

AUGUST 3, 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 President David K. Smith. 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 July 27, 2023 minutes. Q. Jay Stapleton made and David K. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, abstain.

The President entertained a motion for approval of the July 31, 2023 emergency meeting minutes. Leslie Henry made and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

TRAVEL REQUESTS				
DEPARTMENT	NAME	DATE	TO	RE:
Commissioners	David K. Smith Jay Stapleton Leslie Henry	8/10/23	Wellston, Ohio	Solid Waste Meeting

The President entertained a motion to approve travel requests as submitted. Q. Jay Stapleton made and Leslie Henry seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton; 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
7/30	2	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	8	19	0	0	0	10

CASO & HARRIS, INC. — RE-ORDER

GREEN SEWER 2 SETTLEMENT FUND CREATION APPROVAL

Commission President David Smith entertained a motion to request the County Auditor's Office to create a new fund titled "Green Sewer 2 Settlement", give that fund number 410, and create the following revenue and expense line items for the \$6,780,126.16 bond settlement funds:

Create 410.0410.531100 title Green Sewer 2 Settlement

Also, request the County Auditor's Office to create the following revenue line items:

Create 410.6000.400100 Green Sewer 2 Settlement Revenue (estimated revenue \$6,780,126.16)

Create 410.6000.400101 Interest Revenue (estimated revenue \$1000)

moved and seconded this motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

GRANT ADMINISTRATOR

Grant Administrator Karen Sprague discussed the RFPRFQ response from GMCAA and discussed the Cheshire DD Sewer laterals to connect the buildings. No action taken.

LEAVE DONATION APPLICATION – 911

Amanda Phillips, Clerk, presented a leave donation application from the 911 department. Dustin Collett donated 2.21 hours of sick leave to Melissa Evans for the pay period dated 7/15/23-7/29/23. The President entertained a motion to approve the sick leave donation. Leslie Henry moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, absent.

SPECIAL PROJECTS MANAGER

Special Projects Manager Tom White requested an allowance to purchase 2 tables to place out front for staff to have lunch on in the amount \$1680.00 that will be paid from the CEBCO Wellness grant fund. President Smith entertained allowing Mr. White to purchase these tables for the staff. Q. Jay Stapleton made and Leslie Henry seconded the motion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – COMMISSIONERS – PERSONNEL

10:30 a.m., the President entertained a motion to enter into executive session with Special Projects Manager Tom White and the County Administrator to discuss the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or

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compensation of a public employee. Q. Jay Stapleton made and Leslie Henry seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea. Returned to regular session at 10:45 a.m. No action taken.

CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT PROCLAMATION

JFS Director Dana Glassburn presented to the Commissioners a Child Support Enforcement Proclamation which the Commissioners signed with a motion by Q. Jay Stapleton and a second by Leslie Henry. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

**PROCLAMATION
Child Support Awareness Month**

WHEREAS, Ohio acknowledges that support from both parents is essential to meeting children’s physical, social, and emotional needs and laying the groundwork for their future success; and

WHEREAS, Ohio is committed to helping families access community resources that can help them overcome barriers to paying child support; and

WHEREAS, Ohio’s Child Support Program is dedicated to collaborating with multiple agencies and organizations to strengthen families and prioritize children’s wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, Ohio recognizes parents, child support professionals, government agencies, employers, and other partners that help ensure children receive the support they need; and

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, the Gallia County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the month of August as Child Support Awareness Month in the County of Gallia, State of Ohio, on this 3rd day of August 2023.

s/ David K. Smith, President

s/ Q. Jay Stapleton, Vice President

s/ Leslie Henry, Commissioner

PLANNING COMMISSION


Nick Mills, Garret Fulk and Craig Barnes of the Planning Commission met with the Commissioners to discuss the recent resignations from Bret Boothe, Paul Hutchins and Adam Edwards. With these resignations, the Commission will need to appoint new members so that they can have enough members for a quorum. Mr. Mills and Mr. Barnes also discussed the reasoning for the resignations and the concerns with the Oak Ridge Road/Woods Subdivision decision. President Smith explained that the Commission made their decision based on the Prosecutors opinion and the ORC. The Commissioners stated that they can’t violate ORC to make the road public. Mr. Mills mentioned that other roads have been made public that violate the referenced ORC (ORC 5553.02). President Smith stated that they understand but have to make decisions based off the current ORC and can’t put the county in a liable position. The public park dedication was discussed as an option to adhere to ORC 5553.02. Mr. Barnes brought up some additional ORC (referencing public welfare and safety). The Commissioners are seeking additional legal opinions from the Prosecutor’s Office on these. The Planning Commission will meet again with the Commissioners on August 10th. No action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – COMMISSIONERS – PERSONNEL

11:40 a.m., the President entertained a motion to enter into executive session with Brian Rutherford, County Administrator to discuss the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee. Q. Jay Stapleton made and Leslie Henry seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea. Returned to regular session at 12:45 a.m. No action taken.

ADJOURN

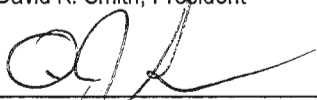
At 4:00 p.m. the President entertained a motion for adjournment. Q. Jay Stapleton made and Leslie Henry seconded motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.



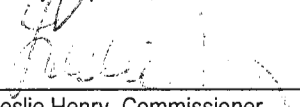
David K. Smith, President



Amanda Phillips, Clerk to the Board



Q. Jay Stapleton, Vice President



Leslie Henry, Commissioner