

OCTOBER 28, 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 October 21, 2021 minutes. 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
10/24	4	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	6	24	1	0	0	4

LANDFILL UPDATE

County Administrator Melissa Clark presented the Commission with the October 2021 Explosive Gas Monitoring Report from the Ohio EPA regarding the Gallia County Landfill, noting the report indicated it met the requirements of applicable rules and the facility's explosive gas monitoring plan. No action taken.

LETTER OF SUPPORT – JB NETS

County Administrator Melissa Clark presented the Commission with the following Letter of Support for approval:

October 28, 2021  
Ohio Broadband Expansion Authority  
Office of Broadband Ohio  
Ohio Department of Development  
77 South High Street, 29<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Columbus, OH 43215

RE: Letter of Support for JB Net's Application for a Residential Broadband Infrastructure Grant for a Project in Gallia County.

The Gallia County Board of Commissioners urges the Ohio Broadband Expansion Authority to approve the Residential Broadband Infrastructure Grant Application by JB-Nets to bring high-speed broadband internet into currently unserved areas of Southern Ohio.

We are committed to improving the lives of residents in Gallia County.

Reliable broadband connects residents with important services, including education, telehealth, and employment.

The Commissioners support efforts to expand broadband access and provide reliable connectivity

The current expansion efforts of JB-Nets utilizing a combination of wireless and fiber services will make broadband access to rural, adverse terrain areas of the County possible. The Ohio Residential Broadband Grant Program will enable JB Nets to make last-mile investments in wireless and fiber infrastructure in segments of rural Gallia County that is currently unserved or underserved by highspeed broadband to service 500 households in Springfield, Green, Gallipolis, Huntington, and Guyan Township within four (4) years.

The Gallia County Board of Commissioners is pleased to support JB-Net's broadband infrastructure project and its Residential Broadband Expansion Grant Application for Gallia County because our residents deserve access to the opportunities and services only available through reliable, high-speed internet.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Harold G. Montgomery*  
President

*/s/ M. Eugene Greene*  
Vice-President

*/s/ Q. Jay Stapleton*  
Commissioner

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

LETTER OF SUPPORT – CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS

County Administrator Melissa Clark presented the Commission with the following Letter of Support for approval:

October 28, 2021  
Ohio Broadband Expansion Authority  
Office of Broadband Ohio  
Ohio Department of Development  
77 South High Street, 29<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: Letter of Support for Charter's Application for a Residential Broadband Infrastructure Grant for a Project in Gallia County

To Ohio Broadband Expansion Authority:

The Gallia County Board of Commissioners urges the Ohio Broadband Expansion Authority to approve the Residential Broadband Infrastructure Grant Application by Spectrum Mid-America, LLC as managed by Charter Communications, Inc. ("Charter") for a broadband infrastructure project in Gallia County, Ohio.

We are committed to improving the lives of residents in Gallia County. Reliable broadband connects residents with important services, including education, telehealth, and employment. The Commissioners support efforts to expand broadband access and provide reliable connectivity. Charter has played a critical role in providing communities like ours with high-speed internet access. Spectrum already provides gigabit broadband service in northern portions of our county, specifically Rio Grande, Centerville, and parts of Raccoon Township, to name a few communities.

Charter has also made a huge commitment to expand service in Gallia County as part of the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Rural Digital Opportunity Fund build. The company has announced plans to expand service to 5,560 FCC estimated RDOF locations in Gallia County, making Gallia County their largest build in Ohio. Charter's long-standing commitment to the public is further demonstrated through its doubling in 2021 of its yearly commitment to the Spectrum Digital Education grant program, which supports education, technology, and training to empower Ohioans with the digital tools they need to succeed.

The Gallia County Commissioners are pleased to support Charter's broadband infrastructure project and its Residential Broadband Expansion Grant Application for Gallia County because our residents deserve access to the opportunities and services only available through reliable, high-speed internet.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Harold G. Montgomery*  
President

*/s/ M. Eugene Greene*  
Vice-President

*/s/ Q. Jay Stapleton*  
Commissioner

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

**LETTER OF ADVOCACY – ARPA FLEXIBILITY ACT S.3011**

County Administrator Melissa Clark presented the Commission with the following Letter for approval:

October 28, 2021

The Honorable Bill Johnson  
United States House of Representatives  
202 Park Avenue, Suite C  
Ironton, OH 45638

Dear Representative Johnson,

On behalf of the 30,000 residents of Gallia County, we respectfully urge you to immediately pass the bipartisan State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Fiscal Recovery, Infrastructure, and Disaster Relief Flexibility Act (S. 3011), which will assist us in recovering from the devastating effects of COVID-19 within our local communities.

This legislation represents a bipartisan compromise forged by Senators Cornyn and Padilla that unanimously passed the U.S. Senate. It would provide Gallia County with the flexibility to invest a portion of our American Rescue Plan Act's (ARPA) Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (Recovery Funds) in transportation, infrastructure and government services. This flexibility is crucial to Gallia County as we struggle to make necessary investments within our community in compliance with the existing guidance for these funds.

Gallia County is working to swiftly invest Recovery Funds in on activities currently eligible under U.S. Treasury's Interim Final Rule. However, because of some current prohibitions on the use of these funds, we have been limited in our ability to invest into projects and programs that would promote economic recovery.

Under S. 3011, Gallia County would be allowed to use \$5,807,336 towards transportation and infrastructure and economic development projects or government services.

Gallia County believes this legislation is imperative to leverage the full benefits of the ARPA's historic investments. We thank you for your partnership and respectfully ask that you swiftly pass S. 3011.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Harold G. Montgomery*  
President

*/s/ M. Eugene Greene*  
Vice-President

*/s/ Q. Jay Stapleton*  
Commissioner

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

**JAIL PROJECT – PAYMENT RESOLUTION #6**

County Administrator Melissa Clark presented the Commission with Payment Resolution #6 for the Gallia County Jail Project to Granger Construction Company in the amount of \$471,096.47. DLZ Architect, David Evans recommends approval of the above invoice and pay application. Harold Montgomery entertained a motion to approve and pay invoices from pay resolution #6. Q. Jay Stapleton moved and M. Eugene Greene seconded a motion to approve payment resolution #6 as submitted. Upon Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

**CDBG – FINIAL REPORT**

Grant Administrator Karen Sprague presented the CDBG finial report. Q. Jay Stapleton moved and M. Eugene Greene seconded the motion to approve and submit the report. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL**

At 9:49 the president entertained a motion to enter into executive session with County Administrator Melissa Clark to consider the employment of a public employee. M. Eugene Greene moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea. Returned to regular session at 10:05 a.m.; no action taken.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – DJFS – PERSONNEL**

At 10:06 a.m. the president entertained a motion to enter into executive session with JFS Director Dana Glassburn to consider the employment of a public employees. Q. Jay 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 10:23 a.m.; no action taken.

**EMPLOYEES- DJFS – NEW HIRE**

Dana Glassburn, GCDJFS Director, recommended the following new hire with an effective hire date to be determined by the Director upon successful completion of preliminary employment screening processes and in accordance with ORC 5101:2-33-55 (B) (1). Brylee Harder Child Protective Services Case Manager 2, Classification number 34136; Position control # 50008.0. Q. Jay Stapleton moved to approve the new hire with recommendation of the DJFS Director and M. Eugene Greene seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

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Dana Glassburn, GCDJFS Director, recommended the following new hire with an effective hire date to be determined by the Director upon successful completion of preliminary employment screening processes and in accordance with ORC 5101:2-33-55 (B) (1). Tammy Shapland-Perkins Child Protective Services Case Manager 2, Classification number 34136; Position control # 50002.0. M. Eugene Greene moved to approve the new hire with recommendation of the DJFS Director and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

**OSU – AGENCY UPDATE**

Director Tracy Winters, ANR Educator Jeff Moore, Michelle Stumbo, and Brianna McGuire presented the Commission with an agency update of various activities and presented a copy of their newsletter.

- 4-H Programs
- Agricultural Resources

**CEBCO WELLNESS PROGRAM**

Hannah McKee, CEBCO and Scott Saunders, Saunders Insurance gave an update on the benefits with the CEBCO Wellness program. No action taken.

**COUNTY ENGINEER – TAX MAP BUDGET**

County Engineer Britt Boothe reviewed the Tax Map budget. Mr. Boothe noted they are still looking to fill the vacant GIS employee position. No action taken.

**COUNTY ENGINEER – CORONAVIRUS FUNDS**

Brett A. Boothe, Gallia County Engineer requests the Gallia County Commissioners to use Coronavirus Recovery Funds, which may be used to recover lost revenue for the engineer's lose on gas tax. Mr. Boothe noted lost revenue as of June 2021 was \$879,000. President Montgomery noted their using the federal ARPA guidelines and cannot be separated into different departments, it would be to the county as a whole. No action taken.

**\* At 1:30 p.m. the Commissioners, County Administrator Melissa Clark and Grant Administrator Karen Sprague attended the Green Sewer 2 Construction monthly meeting in the Commissioner's office room 1292.**

**GREEN SEWER PHASE 2 PAYMENT RESOLUTION # 3**

Tracy Shoultz from DLZ presented the Commission with Payment Resolution # 3 for the Green Sewer Phase 2 Project for the following items:

- Engineering Fees - \$25,552.02
- Reimb County for Planning & Design Engineering - \$616,098.57
- Total = \$641,650.59

Invoices to be paid as follows:

- DLZ invoice 60900 = \$25,552.02 to be paid directly to DLZ from OPWC disbursement request #3 – memo entry Fund #370
  - \$89,232.57 to be paid to Gallia County Commissioners reimb funds expended from fund #321
  - \$103,074.29 to be paid to Gallia County Commissioners reimb funds expended from county general fund #001
  - \$423,791.71 to be paid to Gallia County Commissioners reimb funds expended from KA Sewer Settlement Fund #170

Q. Jay Stapleton moved and M. Eugene Greene seconded a motion to approve payment resolution # 3 as submitted and sign the contractors pay application #2. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

**OPWC - GREEN SEWER PHASE 2 DISBURSEMENT REQUEST # 3**

Tracy Shoultz from DLZ presented the Commission with OPWC Disbursement Request #3 for the Green Sewer Phase 2 Project for the following items:

- DLZ invoice 60900 - \$25,552.02 (will be paid directly to DLZ from OPWC)
- Total OPWC Disb Request #3 = \$25,552.02

M. Eugene Greene moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded a motion to approve the OPWC Disbursement Request # 3 as submitted. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

**MEMO ENTRY – REVENUE/EXPENSE OPWC LOAN GREEN SEWER PHASE 2**

Tracy Shoultz from DLZ advised the Commission that OPWC will make direct payments to vendors for the Green Sewer Phase 2 Project OPWC loan funding. In order to reflect the receipt and expenditure of these loan funds within the county fund established as OPWC Loan - Green Sewer 2 the County Auditor must make the following memo entries:

- Memo payin in the amount of \$25,552.02 into 370.3000.400100 from OPWC Loan # CO17W
- Memo expense in the amount of \$25,552.02 from 370.0370.531100 to DLZ vendor # 8587 for invoice # 60900
- Credit Back \$25,552.02 from PO # 210095 in line item 370.00370.531100

**RECESS – FY 2020 POST AUDIT MEETING**

\* 2:38 p.m. Q. Jay Stapleton made and M. Eugene Greene seconded the motion to recess from regular session to participate in the post audit conference for FY 2020. Roll calls: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

\* 3:20 p.m. Q. Jay Stapleton made and M. Eugene Greene seconded the motion to reconvene the meeting. Roll calls: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

**DJFS – SUBGRANT AGREEMENT AMENDMENT**

DJFS Director Dana Glassburn presented the following subgrant agreement amendment:

**GALLIA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES  
PURCHASE OF SERVICES SUBGRANT AGREEMENT  
AMENDMENT NO. 3**

This amendment will amend the contract between the Gallia County Department of Job and Family Services (GCDJFS) "the grantor" and Integrated Service for Behavioral Health, (ISBH), "subgrantee" (DUNS #959410150) and will be effective 10/1/2021-9/30/2022 for the purchase of Foster Care Recruitment.

**Contract Notation:**

Original contract was signed and approved by the Gallia County Children Service Board on 10/1/2019 and assumed by GCDJFS on December 1, 2020..

**Extension 2 of Agreement:**

Extend the current agreement for one (1) additional year as per Article 6 of the agreement. Agreement will be effective 10/1/2021-9/30/2022.

/Dana L. Glassburn, Director of Gallia Count DJFS October 28, 2021

/Kevin Gillespie, Executive Director Integrated Services for Behavioral Health October 27, 2021

Gallia County Commissioners:

/Harold G. Montgomery, President October 28, 2021

/M. Eugene Greene, Vice President October 28, 2021

/Q. Jay Stapleton, Commissioner October 28, 2021

/Randy Dupree, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

The President entertained the motion to sign the subgrant agreement amendment as recommended. Q. Jay Stapleton moved and M. Eugene Greene seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

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**Contract Notation:**

Original contract was signed and approved by the Gallia County Children Service Board on 10/11/2019 and assumed by GCDJFS on December 1, 2020.

**Available Funding:**

Increase the total amount of the agreement to \$132,650.00. This is an increase in the amount of \$48,650.00. This will allow for two (2) Family Peer Mentors for the START program.

**Provider Responsibilities:**

As per the correspondence dated October 6, 2021 from Kevin Gillespie, Executive Director, Integrated Services for Behavioral Health, (ISBH), the subgrantee will require a written notification from the designated grantor representative when a family mentor becomes ineligible to continue within the START program. Such written notifications may be through email and/or written letter; however, no details are needed within the notice. Both grantor and subgrantee agree to work together to resolve issues; however, this clarified process will clearly reflect the grantor's ability to make a decision on who cannot work under this agreement.

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/Q. Jay Stapleton, Commissioner October 28, 2021

/Randy Dupree, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

The President entertained the motion to sign the subgrant agreement amendment as recommended. M. Eugene Greene moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

**DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – DISPOSAL RESOLUTION**

The Board of Commissioners of Gallia County, Ohio met in regular session on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021 at the office of the Commissioners with the following members present: Harold G Montgomery, President; M. Eugene Greene, Vice President; Q. Jay Stapleton, Member.

Q. Jay Stapleton moved the adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION FOR DISPOSAL OF UNNEEDED, OBSOLETE OR UNFIT PERSONAL PROPERTY (ORC 307.12)**

**WHEREAS**, Ohio Revised Code Section 307.12 allows for the disposal of unneeded, obsolete or unfit personal property; and

**WHEREAS**, the Gallia County Board of Developmental Disabilities has provided the Gallia County Commissioners information as to property that is unneeded obsolete or unfit for the use for which it was required, being described in attached Exhibit A, and

**WHEREAS**, Ohio Revised Code Section 307.12 states that, when the fair market value of the property to be sold or donated is, in the opinion of the board, two thousand five hundred dollars or less, the board may sell the property by private sale, without advertisement or public notification, and

**WHEREAS**, The Gallia County Board of Commissioners find that the property detailed in Exhibit A, is obsolete or unfit for personal property, no piece of the property has a value in excess of two thousand five hundred dollars, and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Gallia, Ohio, that:

**Section 1:** The Gallia County Board of Commissioners having found that the property detailed in Exhibit A, is obsolete or unfit personal property, and that no piece of the property has a value in excess of two thousand five hundred dollars, and hereby authorizes it to be sold by private sale without advertisement or public notification, and

**Section 2:** FURTHER, this Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this board and that all deliberations of this board and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law, including R.C. 121.22.

M. Eugene Greene seconded the foregoing Resolution.

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

**Superintendent Gallia County Board of DD**  
*s/ Melinda Kingery, Superintendent*

**Exhibit A**

Year	Make	Model	VIN	
2001	Ford	Taurus	1FAFP52281A238875	
2000	Ford	Taurus	1FAFP5323YA251316	
2001	Ford	Taurus	1FAFP52231A238878	
2000	Ford	Taurus	1FAFP5327YG275972	
2002	Chrysler	Town & Country Van	2C4GP74L22R761368	
1994	International	Bus #14	1HVBACN4RH590650	Out of Service at least since 2014
1995	International	Bus #15	1HVBBAAM1SH210910	Out of Service at least since 2014
1997	International	Bus #19	1HVBBAAN7VH477191	Out of Service at least since 2014
1997	International	Bus #20	1HVBBAAN1VH507110	Out of Service at least since 2014
	King Kutter	72" Finishing Mower RSFM-72-Y		
	King Kutter	Dirt Scoop DS-30-Y		

**RIO GRANDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEE RE-APPOINTMENT**

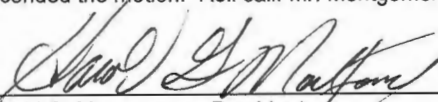
Commissioners received a written request from Rebecca Long, Chief Operating Officer Rio Grande Community College requesting the re-appointment of Mr. Troy Howdysshell of Vinton County as a joint County Commissioner appointee. Mr. Howdysshell current terms ends on November 1, 2021. The President entertained a motion to re-appoint Mr. Howdysshell to a five-year renewable term beginning November 2, 2021 through November 1, 2026. M. Eugene Greene moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll calls: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

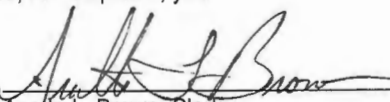
**EMPLOYEE – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – RESIGNATION**

The President entertained a motion to accept the letter of resignation from Economic & Community Development Director Elisha Orsbon. M. Eugene Greene moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

**ADJOURN**

At 4:00 p.m. the President entertained a motion for adjournment. Q. Jay Stapleton moved and M. Eugene Greene seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

  
Harold G. Montgomery, President

  
Anette L. Brown, Clerk

  
M. Eugene Greene, Vice President

  
Q. Jay Stapleton, Commissioner