

NOVEMBER 3, 2022

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; Commissioner Q. Jay Stapleton, present; Vice President, vacant position.

The President entertained a motion for approval of the October 27, 2022 minutes. Mr. Stapleton moved and Mr. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

TRAVEL REQUESTS				
DEPARTMENT	NAME	DATE	TO	RE:
None				

2022 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
10/30	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	5	36	0	0	0	7

CANDICE HARMON – EVALUATION PERIOD

Interim County Administrator Kevin Nicholas noted the evaluation period for Candice Harmon, Sewer Department will expire on 11/5/22, noting Ms. Harmon has completed her evaluation period at an exceptional level and recommends a \$.50 pay increase effective 11/5/22, as agreed upon as an offer of employment. The President entertained a motion to approve the pay increase. Mr. Stapleton moved and Mr. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

DJFS UPDATE

Director Dana Glassburn presented an update on numerous NEG vehicles and equipment leases that needed renewed. Mr. Glassburn stated that some lease renewals would be reduced to 6 months from yearly to complete title transfers. Mr. Glassburn also stated that DJFS did not plan to lease or transfer any more NEG equipment or vehicles. Mr. Glassburn provided an update on the Jackson Pike Job Center project by stating that all the utility services accounts have been established. No action taken.

DJFS VACATION PAYOUT – KATHY CAMPBELL

Director Dana Glassburn discussed the 80 hours of vacation time that Kathy Campbell, DJFS Business Administrator has accumulated and that she would not be able to take the time off prior to the end of 2022. Mr. Glassburn requested Ms. Campbell's vacation payout be approved by the commissioners. Mr. Montgomery discussed the hardship the DJFS would endure if Ms. Campbell attempted to use all these vacation hours between now and the end of the year. The President entertained a motion to pay out Ms. Campbell's 80 vacation hours. Mr. Stapleton moved and Mr. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – DJFS – PERSONNEL

At 10:39 a.m. the President entertained a motion to enter into executive session with JFS Director Dana Glassburn to discuss personnel matters. Mr. Stapleton moved and Mr. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea. Returned to regular session at 10:40 a.m. No action taken.

PROBATE & JUVENILE COURTS – 2023 BUDGET

Judge Tommy Moulton, Probate Court and Juvenile Court, presented his proposed 2023 budget request to the commissioners. No action taken.

JUVENILE COURT – COMPUTER GRANT

Judge Thomas Moulton, Juvenile Court, presented a grant for approval from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for \$64,416.00 to support computer needs. The President entertained a motion to approve the grant for the Juvenile Court as presented. Mr. Stapleton moved and Mr. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

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HOME CARE & HOSPICE MONTH – PROCLAMATION

Whereas, Home care services provide high quality and compassionate health care services to more than five million Americans annually, especially in times of community or personal health care crisis; and

Whereas, Ninety percent of Americans want to age in place, and home care is the preferred method of health care delivery among the disabled, elderly, and chronically ill individuals eager to live independently in their own homes as long as they possibly can; and

Whereas, Home care services allow families to stay together, and provide for greater health, dignity, and comfort in our communities; and

Whereas, Home care in the U.S. is a growing alternative to hospitalization or other institution-based forms of health care for acute and chronic illnesses, providing care to millions of Americans each year; and

Whereas, Two million everyday heroes – including home care nurses, therapists, and aides –will travel almost a billion miles to deliver care and worked tirelessly to provide professional support to millions of Americans in need of quality health services. These dedicated home care professionals and volunteers form a support network that continues to play a vital role in health care delivery for our nation's disabled, infirm, and aging population; and

Whereas, Holzer Health System, the National Association for Home Care & Hospice, and thousands of home care agencies across the U.S. have declared the month of November as **National Home Care & Hospice Month** and are calling on all Americans to observe these occasions with appropriate ceremonies and activities; and

Now, Therefore, We, the Gallia County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim November 2022, as **National Home Care & Hospice Month** in Gallia County and encourage the support and participation of all citizens in learning more about the home care and hospice concepts of care for the elderly, disabled, and infirm.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused this official seal of Gallia County to be affixed this 3rd day of November, 2022.

s/Harold Montgomery

Harold G. Montgomery, President

s/Q. Jay Stapleton

Q. Jay Stapleton, Commissioner

EXECUTIVE SESSION – COMMISSIONERS - CONTRACT

At 11:08 a.m. the President entertained a motion to enter into executive session with Commissioners only to discuss personnel matters. Mr. Stapleton moved and Mr. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea. Returned to regular session at 11:24 a.m. No action taken.

DJFS – EMPLOYEE RESIGNATION – ROBERT DRUMMOND

Director Dana Glassburn presented a letter of resignation from Robert Drummond for the Commissioners approval. The President entertained a motion to except the resignation of Robert Drummond. Mr. Stapleton moved and Mr. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

VETERAN SERVICE OFFICE – 2023 BUDGET

John Thomas, VSO Director, Tom White, Bob McCarley, and Gary Fenderbosch, Veteran Service Commission presented the proposed 2023 budget to the commissioners. No action taken.

PALMER CONSERVATION CONSULTING

Joe Sokol, Regional Manager Palmer Conservation Consulting presented a proposal for professional engineering and consulting services for the current courthouse HVAC project planning. No action taken.

COUNTY JAIL MEETING

* 1:30 pm Commissioners Harold Montgomery, Q. Jay Stapleton, Interim County Administrator Kevin Nicholas met with Granger and DLZ for the Jail OAC meeting in the Granger field office conference room, 537 2nd Ave. Gallipolis, Ohio.

TREASURER – 2023 BUDGET

Steve McGhee, Treasurer, presented his proposed 2023 budget request to the commissioners. No action taken.

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HOLZER WELLNESS CENTER – CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

Kevin Nicholas, Interim County Administrator presented a corporate membership program agreement from the Holzer Therapy & Wellness Center to the commissioners. Mr. Montgomery discussed that the agreement was a good benefit for the county employees to have available for their use. Mr. Montgomery entertained a motion to approve the agreement. Mr. Stapleton moved and Mr. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

EMS – 2023 BUDGET

Keith Wilson, EMS Director presented his proposed 2023 budget request to the commissioners. No action taken.

AUDITOR – 2023 FINANCIAL STATEMENT CONTRACT

Robbie Jacks, Auditor presented a recommended contract for Millhuff-Stang CPA company to provide the Auditor's 2023-2026 annual financial statement and federal schedule statements which is less cost than the prior company used for this service. The cost would start at \$28,000 for the 2023 year and only increase \$1,000.00 each year after 2023. Mr. Montgomery entertained a motion to approve the contract. Mr. Stapleton moved and Mr. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

***4:00 – 6:00 p.m. The Commissioners attended an OVRDC sponsored workshop on the new Appalachian Community Grant Program (ACGP) in Bob Evans Farms Hall at the University of Rio Grande.**

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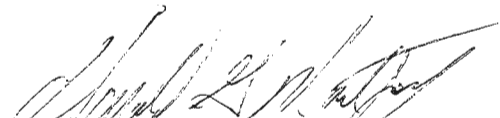
At 6:00 p.m. the President entertained a motion to recess today's meeting and reconvene on November 9, 2022, at 3:30 p.m. to conduct a zoom meeting with the Lawrence County Commissioners and discuss the Appalachian Community Grant Program (ACGP) opportunities between the two counties. Mr. Stapleton moved and Mr. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.

NOVEMBER 9, 2022


The Gallia County Board of Commissioners reconvened 3:30 p.m. on this date for the purpose of meeting with the Lawrence County Commissioners (via a zoom video conference) and discuss the Appalachian Community Grant Program (ACGP) opportunities between the two counties. No action taken.

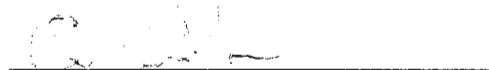
ADJOURN

At 4:30 p.m. the President entertained a motion for adjournment. Mr. Stapleton moved and Mr. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea.


Harold G. Montgomery, President


Kevin Nicholas, Interim County Administrator


David H. Smith, Vice President
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Q. Jay Stapleton, Commissioner