

September 13, 2022

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 13th MEETING

Commissioners were all present. Staff 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:

V108-269 Minutes of September 8, 2022:
1st-Crowe 2nd-Striker Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
V108-270 Unused Vacation to J. Folk, \$13,233.70
1st-Striker 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
V108-271 Additional Appropriation: SO Traffic Grant, 911 Health Insurance, JFS
1st-Crowe 2nd-Striker Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes
V108-272 Payment of Bills: Scioto River
1st-Striker 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
V108-273 Unused Vacation to A. Carlson, \$6,255.10
1st-Crowe 2nd-Striker Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
V108-274 J. Manns Off Probation Increase of \$1.00 hr, 9/12/22
1st-Crowe 2nd-Striker Roll call: Striker-yes, Rush-yes, Crowe-yes

Commissioner Crowe moved to approve the purchase of a **Fortinet switch** and 1 yr contract as a spare at a cost of \$1,802.30 from N02. Commissioner Striker second. Roll call: Striker-yes, Rush-yes, Crowe-yes.

The Hardin County Treasurer submitted the **August Monthly Investment Report**.

Commissioners reviewed. Interest for August was \$25,969.58. Interest to date 2022 was \$200,574.24. Total interest year to date 2021 was \$156,667.29.

Richard Lawson, **Maintenance Supervisor**, Korsten will be here on Thursday to do the fire extinguisher checks and review the SK Addition. The Exit signs/lights are not working and need replaced with LED. Shelving construction is on-going. North Annex-Simplex is waiting on parts. Museum step is gone. Richard is working on getting a bid for the south entrance concrete work. Sept 26 the new compressor at the Annex is to be installed. Two companies looked at the windows at the Museum that need replaced. West end of attic (2). \$1000 vinyl and another vendor at \$3400 for wood \$2500 for vinyl. The local vendor has insurance and doesn't need workers comp. Commissioner Striker asked JB Tubulars to look at the railing. Commissioner Crowe moved to approve two vinyl window replacements at \$1000 with **Clark's Contracting** at the Museum from N02. Commissioner Striker second. Roll call: Rush-yes, Crowe-yes, Striker-yes. **V108-275**. Board of Elections say their IT room is too hot. They need to discuss with the Commissioners about grants they have to take care of due to the State requesting. Richard asked to look at the third floor courtroom condensation issue in a different manner. The vendor hired to do has not done. His suggestion is to put a unit in the Atrium or have Garmann Miller assess. The duct work that runs thru is not insulated and it is not reachable. Richard noted he is not happy with the HVAC companies he has used over the last few years. They don't have enough help to accomplish the job. West Annex toilet was left running for two days. This uses a lot of water. Richard noted he does not have after-hours access. He was called Sunday afternoon but was out of town. This situation needs remedied with a contact list for off hours. Richard and Commissioners toured the Yost house for direction on yard clean up.

Steve Gossard, **Veteran's Service Officer**, his board has asked him to find out why Commissioners decided to pay the recent Chase Stewart medical bills. Commissioner Rush –it fell into the parameters of the Trust. Steve-what he was doing was coming in half the year with co-pays and will come at the end and ask for more money. That is his responsibility. My Board was looking out for the whole situation. Are co-pays actual medical bills or just a small portion? Just wanted to know why you made the decision you did. The way the will is written, the Board is considering potentially withdrawing from being a part of the process as ultimately you guys made the final decision. They are weighing the options to remain a part of that decision. Commissioner Crowe-I had conversation with Probate Judge who is ultimately

responsible, his concern is, that fund is not being used to help the Veterans. If not used he said he will dissolve. A waste to me of county funds and opportunities to use. We had lengthy conversation of the circumstances. We only looked at the trust terms. Co-pays are a part of the medical bill. We want to use that fund and it is not being used. If an opportunity to use, you use. Steve-intent is if they are not able to pay themselves. Is he not able to pay? He is above poverty level. I am trying to share some of their issues in looking at. Commissioner Crowe-anyone taking care or anything not necessities could be considered. Guidelines can be looked at but no consistency. My thought if we can do something to help a Veteran then we do, even if border line. That's what the trust is for. We don't look to see if "good enough" to help. He has issues and came to thank us personally. I think we did the right thing. Steve-To be fair my board had approved his request in 2017. They look at if we are making decisions and we pass on that decision to Commissioners why are we in the middle of? You have ultimate say. Commissioner Crowe-95% of the time you process and we just pass. At times we may not always see eye to eye on. Doesn't mean we just walk away. Steve-I'll let my Board know. Sometimes you say yes and we say no. You say no and we say yes. We look at are they trying to avoid paying for it? You will see again at the end of the year. Potentially he will be back and he has a right. Since 2017 we have used three times. If someone ask we get an application. One approved, two denied. Judge encouraged to use more. We typically utilize our system for medical bills. It is an offer/option when going thru the approval process if over income on our financial system. He could push Chase Stewart more but it is the intent for medical bills for services. He can put the word out there to make sure Veterans are aware of option. Commissioner Crowe-if given option earlier may avoid some restrictions at the end of the year. Steve-I have no problem doing but will have an influx by pushing a program. We have financial assistance so we haven't been pushing. Only an option in four counties thru the trust. Commissioner Rush-how do we compare to the other counties use? No response.

Sharon Huston, **Hardin Hills Administrator**, presented a contract for approval to do a Fire System Analysis at a cost of \$5,040 from the **America Rescue Funds** for MG Fire Design, Inc. This will be done to determine if the hydraulic placard the city pressures are/not enough to connect without modifying the system. Commissioner Crowe moved to approve the analysis at a cost of \$5,040 with MG Fire Design, Inc. Commissioner Striker second. Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes.

The **GIS Committee** met with the following present: Commissioner Rush, Ryan Taylor, Nathan Saylor, Mike Bacon and Mark Doll. Commissioner Rush moved to approve the minutes, Mark second. All yes. Old Business: Nathan working to update files. Using July data for Auditor's web page. He had another data drive put in, lost one and is using a virtual data Windows drive. The bulk is over 10 years old. He will copy over to a new drive with 6 terrabytes. New Business; none. Dude Solutions, who does updates for the county water sites (Connect GIS) is going out of business. Forest was the only one using and they are no longer using according to the new Administrator. An opportunity to get the ERSI account to be better organized. That was \$6000 a year we won't need. Emily Roy asked if he was going to the GIS Conference due to new sessions with 911? Commissioner Rush encouraged him to attend. He is working with Kenton on data collections to upload to google drive. They are sharing with him. Shut off valves and lead lines are their focus. Mike-we bought the Data Collect so each Village wouldn't have to. To keep off of paper and out of heads so all know what is going on with water lines. Not mandatory but EPA encouraged. Projects: Health department on radio active drill, network locations map, CAUV updates, right of way map for Dunkirk, USC is putting the Cottonwood assessment back on. No other business, Mike moved to adjourn, Fred second. All in favor. December 13.

Roll call resulted as follows:

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President of the Board-Fred M. Rush

_____, YES/NO
Timothy L. Striker

_____, YES/NO
Roger E. Crowe

Attest _____
Clerk of the Board

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