

JULY 8, 2021

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 M. Eugene Greene, present; Commissioner Q. Jay Stapleton, present.

The President entertained a motion for approval of the July 1, 2021 minutes. M. Eugene Greene moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

TRAVEL REQUESTS				
DEPARTMENT	NAME	DATE	TO	RE:
DJFS	Dana Glassburn	7/8	Columbus, Ohio	OJSDA Mtg
Auditor	Larry M. Betz	7/9	Washington County, Ohio	District CAAO Mtg
Grant Admin	Karen Sprague & Melissa Clark	7/14	Waverly, Ohio	OVRDC Project Review Committee Mtg
DJFS	Dana Glassburn	7/28	Jackson, Ohio	District Mtg

The President entertained a motion to approve travel requests as submitted. M. Eugene Greene moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

2021 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
7/4	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	16	0	0	0	1

FINANCIAL REPORT REVIEW

County Administrator Melissa Clark provided the Commission with the following financial report:

- 13<sup>th</sup> Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources 2021- citing no change to the General Fund
- 2 Quarter 2021 County General Fund Current Expenditure Report
- The June 2021 Financial Reports for comparison with the June 2020 Financial Reports. The following was noted during the review:
  - 1/1/2020 beginning cash balance was \$1,407,189.99
  - 1/1/2021 beginning cash balance was \$2,676,785.01
  - Difference of \$1,269,595.02
  - 6/30/2020 ending cash balance was \$1,814,099.18
  - 6/30/2021 ending cash balance was \$2,464,461.35
  - Difference of \$650,362.17

RESCINDING OF COUNTY EMERGENCY DECLARATION DUE TO COVID 19

WHEREAS, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine, on June 18, 2021, rescinded the Executive Order 2020-021D and Ending the Declared State of Emergency for the State of Ohio.

WHEREAS, based upon the current circumstances surrounding the response to COVID-19, the State of Emergency for Gallia County, declared on March 15, 2020, is no longer required.

WHEREAS, in consideration of the above, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners, Gallia County, Ohio that the Declaration of Emergency due to COVID-19 declared on March 15, 2020, is rescinded and the State of Emergency as declared for Gallia County is ended, and shall take effect immediately.

Q. Jay Stapleton moved and M. Eugene Greene seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

Adopted this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
OF GALLIA COUNTY, OHIO

*/s/ Harold G. Montgomery*

Harold G. Montgomery, President

*/s/ M. Eugene Greene*

M. Eugene Greene, Vice President

*/s/ Q. Jay Stapleton*

Q. Jay Stapleton, Commissioner

*/s/ Anette L. Brown*

Anette L. Brown, Clerk

DEWITT DRIVE EASEMENT – GREEN SEWER 2

M. Eugene Greene made and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded a motion for President Harold G. Montgomery to negotiate an easement agreement on behalf of the Board of Commissioners on Dewitt Drive for the Green Sewer 2 project with Bradley & Natalie Beaver. President Harold G. Montgomery will execute the agreement with Mr. and Mrs. Beaver on behalf of the Board of Commissioners. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

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VACATION BALANCES

County Administrator Melissa Clark advised the Commissioners that due to work demands during the COVID-19 emergency, employees in critical positions were potentially not able to take annual accrued vacation time by June 30, 2021 and by requiring employees to utilize excess vacation accrual balances would cause a hardship on the respective departments. The President entertained a motion to carry forward the balances. Q. Jay Stapleton made and M. Eugene Greene seconded a motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

Name	Vacation Overage
Anette Brown	3.586
Melissa Clark	48
Thomas Dillon	25
Alonna Grimm	31.339
Truman Johnson	.15
Joshua Skidmore	.77

FY ' 2021 FAA ARPA GRANT APPLICATION

Grants Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with FY 2021 FAA American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant application. Per the attached FAA email, Gallia County has been allocated \$32,000 for Gallia-Meigs Regional Airport to be used as follows:

- These funds are to be used for costs related to operations, personnel, cleaning, sanitization, janitorial services, combating the spread of pathogens at the airport, and debt service payments.

M. Eugene Greene made and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded a motion to approve submitting the application as presented. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Harold Montgomery, yea; Gene Greene, yea; and Jay Stapleton, yea. Harold Montgomery, Pres, will sign all signature blocks for the grant.

FY 2021 FAA AIP GRANT SPONSOR CERTIFICATIONS FORMS

Grants Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with completed Sponsor Grant Certification Forms required in advance of the 2021 FAA AIP Grant award as follows:

- FAA Form 5100-130, Drug-Free Workplace
- FAA Form 5100-135, Certification and Disclosure Regarding Potential Conflicts of Interest
- FAA Form 5100-132, Project Plans and Specifications
- FAA Form 5100-134, Selection of Consultants

President Montgomery entertained a motion to approve and sign the Sponsor Grant Certification Forms as presented. Q. Jay Stapleton made and M. Eugene Greene seconded a motion to approve and sign the Sponsor Grant Certification Forms as presented. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea. Harold Montgomery, Pres, will sign all signature blocks for the Sponsor Certification Forms.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Gallia County Economic & Community Development Director Elisha Orsbon gave an update on Economic Development to the commissions. No action taken.

AIRPORT – RUNWAY

Gallia-Meigs Airport manager Dave Snyder met with commissioners to give an update. Mr. Snyder noting state requires the runway to be painted to retain our commercial status. The President noted they would discuss the \$27,650.00 expense and would get back with him. Later, upon further discussion the commission agreed to have the airport manager seek additional quotes to paint the runway.

LETTER OF INTENT – EMA

911/EMA/LEPC Director Sherry Daines presented the following Letter of Intent for approval:

M. Eugene Greene moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion to approve. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

Executive Director  
Ohio Emergency Management Agency  
2855 West Dublin Granville Road  
Columbus, Ohio 43235-2206

Dear Sima Merick;

*The Gallia County Board of Commissioners intends to request supplemental financial assistance for cost and damages caused by the Ice Storm on February 11-15, 2021, from the State Disaster Relief Program.*

*We have designated Sherry Daines to be the contact person for Gallia County Emergency Management Agency in all matters pertaining to this request. This individual will ensure that all required information is sent to the Ohio Emergency Management Agency within the required time frames and may be reached at 740-441-2036.*

*The required documentation is attached*

*s/ Harold Q. Montgomery, President*  
*s/ M. Eugene Greene, Vice President*  
*s/ Q. Jay Stapleton, Commissioner*

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**LETTER OF INTENT – 911**

911/EMA/LEPC Director Sherry Daines presented the following Letter of Intent for approval:

Q. Jay Stapleton moved and M. Eugene Greene seconded the motion to approve. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

*Executive Director  
Ohio Emergency Management Agency  
2855 West Dublin Granville Road  
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*Dear Sima Merick;*

*The Gallia County Board of Commissioners intends to request supplemental financial assistance for cost and damages caused by the Ice Storm on February 11-15, 2021, from the State Disaster Relief Program.*

*We have designated Sherry Daines to be the contact person for Gallia County 911 Communication Center in all matters pertaining to this request. This individual will ensure that all required information is sent to the Ohio Emergency Management Agency within the required time frames and may be reached at 740-446-0025.*

*The required documentation is attached*

*of Harold G. Montgomery, President  
of M. Eugene Greene, Vice President  
of Q. Jay Stapleton, Commissioner*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – LEGAL**

At 11:45 a.m. the President entertained a motion to enter into executive session with David Moser (via phone), Katie Liningor CORSA, Prosecutor Jason Holdren, County Administrator Melissa Clark to discuss legal. Q. Jays Stapleton moved and M. Eugene Greene seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea. Returned to regular session at 12:09 a.m.; no action taken.

**RESOLUTION FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF LACK OF FUNDS IN THE MATTER OF SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF GALLIA COUNTY, OHIO THE PROPOSITION OF LEVYING A REPLACEMENT TAX OF 0.5 MILLS IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING OR MAINTAINING PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES. (ORC 3709.29)**

The Commission was in receipt of the following resolution from the Gallia County Board of Health prepared by the Gallia County Assistant Prosecutor Randy Dupree to the commission:

**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, The Gallia County Board of Health desires to provide and maintain competent public health services to the citizens of Gallia County,

WHEREAS, the demand for services by Federal, State and Local mandates increase responsibility and the technical expertise required to protect the public health of Gallia County citizens,

WHEREAS, the currently available revenue from the existing levy has remained and is anticipated to remain the same from year to year through 2021 when said levy revenues expire,

WHEREAS, the Gallia County Board of Health has determined that in order to continue necessary public health services, a ten (10) year replacement 0.5 mills levy, the same rate as existing levy, is necessary to provide and support the personnel, equipment, supplies and training required for competent public health services, commencing in the tax year 2021, and the first due in 2022.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 3709.29 that the Gallia County Board of Health hereby certifies to the Gallia County Commissioners that the estimated amount of money necessary to meet the expenses of the Gallia County Health District will not be forthcoming to the Board of Health from the district health funds because the taxes within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient; and

THE GALLIA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH further requests that the Gallia County Board of County Commissioners declare by resolution

- (1) that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of the Gallia County Board of Health, and
- (2) that it is necessary to place before the public the question of a ten (10) year replacement levy a tax of 0.5 mills in excess of each of such limitation, which is the same as the existing levy, to provide the Board of Health with sufficient funds to carry out such health programs, such tax commencing in the year 2022 and first due in 2023.

Gallia County Board member, Steve Salisbury made a motion to adopt this resolution.

Gallia County Board member, Dr. James Magnussen seconded.

Voted on and signed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021 in Gallia County, Ohio with voting as follows:

Walter S. Lucas yes

Dr. James Magnussen yes

Brent Eastman yes

Charles Small yes

Steve Salisbury yes

I, Walter S. Lucas, President of the Board of Health of the Gallia County General Health District; Gallipolis, Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Health of the Gallia County General Health District, Gallia County, Ohio, on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021.

*W.S. Lucas*

Walter S. Lucas, President  
Gallia County, Board of Health

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**RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO MEET THE EXPENSES OF THE GALLIA COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT, AND REQUESTING THE AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATION**

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO MEET THE EXPENSES OF THE GALLIA COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT, AND REQUESTING THE AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Gallia County General Health District has certified to the Gallia County Commissioners that the estimated amount of money necessary to meet the expenses of a general health district program will not be forthcoming to the board of health of such district out of the district health fund because the taxes within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient and thereby the Commission finds that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of such district within the county, and that it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of such limitation in order to provide the board of health with sufficient funds to carry out such health programs of the General Health District of Gallia County, Ohio.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners, Gallia County, Ohio, acts as the special taxing authority for the General Health District of Gallia County, Ohio pursuant to ORC 3709.29,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners, Gallia County, Ohio, before it may seek approval of a levy by the electors of the County, is required to seek certification from the Gallia County Auditor pursuant to 5705.03,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners, Gallia County, State of Ohio, with at least two thirds of its members in concurrence, as follows:

1. It is necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation for the purpose of providing the board of health with sufficient funds to meet the expenses of the general health district, said purposes being authorized by **R.C. 3709.29**.
2. The levy is a replacement levy of a five-tenths (0.5) mill existing levy at a rate not to exceed 0.5 mill for each dollar of valuation, which amounts to 5 cents (\$0.05) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for ten years commencing with and first levied the 2022 tax year; first due and collected in calendar year 2023; and to be levied upon the entirety of the territory of the County of Gallia, Ohio.
3. Pursuant to R.C. 5705.03 (B)(1), the Clerk of the Commission is hereby directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the Gallia County Auditor. The Board requests that the Auditor certify to the Board within ten (10) days of receipt of this request, the total current tax valuation of the County, and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the levy of five-tenths (0.5) mill, if said tax were approved by the electors.
4. This Board intends that this ballot measure shall be submitted to the entirety of the territory of Gallia County at the November 2, 2021 general election.
5. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board or committees, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with R.C. 121.22.
6. This Resolution shall go into immediate effect upon its passage, and no publication of the resolution is necessary other than that provided for in the notice of election pursuant to ORC 5705.19.

M. Eugene Greene made motion to adopt.

Harold G. Montgomery seconded the motion to adopt.

Voted on and signed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021 in Gallia County, Ohio with voting as follows:

Commissioner <u>Montgomery</u>	voted (Y/N) <u>yes</u>
Commissioner <u>Greene</u>	voted (Y/N) <u>yes</u>
Commissioner <u>Stapleton</u>	voted (Y/N) <u>present</u>

Having at least two-thirds (2/3) of all members elected or appointed thereto concurring, the Resolution was adopted.

*s/ Anette L. Brown*, Clerk  
 Gallia County, Ohio  
 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
 GALLIA COUNTY, OHIO  
*s/ Harold G. Montgomery*, President  
*s/ M. Eugene Greene*, Vice President

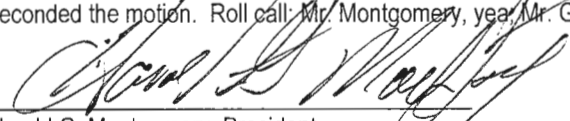
I, the undersigned Clerk of Gallia County, Ohio, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the resolution duly passed by the Board of Commissioners of Gallia County, Ohio, on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021. Further, I certify that the adoption of such resolution occurred in an open meeting held in compliance with R.C. 121.22.

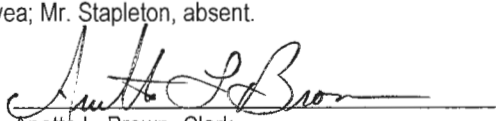
*s/ Anette L. Brown*, Clerk  
 Gallia County, Ohio


**\*2:00 pm – Commissioner Stapleton attended a Board of Revisions meeting in the Auditor office with Auditor Larry M. Betz and Treasurer Steve McGhee.**

**ADJOURN**

The President entertained a motion for adjournment at 4:00 p.m. M. Eugene Greene moved and Harold G. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, absent.

  
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 Harold G. Montgomery, President

  
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 Anette L. Brown, Clerk

  
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 M. Eugene Greene, Vice President

  
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 Q. Jay Stapleton, Commissioner