COMMISSIONER'S JOURNAL

Monday

Regular

September 23, 2024

The Coshocton County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, September 23, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. with Mr. Dane Shryock, Mr. Gary Fischer and Mr. Rick Conkle. Also, in attendance Mrs. Mary Beck, County Administrator, Mrs. Brooke Alverson, and Mr. Bob Bigrigg.

Approve Minutes

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

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Conkle

yea

Change Order #1 for the 2024 OPWC County Resurfacing Program

Mr. Conkle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign Change Order #1 in the amount of \$1,012.40 for the 2024 OPWC County Resurfacing Program for the replacement of tack coat for non-tracking tack coat for all City of Coshocton work and Village of West Lafayette work, as requested by Mr. Joshua Kempf, Deputy Engineer.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Conkle

yea

Certificate of County Auditor

Received the Certificate of County Auditor that the Total Appropriations from Each Fund Do Not Exceed the Official Estimate of Resources dated September 18, 2024.

Amended #11 Certificate of Estimated Resources

Received the Amended Certificate #11 of the Official Certificate of Estimated Resources dated September 18, 2024 from the Coshocton County Budget Commission.

3rd Quarterly Activity Report for Coshocton County Litter Control

Received the 3rd Quarterly Activity Report for Coshocton County Litter Control with the following items collected: 28 bags of trash, 40 tires, 3 water closets, 3 mattresses, 1 truck load of carpet, 1 TV, 1 refrigerator and 7 chairs from Mr. Michael Carroll, Litter Control Supervisor.

Payroll Deduction Agreement with Liberty National Life Insurance

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Conkle to sign the Payroll Deduction Agreement between Liberty National Life Insurance Company and the Board of Coshocton County Commissioners to provide a payroll deduction for insurance by Liberty National Life Insurance Company.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Conkle

yea

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Transfers/Additionals/Reductions

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

by the County Auditor.			APPROVED AFFIRMED
FROM ACCOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	APPROVED AFFIRMED
	Additional-Sheriff 156-0100-520000 (SUPPLIES)	\$36,000.00	9/17/2024 9/23/2024
	Additional-DJFS 380-0100-540001 (Shared Transfer to PA Fund)	\$30,000.00	9/17/2024 9/23/2024
350-0100-526004 (Contract Services- Justice Center) 350-0100-526004 (Contract Services- Justice Center)	Transfer-CCC 350-0100-521000 (EQUIPMENT/CONSTRUCTION) 350-0100-540000 (Other Expense- JC)	54.041.78	
	350-0100 3-0000 (-0.101.)	\$251,785.80	9/17/2024 9/23/2024
	Additional-DJFS 030-0100-526001 (Utilities)	\$3,000.00	9/17/2024 9/23/2024
403-0100-511300 (Health Insurance)	Transfer-Treasurer 403-0100-540000 (OTHER EXPENSE)	\$4,000.00	9/17/2024 9/23/2024
350-0100-526004 (Contract Services- Justice Center)	Transfer-CCC 350-0100-540000 (Other Expense- JC)	\$251,260.00	9/18/2024 9/23/2024
090-0100-540001 (Shared Transfer to PA Fund)	Transfer-DJFS 090-0100-582000 (GRANTS)	\$200,000.00	9/20/2024 9/23/2024
	Vote:	Shryock	yea
	, 500	Fischer	yea
		Conkle	yea

Judge Andrew King, 5th District of Appeals

At 10:00 a.m. The Honorable Andrew J. King, 5th District Court of Appeals attended the Commissioners meeting to both introduce himself and explain a bit about the 5th District Court of Appeals. In attendance for this meeting was Commissioner Dane R. Shryock, Commissioner Gary L. Fischer, Commissioner Rick Conkle, County Prosecutor, Ben Hall, County Administrator, Mary Beck and Commissioner-Elect, Bob Bigrigg. Judge King began his discussion by talking about the challenges that the courts will face here shortly as the courts will be losing over 100 years of combined experience in the near future. The 5th District currently has six (6) judges who represent 15 counties with a population of 1,484,932. These 15 counties make up the district for funding sources as well. Judge King stated that it is not common for District Judges to come and talk to County Commissioners, but he believes that this is a good opportunity to discuss with Commissioners about what is going on in their counties as well as annual budget. Within the Judicial System 2.2 million cases are trial courts, the appeals courts hear 7,549 of those cases and the Supreme Court of Ohio hears 1,651 cases. The annual budget that comes from counties is broken down per Captiva/county. Cases that are heard with the 5th District Court of Appeals: Agriculture cases, divorce, estates, trust, oil and gas, as well as murder cases. All cases heard start at the local in a trial court. Currently the types of appeals being heard are made up of 50% Criminal, 25% Domestic Probate/Juvenile, 19% Civil and 6% Miscellaneous-writs, habeas corpus, administrative appeals. Additionally, the 5th District of Appeals has the second busiest schedule for cases in Ohio, however they are also among the top when it comes to hearing cases sooner than later. In 2022 Coshocton County Appeals cases filed were 37 with 37 cases closed as well and in 2023 31 cases were filed with 37 closed-not all cases are closed in the year they were heard. Ohio has a real crisis's of not having enough attorneys, especially in rural communities. Re-Districting is still being discussed for Ohio. Judge King is not opposed to looking at re-districting, especially with the population shift in Ohio Counites. However, Judge King would like to see a deliberate study complete if something is to be done. Prosecutor Ben Hall asked just how dis-populated are the districts. Dramatically, was the answer given. Oral Augments are being heard over zoom, which Prosecutor Hall thinks is fantastic. E-file will be another new addition to the Courts next year as well, which benefits attorney's greatly with their cases. Mr. Shryock and Prosecutor Hall both thanked The Honorable Andrew J. King for his time.

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Mr. Bob Snavely, Palmer Energy

At 11:30 a.m. Mr. Bob Snavely with Palmer Energy Company attended the Commissioners meeting to discuss aggregation on a county wide level. Palmer Energy Company has been working with the Federal Regulatory Energy Commission on reforming the capacity market to handle the evolving energy landscape. Much of the new generation being planned or built is in the form of renewables. PJM is reassessing how fairly value these assets and their reliability both during peak period and ongoing operational requirements. Would the Commissioners like to be an aggregator for a couple villages in the county? Most counties in Ohio are the aggregators for villages and townships within their county. When those groups withing the county go out together they are offered a better price. Currently, the Village of West Lafayette has their own program. The county will not have to be involved as much, Mr. Snavely handles all necessary paperwork and contacting the proper individuals. The Commissioners would be the signature needed on behalf of the villages. If this is something the Commissioners are interested in talking about further, Mr. Snavely will reach out to the villages to set up a combined meeting with all parties involved to discuss how this would work moving forward. Mr. Shryock stated he would like to think about this before making a decision. Mr. Snavely understands and appreciates the time this morning, additionally, he stated that both villages knew of this meeting he had with the Commissioner this morning. Additionally, if the townships would like to join at some point, Mr. Snavely would be happy to reach out to the township trustees to begin that conversation. The main benefit of the program is the purchase price of being together. Mr. Shryock thanked Mr. Snavely for his time this morning.

Report of Meetings Attended

All three Commissioners attended the ground breaking ceremony of the Gentle Brook Facility on Wednesday afternoon, September 18th. Mr. Shryock and Mr. Fischer attended the annual CORSA Training on Thursday morning, September 19th and Mr. Shryock attended the Justice Center meeting on Thursday at 11:00 a.m.

Adjourn

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

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Dane R. Shryock

Rick Conkle

Gary Fischer