

OCTOBER 11, 2012

The Gallia County Board of Commissioners met on this date for the purpose of approving the minutes of the previous meeting and current transfers, appropriations and bills. At 9:00 a.m. the meeting was called to order by President Harold G. Montgomery. Roll Call: Harold G. Montgomery, present; Vice President Mr. Howard J. "Joe" Foster, present; Commissioner Lois M. Snyder, present.

President Montgomery entertained a motion for approval of the October 4, 2012 minutes. Joe Foster made and Lois Snyder seconded the motion; Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

TRAVEL REQUESTS				
DEPARTMENT	NAME	DATE	TO	RE:
Auditor	Larry Betz	10/12	Hocking, OH	Auditor's SE District
Econ Dev	Melissa Clark	10/11	Friendship, OH	OVRDC ED Conf
Commissioners	Harold Montgomery Joe Foster Lois Snyder	10/11	Wellston, OH	GJVM Solid Waste Mtg
		10/11	Columbus	OJFSDA Exec Mtg
DJFS	Dana Glassburn	10/12	Columbus	OJFSDA General Memb Mtg

President Montgomery entertained a motion to approve travel requests as submitted. Joe Foster made and Lois Snyder seconded the motion; Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

Animal Shelter Canine Weekly Report													
Week Ending	Came in	Adopted	Reclaimed	Euthanized	Rescued	MIA	Died (Natural Causes)	Destroyed (in field)	To Foster Care	Back from Foster	Foster Care Total	Total Out	Shelter Total
10/9	26	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	25	20	52

KANAUGA ADDISON SEWER PROJECT SETTLEMENT

The Board of Gallia County Commissioners has the following update regarding the Kanauga-Addison Sewer Project. A \$3.5 million dollar check was received from the Bonding Company and accepted by the Board of County Commissioners on 10/5. The settlement has been deposited into the KA Sewer project fund for the completion of this system. We are negotiating with Contractors for project completion and notices to connect for areas served by lift stations 1 and 2 (Kanauga and SR 7 to the bowling alley) will be forthcoming within the next few weeks. Total project completion is anticipated for midsummer 2013. This settlement agreement will provide no additional costs to the residents nor increase in monthly sewer bills. This settlement will also cover all of the county legal fees and additional engineering associated with the project. Further, there will be no tap fees for residents and businesses and funding will be available for on lot hook ups for low income qualified owner occupied residents. Payment back to the loan does not begin until the actual completion of the project.

**RIO GRANDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
BOARD APPOINTMENT**

Commissioners received the following correspondence:

September 28, 2012

Sue Ruff was a Gallia County Commissioners appointee for the Rio Grande Community College Board of Trustees. Her term expired 9/27/12. RGCC would like to submit Mary Lynn Jones name as the nominee to replace Sue. Mary Lynn is currently the Administrator for Gallipolis City Schools. These positions are 5 year terms.

Sincerely,

Rachel D. King

Fiscal Services Coordinator/Treasurer
Rio Grande Community College

The President entertained a motion to appoint Ms. Jones as submitted by RGCC. Lois Snyder made and Joe Foster seconded the motion; Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

SEPTEMBER FINANCIAL REPORT REVIEW

The County Administrator presented the Commission with the September 2012 Financial Reports for comparison with the September 2011 Financial Reports. The following was noted during the review:

- 1/1/2011 beginning cash balance was \$589,342.87
- 1/1/2012 beginning cash balance was \$259,796.89 (It was noted that \$160,000 of this balance is for Davis Hall Lot Purchase Bond, which means the true cash balance was \$99,769.98)
- Difference of \$329,545.98
- 9/30/2011 ending cash balance was \$1,156,813.88
- 9/30/2012 ending cash balance was \$1,492,784.69
- Difference of \$335,970.81
- General Fund change in cash balance in comparison with the 1/1/2011 review is \$6,424.83
- Also reviewed 20th Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources

2013 TAX BUDGET ADOPTION

The County Administrator presented the Commission with the 2013 Tax Budget for adoption in order to meet the required submittal deadline of 10/15/2012 to the County Budget Commission. No changes were made to the 2013 Tax Budget and adoption was recommended as presented during the public hearing on 10/4/2012. The President entertained a motion that the 2013 Tax Budget be adopted as presented during the public hearing held on 10/4/2012.

Joe Foster made and Lois Snyder seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

PUCO - ELECTRIC CHOICE IN OHIO

PUCO Representative Lauren Smalley met with the Commissioners to inform them of her role in SE Ohio. Due to the overwhelming number of companies currently soliciting the residents, she is responsible for contacting residents and small business in this area to educate them on their electric choices. Their task is to reach out to as many people as possible that are NOT in co-ops; with basic information about making smart choices for an electric supplier. Co-ops are not regulated by PUCO, so those customers don't have a choice. If you live in a co-op, you can't shop! Commissioners requested documentation to distribute to those located in a co-op that would help those residents understand their situation. Public utilities such as AEP are publicly owned and customers can shop for the best rates.

Smalley stated aggregation is popular; which must be put on the ballot for vote, then a public hearing is held. Aggregation is best done by either the city or townships due to co-op's in the county as a whole. Once passed, the entity would then shop for a supplier for better rates. If you don't aggregate, the individual citizen can make their own choice.

She shared information to help citizens in making their choice in determining an electric supplier. This literature encourages residents to ask questions and do comparisons and gives them tips on how to do so. Smalley offered to meet with any entity, agency or group to help educate everyone about their electric choices in Ohio. Commissioners expressed their appreciation for clarifying this confusing issue.

VETERANS BUDGET REVIEW

Veteran Services Director Keith Jeffers was present to review their 2013 budget submittal; there will be some upcoming revisions due to Jeffers retirement at the end of November. He will be moving onto State Commander with the VFW in July of 2013, which covers the entire state involving over 400 Posts. Commissioners congratulated Jeffers on the appointment, but any budget revisions would be an internal adjustment not involving the County.

Jeffers stated they have had a good year and generated several million dollars in the county. Total budget revenues and expenses reflects a balanced budget.

CCAO ENERGY AUDIT

Russ Ely met with the Commissioners to introduce a new program that the CCAO is rolling out. HB 300 Energy Conservation Projects has been in place since 1993 to help those fund modernization and improvement to their structures. CCAO has a pooling of counties for decreasing gas costs in Ohio and has now expanded to include electricity. The purpose of energy assessment and assistance is to have an advocate on your side of the table to help make decisions on your part as needed. With this program, the CCAO will provide audits for 4 facilities at no cost. This was started as pilot in January and in August went active, now working with 15 counties and being very well received. This program will offer low cost no cost ideas, investments required to gain efficiencies, etc, to reduce cost of operation at those facilities. Free Audits with no strings attached offering smart building technologies, building control projects and how to manage buildings better. They would initially obtain utility bills for the facilities chosen, do a preliminary walk through, then bring in professionals and deliver the report back to the County. Commissioners advised they would take this into consideration.

BID OPENING – PENIEL RD LIQUID

At 11:00 a.m. The President opened the following bids for the County Engineer Project:

Company	Total Bid
Asphalt Materials, Marietta, OH	\$ 159,610.70
Marathon Petroleum, Catlettsburg, KY	\$ 152,446.00

The bids were turned over to the Assistant County Engineer for review and recommendation. The following were in attendance: Assistant County Engineer Jennifer Brown and Gallia Herald Reporter Michelle Miller.

BID OPENING – PENIEL RD STONE

At 11:05 a.m. The President opened the following bids for the County Engineer Project:

Company	Total Bid
Hanson Aggregate, Peebles, OH	\$ 44,589.95

The bids were turned over to the Assistant County Engineer for review and recommendation. The following were in attendance: Assistant County Engineer Jennifer Brown and Gallia Herald Reporter Michelle Miller.

BID AWARD – PENIEL RD LIQUID

Commissioners were presented the following:

I have reviewed the proposals for the Peniel Road Liquid contract. The lowest bid was received from Marathon Petroleum. The bid is responsive, and below the engineer's estimate. The contractor meets all specifications and is qualified to perform the work. Therefore, it is my recommendation that the above named project be awarded to Marathon Petroleum.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Brown, P.E., Assistant Engineer

The President entertained a motion to award as recommended by the Assistant County Engineer. Lois Snyder made and Joe Foster seconded the motion; Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

BID AWARD – PENIEL RD STONE

Commissioners were presented the following:

I have reviewed the proposals for the Peniel Road Aggregate contract. The lowest bid was received from Hanson Aggregates. The bid is responsive, and below the engineer's estimate. The contractor meets all specifications and is qualified to perform the work. Therefore, it is my recommendation that the above named project be awarded to Hanson Aggregates.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Brown, P.E., Assistant Engineer

The President entertained a motion to award as recommended by the Assistant County Engineer. Joe Foster made and Lois Snyder seconded the motion; Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

RESOLUTION GAL-CR68-0.00, PID 92484

Commissioners received the following resolution from the County Engineer:

Resolution

The Board of County Commissioners of Gallia County, Ohio met with the following members present: Harold G. Montgomery, Vice President Mr. Howard J. "Joe" Foster, and Commissioner Lois M. Snyder.

WHEREAS; Section 5501.03 (C) of the Ohio Revised Code provides that the Director of the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) may coordinate the activities of the Department with other appropriate public authorities and enter into contracts with such authorities as necessary to carry out its duties, powers and functions; and

WHEREAS; the GAL-CR68-0.00, PID 92484, is a transportation activity eligible to receive federal/state funding; and

WHEREAS; the LPA (County) has received funding approval for the project listed above from the Program Manager having responsibility for the federal/state funds involved, and

WHEREAS; it is the mutual desire for both ODOT and the LPA to have the LPA serve as the responsible lead agency for the administration of the project; and

WHEREAS; the Gallia County Board of County Commissioners authorizes the Gallia County Engineer to enter into an agreement with ODOT for the above mentioned improvements.

NOW, THEREFORE a motion was made by Joe Foster and duly seconded by Lois Snyder, to adopt the foregoing resolution/ordinance.

Harold G. Montgomery, President

Howard J. Foster, Vice President

Lois M. Snyder, Commissioner

GALLIA COUNTY INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

Attending: Commissioners Harold Montgomery, Joe Foster, Lois Snyder
 Treasurer, Steve McGhee

Treasurer Steve McGhee, Chair of the Investment Committee, presented the 3rd Quarter 2012 investment report for review. The Investment reports are submitted monthly; with meetings held quarterly. Members of the Committee are the Commissioners, the Treasurer and the Clerk of Courts. The reports were reviewed and are on file in the Treasurer's and in the Commissioner's office.

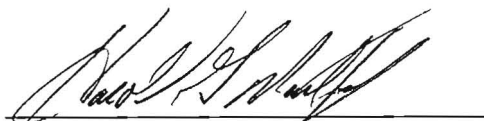
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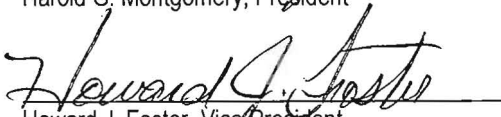
At 1:30 p.m. the President entertained a motion to enter into executive session with City Commissioners Jay Cremeens & Steve Wallis, City Solicitor Adam Salisbury and Prosecutor Jeff Adkins to discuss a legal issue. Joe Foster made and Lois Snyder seconded the motion; Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea. Returned to regular session at 1:45 p.m.; no action taken.

2:30 pm – Commissioners left the office travelling to Wellston for a GJVM Solid Waste District Meeting; returning to the office at 5:30 p.m.

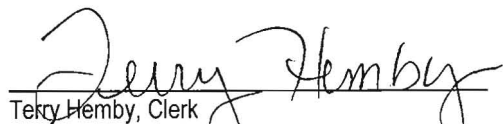
ADJOURN

At 5:30 p.m. President Montgomery entertained a motion for adjournment. Lois Snyder made and Joe Foster seconded the motion; Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.


 Harold G. Montgomery, President


 Howard J. Foster, Vice President


 Lois M. Snyder, Commissioner


 Terry Hemby, Clerk