

APRIL 23, 2020

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

The President entertained a motion for approval of the April 16, 2020 minutes. David K. Smith moved and Brent Saunders seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Saunders, yea.

2020 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
4/19	6	0	1	0	6	0	0	0	7	6	0	0	0	0

2020 MATERIAL AND SERVICES CONTRACTS

The County Engineer submitted a 2020 general road work and dust control contract for Mason Township of Lawrence County. The President entertained a motion to approve the submitted contract, Brent Saunders made and David K. Smith seconded the motion. Roll calls: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Saunders, yea.

The contract is as follows:

THIS CONTRACT AND AGREEMENT, MADE AND CONCLUDED IN GALLIPOLIS, OHIO, THIS 23rd DAY OF APRIL, 2020 BY AND BETWEEN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GALLIA COUNTY, OHIO, HEREINTO AFTER CALLED THE FIRST PARTY, AND Mason Township HEREINTO AFTER CALLED THE SECOND PARTY.

WITNESSTH:

WHEREAS, THE SECOND PARTY IS DESIROUS OF HAVING CERTAIN STREETS AND ROADS WITHIN ITS TERRITORY CONSTRUCTED, RELOCATED, REPAIRED, OR IMPROVED, AND ANY OTHER WORK REQUIRED OF THE FIRST PARTY, AS FOLLOWS:

GENERAL ROAD WORK AND DUST CONTROL.

WHEREAS, THE SECOND PARTY DOES NOT HAVE THE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT AND/OR PERSONNEL TO PERFORM THE WORK AFORESAID AND DOES DESIRE TO HAVE SAID WORK PERFORMED BY THE FIRST PARTY, THROUGH THE GALLIA COUNTY ENGINEER BRETT BOOTHE AND HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT OF SAID COUNTY; AND Mason Township.

WHEREAS, THE ENGINEER'S OFFICE AND THE EMPLOYEES OF SAID GALLIA COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT MAY BE AVAILABLE ON SATURDAYS AND OTHER DAYS OF EACH WEEK (PROVIDING IT DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH OVERALL MAINTENANCE OF COUNTY HIGHWAY SYSTEM AND EMPLOYEES ARE AVAILABLE) TO PERFORM WORK AND LABOR FOR, AND ON BEHALF OF, OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS WITHIN THE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, THE SECOND PARTY AGREES TO THE GALLIA COUNTY ENGINEER'S "PAYMENT OF MATERIAL AND SERVICES POLICY".

NOW THEREFORE, THE FIRST PARTY IS WILLING TO FURNISH THE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT AND LABOR, AND TO PERFORM THE WORK AFORESAID, AS A CHARGE TO THE SECOND PARTY FOR THE USE OF SAID EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS, AND LABOR. ALL LABOR, MATERIALS USED, AND FRINGE BENEFIT RATES WILL BE CHARGED AT THE CURRENT COUNTY RATES. EQUIPMENT WILL BE CHARGED AT THE "GALLIA COUNTY ENGINEER'S 2020 EQUIPMENT RATES".

WHEREAS, THE SECOND PARTY IS DESIROUS OF MATERIAL PURCHASES FROM THE ENGINEER'S OFFICE AND HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR USE.

WHEREAS, MATERIAL PRICES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE BY THE ENGINEER'S OFFICE AND HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

WHERE, THE SECOND PARTY AGREES TO THE GALLIA COUNTY ENGINEER "PAYMENT OF MATERIAL AND SERVICES POLICY".

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THE FIRST PARTY IF WILLING TO FURNISH MATERIAL WITH LOADING AT COUNTY COST AS A CHARGE TO THE SECOND PARTY.

THE SECOND PARTY AGREES, DOES COVENANT, TO SAVE HARMLESS THE FIRST PARTY FROM ANY AND ALL LOSS AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY DAMAGES AND/OR FOR INJURY TO PERSONS, PROPERTY, OR OTHERWISE, ARISING FROM THE USE OF THIS EQUIPMENT PERFORMANT OF THE WORK AND LABOR UNDER THIS AGREEMENT.

THE FIRST PARTY AGREES THAT THE WORK SHALL BE DONE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE GALLIA COUNTY ENGINEER OR PERSONS DESIGNATED BY HIM.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE PARTIES HERETO HAVE SET THEIR HANDS TO DUPLICATES HEREOF THE 23RD DAY OF APRIL, 2020 (original contract on file in the engineer's office and copies at the Gallia County Commissioners office)

SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF:
(AS TO FIRST PARTY
/s/ Anette L. Brown, Clerk

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF GALLIA COUNTY, OHIO 4/23/2020
/s/ Harold G. Montgomery, President
/s/ David K. Smith, Vice President
/s/ Brent Saunders, Commissioner

CASTO & HARRIS, INC. — RE-ORDER No. 19928-18

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911 - PERSONNEL

The Gallia County Commissioners were in receipt of the following Full-Time Hire Request submitted by 911/EMA/LEPC Director Sherry Daines:

April 22, 2020

*Gallia County Commissioners
Harold Montgomery
Brent Saunders
David Smith*

Re: Full-Time Hire Request

Dear Sirs:

Due to recent staffing issues at the Gallia County 911 Center, it is necessary for me to make an addition to the full-time staff.

After conducting interviews with my part-time staff that expressed interest, I would like to recommend the following individual for full-time employment at the 911 Center:

Greg Ferrell is a current part-time dispatcher for 911. Greg has completed the required 40-hour APCO PST1 dispatch class and the 32-hour Emergency Medical Dispatch training and CPR certification. He is also a member of the Springfield Twp. Volunteer Fire Department.

Upon your approval, Greg's first day of full-time status would be Saturday April 25, 2020 and he would serve a one-year probationary period.

Due to the COVID-19 emergency and social distancing, I will submit my request by email and will be available by phone for any questions.

Sincerely,

Sherry Daines

*Sherry Daines, Director
Gallia County 911/EMA/LEPC*

The President entertained a motion to approve the full-time hire based on the recommendation of Director Daines. Brent Saunders moved and David K. Smith seconded the motion. Roll calls: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Saunders, yea.

FINANCIAL REPORT REVIEW

County Administrator Karen Sprague provided the Commission with the following on behalf of County Administrator Karen Sprague:

- April 2020 sales tax report, noting this report is for sales tax collected in February 2020

GALLIA DD LEASE AGREEMENT WITH HOPEWELL HEALTH CENTERS

County Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with the Gallia County DD Lease Agreement with Hopewell Health Centers for the property located at 8323 State Route 7 North, Cheshire, Ohio; formerly the Guiding Hand School/WRC facility. It was noted the agreement has been signed by Gallia County DD, Hopewell Health Centers and the Prosecuting Attorney. The lease will be for the term of 5 years from 5/01/2020 to 4/30/2025 for the sum of \$6,000 per year paid in monthly amounts of \$500. Mr. Montgomery entertained a motion to approve the lease agreement as presented. Brent Saunders moved and David K. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call votes: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Saunders, yea.

LEASE AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT made and concluded at Gallipolis, Ohio, this 23rd day of April, 2020, by and between the Board of County Commissioners of Gallia County, Ohio, hereinafter called Commissioners and Gallia County Board of Developmental Disabilities or Lessor and Hopewell Health Centers, Inc., hereinafter called Corporation of Lessee.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, said Corporation desires to lease from Gallia County Board of Developmental Disabilities for a day program for children experiencing severe emotional problems and having difficulty functioning successfully in their schools, families and communities, the property at 8323 State Route 7 North, Cheshire, Ohio, which purposes are not deemed to be inconsistent with the need of such land for public use by the County; and

WHEREAS, Gallia County Board of Developmental Disabilities desire to lease to said Corporation the property located at 8323 State Route 7, North, Cheshire, Ohio, for the purpose aforesaid; and

WHEREAS, the parties agree that the Corporation, at no time in the future, will assign or transfer its rights under this agreement; and

WHEREAS, the parties agree that in the event said Corporation does not use the facilities for the purposes expressed herein and fails to abide by the conditions set forth herein, Gallia County Board of Developmental Disabilities will take back possession of said facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE it agreed by and between the parties hereto upon the considerations aforesaid and hereafter as follows:

1. Said area designated by the parties located at the address herein before referred to is leased to said Corporation for the term of five (5) years commencing May 1, 2020 and ending on April 30, 2025.
2. That the consideration for said Lease shall be the sum of (\$6000) Six thousand dollars per year, payable monthly during said term and the benefits conferred upon the populace of this County by having an existing Corporation to provide for the recognized need. Either party, however, may terminate this lease by giving sixty (60) days written notice of such intention to the other party.
3. The first payment under this lease will be due payable beginning the first of the month commencing May 1, 2020. Subsequent payments will be due and payable the first of each month hereafter for the term of this lease.
4. Lessee shall have the right and option to renew lease for (2) two additional term(s) of five (5) years, commencing on the expiration of the term hereof, at the same rental and subject to all the terms, covenants and provisions of this lease. Said option shall be exercised by giving Lessor written notice of Lessee's intention to exercise said option no less than thirty (30) days prior to date of expiration of the term hereof, provided no defaults exist in the covenants, agreements, terms and conditions on the part of the Lessee to be kept and performed or in payment or rent hereunder.

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5. a. At all times during the term of this Lease, Lessee shall maintain commercial general liability ("CGL") insurance with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000.00 for each occurrence and \$3,000,000.00 in the aggregate. CGL insurance shall cover liability arising from premises, operations, independent contractors, products/completed operations, personal and advertising injury, together with all costs of defense. The defense cost shall be outside of the policy limits. Lessee shall include Lessor and Agency as additional insureds. CGL insurance shall apply as primary over any other insurance afforded to Lessor and Agency. Lessee waives all rights against the Lessor and Agency for damages to the extent there is coverage afforded by Lessee's insurance maintained pursuant to this Lease. Lessee shall provide a certificate of insurance, which must be in a form that is reasonably satisfactory to Lessor and Agency as to the contents of the policies and the quality of the insurance carriers. All insurers must have at least an A- (Excellent) rating by A.M. Best & Co. Lessee shall name Lessor as an additional insured on the CGL policy.
- b. Lessee shall obtain and maintain insurance coverage to protect against claims made regarding Sexual Abuse/ Molestation. This Sexual Abuse/ Molestation coverage shall be required at a minimum to have a \$1,000,000 limit. Lessee agrees to indemnify and save Lessor harmless from all loss, cost and expense by reason of injury to any person or personal property on or about the demised premises, which results from the careless or improper conduct related to abuse/ molestation on the part of Lessee's agents or employees.
6. Lessee shall, at its sole cost and expense, perform or provide the following services required to be performed or provided in regard to the entire Leased Premises:
 - a. Maintain in a good state of repair or working order the exterior of the Leased Premises and certain systems, including, exterior walls, roof, structural portions of the Building, windows, entrance doors, fire escapes, fire alarm and controls, sprinkler systems and controls, heating, venting and air conditioning systems, inside stairways and elevators, and infrastructure of electrical and plumbing systems.
 - b. Provide water to the Building; pay utility costs, provided to the Leased Premises. Water costs shall be with any lessee at the neighboring building at 8317 State Route 7, North, Cheshire, Ohio 45620. Lessee will be responsible for upkeep of septic/sewer system and costs shall be shared with neighboring building at 8317 State Route 7 North, Cheshire, OH 45620.
 - c. Provide and maintain heating and air conditioning uniformly throughout the Leased Premises.
 - d. Provide exterior lighting components.
 - e. Provide preventive maintenance for the Building's mechanical systems. Including the addition of hot water tanks and the installation of a water meter for submetering
 - f. Provide grounds maintenance for the premises which will be shared with the Lessee of the neighboring building 8317 State Route 7, North, Cheshire, Ohio.
 - g. Provide for the extermination of, and keep the Leased Premises free from, infestation of rodents, pests, and other vermin.
 - h. Lessee is responsible for maintenance/upkeep of parking lot and private streets with costs to be shared with Lessee of 8317 State Route 7, North, Cheshire, Ohio.
 - i. Lessee will allow Gallia County Sheriff's Department to use the kitchen area and one room for kitchen storage until such time that the Gallia County Sheriff's Department has other space available to move their kitchen operation. Sheriff's employees will be allowed reasonable access to the building in order to cook meals for the Gallia County Jail.
7. Lessee agrees to pay, at its own expense any fees incurred by the Lessor to provide property and casualty insurance for the property, if applicable.
8. Lessor shall have the right to make such additions, alterations, and improvements in and to the building on the demised premises as is deemed necessary or desirable provided, however, that in constructing such additions, alterations, or improvements, Lessor does not unreasonably interfere with the operation of Lessee's activities.
9. Lessee agrees to make no structural changes or alterations in the premises or the improvements thereof without first obtaining Lessor's written consent, and any permissions given by the Lessor to make structural changes or alterations shall be on condition that the work shall be at the Lessee's expense, unless otherwise agreed in writing, and shall be in accordance with the Building Code of the State of Ohio, and shall be such as not to weaken any structure or building. All additions, fixtures, improvements and repairs made upon said premises by Lessee are thereafter the property of the Lessor.
10. In the event that Lessee erects any alterations or improvements to the premises as hereinabove provided, Lessee hereby agrees to and does indemnify Lessor against any mechanics liens that may be filed against the within demised premises for labor, and/or material furnished, and in the event any such lien is filed, Lessee will immediately pay the same and cause it to be satisfied and discharged of record.
11. Lessee shall not commit or suffer any waste or damage to any building or improvements on the demised premises.
12. Lessee agrees that Lessor or its representatives shall have the right at all reasonable times to enter upon and to inspect the demised premises to ascertain that Lessee is carrying out the terms, conditions and provisions hereof, and to make the necessary repairs, improvements and alterations as hereinabove provided.
13. Lessee shall, upon termination of the lease by lapse of time or otherwise, surrender up and deliver the premises together with all improvements made thereon by Lessee in as good order and repair as when first received or constructed by him, reasonable wear and use thereof and damage by fire and the elements excepted.
14. Lessee agrees to indemnify and save Lessor harmless from all loss, cost and expense by reason of injury to any person or personal property on or about the demised premises, which results from the careless or improper conduct on the part of Lessee's agents or employees. Lessee further agrees to carry public liability insurance in the amount sufficient to cover its use of said premises.
15. It is distinctly understood between the parties hereto that all agreements and understandings of any character heretofore had between them are embodied in this instrument, and no changes shall be made herein unless the same shall be in writing and duly signed by the parties hereto in the same manner and form as this lease has been executed.
16. Lessee shall maintain insurance coverage as to its own contents and personal property and any personal property in the demised premises shall be kept at the risk of the Lessee only, and Lessor shall not be liable for any damage to said personal property, or said premises, or to Lessee arising from the bursting or leaking of water or steam pipes, or from the accident or neglect of any other person whatsoever other than willful or negligent acts of the Lessor, its officers, agents, servants or employees.

Executed this 23rd day of April, 2020.

s/ Mark Bridenbaugh, CEO
Hopewell Health Systems

s/ Superintendent, Melinda Kingery
Gallia County Board of Developmental Disabilities

Gallia County Board of County Commissioners:
s/ Commissioner Harold Montgomery
s/ Commissioner Brent Saunders
s/ Commissioner David Smith

Gallia County Board of DD:
s/ Chairman, Lisa Harder
s/ Vice-Chairman, Donald Pearce
s/ Secretary, Carlene Greene

Approved as to form:
s/ Randy Dupree, Asst Pros. Atty.
Gallia County Prosecuting Attomey

FY ' 2020 FAA CARES ACT GRANT APPLICATION

County Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with FY 2020 FAA CARES Act Grant application. Per the attached FAA email Gallia County has the following options for the \$30,000 allocation for Gallia-Meigs Regional Airport:

- Option 1: The quickest option is to use all of your CARES Act funds for operational expenses, such as payroll, utility bills, or payment of debt service. If this is how you would like to use your airport's CARES Act funds, just sign the attached form and email it to the FAA. We will expedite processing your CARES Act grant. Details to email the application are below.
- Option 2: Use CARES Act funding on development or land acquisition projects. Coordinate with your RO/ADO contact to pursue funding for development projects. There are more prerequisites and requirements for construction projects, so this grant will not be issued as quickly.
- Option 3: Use some of your CARES Act funding on operational expenses and some on airport development. If you choose this option, you can submit an adjusted OMB SF-424 for the non-construction portion of the CARES Act funds, using the attached form as a guide. Coordinate with your RO/ADO contact to pursue funding for the development project.

Ms. Sprague recommended the County select Option 1 in order to obtain the funds as quickly as possible. David K. Smith made and Brent Saunders seconded a motion to approve the submitting the application using Option 1. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Harold Montgomery, yea; David Smith, abstain; and Brent Saunders, yea. Harold Montgomery, Pres, will sign all signature blocks for the grant.

BID AWARD: CDBG CITY-COUNTY PAVING PROJECT

County Administrator Karen Sprague advised the Commission of receipt of the Release of Funds from ODSA-OCD dated 11/5/2019 for the City of Gallipolis Court Street Paving Project and dated 12/12/2019 for the County Patriot Road Paving Project and therefore the City-County Paving Project can be awarded. The one bid for the 2019 CDBG City-County Paving Project has been reviewed, the one bid received was within 10% below the engineer's estimate of \$118,511. Therefore, Ms. Sprague recommends the project be awarded to The Shelly Company in the amount of \$117,962.70. Ms. Sprague noted the bid breakdown is as follows per project:

- Gallipolis City Court Street Paving – bid amount \$43,260 - \$21,400 CDBG grant = \$21,860 CDBG RLF Program Income
- County Patriot Road Paving – bid amount \$74,702.70 - \$71,400 CDBG grant = \$3,302.70 county engineer local match

Ms. Sprague noted the bid was complete containing the bid guaranty and contract bond and all affidavits as required and could be awarded as recommended. Ms. Sprague further noted both the Excluded Parties search on www.sam.gov and the Ohio Auditor of State website Certified Search for Unresolved Findings for Recovery reflect nothing for The Shelly Company and therefore made a recommendation to award. Harold Montgomery entertained a motion to award the contract as recommended. Brent Saunders made and David K. Smith seconded this motion to award the bid to The Shelly Company in the amount of \$117,962.70 as recommended. Roll call votes: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Saunders, yea.

CONTRACT SIGNING: CDBG CD GRANT – CITY-COUNTY PAVING PROJECT

County Administrator Karen Sprague provided the Commission with the contract for the FY 2019 CDBG City-County Paving Project with The Shelly Company of Thornville, Ohio in the amount of \$117,962.70. Harold Montgomery entertained a motion to approve and sign the contract as presented. David K. Smith made and Brent Saunders seconded this motion. Roll call votes: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Saunders, yea.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – DJFS - PERSONNEL

At 10:00 a.m. the president entertained a motion to enter into executive session with JFS Director Dana Glassburn to discuss personnel. David K. Smith moved and Brent Saunders seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Saunders, yea. Returned to regular session at 10:23 a.m.; no action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - CHILDREN SERVICES - PERSONNEL

At 10:25 a.m. the president entertained a motion to enter into executive session with Children Services Director Russ Moore, Children Services Board members Phil Skidmore and Kent Sawyer to discuss personnel. David K. Smith moved and Brent Saunders seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Saunders, yea. Returned to regular session at 10:44 a.m.; no action taken.

CHILDREN SERVICES

Children Services Director Russ Moore, Children Services Board members Phil Skidmore and Kent Sawyer presented the following to the commissioners:

April 23, 2020

Gallia County Commissioners
Harold Montgomery, President
Dr. David Smith, Vice-President
Brent Saunders

Dear Honorable Commissioners,

This letter is to officially notify you that our Agency Board met on Monday evening, April 20, 2020, and made the decision to dissolve the Gallia County Children Services Board pending the selection of a new Appointing Authority. The Board will continue to provide governance and oversight until such date as determined by the Commissioners for a transfer of responsibilities to the new Appointing Authority.

This action was taken by the Board in resolution 2020-2, which was motioned for acceptance by Robert Jacks and seconded by Carolyn Casey. The resolution states:

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WHEREAS, the Gallia Children Services Board (GCCSB) has been notified of the impending retirement of its Executive Director; and,
 WHEREAS, there is a noted trend within the State of Ohio for Children Service Boards to merge with their local departments of Job and Family services; and,
 WHEREAS, the GCCSB believes it would be an unnecessary undertaking to hire a new Director and a Fiscal Specialist, when these responsibilities can potentially be handled by the local Job and Family Services; and,
 WHEREAS, the GCCSB notes for the record that Gallia County Job and Family Services have been contracted with for the agency's fiscal services for the last twelve (12) years and have achieved an above satisfactory performance; and,
 WHEREAS, the GCCSB notes that the Agency is in a period of stability and financial soundness; thus, it appears to be a reasonable time to make a transition to a new Appointing Authority.
 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the GCCSB will forthwith officially notify the Gallia County Commissioners of their decision to dissolve the Board; and,
 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the GCCSB will continue to provide oversight and governance of Gallia County Children Services until such time and date that a new Appointing Authority has been designated by the Gallia County Commissioners; and,
 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the GCCSB recommends that the new Appointing Authority be the Gallia County Department of Job and Family Services;
 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that GCCSB strongly desires and recommends that all current caseworkers be absorbed into the JFS or new Appointing Authority agency; and,
 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that GCCSB recommends a transition period that would occur not before ninety (90) days from this date or no later than April 30, 2021; and,
 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the GCCSB will complete a buyout of retirement time for any employee who is within a year of their eligible retirement effective the final date for transfer of responsibilities to the new Appointing Authority.
 A calling of the roll resulted in the following vote: Phil Skidmore, aye; Kent Shawver, aye; Carolyn Casey, aye; Jan Koronich, aye; Robert Jacks, aye. Motion passed.

The Board and Director Moore pledge to work with you and the next Appointing Authority for a smooth transition of responsibilities so that we can guarantee that County residents have access to child protective services at all times.

Thank you, and please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely and on behalf of the Gallia County Children Services Board,


 Russ V. Moore
 Executive Director

COUNTY ENGINEER – BONDING AND TID

County engineer Brett Boothe and Highway Superintend Billy Swain met with the commissioners to provide an update on their current projects, funding projections for 2020 and to discuss Mr. Boothe's request for commissioners to approve his application to finance of four truck. Commissioners Saunders noted he was not comfortable with financing given what Mr. Boothe himself is projecting that his funding will be down this year. Commissioner Smith noted even though Mr. Boothe said his is comfortable with the financing, the bottom line is the county is responsible and he can't obligate the county at this time. President Montgomery noted they would take it under consideration and get back with him.

Mr. Boothe thanked the commissioners for their appointing the 2020 TID board, but he was not sure if a county commissioner can be on the TID board based on an opinion he found back in 2018. Commissioners Montgomery noted they would research for a current ruling.

BID OPENING – 39 FAIRVIEW ROAD

Economic Development Director Melissa Clark noted the auditor lists appraised value at \$485,050.00. Note only one bid was received. At 11:00 a.m. President Montgomery opened the following bid for the 39 Fairview Road Project:

Company	Total Bid
Ohio Valley Trackwork Inc.	\$506, 241.90

The bid was turned over to the Economic Development Director Melissa Clark for review and recommendation. The following were in attendance: Dean Wright, Gallipolis Daily Tribune; County Engineer Brett Boothe, Billy Swain and County Administrator Karen Sprague.

LETTERS OF SUPPORT

County engineer Brett Boothe requested letters of support and presented the following letters for approval. The President entertained a motion to approve and sign the Letters of Support. David K. Smith moved and Brent Saunders seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Saunders, yea.

April 23, 2020

Secretary Elaine L. Chao

U.S. Department of Transportation
 1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
 Washington, DC 20590

RE: 2020 BUILD Grant Letter of Support – Gallia County Connectivity Project

Honorable Secretary Chao,

The Gallia County Board of Commissioners would like to take this opportunity to express our support for the Gallia County Connectivity Project which has been approved by the Gallia County Board of Commissioners. Infrastructure projects are absolutely vital to ensuring the sustainable, long-term economic growth of the region and the completion of this project would be very beneficial to the local economy.

The proposed interchange along US-35 at Harrisburg Road is located one mile from the Dan Evans Industrial Park. The addition of the proposed interchange, coupled with the installation of fiber optic connectivity which supports the Drive Ohio autonomous vehicle project, will provide high tech industrial development opportunities, spurring additional industrial and commercial development along the US-35 corridor in Gallia County.

The State Route 7 bypass route along Bob Evans Farms Highway/Farm Road in Gallipolis will provide safe transportation routes during flooding while also alleviating traffic congestion along an important business route in Gallia County.

The return on this investment will be realized by many, including local companies that will prosper from enhanced access to their businesses and providing better opportunities for movement of their products. The residents of Gallia County will not only have a safer route to travel, but will benefit from the increase in job opportunities as a result of the infrastructure improvements.

Respectfully submitted,

Gallia County Board of Commissioners

s/ Harold G. Montgomery, President

s/ David K. Smith, Vice President

s/ Brent Saunders, Commissioner

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Secretary Elaine L. Chao

U.S. Department of Transportation

1200 New Jersey Ave, SE

Washington, DC 20590

RE: 2020 BUILD Grant Letter of Support – Rural Paving and Infrastructure Gateway Project

Honorable Secretary Chao,

The Gallia County Board of Commissioners would like to take this opportunity to express our support for the Rural Paving and Infrastructure Gateway Project which has been approved by the Gallia County Board of Commissioners.

Infrastructure enhancement projects are absolutely vital to ensuring the sustainable, long-term economic growth of the region and the completion of this project would be very beneficial to both residents and the local economy.

The upgrade of roads to hard surface will not only improve local air quality for residents by removing the continual dust and debris that develops from gravel roads, but increase access to safety and emergency services by lowering emergency response time.

The return on this investment will be realized by many. The residents of Gallia County will not only have a safer route to travel, but will also benefit from the increase in job opportunities as a result of the infrastructure improvements.

Respectfully submitted,

Gallia County Board of Commissioners

s/ Harold G. Montgomery, President

s/ David K. Smith, Vice President

s/ Brent Saunders, Commissioner

2020 CDBG 1st PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: April 23, 2020

TIME: 11:15 AM Public Hearing & CDIS Meeting

PLACE: Gallia County Courthouse, Commissioners Office

Note: Due to restrictions on public gatherings, the public hearing will not be held in person. Instead, the commissioners will accept comments/questions on any of these programs until 4/23/2020 at 11:15 AM. All materials were posted on the county's website for review, and the public hearing notice/letter were emailed to all Township/Village Fiscal Officers & County Engineer and were mailed by regular mail to all Township Trustees, Village Mayors, Fiscal Officers for Townships & Villages, Non-profits, County Engineer & Fire Departments. The correspondence noted at 11:15 AM on 4/23/2020 all questions and comments will be entered into the record of the Commissioners meeting minutes and addressed at that time.

Gallia County Administrator Karen Sprague noted the process for 2020 as stated above is due to social gathering limitations by ODH. For attendance of meeting please see attached sign-in sheets.

Ms. Sprague noted the CDBG requirement for FY 2020 for the county to invite stakeholders as required by OCD to attend and/or participate in the public hearing.

Ms. Sprague noted that she had provided FY 2020 CDBG packets containing the following sections by email, USPS or on the county website to all required participants as follows:

a) Guide to CDIS activities; b) Community Profile; c) 2019 LMI Summary Data for Places; d) 2019 LMI Summary Data for Census Tracts and Block Groups; e) 2010 Gallia County Census Tract Map; f) 2010 Gallia County Block Group Maps; g) Gallia County Recent Grant Award Summary; h) ODSA Community Development Program Brochure; i) ODSA Affordable Housing Brochure; j) ODSA Economic Development Brochure; k) ODSA Residential Public Infrastructure Brochure; l) Information for completing community development application to county ; m) Community development application for townships, villages, city and county local governments and non-profit organizations to complete for their projects and file with the County; n) List of all Ohio's CDBG Small Cities Program's proposed application and grant award cycles; o) CDBG Small Cities Program Proposed Administration Plan (Explains all existing CDBG Programs for that specific FY); p) Definition of low-and-moderate income persons and instructions on income survey forms which must be used for income surveys; q) Quick reference to activities which are eligible and ineligible as CDBG Projects; r) Current PY Community Development projects rating sheet

All sixteen ODSA Administered Grant Programs were included noting those in red below are the only ones Gallia County is eligible to apply for in FY 2020 and provided the OCD application timelines and requirements on how to apply for funds as follows:

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Housing, Shelter and Supportive Housing:

Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program
 Housing Development Assistance Program
 Community Housing Development Organization Operating Grant Program
 Homeless Crisis Response Program
 Supportive Housing Program
 Housing Assistance Grant Program
 Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids Program

Community and Economic Development:

Community Development Program:

Community Development Allocation Grants
 Neighborhood Revitalization Grants
 Downtown Revitalization Grants
 Critical Infrastructure Grants

Economic Development Loan and Public Infrastructure Grant Program:

Economic Development Loan Program
 Economic Development Public Infrastructure Grant Program
 Residential Public Infrastructure Grant Program

Target of Opportunity Grant Programs:

CDBG Target of Opportunity Grant Programs:
 Economic and Community Development Target of Opportunity Program
 New Horizons Fair Housing Assistance Program - Set-Aside
 Ohio Housing Trust Fund (OHTF) Target of Opportunity Grants
 Homelessness Target of Opportunity Grants
 Neighborhood Stabilization

The entire packet was reviewed. Karen Sprague noted the deadline to apply to Gallia County for funding for the competitive set-aside programs is 5/8/2020. Construction projects should contain Engineer certified cost estimates & materials lists or Architect certified drawings, cost estimates & materials lists. Project cost estimates including construction must include federal prevailing wage rates if they exceed \$2,000 and must also state they are for the construction season of 2020/2022.

Also noted was the requirement for floodplain permits for any type of construction in the floodplain. Floodplain permits for Township Projects can be obtained from the Gallia County Floodplain Administrator (office located in the GC Soil & Water Office on Jackson Pike across from Holzer Hospital), for construction located in the townships. Floodplain permits for Village Projects must be obtained from the Village's assigned Floodplain Administrator. It is the responsibility of the person applying for the grant to obtain the required floodplain construction permit and submit it with their application to the County. It was noted that the grant applicant must either provide a copy of the floodplain map showing that the project is not in a floodplain or a copy of the floodplain map showing that the project is in the floodplain along with a floodplain permit from the appropriate permit agency.

Further noted the requirement for engineers/architects of construction projects to plan the construction to meet the Ohio Historical Preservation Office guidelines for buildings or sites that are currently on the National Register of Historic Buildings or Sites or could potentially be listed on the National Register of Historic Buildings or Sites. It was noted that if projects are not initially designed to meet OHPO standards the project will not be able to meet environmental review clearance, thus slowing the project down and potentially stopping the project altogether if adequate funds are not available to meet OHPO standards.

Ms. Sprague reviewed the CDBG Program Fair Housing Requirements.

A few questions had been received prior to the meeting and they were answered by Ms. Sprague as follows:

- Clay Township Mike Harrison asked if general paving projects could be submitted for 2020. Answer given: No, for PY 2020 Gallia County is only eligible to apply for competitive set-aside grants such as critical infrastructure projects.
- Gallipolis Township Dean Brownell asked if general paving projects could be submitted for 2020. Answer given: No, for PY 2020 Gallia County is only eligible to apply for competitive set-aside grants such as critical infrastructure projects.
- Ohio Township Scott Gibson asked if general paving projects could be submitted for 2020. Answer given: No, for PY 2020 Gallia County is only eligible to apply for competitive set-aside grants such as critical infrastructure projects.
- County Engineer Brett Boothe asked if the April 23rd deadline is for comments on the CDBG process and the CDBG applications are due much later. Answer given: The public hearing is scheduled for 4/23/2020 and due to social gathering limits the commissioners will accept questions on any of these programs until 11:15 AM on April 23, 2020. The schedule for submission of 2020 CDBG grants is part of the packet that is posted at the gallianet link; 5/8/2020.
- Perry Township Cheryl Ruff asked if general paving projects could be submitted for 2020. Answer given: No, for PY 2020 Gallia County is only eligible to apply for competitive set-aside grants such as critical infrastructure projects.
- Morgan Township Trustee Randy Adkins was present for the meeting to discuss the road collapse on Chamberlain Road. Morgan Township is not LMI by census data and would have to qualify by income survey as a requirement of the CDBG program. Mr. Adkins noted there are only 4 homes on the road. Ms. Sprague noted the requirement for matching funds with the CDBG Critical Infrastructure competitive program. Mr. Adkins advised the cost estimate is \$180,000 and the township has \$20,000 from FEMA. Mr. Adkins advised the county engineer is assisting with OPWC emergency grant application. Mr. Montgomery advised since Morgan Township is not LMI their best option is the OPWC emergency grant.

Hearing adjourned at 11:30 AM.

R.W. BAIRD – PERMANENT JAIL FINANCING DISCUSSION

At 11:30 a.m. the commissioners, County Administrator Karen Sprague, County Economic Development Director Melissa Clark entered into a phone conference call with Mike Burns of R.W. Baird to discuss permanent financing options for the new correctional facility project. The following reports from R.W. Baird were discussed: Refunding existing debt, estimated public offering for financing the project, interest rate update chart, Baird's version of Moody's US Local Government General Obligation Scorecard and Gallia County rating matrix verses other Ohio counties. A preliminary financing schedule was discussed with more information to follow by email from Mr. Burns. No action taken.

JAIL DESIGN COMMITTEE

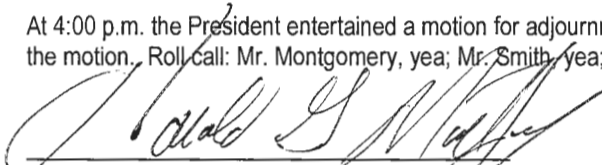
Jail Design Committee Members Commissioner David K. Smith, County Administrator Karen Sprague and Sheriff Matthew D. Champlin met at 1:30 p.m. and entered into a phone conference with DLZ Eric Ratts and Greg Galiati, and Granger representatives Jason Woehrle and Bob Stoops.

GENERATOR REPLACEMENT

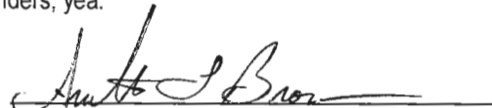
Harold G. Montgomery noted he had reviewed the quotes received to replace the courthouse generator that operates the emergency lights and security doors with County Buildings Supt. Tom Halfhill. Mr. Halfhill recommends McDaniel Electric, Co., Inc. for the best value with their quote being \$25,325.00. David K. Smith made the motion to accept the quote from McDaniel Electric, Co., Inc. and Brent Saunders seconded the motion. Roll calls: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Saunders, yea.

ADJOURN

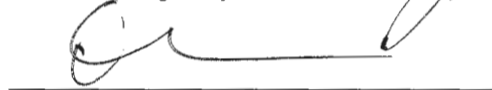
At 4:00 p.m. the President entertained a motion for adjournment. David K. Smith moved and Brent Saunders seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Saunders, yea.



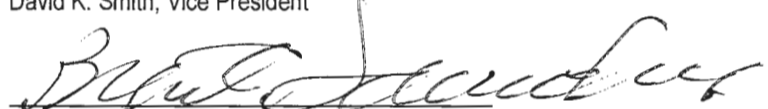
Harold G. Montgomery, President



Anette L. Brown, Clerk



David K. Smith, Vice President



Brent Saunders, Commissioner