

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WARREN COUNTY, OHIO

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MINUTES: Regular Session - October 7, 2014

The Board met in regular session pursuant to adjournment of the October 2, 2014, meeting.

Pat Arnold South - absent

Tom Ariss - present

David G. Young - present

Tina Osborne, Clerk - present

14-1544	A resolution was adopted to approve Addendum to Lease Agreement with U.S. Bank Equipment Finance on behalf of the Warren county Juvenile Court. Vote: Unanimous
14-1545	A resolution was adopted to enter into Contract with W. E. Smith Construction for the Mason-Morrow-Millgrove Road Drilled Pier Wall Project. Vote: Unanimous
14-1546	A resolution was adopted to enter into a Temporary Entrance and Work Agreement with Bernard R. Froehlich for the Columbia Road Rehabilitation Project. Vote: Unanimous
14-1547	A resolution was adopted to acknowledge receipt of September 2014 Financial Statement. Vote: Unanimous
14-1548	A resolution was adopted to approve various Refunds. Vote: Unanimous
14-1549	A resolution was adopted to enter into Street and Appurtenances Security Agreement with Twin Creek Estates, LLC, for installation of certain improvements in Hidden Trails situated in Wayne Township. Vote: Unanimous

14-1550	A resolution was adopted to enter into Erosion Control Bond Agreement with Towne Development Group, Ltd., for improvements in Beacon Hill, South, situated in Deerfield Township. Vote: Unanimous
14-1551	A resolution was adopted to enter into Erosion Control Bond Agreement with M/I Homes of Cincinnati, LLC for improvements in Roberts Park, situated in Deerfield Township. Vote: Unanimous
14-1552	A resolution was adopted to approve a Street and Appurtenances Bond Reduction for Soraya Farms, LLC for completion of Performance and Construction of improvements for Soraya Farms, Section 2 situated in Clearcreek Township. Vote: Unanimous
14-1553	A resolution was adopted to approve a Subdivision Public Improvements Performance and Maintenance Security Agreement Release for Rhein Natorp Development Co., LLC for Long Cove Phase 4C in Deerfield Township. Vote: Unanimous
14-1554	A resolution was adopted to approve the following Record Plat. Vote: Unanimous
14-1555	A resolution was adopted to approve Operating Transfer from Commissioners Fund #101 into County Court Probation Fund #253. Vote: Unanimous
14-1556	A resolution was adopted to approve Supplemental Appropriation into Commissioners Fund #101-1110 and approve Operational Transfer from Commissioners Fund #101-1110 into Radio System Bond Fund #368. Vote: Unanimous
14-1557	A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustments from Board of Elections Fund #101-1301 into #101-1300. Vote: Unanimous
14-1558	A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within Sheriff's Office Fund #101-2200. Vote: Unanimous
14-1559	A resolution was adopted to approve an Appropriation Adjustment within the Solid Waste Management District Fund #256. Vote: Unanimous
14-1560	A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustments within the Water Revenue Fund #510 and the Sewer Revenue Fund #580. Vote: Unanimous
14-1561	A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within Children Services Fund #273. Vote: Unanimous
14-1562	A resolution was adopted to authorize payment of Bills. Vote: Unanimous

DISCUSSIONS

On motion, upon unanimous call of the roll, the Board accepted and approved the consent agenda.

Judge Loxley, Warren County Court, was present along with Bruce Snell, Court Administrator, for a work session to discuss the vacant public defender position within County Court.

Judge Loxley explained that Warren County Court utilizes a modified version of the process suggested from the Ohio Public Defender's Office. He explained the preferred method of indigent defense from the Ohio Public Defender is to have Warren County establish an actual Public Defender's Office within County Court. He then stated the option of utilizing a rotating list like the Warren County Common Pleas Court utilized. He stated that the process that Warren County Court chose is to hire two contract attorneys to provide the services on rotating weeks within the month for an amount of \$1500 per contract.

There was discussion relative to the utilization of a rotating list as in Common Pleas Court.

Judge Loxley stated that the rotating list process will not work in the fast paced environment of County Court.

There was discussion relative to the Board of Commissioners being the government body that selects the contract employee. He stated that the Judges would like to be involved in the qualifications of the candidates but it would not be appropriate for the Judge to make a recommendation. He then stated the preference for the candidate to have criminal law experience, preferably within County Court.

There was discussion relative to the reimbursement paperwork that must be certified and sent to the County Auditor in order for Warren County to obtain reimbursement for a portion of the expense associated with the public defender contract.

Molly Guth Gressly, former public defender, explained that the amount of hours required to complete the paperwork from the County Auditor makes the job extremely difficult.

There was additional discussion relative to the modified system utilized by the Warren County Court. Judge Loxley and the Board of Commissioners all agreed that the modified process utilized by County Court works best for the court.

There was discussion relative to the ability for the public defender to have access to the records electronically via the same process that the County Prosecutor utilizes.

Upon discussion, the Board stated they will review the list of applicants for public defender and make a selection at a later date.

Upon motion the meeting was adjourned.

Pat Arnold South, President

David G. Young

Tom Ariss

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of County Commissioners held on October 7, 2014, in compliance with Section 121.22 O.R.C.

Tina Osborne, Clerk

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