

DECEMBER 23, 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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - LEGAL

At 9:04 a.m. the President entertained a motion to enter into executive session with Prosecutor Jason D. Holdren to discuss legal matter. 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 9:29 a.m.; no action taken.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING OFFICER - AUDITOR

ORC 305.02 (F) The board of county commissioners may appoint a person to hold any of the offices named in division (A) of this section as an acting officer and to perform the duties thereof between the occurrence of the vacancy and the time when the officer appointed by the central committee qualifies and takes the office. President entertained a motion to appoint Molly Plymale as acting officer for Gallia County Auditor until the Gallia County Central Committee names a replacement to carry out the unexpired term of Larry M. Betz, Gallia County Auditor. M. Eugene Greene moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

The President entertained a motion for approval of the December 16, 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
12/19	7	3	0	0	9	0	0	0	12	24	0	0	0	4

LANDFILL UPDATE

County Administrator Melissa Clark presented the Commission with the December 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.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022

County Administrator Melissa Clark presented the Commission with the Annual Appropriation Resolution for all funds for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2022 thru December 31, 2022. The appropriations totaled as follows:

General Fund

- Appropriations = \$11,459,820.86
- Encumbrances = \$177,565.15

Special Revenue Funds:

- Appropriations = \$ 49,522,241.32
- Encumbrances = \$158,154.04
- Balances Carried Forward = \$9,547,514.99 (Note this will need to be amended with grant fund carryover balances after the final 2021 payroll costs post)

Grand Total All Funds:

- Appropriations = \$60,982,062.18
- Encumbrances = \$335,719.19
- Balances Carried Forward = \$9,547,514.99 (Note this will need to be amended with grant fund carryover balances after the final 2021 payroll costs post)

Harold Montgomery entertained a motion that the Annual Appropriation Resolution for the fiscal year 2022 be approved and signed by the Commission. Q. Jay Stapleton made and M. Eugene Greene seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL

At 10:10 a.m. the president entertained a motion to enter into executive session with JFS Director Dana Glassburn to consider the employment of a public employee. 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 10:14 a.m.; no action taken.

DJFS – VACATION BALANCE

Director Dana Glassburn, Gallia County Department of Job and Family Services, stated that due to COVID extenuating circumstances, some vacations scheduled for the week of December 27th will be denied to provide adequate coverage in the Child Protective Services Unit. As a result, for some non-bargaining employees, the vacation accruals will not be down to the allowable one-year carryover by December 31st as per the Agency policy. Mr. Glassburn noted he believes there are no JFS bargaining unit employees that will not have use their vacation. Therefore, Director Glassburn requested that unused vacation leave due to denial of a vacation request for the week of December 27th, be permitted to be carried over into the first quarter of 2022. 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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2022 YEAR-END ADVANCES & TRANSFERS

The President entertained a motion to authorize the County Auditor to advance funds from the County General Fund to the following funds, if they remain in the red after the final pay-ins dated 12/31/2021 (the following amounts are as of 12/22/21):

- 105 – Green Sewer 1 Debt Ret Fund (\$45,349.54)
- 107 – KA Sewer O&M Fund (\$35,156.86)
- 135 – Sheriff Bulletproof Vest Grant (\$453.57)
- 359 – VOCA Survivor Services (\$12,248.08)
- 363 - B-C-18-1AY-2 (\$19,243.00)
- 387 – B-X-21-1AY-1 (\$1,847.20)
- 388 – B-F-21-AY-1 (\$1,959.27)

Transfer from the County General Fund to the following funds, if they remain in the red after the final pay-ins dated 12/31/21 (the following amounts are as of 12/22/21)

- 005 – D&K Fund (\$8,636.92)

Further to grant the County Administrator and County Deputy Auditor the authority to agree on the final fund advances, fund transfers and line item transfer should any other funds or line items end the year in the red once final payroll, fringes, and expenses are posted to funds. M. Eugene Greene moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT LOCAL JAILS S.B. 310 PROJECT INFORMATION PACKAGE
SUBMIT TO OHIO DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION AND CORRECTION**

County Administrator Melissa Clark presented the Commission with Capital Improvement Local Jails Projects S.B. 310 Project Information Package to submit to the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction Bureau of Adult Detention. The information packet is required and will be used for eligibility requirements of Capital Improvement Project. President Montgomery entertained a motion to sign the project information package as presented. M. Eugene Greene moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded this motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

**SUPERSEDING RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR PREMIUM PAY FOR GALLIA COUNTY GOVERNMENT
EMPLOYEES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTERIM FINAL RULE FROM THE UNITED STATES TREASURY FOR
THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN**

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan Act "ARPA"; and

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2021, the U.S. Treasury issued the Interim Final Rule to implement ARPA in Title 31, Part 35 of the Code of Federal Regulations ("CFR"); and

WHEREAS, on June 8, 2021, the United State Department of Treasury deposited Gallia County's first tranche of funds which is \$2,903,668.00 into Fund# 384 – American Recovery Plan Fund

WHEREAS, ARPA is intended to provide support to local governments in responding to the impact of COVID-19 and in their communities;

WHEREAS, under the Interim Final Rule, recipients may use Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds "CSLFRF" to provide premium pay to eligible employees who performed essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency. See CSLFRF Frequently Asked Questions No. 5.1; and

WHEREAS, the Gallia County Commissioners deem Gallia County employees across county departments and sectors, under fiscal oversight of the County Commissioners, as essential workers who maintained the continuity of operations and essential services benefiting the citizens of Gallia County on a regular basis during the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, every Gallia County department and sector remained open and operating to continue vital services for the community throughout the pandemic encountering the risks and associated exposure to COVID-19 first-hand; and

WHEREAS, this resolution is intended to expend a portion of the first tranche of Gallia County's ARPA funds in accordance with Federal Law and guidance; and

WHEREAS, The Gallia County Commissioners desire to provide a one-time Premium Pay for Gallia County employees whose department falls under the fiscal oversight of the Gallia County Commissioners and are employed as of December 16, 2021 ("eligible employees"), except for employees employed by the Department of Jobs and Family Services; and

WHEREAS, this resolution will supersede and replace the RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR A PREMIUM PAY FOR GALLIA COUNTY GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTERIM FINAL RULE FROM THE UNITED STATES TREASURY FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN adopted on the 17th day of December, 2021, which resolution will no longer have any force or effect upon the adoption of this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gallia County Commissioners hereby authorizes the expenditure of funds from Fund #384- American Rescue Plan (ARPA) to make a one-time premium pay to essential Gallia County employees whose department falls under the fiscal oversight of the Gallia County Commissioners and who provided critical services to the citizens of Gallia County during the COVID-19 pandemic, and are employed as of December 16, 2021, except employees employed by the Department of Jobs and Family Services. Such eligible full-time employees are to receive a one-time payment of \$1,500 and eligible part-time employees are to receive a one-time payment of \$750.00. Eligible employees who are currently within a probationary period of employment are to receive a one-time payment of \$750.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, eligible employees who have already received a Premium Pay payment from a non-Gallia County ARPA fund source are only eligible to receive a payment amount equal to the difference between the amount already received from a non-Gallia County ARPA fund source and the \$1,500 payment amount for full time employees and the \$750.00 payment amount for part time and probationary employees, as applicable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR A PREMIUM PAY FOR GALLIA COUNTY GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTERIM FINAL RULE FROM THE UNITED STATES TREASURY FOR THE

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AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN adopted on the 17th day of December 2021 no longer has any force or effect upon the adoption of this resolution.

The Gallia County Board of Commissioners hereby instructs the Gallia County Auditor and Payroll Department to carry out the terms of this resolution and make the one-time payments as a separate payroll payment at the earliest opportunity.

M. Eugene Greene moved to adopt the Resolution. Harold G. Montgomery seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. Montgomery	<u> X </u> Yea	<u> </u> Nay
Mr. Greene	<u> X </u> Yea	<u> </u> Nay
Mr. Stapleton	<u> </u> Yea	<u> X </u> Nay

ADOPTED: this 23rd day of December, 2021

s/ Harold G. Montgomery, President

s/ Anette L. Brown, Clerk of the Board

s/ M. Eugene Greene, Vice President

s/ Q. Jay Stapleton, Commissioner

UPDATE – FAA BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW BILL

Grants Administrator Karen Sprague updated the Commission regarding the FAA's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Bill that will provide the Gallia-Meigs Regional Airport with additional funding over a 5-year period starting FY 2022. Gallia-Meigs Regional Airport will receive \$159,000 each year starting FY 2022. Each year's grant will have a 4-year life, meaning for FY 2022 grant would expire in 2026, etc. The funds are subject to congressional appropriations each year (similar to the AIP grant where we receive \$150,000 annually). Ms. Sprague advised these new grant funds would be subject to the same limitations for use as the current AIP grant, meaning the airport terminal project could not receive more than the allowed 95% of the 65% limit for that type of project. Ms. Sprague noted if the terminal project exceeded the project estimate and the \$600,000 AIP grant was not enough then the difference could come from these new funds subject to the 95% of the 65% limit.

FAA ARPA GRANT 2021 DRAW #1 (FINAL) APPROVAL GALLIA-MEIGS REGIONAL AIRPORT

Grants Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with the 2021 FAA ARPA grant draw #1 (Final) forms requesting \$32,000.00 from the County's FAA ARPA grant as reimbursement for the following allowable expenses incurred from 1/20/2020 to present:

- Operational Expenses = \$32,000.00

Harold Montgomery entertained a motion to approve and sign the grant draw #1 forms as presented. Mr. Stapleton moved and Mr. Greene seconded this motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Harold Montgomery, yea; Gene Greene, yea; Jay Stapleton, yea.

FAA ARPA 2021 GRANT CLOSEOUT REPORT GALLIA-MEIGS REGIONAL AIRPORT

Grants Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with the FAA American Rescue 2021 grant closeout report noting how the \$32,000.00 from the County's FAA American Rescue grant was used as reimbursement in accordance with FAA's Revenue Use Policy and for operational expenses incurred (on or after 8/9/2021) as follows allowable expenses from 8/9/2021 through 12/31/2021:

- Operational Expenses = \$32,000.00

Harold Montgomery entertained a motion to approve and sign the grant closeout form as presented. Mr. Stapleton moved and Mr. Greene seconded this motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Harold Montgomery, yea; Gene Greene, yea; Jay Stapleton, yea.

CIC – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

CIC Ryan Smith and Josh Bodimer met with the commissioners to discuss having a board of investors that would include Rio Grande Univ, CIC and Gallia County Commissioners for a new economic development person working with all. Mr. Montgomery noted further discuss is needed. No action taken.

BID OPENING – SHERIFF PATROL VEHICLES

At 11:00 a.m. President Montgomery opened the following bids:

Company	Total Bid
Midway Ford, Inc.	\$41,854.00 each (2)
Tim Lally Chevrolet	\$38,855.00 (1) \$39,130.00 (1) Plus \$200 delivery fee each

The bid was turned over to the County Administrator for review and a recommendation. The following were in attendance: Sheriff Matthew D. Champlin; Chief Deputy Troy Johnson; County Administrator Melissa Clark; Acting Gallia County Auditor Molly Plymale; Chief Deputy Auditor Terri Short; Tony Gallagher, City Commissioner; and Todd Bowers, resident

AUDITOR/OHIO VALLEY BANK – LETTER

Acting County Auditor Molly Plymale and Chief Deputy Terri Short met with the commission to request a letter to present to the Ohio Valley Bank notifying them that Molly Plymale is the Acting Gallia County Auditor as of December 23, 2021. President Montgomery entertained a motion to approve the letter to the Ohio Valley Bank. 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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KA SEWER – BOND RETIREMENT REMOVAL REQUEST

Donna Miller met with the commissioners to request to remove the operation & maintenance and debt retirement on her sewer bill. Ms. Miller noted she plans to remove the structure from the property. Mr. Montgomery noted the operation & maintenance can possibly be removed after dowelling is removed and verified by the Gallia County Sewer superintendent but bond debt retirement may not be removed. no action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - SEWER – PERSONNEL

At 11:37 a.m. the President entertained a motion to enter into executive session with Sewer Billing Director Terri Walter 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 11:52 a.m.; no action taken.

2022 AGREEMENT FOR DEFENSE OF INDIGENT SERVICES RECOMMENDATION

County Administrator Melissa Clark presented to the Commission the recommendation of the Gallia County Public Defender Commission for Indigent Defense Services. The Gallia County Public Defender Commission for Indigent Defense Services met on 12/22/21 and recommended Gallia County Defense Attorney's Corp. for FY2022 in the amount of \$364,980.00.

Ms. Clark noted the proposal submitted by the Gallia County Defense Attorneys Corp was received on 11/9/21 in the amount of \$395,250.00. Ms. Clark met with representative of the Gallia County Defense Attorneys Corp and the proposal was resubmitted on 12/22/21 in the amount of \$379,999.92.

Gallia County Defense Attorneys Corp, Andrew Noe was in attendance and advised of the Gallia County Public Defender Commission for Indigent Defense Services recommendation. Mr. Noe noted he would meet with the Gallia County Defense Attorneys Corp and let them know of the recommendation. No action taken.

RESOLUTION - 2022 AGREEMENT FOR DEFENSE OF INDIGENT SERVICES IN MUNICIPAL COURT

County Administrator Melissa Clark presented the Commission with an agreement for Indigent Defense Services in Municipal Court for FY 2022. It was noted this agreement is required by the Ohio Public Defenders Office in order for state reimbursement of indigent defense counsel costs for City cases. Per Laura Austen of the Ohio Public Defenders Office the County must pass a resolution that the County Commission approves and consents to the terms of the agreement to cover the period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. The City of Gallipolis approved this agreement on 11/2/21 that allows for payment from the City to the County in the amount of \$15,000. The Gallia County Public Defender Commission approved the agreement on 12/22/21. The President entertained a motion that the Commission approve and consent to the terms of the agreement as presented. Q. Jay Stapleton made and M. Eugene Greene seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

GREEN SEWER PHASE 2 PAYMENT RESOLUTION # 6

Grants Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with Payment Resolution # 6 for the Green Sewer Phase 2 Project for the following items:

- Engineering Fees - \$17,487.64
- Total = \$17,487.64

Invoices to be paid as follows:

- DLZ invoice 61642= \$17,487.64 to be paid directly to DLZ from OPWC disbursement request #5 – memo entry Fund #370

Q. Jay Stapleton moved and M. Eugene Greene seconded a motion to approve payment resolution # 6 as submitted. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

CHANGE OF ELECTED OFFICIAL LETTER

Grants Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with a Change of Elected Official Letter to be sent to the funding agencies for the Green Sewer Phase 2 Project noting the Acting County Auditor is Molly Plymale effective 12/23/2021. Harold Montgomery entertained a motion to approve the letter as presented. Q. Jay Stapleton moved and M. Eugene Greene seconded a motion to approve and sign the letter as submitted. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

OPWC - GREEN SEWER PHASE 2 DISBURSEMENT REQUEST # 5

Grants Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with OPWC Disbursement Request #5 for the Green Sewer Phase 2 Project for the following items:

- DLZ invoice 61642 - \$17,487.64 (will be paid directly to DLZ from OPWC)
- Total OPWC Disb Request #5 = \$17,487.64

M. Eugene Greene moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded a motion to approve the OPWC Disbursement Request # 5 as submitted. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

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

Grants Administrator Karen Sprague 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 \$17,487.64 into 370.3000.400100 from OPWC Loan # CO17W
- Memo expense in the amount of \$17,487.64 from 370.0370.531100 to DLZ vendor # 8587 for invoice # 61642

EMPLOYEE – SEWER – NEW HIRE

M. Eugene Greene moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion to give Sewer Billing Director Terri Walters the authority to hire Shayla N. Mullins as recommended as part time sewer clerk starting at \$9.30 per hour with start date of January 12, 2022 with 90 days' probation. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

HONORING LARRY M. BETZ - PROCLAMATION

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

**HONORING LARRY M. BETZ
GALLIA COUNTY AUDITOR
PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, the Board of Gallia County Commissioners hereby honors Larry M. Betz, Gallia County Auditor for the lifetime of distinguished service to Gallia County in the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Betz was a native of Gallia County and served his county and country with honor and distinction; and

WHEREAS, Larry M. Betz first served as Gallia County Treasurer in March of 1989 – 1999, then served as Gallia County Auditor starting in March of 1999 to December 22, 2021 for a combined service of 32 years; and

WHEREAS, with all of the accomplishments and services, his greatest and most cherished accomplishment was that of being a father and grandfather to his daughters, grandchildren and great grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, on December 22, 2021 Larry M. Betz passed away and as an expression of public sorrow, we the Gallia County Board of Commissioners do hereby order the Flags of all Gallia County owned buildings shall be flown at half-staff from sunrise on Tuesday December 28, 2021 to sunset on Wednesday December 29, 2021 the day of the funeral.

This proclamation shall take effect upon its signing this day December 23, 2021.

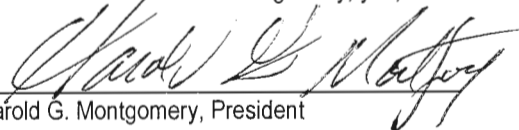
s/ Harold G. Montgomery, President
s/ M. Eugene Greene, Vice President
s/ Q. Jay Stapleton, Commissioner

BID REJECTION - SHERIFF PATROL VEHICLES

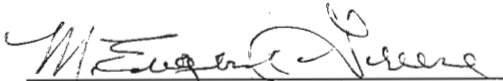
The President entertained a motion upon the County Administrator Melissa Clark recommendation after review to reject and re-bid the Sheriff Patrol Vehicles. M. Eugene Greene moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Greene, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

ADJOURN

The President entertained a motion to adjourn at 4:00 pm. 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