

NOVEMBER 26, 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, absent; Commissioner David K. Smith, present.

At 9:38 a.m. Harold G. Montgomery joined the meeting.

The President entertained a motion for approval of the November 21, 2019 minutes. David K. Smith moved 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:
Clk of Cts	Noreen Saunders	12/3 – 12/5	Columbus, Ohio	Winter Conference
Econ Dev	Melissa Clark	12/10	South Point, Ohio	Economic Development Mtg
DJFS	Dana Glassburn	12/12 – 12/13	Columbus, Ohio	OJFSDA Mtg
DJFS	Dana Glassburn	12/23	Jackson, Ohio	CSS Mtg

The President entertained a motion to approve travel requests as submitted. Harold G. Montgomery moved 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
11/24	18	1	1	3	10	0	0	0	15	18	0	0	0	0

**REVIEW RECORD - B-W-19-1AY-1
CERTIFICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROJECT**

County Administrator Karen Sprague provided the Commission with the paperwork for approval of the Environmental Review Record for the following project for which a certification of finding of no significant impact was determined for an environmental assessment project could be made:

- Green Sewer Phase 2 Project

Brent Saunders entertained a motion to approve the forms as presented contingent upon no complaints being received thru end of the local comment period ending 4 pm 12/2/2019. David K. Smith made and Harold G. Montgomery seconded that motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Brent Saunders, yea; Harold Montgomery, yea; David Smith, yea. All forms were signed after the comment period by Brent Saunders, as President of the Commission, and they are on file in the County's CDBG files.

LETTER TO CCAO – CAPITAL FUNDING REQUEST FOR JAIL FUNDING PROJECT

County Administrator Karen Sprague provided the Commission with the following jail funding request letter to the CCAO for capital funding. Brent Saunders entertained a motion to approve the letter. David K. Smith made and Harold G. Montgomery seconded that motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Brent Saunders, yea; Harold Montgomery, yea; David Smith, yea.

11/26/2019

CCAO
Attn: John Leutz
209 East State Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215-430

Dear Mr. Leutz,

Please accept this letter as Gallia County's request for funding assistance for a new Gallia County Jail. Our current jail is in the basement of the courthouse annex and cannot be renovated to meet current jail standards or to meet our daily prisoner housing population. The current jail housing limit is 11 prisoners. Gallia County Sheriff Matt Champlin advised he has around 90 being housed daily with most being outsourced to other jails across Ohio.

Gallia County is working towards building a new jail and we are currently in the design stage with DLZ Architects. Estimated project cost is \$15 million. Attached is the project schedule showing construction beginning 9/2020 and completing 11/2021. Also attached is a draft design showing 36,930 SF building with 126 beds in general population + 18 beds in holding = 144 total beds.

Gallia County passed a 0.25% sales tax in January, collection started 4/1/2019. We received interim funding proposals from banks today as our county general fund cannot continue to front the costs as we move forward with the project. Two Construction Manager at Risk companies have provided Statements of Qualifications and we plan to request proposals from both in the near future. We purchased property for the jail siting next to the courthouse from March – May 2019.

I am sure you have seen the problems our Sheriff has encountered with our current 70 year old jail in the newspapers. It cannot be brought up to code and we are housing numerous prisoners at other facilities throughout Ohio at a huge cost to our county general fund!

We greatly need any assistance we can obtain from the state as we make our way through the monumental step of building a new jail facility for Gallia County.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in this regard.

Gallia County Commissioners
s/ Brent Saunders, President
s/ Harold G. Montgomery, Vice-President
s/ David K. Smith, Commissioner

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OSU – BUDGET REVIEW

Director Tracy Winters and ANR Educator Jeff Moore met with the commission to discuss the 2020 budget request. No action taken

PROBATE/JUVENILE COURT – BUDGET REVIEW

Probate/Juvenile Court Judge Tom Moulton Jr. and Kevin Plantz met with the commission to discuss the 2020 budget request. No action taken.

SOIL & WATER – BUDGET REVIEW

Gallia Soil & Water Conservation District Administrator Nick Mills and Eric Preston met with the commission to discuss the 2020 budget request and State matching Funds. No action taken.

DEFENSE OF INDIGENT

Attorney Andy Noe met with the commissioners to discuss the new 2020 proposal for Defense of Indigent with revised amount being \$390,000.00. Mr. Noe noted that would include an additional attorney to the group and putting a defense attorney at both Common Pleas and Municipal drug courts. Commissioners noted they would review their proposal with County Administrator Karen Sprague. No action taken.

CHILDREN SERVICES – BOARD REAPPOINTMENTS

The Commissioners received the following letter from Children Services Executive Director Russ V. Moore:

November 18, 2019

*David Smith, Brent Saunders, and Harold G. Montgomery
Gallia County Board of Commissioners
Gallia County Courthouse
18 Locust Street
Gallipolis, OH 45631*

Honorable Commissioners,

*The Gallia County Children Services Board wishes to inform you that the term of service on our Board for **Philip Skidmore and Kent Shawver** expires at the end of this year. Consequently, the Children Services Board would like to recommend to the Commissioners that Mr. Skidmore and Mr. Shawver be reappointed to the Board for the two (2) four-year term that begins January 1, 2020.*

Their service to the children and families of our community via our agency has been remarkable and we would like to enthusiastically advocate for their continued involvement with the Board. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this recommendation, we would be more than happy to do so at your convenience.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Gallia County Children Services Board,

*Russ V. Moore
Executive Director*

The President entertained the motion as recommended by Director Moore to reappoint Philip Skidmore and Kent Shawver to the Gallia County Children Services Board. David K. Smith made and Harold G. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Saunders, yea; Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea.

BOARD OF ELECTION – BUDGET REVIEW

Dale Whitt. and Chris Burnette met with the commission to discuss the 2020 budget request and the State of Ohio's new requirements. No action taken.

JAIL PROJECT BOND

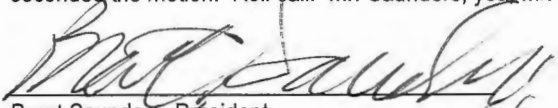
Harold G. Montgomery moved to award the Jail Project Bond contingent upon legal counsel approval to Ohio Valley Bank, and David K. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Saunders, yea; Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea. The proposals submitted were as follows:

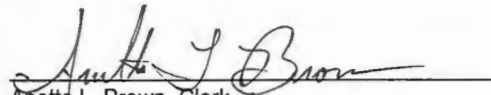
- Peoples Bank – Amount of 75% of appraised value or 85% of cost whichever is less; Construction loan term 36 months; interest rate 4.62%; loan fee \$12,500; interest only payments to be paid semi annually
- US Bank – proposal #1 – Note Amount up to \$7 million to be dispersed in one single disbursement; interest rate 1.98%; annual principal payments; semi-annual interest payments; bank fee not to exceed \$2,000
- US Bank – proposal #2 – Amount up to \$7 million, revolving line of credit; interest rate i) 80% of 30-day LIBOR, and ii) 0.56%, subject to a maximum rate of 7%, and further subject to Clawback; Unused fee of 0.30% on difference between Commitment and balance of the outstanding draws; principal payments at maturity or upon prepayment; interest payments monthly or quarterly commencing 3/1/2020; Bank fee not to exceed \$15,500.
- Ohio Valley Bank – Amount up to \$5 million; Interest Rate 2.95% fixed; Interest payments either monthly, quarterly or semi-annually; Principal due upon maturity; Maturity is 3 years from date of issuance; No Bank Fee.

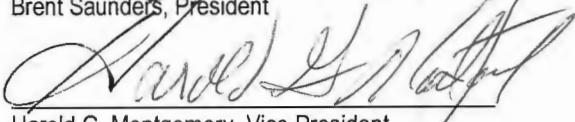
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ADJOURN

At 4:00 p.m. the President entertained a motion for adjournment. Harold G. Montgomery moved 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


Harold G. Montgomery, Vice President


David K. Smith, Commissioner