

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2009 AGENDA MEETING

Commissioner Sneary opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. on the 23rd day of September, 2009 with the following members present: Commissioner Greg Sneary, Commissioner W. Dan Reiff, Commissioner Sam Bassitt, County Administrator Becky Saine and Clerk of the Board Kelli Singhaus.

Russ Decker led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Reiff moved for the approval of the minutes of September 16, 2009. Motion seconded by Commissioner Bassitt. The roll was called and the minutes were approved as submitted with Commissioner Sneary abstaining from the vote.

Action Items:

Resolution #710-09. *Approve travel expenses.*

Commissioner Sneary moved to adopt the Resolution. Commissioner Reiff seconded the motion. The roll was called and the Resolution was approved unanimously.

Resolution #711-09. *Authorize intradepartmental transfers.*

Commissioner Reiff moved to adopt the Resolution. Commissioner Bassitt seconded the motion. The roll was called and the Resolution was approved unanimously.

Resolution #712-09. *Supplemental appropriation for the Building and Expansion Fund 4017.*

Becky Saine, County Administrator, requested an increase in the appropriation of \$9,785.00 for a new appropriation of \$22,170.00. This is necessary for property repairs at 3125 Ada Road.

Commissioner Bassitt moved to adopt the Resolution. Commissioner Sneary seconded the motion. The roll was called and the Resolution was approved unanimously.

Resolution #713-09. *Supplemental appropriation for the Ditch Rotary Maintenance Fund 2099.*

Laura Clark, Account Clerk, requested an increase in the appropriation of \$22,073.80 for a new appropriation of \$153,573.80. This additional appropriation is needed for a note renewal and the purchase of materials.

Commissioner Sneary moved to adopt the Resolution. Commissioner Reiff seconded the motion. The roll was called and the Resolution was approved unanimously.

Resolution #714-09. *Accept payment from Grange Insurance for damage to a 2008 Ford Crown Victoria at the Allen County Sheriff's Office.*

A check was received from Grange Insurance in the amount of \$549.84 for said claim.

Commissioner Reiff moved to adopt the Resolution. Commissioner Bassitt seconded the motion. The roll was called and the Resolution was approved unanimously.

Resolution #715-09. *Adopt Cost Savings Program-Mandated Unpaid Furloughs for the Allen County Commissioner's Office and the Building and Grounds Department.*

Commissioner Bassitt moved to table the resolution for one week. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sneary. Commissioner Bassitt stated that after meeting with the elected officials earlier in the week, he

felt that the Board needed to meeting to address the concerns in relationship to the changes being proposed. It was also noted that the rate would slightly changed based on the delay. The roll was called and the resolution was tabled unanimously.

Resolution #721-09. *Authorize a contract with Findlay Davies, Inc.*

Findlay Davies, Inc. will provide actuarial and consulting services in conjunction with Allen County's group medical and prescription drug benefit plan at a cost not to exceed \$12,000.00.

Commissioner Sneary moved to adopt the Resolution. Commissioner Reiff seconded the motion. The roll was called and the Resolution was approved unanimously.

Discussion Items:

A. Lynn Shock, Department of Job and Family Services, presented the following:

1. Request to adopt **Resolution #716-09**, approve the renewal of the Allen County Prevention, Retention and Contingency Plan. Every two (2) years, the Commissioners must certify that DJFS has complied with Chapter 5108 of the Ohio Revised Code in renewing the Allen County Prevention, Retention and Contingency Plan. This plan is much reduced from prior years as a result of massive cuts received in their budget. Plan will go from an eligibility standard of 200% of poverty down to 150%. They have reduced services in utilities, housing assistance, transportation, etc. They have eliminated contracts with Northwood Maplewood Learning Center, the YWCA and the Health Department. They have reduced contracts with LACCA and Goodwill. Projected savings for contract and service reductions is \$350,000. In addition, a little over half of the staff has taken voluntary furlough to assist with the budgetary issues. Commissioner Sneary asked how the reductions from the State have affected the department. Shock stated that based on the reduction in funding which matches Medicaid and food stamps expenditures. The department has lost 14-1/2 people over the last two (2) years that they haven't been able to replace. Caseloads have also increased. They have also lost federal funding. Over the last several years, they have had a large surplus in TANF allocations and that is no longer available.

Commissioner Reiff moved to adopt the Resolution. Commissioner Bassitt seconded the motion. The roll was called and the Resolution was approved unanimously.

B. Bruce Wells, presented the following:

1. Request to adopt **Resolution #717-09**, authorize the issuance of \$5,150,000 of Various Purpose Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 2008B, First (2009) Renewal. The County has a one year Various Purpose Bond Anticipation Note with JP Morgan Chas that is set to mature on October 16, 2009. The original note was in the amount of \$6,545,000 consisting of approximately thirty projects. \$1,020,500 was previously called on the note and Wells plans to pay down an additional \$374,500 at renewal for a new principal balance of \$5,150,000. The interest rate for one year is 2.74%, which is a reduction of 1.24% from the current 3.98%.

Commissioner Bassitt moved to adopt the Resolution. Commissioner Sneary seconded the motion. The roll was called and the Resolution was approved unanimously.

C. Lisa Kirk, Allen County Board of MR/DD, presented the following:

1. Request to adopt **Resolution #718-09**, authorize to declare various county property obsolete and unsuitable for county use and authorize sale of same by internet auction. Kirk stated that their department has 23 lots of fixed assets that she would like declared obsolete and authorized for sale by internet auction.

Commissioner Sneary moved to adopt the Resolution. Commissioner Reiff seconded the motion. The roll was called and the Resolution was approved unanimously.

D. Russ Decker, Homeland Security/EMA, presented the following:

1. Request to adopt **Resolution #719-09**, authorize to enter into an agreement with Ohio Northern University for the Allen County Centralized Dispatch Economic Feasibility Study. Decker stated that Ohio Northern University will provide a feasibility study as it relates to centralized dispatch at a cost of \$21,944.56, which will be paid through grant funds from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Also present were Chief Hadding from American Township and Chief Hefner from the City of Lima. Both expressed that in the event there is a central dispatch that it would provide economic feasibility, cost containment, faster service, etc. for the residents. There are currently nine (9) different dispatching centers throughout Allen County.

Commissioner Reiff moved to adopt the Resolution. Commissioner Bassitt seconded the motion. The roll was called and the Resolution was approved unanimously.

2. Request to adopt **Resolution #720-09**, authorize acceptance of a FY'08 State Homeland Security Program Regional HazMat/Bomb Grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and authorize Russell J. Decker to sign any and all documents relating to same. Decker stated that the county has been granted a \$90,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Said funds will be used to purchase equipment for the HazMat/Bomb squad. He believes this is the first of two or three grants available for same.

Commissioner Bassitt moved to adopt the Resolution. Commissioner Sneary seconded the motion. The roll was called and the Resolution was approved unanimously.

Decker introduced Linda Thomas who serving as an intern from the Ohio Northern University.

Announcements, Proclamations, Recognition and Commendations

With no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Reiff moved to adjourn. Commissioner Bassitt seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Kelli A. Singhaus
Clerk of the Board

Greg Sneary

W. Dan Reiff

Sam Bassitt