

SEPTEMBER 5, 2019

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 Brent Saunders. Roll Call: President Brent Saunders, present; Vice President Harold G. Montgomery, present; Commissioner David K. Smith, present.

The President entertained a motion for approval of the August 29, 2019 minutes. David K. Smith made and Harold G. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Saunders, yea; Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea.

TRAVEL REQUESTS				
DEPARTMENT	NAME	DATE	TO	RE:
Econ Dev	Melissa Clark	9/10	Jackson, Ohio	APEG Qtrly Mtg

The President entertained a motion to approve travel requests as submitted. Harold G. Montgomery made and David K. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Saunders, yea; Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea.

2019 Canine Shelter Weekly Report														
Week Ending	Came in	Adopted	Reclaimed	Euthanized	Out to Rescue	MIA	Died (Natural or unknown Causes)	Destroyed (in field)	Total Out	Remaining at shelter	Out to County Foster	In from County Foster	Died in Foster (Natural or Unknown Causes)	Total in Foster
9/1	11	0	3	0	15	0	0	0	18	9	0	0	0	0

AUGUST 2019 FINANCIAL REPORT REVIEW

County Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with:

- The August 2019 Financial Reports for comparison with the August 2018 Financial Reports. The following was noted during the review:
 - 1/1/2018 beginning cash balance was \$2,386,549.22
 - 1/1/2019 beginning cash balance was \$1,579,015.82
 - Difference of (\$807,533.40)
 - 8/31/2018 ending cash balance was \$2,703,352.97
 - 8/31/2019 ending cash balance was \$1,382,429.79
 - Difference of (\$1,320,923.18)
 - 19th Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources

RELEASE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE
GALLIA COUNTY CHIP PROGRAM (B-C-07-025-1)

County Administrator Karen Sprague advised the Commission that the following deferred mortgage from a previous round of Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) grant has met the term of the mortgage being 10 years. The Prosecuting Attorney prepared the Release of Real Estate Mortgage forms. Mr. Saunders entertained a motion that the Release of Real Estate Mortgage for the following persons be approved and signed as presented:

- Sharon Church

Harold G. Montgomery made and David K. Smith seconded the motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Brent Saunders, yea; Harold Montgomery, yea; David Smith, yea. Release of real estate mortgage form was signed by Brent Saunders, as President of the Commission, and is on file in the County's CHIP files.

RELEASE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That County of Gallia, Office of Gallia County Commissioners, for a good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is acknowledged, does hereby remise, release and discharge a real estate mortgage executed by SHARON CHURCH, an unmarried woman, to the above named County of Gallia, Office of Gallia County Commissioners, dated August 31, 2009 and recorded in Volume 489, Page562 of the Mortgage Records of Gallia County, Ohio.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the above named County of Gallia, Office of Gallia County Commissioners, has hereunto subscribed its name and seal this 5th day of September, 2019.

WITNESSES:

COUNTY OF GALLIA, OFFICE

GALLIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Karen Sprague

/s/ Brent Saunders

BRENT SAUNDERS, PRESIDENT

/s/ Aroette Brown

STATE OF OHIO, GALLIA COUNTY, SS:

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Brent Saunders, President of County of Gallia, Office of Gallia County Commissioners, to me personally known, who acknowledged that he did execute the foregoing instrument as such officer and that the same is his free act and deed as such officer.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal at Gallipolis, Ohio, the day and year last above written

/s/ Kim Elliott

NOTARY PUBLIC

This instrument Prepared by: Jason Holdren, Gallia County Prosecuting Attorney
 18 Locust Street, Gallipolis, Ohio 45631.

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**PARTIAL RELEASE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE
GALLIA COUNTY CHIP PROGRAM (B-C-07-025-1)**

County Administrator Karen Sprague advised the Commission that the following deferred mortgage from a previous round of Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) grant has met the term of the mortgage being 10 years and a partial release is now warranted. A partial release is required since the county can only release 85% of the mortgage, which amount equals \$39,405.58. The balance of 15%, which amount equals \$6,953.93, must remain in effect until paid in full. The Prosecuting Attorney prepared the Partial Release of Real Estate Mortgage forms. Brent Saunders entertained a motion that the Partial Release of Real Estate Mortgage for the following persons be approved and signed as presented:

- Sharon Church

David K. Smith made and Harold G. Montgomery seconded the motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Brent Saunders, yea; Harold Montgomery, yea; David Smith, yea. Release of real estate mortgage forms will be signed by Brent Saunders, as President of the Commission, and is on file in the County's CHIP files.

PARTIAL RELEASE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That County of Gallia, Office of Gallia County Commissioners, for a good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is acknowledged, does hereby remise, release and discharge a portion of a real estate mortgage executed by SHARON CHURCH, an unmarried woman, to the above named County of Gallia, Office of Gallia County Commissioners, dated August 31, 2009 and recorded in Volume 489, Page 565, of the Mortgage Records of Gallia County, Ohio. (This document releases 85% of said mortgage, which equals \$39,405.58. The balance of said mortgage will remain in effect until paid in full, balance remaining equals \$6,953.93)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the above named County of Gallia, Office of Gallia County Commissioners, has hereunto subscribed its name and seal this 5th day of September, 2019.

WITNESSES:

COUNTY OF GALLIA, OFFICE

GALLIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

s/ Karen Sprague

s/ Brent Saunders

BRENT SAUNDERS, PRESIDENT

s/ Anettie Brown

STATE OF OHIO, GALLIA COUNTY, SS:

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NOTARY PUBLIC

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18 Locust Street, Gallipolis, Ohio 45631.

GREEN SEWER PHASE 2 – DRAW # 48

County Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with Draw # 48 for the Green Phase 2 Sewer Project for the following items:

- OEPA PTI Invoice - \$200.00
- Stantec Inv # 1552222 - \$1,438.17
- WSOS CAC Inc. Inv # 79250 - \$9,500.00
- Total = \$11,138.17

Brent Saunders entertained a motion to approve draw resolution # 48 as submitted. Harold G. Montgomery moved and David K. Smith seconded the motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Brent Saunders, yea; Harold Montgomery, yea; David Smith, yea.

SHERIFF – BUDGET

Sheriff Matthew D. Champlin, Chief Deputy Troy Johnson and Administrator Heather Casto met with the commission to discuss their budget. No action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – SHERIFF - PERSONNEL

At 9:30 a.m. the President entertained a motion to enter into executive session with Sheriff Matthew D. Champlin and Chief Deputy Troy Johnson to discuss personnel. Roll call: Mr. Saunders, yea; Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea. At 9:55 a.m. Mr. Champlin and Mr. Johnson exited the session. Returned to regular session at 10:07 a.m.; no action taken.

DJFS

Director Dana Glassburn gave basic update to the Board of Commissioners. No action taken

BONDS

Managing Director Ohio Public Finance Michael Burns with RW Baird met with the commissioners to discuss various existing bond refinancing that could save on interest over the course of the bond terms, probable interest rates and the preliminary financing schedules for the jail. Mr. Montgomery noted they will seek legal advice from Bond Counsel Dennis Schwallie before moving forward. No action taken

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PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH

The President entertained the motion to approve the following proclamation. David K. Smith made and Harold G. Montgomery seconded motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Saunders, yea; Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea. Also in attendance were: Prosecutor representative Christy Perkins and VOCA Survivor representative Amy Sisson; City Commissioners Tony Gallagher and Steve Wallis; Treasurer, Steve McGhee.

PROCLAMATION/RESOLUTION***Presented by Gallia County Prosecutor's Office*****RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER AS
SUICIDE PREVENTION
AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS; *September is known throughout the United States as National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month and is intended to help promote awareness surrounding each of the Suicide Prevention resources available to us and our community; and*

WHEREAS, *our goal is to learn how to help those around us and how to talk about suicide without increasing the risk of harm; and*

WHEREAS; *suicidal thoughts can affect anyone regardless of age, gender, race, orientation, income level, religion, or background; and*

WHEREAS; *suicide is the 10th leading cause of death among adults in the US, and the 2nd leading cause of death among people aged 10-24; and*

WHEREAS; *Gallia County chooses to publicly place its full support behind local educators, mental health professionals, athletic coaches, law enforcement, and caretakers as partners in supporting our community in simply being available to one another; and*

WHEREAS, *every member of our community should understand that throughout life's struggles we all need the occasional reminder that we are all silently fighting our own battles; and*

WHEREAS, *we encourage all residents to take the time to inquire as to the wellbeing of their family, friends, and neighbors and to genuinely convey their appreciation for their existence. A simple phone call, message, handshake, or hug can go a long way towards helping someone realize that suicide is not the answer. **NOW, THEREFORE,***

BE IT PROCLAIMED, *by all members of the Gallia County Board of Commissioners on this 5th Day of September, 2019, that the month of September, 2019, be declared "SUICIDE PREVENTION AWARENESS MONTH" throughout Gallia County.*

s/ Brent Saunders, President

s/ Harold G. Montgomery, Vice President

s/ David K. Smith, Commissioner

COUNTY & CITY EMANCIPATION

The President entertained the motion to approve the following proclamation. David K. Smith made and Harold G. Montgomery seconded motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Saunders, yea; Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea. Also in attendance were: Emancipation, Andy Gilmore, Glenn Miller, Marlin Griffin and County Administrator Karen Sprague; Treasurer, Steve McGhee; City Commissioners Tony Gallagher and Steve Wallis.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The Emancipation Proclamation has been celebrated and honored in Gallia County continuously since 1863 and is reported to be the longest continuous celebration in the United States, and

WHEREAS, it began on September 22, 1863, the first anniversary of President Lincoln's Proclamation of slavery, and has continued consecutively to pay tribute to this historic document, and

WHEREAS, the 156th Annual Emancipation Celebration is scheduled for Saturday, September 21 & Sunday, September 22, 2019 at Gallia County Junior Fairgrounds in Gallipolis, Ohio.

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Board of Gallia County Commissioners proclaim September 21st & 22nd, 2019 as the

2019 Annual Emancipation Celebration Weekend

in Gallia County and lend our full support to the efforts of the Emancipation Celebration Committee.

s/ Brent Saunders, President

s/ Harold G. Montgomery, Vice President

s/ David K. Smith, Commissioner

NATIONAL ASSISTED LIVING WEEK - PROCLAMATION

The President entertained the motion to proclaim September 8 through September 14, 2019 National Assisted Living Week. Harold G. Montgomery made and David K. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Saunders, yea; Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea. In attendance today were: Holzer Assisted Living representatives, Carla Crawford, Mary Murphy, Jeannine Cunningham, Leo & Francis Valentine and Kay Bowen; and Gallipolis City Commissioner Tony Gallagher.

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**2019 National Assisted Living Week
"A Spark of Creativity"**

WHEREAS, residents of assisted living communities are active members of the larger community, offering their knowledge, life experiences and involvement; their past contributions continue to be a vital part of Gallia County rich history; and their ongoing participation deepens our County's identity;

WHEREAS, assisted living is a critical long term care service for older adults and individuals with disabilities that fosters choice, dignity, and independence; assisted living communities are committed to excellence, innovation and the advancement of person-centered care;

WHEREAS, in 1995, the National Center for Assisted Living established National Assisted Living Week® to honor the contributions of assisted living communities in providing long term care to America's seniors and individuals with disabilities;

WHEREAS, this year's theme of National Assisted Living Week® is "A Spark of Creativity," which hopes to inspire assisted living residents to tap into their creative side, whether the arts or beyond;

WHEREAS, "A Spark of Creativity" is also meant to inspire assisted living staff to get creative in order to further person-centered care to residents. Staff at all levels are encouraged to offer ideas that could help improve each resident's quality of life;

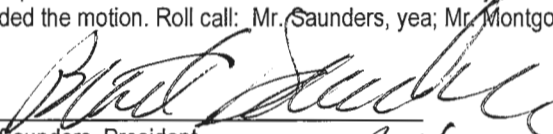
WHEREAS, during this special week, assisted living communities across the country are encouraged to organize activities and events which celebrate the deep connections between the dedicated staff members and residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, Gallia County Commissioners, on this day September 5, 2019 do hereby proclaim the week of September 8 - 14, 2019, as Assisted Living Week in the County of Gallia, State of Ohio. We urge all citizens to volunteer in an assisted living community, to visit friends and loved ones who reside at these communities, and to learn more about how assisted living services benefit Gallia County Ohio.

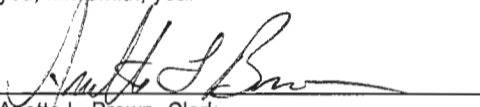
*of Brent Saunders, President
of Harold G. Montgomery, Vice President
of David K. Smith, Commissioner*

ADJOURN

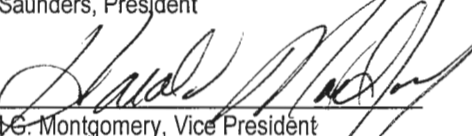
At 4:00 p.m. the President entertained a motion for adjournment. Harold G. Montgomery made and David K. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Saunders, yea; Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea.



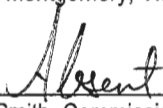
Brent Saunders, President



Anette L. Brown, Clerk



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