Monday

Regular

August 12, 2024

The Coshocton County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, August 12, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. with Mr. Dane Shryock, Mr. Gary Fischer and Mr. Rick Conkle. Also, in attendance was Mrs. Mary Beck, County Administrator, Mrs. Brooke Alverson, Clerk, Mr. Chuck Selders, Mr. Bob Bigrigg 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

Community Room Rental-Coshocton Canal Court

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Conkle to approve the Coshocton County Commissioner's Community Room rental request from Coshocton Canal Court to use the room as a backup date on October 14, 2024 in case of bad weather at the request of Mrs. Casey Brown.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Conkle

yea

Bridge Load Rating-Reduce, Bridge 4 in Bethlehem Township

Mr. Conkle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to authorize Coshocton County Engineers office to reduce the legal load rating for bridge #4 SFN 1632086 on County Road 25 in Bethlehem Township to 16 tons at the request of Mr. Joshua Kempf, Deputy County Engineer.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Conkle

yea

Resolution 2024-049, Muskingum Watershed, Aster Ridge Application

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Conkle to sign Resolution 2024 – 49 supporting Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District's Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program Application for the Aster Ridge at the request of Mr. Bradley Janssen, Chief of Natural Resources and Land Management.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer Conkle

yea yea

Approve Vacation -Buck Alley, Plat of the town Canal Lewisville in Tuscarawas Township

Mr. Conkle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to approve the vacation of a portion of Buck Valley, Plat of the town Lewisville aka Canal Lewisville in Tuscarawas Township which runs adjacent to lots 186,187,188, and 189 beginning at Market Street and proceeding Northerly to East Liberty Street in the town of Canal Lewisville, Tuscarawas Township.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Conkle

yea

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Resolution 2022-087, replacing Bridge N. COS-T.R 252-0.00 (SNF 1631829) over Evans Creek

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Conkle motion to approve the final Resolution 2022-087 in the matter of replacing Bridge N. COS-T.R 252-0.00 (SNF 1631829) over Evans Creek with a single span prestressed concrete box beam with composite reinforced concrete deck supported on integral abutments including guardrail upgrades, drainage upgrades, asphalt concrete resurfacing, and pavement markings lying within Coshocton County at the request of Mr. Joshua Kempf, Deputy County Engineer.

Vote: Shryock yea Fischer yea Conkle yea

Contract, State of Ohio Department of Transportation and the Board of County Commissioners

Mr. Conkle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign the contract between the State of Ohio Department of Transportation and the Board of County Commissioners to set forth requirements associated with the highway project and to establish responsibilities of the administration of the Project by the LPA and the State. The project consists of replacing Bridge N. COS-T.R 252-0.00 (SNF 1631829) over Evans Creek with a single span prestressed concrete box beam with composite reinforced concrete deck supported on integral abutments including guardrail upgrades, drainage upgrades, asphalt concrete resurfacing, and pavement markings lying within Coshocton County at the request of Mr. Joshua Kempf, Deputy County Engineer.

Vote: Shryock yea Fischer yea Conkle yea

Transfers/Additionals/Reductions

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

FROM ACCOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	APPROVED AFFIRME
*	Additional-JFS		
	090-0100-526000 Contract Service	\$16,000.00	8/5/2024 8/12/202
	Additional-Engineer		
Add'l approp. from unapprop.	0500300-526500 Contract Projects	\$215,000.00	8/5/2024 8/12/202
	Transfer- Engineer		
050-0200-520202 (CINDERS/SAND)	050-0200-540002 (TIRES)	\$1,500.00	8/6/2024 8/12/202
	Prosecutor-Transfer		
001-0140-540002 (TRANSCRIPTS)	001-0140-540000 (OTHER EXPENSE)	\$83.50	8/8/2024 8/12/202
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350-0100-540000 (Other Expense - JC	C) 350-0100-521000 (EQUIPMENT/CONSTRUCTION	\$10,000.00	8/8/2024 8/12/202
	Soil & Water - Transfer		
060-0100-511100 (workers Comp)	060-0100-530000 (travel)	\$1,000.00	8/9/2024 8/12/202
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Mr. Bradley Janssen - MWCD Grant

Mr. Frederick T. Wachtel, County Engineer and Mr. Joshua Kempf, Deputy County Engineer attended the presentation given by Mr. Bradley Janssen, Chief of Natural Resources and Land Management with The Muskingum Watershed Conservatory District to discuss a grant possibility in Linton Township, Coshocton County. MWCD is partnering with Western Reserve Land Conservancy (WRLC) to make full application for financial assistance for the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program through the Ohio Public Works Commission. If the application is successful, the financial assistance will be used by MWCD for the acquisition, management, and preservation of approximately 298 acres of forest adjacent MWCD's Wills Creek reservoir lands. The acreage, is in Coshocton County, Linton Township, and is accessible via County Road 7 and Township Road 142. The acreage is directly adjacent to and connects MWCD Wills Creek property to the recently MWCD acquired acres, as well as ODNR's Simco Wildlife Area. The acreage is currently owned by Ohio Franklin Realty, LLC, a subsidiary to American Electric Power (AEP) (AEP Recreation Lands). The acreage consists of mostly wooded reclaimed land, ponds, wetlands, and streams. The acquisition of this property has numerous conservations, recreation, and public use benefits including water quality protection, hunting, trapping, fishing, hiking, bird watching, habitat enhancement and protection, storm water mitigation, preservation, economic and social benefits, and other passive recreation opportunities. By owning control of the surface rights, subject to Clean Ohio restrictions, the MWCD has multiple opportunities to implement recreation, forestry, and conservation measures in line with MWCD's mission, that would further enhance the preservation, conservation, and recreation of the property for the benefit of the public. The MWCD have received a resolution of support from the Linton Township Trustees as well as our MWCD Board of Directors. MWCD and WRLC are very excited for this opportunity to further enhance these properties for the benefit of the residents of Coshocton County and the public at large The acquisition will be of roughly 300 acres of land, and should be one of the final ones to fill in the holes/gaps for the area. Offering accessibility to the public, is something MWCD aims to achieve as part of their mission. Additionally, this land acquisition will be a great connector with ODNR land as well. Mr. Wachtel spoke in regards to the areas haul roads that he feels would be great for bike trails, and would like to see that network expanded to officer bicycling opportunities in this area mentioned. Mr. Janssen stated that MWCD is very open to a master trail discussion on this property. Offering bike trails in this area would be a great benefit to Coshocton County. Mr. Shryock asked if MWCD has reached out to the school to make the aware of the tax base they will be losing from that area one the property transfers. Mr. Janssen stated that he has not contacted the schools yet, but is open to reaching out to them to make that discussion happen in the future. Mr. Janssen also stated that MWCD is very sensitive to those issues with the schools. In closing Mr. Wachtel stated that a big hold in Linton Township has been taken out of the tax base which has a big impact on government, even though the big picture of what is being done is great.

General Discussion-Mr. Frederick T. Wachtel

In Millcreek Township on CR 126, a 4-mile stretch of roadway is being repaired with the help of the Amish/Mennonite Communities support of nearly a quarter of a million dollars of funding. This is the third project that the Amish/Mennonite Community has been an active participant in with regards to financing. Mr. Wachtel stated that the Northeastern Community involvement is very significant as well as the economical development in Coshocton County.

Executive Session, Personnel Ligation

At 10:25 a.m. Mr. Conkle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to go into executive session to discuss possible ligation with personnel and to allow Mr. Bob Bigrigg to sit on this Executive session as well. All Vote Aye. At 11:00 a.m. Mr. Shryock returned the meeting to regular session. No action was taken.

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Meetings Attending

Mr. Shryock and Mrs. Mary Beck attended an ARC meeting in regards to the Appalachian fund at Kent State on Wednesday, August 7th. On Wednesday evening, August 7th Mr. Shryock and Mr. Fischer attended a reception for Lieutenant Governor Husted at the Wilkshire Event Center in Bolivar, Ohio. Mr. Shryock attended the Justice Center meeting on Thursday, August 8th. Mr. Shryock attended a meeting on Friday, August 9th in regards to the AEP Super Site Development.

Adjourn

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

Dane R. Shryock

Rick Conkle

Gary Fischer