

COMMISSIONER'S JOURNAL

Wednesday

Regular

April 10, 2024

The Coshocton County Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. with Mr. Dane Shryock, Mr. Gary Fischer, and Mr. Rick Conkle. Also, in attendance was Mrs. Brooke Alverson, Clerk, Mrs. Mary Beck, Administrator, Mrs. Robin Schonauer, Budget Director, Mr. Chuck Selders, Mr. Bob Bigrigg, Mr. Graham Beaumont, WTNS and Mr. Leonard Hayhurst, Tribune.

Approve Minutes

Mr. Conkle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to approve the minutes from last meeting as presented.

Vote: Shryock yea
Fischer yea
Conkle yea

Commendation, Ms. Ronda Barnes, DJFS

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Conkle to sign the Commendation for Ms. Ronda Barnes, as the Board of Commissioners of Coshocton County, Ohio, hereby extends its congratulations to Ronda Barnes for her 31+ years of service to Coshocton County and Further extends its best wishes for health and happiness in her retirement.

Vote: Shryock yea
Fischer yea
Conkle yea

Tentatively Award 2024 OPWC County Resurfacing Program-Small's Asphalt Paving, Inc.

Mr. Conkle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to tentatively award the unit price contract amount of \$1,579,375.02 for the 2024 OPWC County Resurfacing Program contingent on securing of Ohio Public Works Commission funding to Small's Asphalt Paving, Inc of Gambier, Ohio, as requested by Mr. Joshua Kempf, Deputy Engineer.

Vote: Shryock yea
Fischer yea
Conkle yea

Then and Now Certificates

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

Table with 4 columns: VENDOR, ACCOUNT, AMOUNT, DEPARTMENT. Rows include Coshocton Behavioral Health Choices and CDC of Ohio.

Vote: Shryock yea
Fischer yea
Conkle yea

Employment, Mark Ritz-CCCTA

Mr. Conkle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to hire Mr. Mark Ritz as a Part-time Driver/Operator with Coshocton County Coordinated Transportation Agency effective April 10, 2024, at the request of Ms. Valerie Shaw, CCCTA Director.

Vote: Shryock yea
Fischer yea
Conkle yea

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Employment, James Allen-CCCTA

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Conkle to hire Mr. James Allen as a Part-time Driver/Operator with Coshocton County Coordinated Transportation Agency effective April 10, 2024, at the request of Ms. Valerie Shaw, CCCTA Director.

Vote: Shryock yea
Fischer yea
Conkle yea

Dog Wardens Report

Received the Dog Wardens Report for the week ending April 8, 2024 with 3 dogs brought in as strays, 5 dogs euthanized, 7 dog licenses sold, 5 dogs sold, 2 dogs redeemed, 5 dogs surrender per owner, 6 citations issued and 40 calls handled for a total of \$355.00 in fees collected.

Employment, Madison Ashcraft-DJFS

Mr. Conkle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to hire Ms. Madison Ashcraft as an Eligibility Referral Specialist 2 -PA with Coshocton County Department of Job and Family Services effective April 22, 2024, at the request of Mr. Jed McCoy, DJFS Director.

Vote: Shryock yea
Fischer yea
Conkle yea

February 2024 Bank and Investment Statements

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Conkle to receive and review the February 2024 Bank and Investment Statements as presented by Mrs. Lori Patterson, Treasurer's Office.

Vote: Shryock yea
Fischer yea
Conkle yea

EMS General Discussion

At 9:30 a.m. Mr. Todd Shroyer, EMS Director, Ms. Kayla Chapman, Assistant Chief of Administration and Mr. Joe Hunt, Assistant Chief attended the Commissioners meeting to discuss the following: Mr. Shroyer is working with billing company to create an insert that will be added to the bills that patients will begin receiving from April services, this insert will give a brief update in regards to why patient responsibility amounts are being collected. Additionally, those who receive bills will also be able to apply for a hardship, this method will be the same that hardship policy that hospitals utilize. Those patients with a Medicaid policy either as primary or secondary will not receive invoices for EMS services as they are not able to be balanced billed for any services rendered. Mr. Shroyer is still working on a date for the EMS Open House that will be held sometime in May. Mr. Shroyer has spoken to the crews to assure them that none of them who are fulltime are losing their jobs. There will be some crew members retiring within the next few months and currently when there are call-offs and scheduled vacations those positions are not being filled. All stations will have a crew during the day, said Mr. Shroyer. Mr. Shryock stated that the EMS issues are not all on Mr. Shroyer's shoulders, these repercussions are from the voters. Mr. Shroyer passed along legislation news that was passed in the Ohio budget in regards to Medicaid dollars, this legislation was added to the budget thanks to Representative Kick. This legislation will be very beneficial to Coshocton EMS, as 30% of calls are those with Medicaid coverage. Currently, there is no timeline as to when this will be effective. Coshocton County EMS has 55 full/part time employees currently, those who are looking at retirement have 30+ years of service with EMS. Mr. Shryock stated in closing that Coshocton EMS has the full support of the Commissioner's office.

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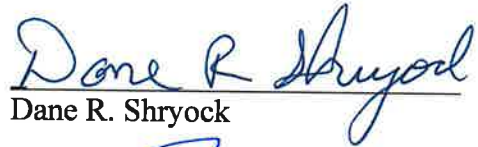
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Meetings Attended

No meetings were attended by any Commissioners.

Adjourn

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


Dane R. Shryock


Rick Conkle


Gary Fischer


Clerk