June 18, 2025 Wednesday Regular

The Coshocton County Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, June 18, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. with Mr. Dane Shryock, Mr. Bob Bigrigg and Mr. Gary Fischer. Also, in attendance was Robin Schonauer, Budget Director, Mrs. Mary Beck, County Administrator.

Approve Minutes

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

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Bigrigg

yea

Accept Mr. Frederick T. Wachtel-Retirement

Mr. Bigrigg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to accept the retirement of Mr. Frederick T. Wachtel, Coshocton County Engineer, effective June 30, 2025 at 11:59 p.m.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Bigrigg

yea

Appoint Joshua Kempf-Interim Engineer

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bigrigg to appoint Mr. Joshua Kempf as the Interim Coshocton County Engineer effective July 1, 2025 at 12:00 a.m.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Bigrigg yea

Accept Resignation Mr. Frederick T. Wachtel-Floodplain Administrator

Mr. Bigrigg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to accept the resignation of Mr. Frederick T. Wachtel, as the Floodplain Administrator, effective June 30, 2025.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Bigrigg

yea

Appoint Mr. Lynn Powelson-Floodplain Administrator

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bigrigg to appoint Mr. Lynn Powelson as the Floodplain Administrator for the Coshocton County Commissioners, effective July 1, 2025.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea yea

Bigrigg

Change Order #00-086- Coshocton County Justice Center

Mr. Bigrigg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign Change Order #00-086, in the amount of \$0.00 for Bulletin 8-Fentanyl Exhaust-Gutridge, for the Coshocton County Justice Center Project, as requested by Mr. Tim Olind, Granger Construction.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Bigrigg

yea

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Change Order #00-087- Coshocton County Justice Center

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bigrigg to sign Change Order #00-087, in the amount of \$0.00, Wolf Creek Construction-General Trades-Allowance refunds Temp partition and Additional Signage, for the Coshocton County Justice Center Project, as requested by Mr. Tim Olind, Granger Construction.

> Vote: Shryock yea Fischer

yea **Bigrigg** yea

Change Order #00-088- Coshocton County Justice Center

Mr. Bigrigg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign Change Order #00-088, in the amount of \$0.00, Peterman Plumbing-Security screws and labor, for the Coshocton County Justice Center Project, as requested by Mr. Tim Olind, Granger Construction.

> Vote: Shryock yea Fischer yea

Bigrigg yea

Grant Permission -David & Kelly Somers-Skips Landing

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bigrigg a motion granting permission to David and Kelly Somers, Hotdog Diggity use of Skip's Landing, starting June 17th at 11:00 a.m. and running every Tuesday until Skip's is closed for construction.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Bigrigg

yea

Request for Release of Funds- Coshocton Metropolitan Housing Authority-N Second St.

Mr. Bigrigg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign the Request for Release of Funds and Certification for the North Second Street and Sycamore Street 2025-2030 5-year Capital Improvement Plan, as requested by Mrs. Lisa Mowery, Coshocton Metropolitan Housing Authority.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Bigrigg

yea

Request for Release of Funds- Coshocton Metropolitan Housing Authority-Meadows

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bigrigg to sign the Request for Release of Funds and Certification for the Meadows 2025-2030 5-year Capital Improvement Plan, as requested by Mrs. Lisa Mowery, Coshocton Metropolitan Housing Authority.

Vote: Shryock

yea Fischer yea

Bigrigg yea

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Request for Release of Funds- Coshocton Metropolitan Housing Authority-Main Street

Mr. Bigrigg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fischer to sign the Request for Release of Funds and Certification for the Main Street 2025-2030 5-year Capital Improvement, as requested by Mrs. Lisa Mowery, Coshocton Metropolitan Housing Authority.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Bigrigg

yea

Permission to Use Community Room-Polly Maple

Mr. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bigrigg to allow Polly Maple to rent the Coshocton County Commissioners Community Room all day on July 24, 2025 for a birthday party.

Vote: Shryock

yea

Fischer

yea

Bigrigg

yea

Receive-Dog Warden Report

Received the Dog Warden's Report for the week ending June 16, 2025 with 5 dogs picked up by the warden, 4 dogs brought in as a stray, 3 dogs euthanized, 6 dog licenses sold, 3 dogs sold, 2 dogs redeemed, 6 dogs surrendered per owner, 3 dogs surrendered to the dog warden, 21 citations issued and 48 calls handled for a total of \$400.00 in fees collected

Then and Now Certificate

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

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			PAYMENT REQUEST	LINE	
	VENDOR	ACCOUNT	WORKFLOW	AMOUNT	
		001-0110-526000			
	03974 (COSHOCTON IS BLOOMING)	(Contract Services)	Commissioners	4974.5	
	20343 (THE GARDEN PATCH GREENHOUSE	001-0110-540000 (OTHER			
	LLC)	EXPENSE)	Commissioners	1024	
	09124 (INTRADO LIFE & SAFETY SOLUTIONS	100-0100-540000 (OTHER			
	CORPORATION)	EXPENSE)	Commissioners	3300	
		017-0100-521000			
	18129 (REDWOOD TOXICOLOGY LAB)	(EQUIPMENT)	Common Pleas	1187.5	
	,	, ,		\$10,486.00	
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Meetings Attended

Mr. Dane Shryock spoke with Representative Mark Hiner regarding the property tax issue on June 17, 2025.

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Zoom Call with CCAO -House 335

The Coshocton County Commissioners held a discussion with representatives from the County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO) regarding House Bill 335. Attendees included Dan Baker, Kyle Petty, and John Leutz from CCAO, along with Coshocton County officials Rusty Dreher and Lynn Powelson. Commissioner Shryock conveyed the Board's strong concerns about the potential impact of House Bill 335 on Coshocton County. He emphasized that, should the bill pass, the County could face a \$2.7 million revenue loss due to the elimination of inside millage—resulting in the potential layoff of approximately 30 employees. Mr. Kyle Petty thanked the Commissioners for submitting written testimony for the House Ways and Means Committee hearing held earlier that day. He noted that many counties across Ohio share similar concerns. CCAO, in collaboration with other organizations, has formed a coalition and submitted a letter to the Governor opposing the bill. Petty emphasized that if the legislation is placed on the ballot, voters are unlikely to approve an additional 1% sales tax to replace the lost revenue. The Ways and Means Committee accepted written testimony but invited only a limited number of individuals to provide oral testimony. Both the County Commissioners Association of Ohio and the County Auditors Association of Ohio presented their concerns at the hearing. Dan Baker reported that on Monday night, several bond counsels submitted a letter to legislators outlining the constitutional and financial issues that would arise if counties are unable to meet their debt obligations due to the elimination of inside millage. He indicated that this communication may have gained the attention of some key decision-makers. Mr. Shryock inquired whether there was a possibility that the proposed amendment would be withdrawn without a vote. Mr. Petty expressed doubt that the bill would be enacted before the legislative summer recess, however some items could be pulled and approved by committee. Mr. Petty also noted that, in addition to affecting counties, House Bill 335 proposes eliminating the 20-mill floor for school districts—an issue that has raised significant concern. While there are a few potentially positive elements in the bill, such as adding a County Commissioner to the Budget Commission, the opposition to the elimination of inside millage is widespread. He stressed that this provision will face a difficult path forward and reiterated that many organizations have publicly opposed the bill. Commissioner Shryock thanked them for attending.

Adjourn

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

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Gary L. Fischer

Clerk