

JANUARY 19, 2023

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 the President. Roll Call: President David K. Smith, present; Vice President Q. Jay Stapleton, present; Commissioner Leslie Henry, present.

The President entertained a motion for approval of the January 12, 2023 minutes. Ms. Henry made and Mr. Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

2023 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
1/15	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	24	0	0	0	8

EXECUTIVE SESSION – COMMISSIONERS – PERSONNEL

9:39 a.m., the President entertained a motion to enter into executive session with Commissioners to discuss personnel matters. Q. Jay Stapleton moved and Leslie Henry seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea. Returned to regular session at 9:55 a.m. No action taken.

DJFS

Director Dana Glassburn requested permission from the commission to sign a Memo of Understanding between DJFS and Caring for Kids Inc. that would allow DJFS to share information with them which helps with the fostering and adoption processes. The President entertained a motion to allow Mr. Glassburn to sign the MOU. Leslie Henry moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

Director Dana Glassburn informed the commissioners that he had hired a business to scan some very old records from the former Children Services building into electronic format. This will be maintained free of charge by the State and paid for in the amount of \$30,000.00 with grant money. No action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – DJFS – PERSONNEL

10:19 a.m., the President entertained a motion to enter into executive session with Director Dana Glassburn to discuss personnel matters. Q. Jay Stapleton moved and Leslie Henry seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea. Returned to regular session at 10:36 a.m. No action taken.

IT – APPLICATION & WEBSITE PROTECTION

IT Director John Grubb proposed to the commissioners for the county to implement the same policy that the Ohio Governor issued in an executive order that prohibits certain applications, platforms, and websites on State-owned and State-Leased devices. Mr. Grubb stated that the social media application TikTok is the one that should be prohibited for use on county owned or leased devices. TikTok is a Chinese owned company and under current Chinese Government laws, all businesses located in China are required to assist the government in intelligence work. Mr. Smith asked Mr. Grubb to see if other counties were implementing these policies. Mr. Smith also asked for a legal review by the county Prosecutor of this recommended IT policy. No action taken.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICE AGREEMENT

Cole Massie, Director of Economic Development with the University of Rio Grande presented to the commission a proposed Economic Development agreement with the county. Mr. Smith asked for the agreement to get a legal review by the County Prosecutor. The president also stated that he would like added into the agreement that the commissioners reserve the right to hire an Economic Development County employee if they would choose to. Mr. Massie was asked to return in two weeks for signing of the agreement pending the legal review. No action taken.

CEBCO WELLNESS GRANT AGREEMENT

County Administrator Kevin Nicholas presented to the commissioners a wellness grant agreement with CEBCO that needed signing, enabling him to represent the county for the CEBCO Wellness program. The president entertained a motion for Mr. Nicholas to be appointed as the CEBCO Wellness representative. Mr. Stapleton moved and Ms. Henry seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

EMS – HEATING & COOLING UNIT

Keith Wilson, EMS Director gave the commissioners an estimate from Burnett Heating and Cooling for \$8,571.00 to replace the heating and cooling unit at the EMS building. Mr. Wilson stated that he had the funds available in his budget to cover the cost of the unit. The president entertained a motion for Mr. Wilson to purchase the unit in the amount of \$8,571.00. Mr. Stapleton moved and Ms. Henry seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

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911 – EQUIPMENT UPGRADE

Sherry Daines, 911 Director, gave the commissioners an update on the possibilities she and Grant Administrator Karen Sprague had researched for the 911 equipment upgrade. Ms. Sprague would need permission from the commissioners to begin exploring grants, loans, or leasing options. The president entertained a motion to have Ms. Sprague research the funding options. Leslie Henry made and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

2023 OPWC APPOINTMENT

The President entertained a motion to designate Commissioner Leslie Henry for the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) Integrating Committee member. Q. Jay Stapleton made and Leslie Henry seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

A Resolution Naming the Gallia County Commissioner's Appointment to the District 15 Public Works Integrating Committee

Whereas, Chapter 164.04, Division A6 of the Ohio Revised Code defines membership to the District 15 Public Works Integrating Committee (PWIC), and

Whereas, such definition states: "... one (member) shall be appointed (to the 30-member committee) by each board of county commissioners..."

Now, Therefore be it resolved by the Gallia County Commissioners:

Section 1: That the Gallia County Commissioners hereby appoint Leslie Henry to serve on the District 15 Public Works Integrating Committee for a remainder of the three (3) years beginning October, 2021; and

Section 2: That the appointed individual will serve the remaining of three (3) year term in its entirety unless he/she submits a formal letter of resignation to the District 15 Coordinator's office, and

Section 3: That the appointed individual will serve on the county subcommittee and participate in the county review and prioritization of OPWC assisted projects in his/her county, and

Section 4: That the appointed individual will attend in person approximately two (2) to four (4) Full Integrating Committee meetings annually.

Date: January 19th, 2023

Signatures of Authorized Body:

s/ David K. Smith, President

s/ Q. Jay Stapleton, Vice President

s/ Leslie Henry, Commissioner

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of the Resolution, *s/ Amanda Phillips*, Clerk to the Board

SHERIFF'S DEPT – INTERVIEW ROOM TECHNOLOGY

Sheriff Matt Champlin and Chief Deputy Troy Johnson presented to the commissioners a plan to purchase a new computer system that would digitize and streamline the way the Sheriff department records and disseminates interviews. Mr. Johnson stated that the system would store and provide secure access to all the legal and law enforcement personnel requiring access to these recorded interviews. Sheriff Champlin stated that they could also integrate this system into the current Sheriff office in the courthouse and inside the interview rooms within the new Jail being constructed for a total integrated system. Mr. Johnson stated that the system, warranties, and service contracts would cost approximately \$20,000.00. Mr. Smith asked if the Sheriff and other departments using the system could cover a portion of the cost. Sheriff Champlin stated that he would research the possible funding options with all departments that would require access to the system. No action taken.

SHERIFF'S DEPT – VEHICLE REQUEST

Sheriff Matt Champlin and Chief Deputy Troy Johnson presented to the commissioners a plan to purchase four new patrol vehicles in 2023 as part of their scheduled vehicle fleet rotation. Mr. Johnson provided the current vehicle list with age and mileage of each current patrol vehicle to explain which vehicles are in the mileage range to move into the back up vehicles, and then sell the back up vehicles. The cost of each new Chevy Tahoe patrol vehicle is \$62,894.50. Mr. Smith stated that with the uncertain cost to fully operate the new county jail when it becomes operational later this fiscal year, he does not want to increase the 2023 appropriation budget by a large amount at this time of the year. Sheriff Champlin asked if they would consider purchasing one new vehicle soon, and then revisit the purchase of additional vehicles later in the year. Mr. Smith stated that the commissioners would discuss this option. No action taken.

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* 1:30 pm – The Commissioners David K. Smith, Q. Jay Stapleton, Leslie Henry and 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.

LAW LIBRARY BOARD – STAFFING

Members of the Law Library Board met to discuss the replacement of Law Librarian Gloria Stevers who is retiring at the end of January. In attendance were Judge Margaret Evans, Emily Vansickle, Anette Brown and Magistrate Tommy Saunders. President Smith stated how the Law Library board would recommend the position, but the county would be the employer, and that the position be a part-time, 20 hours per week position. Once a candidate has been selected for the Commissioners to approve, the members will meet again. No action taken.

GREEN TWP TRUSTEES – GREEN 2 SEWER PROJECT UPDATE

Green Township Trustees Clark Saunders, Seth Montgomery, Lonnie Boggs, and Fiscal Officer Joe Foster met with the Commissioners to find out the status of the Green Sewer 2 project. David K. Smith explained the termination of the contractor J&H and the process the county must go through to get another contractor to complete the project. Mr. Smith also explained the legal requirements, testing of the system, and time it may take to get a contractor moving forward with construction. No action is taken.

GREEN TWP TRUSTEES – WOOD SUB-DIVISION ROAD PETITION

Green Township Trustees Clark Saunders, Seth Montgomery, Lonnie Boggs, and Fiscal Officer Joe Foster had questions about a petition filed to convert the private, Oak Ridge Road located in the Wood Sub-Division to a public, Green Township Road. The Trustees were briefed on the intent and background of the petition submitted. The trustees expressed concern about the condition of the road and President Smith told them that all issues will be taken into consideration. Mr. Smith noted that a legal review was being done by the Prosecutor and the follow-on steps of a road visit, owner notifications, and a public hearing will need to be completed. No action taken.

*3:00 pm. all three commissioners attended the Land Bank board meeting in the commissioner office.

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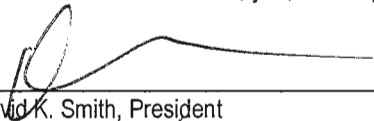
At 4:35 p.m. the President entertained a motion to recess today's meeting and reconvene on January 26, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. to continue unfinished business. Mr. Stapleton moved and Ms. Henry seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

JANUARY 26, 2023

The Gallia County Board of Commissioners reconvened on this date for the purpose of completing unfinished business from the January 19, 2023 commissioner meeting. No further official business discussed. At 9:00 a.m. the meeting was called to order by President David K. Smith. Roll Call: President David K. Smith, present; Vice President Q. Jay Stapleton, present; Commissioner Leslie Henry, present.

ADJOURN

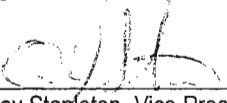
At 9:05 a.m. the President entertained a motion for adjournment. Mr. Stapleton moved and Ms. Henry seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.




David K. Smith, President



Amanda Phillips, Clerk to the Board



Q. Jay Stapleton, Vice President



Leslie Henry, Commissioner