funds for Skips Landing and Coshocton City Scape. Mr. Shryock explained in detail the grant funds that were applied for and awarded for both the EMS and Justice Center. The super site at the old AEP site was discussed in length in regards to the Frontier Power group and their develop of the site for future businesses. 44 acres across from that super site were sold to Standard Power at \$134,000/acre. In closing, Mr. Shryock stated that if needed non-essential departments will be the first to see cuts in 2025, such as the Airport and Soil-N-Water. The departments that will not see cuts to their budgets due to the requirements to fund those departments are the courts (Probate/Juvenile, Prosecutor, Municipal and Common Pleas). Mr. Shryock thanked everyone for their time. Mrs. Susan Turner, County Recorder said she is impressed with the Commissioners office and what has been done to acquire funding for the county.

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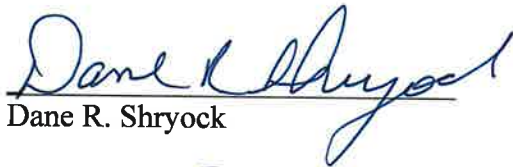
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Meetings Attended

Mr. Shryock and Mr. Fischer had a meeting with OhioTT on Thursday, January 25, 2024. Mr. Shryock worked on Thursday, January 25th and Friday, January 26th with Mrs. Schonauer, Budget Director on the budget presentation for the Department Head meeting that is scheduled for Monday, February 5, 2024.

Adjourn

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


Dane R. Shryock


Rick Conkle


Clerk


Gary Fischer