

July 29, 2021

MINUTES OF JULY 29th MEETING

Commissioners were all present. Staff and guests, Lee Mathews and Mike Laubis, recited the pledge at 9:00. Purchase orders and bills were reviewed and signed. Pending issues were discussed with the following resolutions approved and signed:

V106-284 Minutes of July 27, 2021:
1st-Rush 2nd-Striker Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
V106-285 Bills
1st-Striker 2nd-Rush Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
V106-286 Indigent-July
1st-Rush 2nd-Striker Roll call: Rush-yes, Crowe-yes, Striker-yes
V106-287 Additional Appropriations-Common Pleas
1st-Striker 2nd-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
V106-288 Ditch Maintenance & Pike Repair Reimbursement
1st-Rush 2nd-Striker Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
V106-289 Payment of Bills from Ditch Maintenance: Hardin SWCD
1st-Striker 2nd-Rush Roll call: Striker-yes, Rush-yes, Crowe-yes
V106-290 Release of Funds J&FS Public Assistance to Children's Services \$6,408
1st-Rush 2nd-Striker Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes
V6-351 Hardin Hills daily bed rate increase from \$185 to \$218 September 1, 2021 on recommendation of Sharon Huston, Administrator. Still below the average of the area. Medicaid increased to \$217.22 per day.
1st-Striker 2nd-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes

Sheriff Everhart: Motorola is asking the status of radio situation for America Rescue Funds? Commissioners see from the list it is not included. Something needs done with the radios at some point. He can ask on leasing options and compare to purchasing outright. What is the commissioner's position on using the EMA Director on a limited basis if he is not in an issue he cannot walk away from? Commissioners were okay with the use of Jake Burgbacher as needed to operate a truck and trailer on a limited basis. He requested Executive Session to discuss Union negotiations and investigation. At 9:30 Commissioner Striker moved to enter Executive Session with the Sheriff to discuss Union Negotiations and an investigation. Commissioner Rush second. Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes. At 9:41 Commissioner Crowe announced the end of Executive Session.

Richard Lawson was asked to check out the HVAC at the back of Harco. Richard will check the expiration date of hand sanitizer stored by the Health Dept. and either move to another storage area or dispose.

Rep Jon Cross stopped by to see the Commissioners. He spoke on the Lake Erie algae issues. Indian Lake is clearer but has mussels. Boats cannot get out due to algae. Senate Bill 52-Commissioners authority at the front end for renewal energy projects. He supported the Bill as he didn't feel the Governor's appointees had local interest at heart. A commissioner and township trustee can sit on the Ohio Power Siting Board. Commissioners noted concerns for Cities, Villages, and Townships to make a decision by Sept 4 on America Rescue Funds. What is not used will be returned to the Federal government. There is a \$300,000 difference when townships was carved out. Appears to be the \$3.6 from Federal side and \$3.3 from State side, who used per capita numbers. Auditor Mike Bacon joined. Discussion on PILOT being renewed every two years. Commissioners were not aware of this and thought the PILOT was as long as the life of the project. 25-30 years. Jon noted it is not even included in the budget but added to each biennium. Jon noted the renewable energy is not helping the locals with energy but putting money back into the buyers, ie: Facebook. Jobs Ohio and Incentives were discussed. 30 year tax abatements can now be used.

Commissioners, Clerk and guests toured the Safety Center and Lifeworks Building.

Roll call resulted as follows:

_____, YES/NO
President of the Board-Roger E. Crowe

_____, YES/NO
Timothy L. Striker

_____, YES/NO
Fred M. Rush

Attest _____
Clerk of the Board

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