

**AUGUST 24, 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 August 17, 2023 minutes. Leslie Henry made and Q. Jay 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
8/20	4	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	5	28	0	0	0	10

**OPWC/PROJECT GRANT LOAN AGREEMENT – JOHNSON, HONEYSUCKLE, ET AL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS**

Commission received the OPWC Grant/Loan Agreement between the State of Ohio and Gallia County Engineer for approval and signing. This agreement is in respect and funding of the Project named Johnson, Honeysuckle, Et Al Road Improvements and is not to exceed \$730,000.00. President Smith entertained a motion that the grant/loan agreement be approved and signed as presented. Leslie Henry moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

\*There is a complete copy of this agreement on file in the Commissioner’s office.

**SHERIFF – OUT OF COUNTY HOUSING BILL & MISCELLANEOUS COSTS**

Sheriff Matt Champlin presented to the commissioners a request for \$349,198.17 to pay for the end of our major out of county housing costs and \$62,565.30 for Healthcare services, the State of Ohio Treasurer and Gordon Food Service. The president entertained a supplemental appropriation to be made in the amount of \$411,763.00 to cover the cost of the owed out of county housing and the other miscellaneous costs. Q. Jay Stapleton made and Leslie Henry seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

**GCDD WWTP IMPROVEMENTS PAYMENT APPLICATION # 4**

Grants Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with Payment Application # 4 for the GCDD WWTP Improvements Project for the following items:

- Construction - \$104,028.75
- Engineering - \$0.00
- Total = \$104,028.75

Invoices will be paid as follows:

- Mack Industries, Inc. Pay Application # 4 = \$104,028.75 to be paid from 2021 WWIP-GCDD WWTP Grant Fund #390

President Smith entertained a motion to approve & sign the contractors payment application # 4 as submitted. Leslie Henry moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

**LEAVE DONATION APPLICATION – SHERIFF**

Amanda Phillips, Clerk, presented a leave donation application from the Sheriff’s department. Breanna Wolford donated 24 hours of sick leave to Dakota Maynard for the pay period dated 8/12/23-8/25/23. 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, yea.

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**LEAVE DONATION APPLICATION – SHERIFF**

Amanda Phillips, Clerk, presented a leave donation application from the Sheriff's department. Amy McCoy donated 40 hours of sick leave to Dakota Maynard for the pay period dated 8/12/23-8/25/23. 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, yea.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – DJFS – PERSONNEL**

At 10:011 a.m. the president entertained a motion to enter into executive session with DJFS Director Dana Glassburn to discuss the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee. 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 10:18 a.m., no action taken.

**DJFS – NEW HIRE**

Dana Glassburn, GCDJFS Director, recommended hiring Jessica Smith to fill the position of Child Protective Services Case Manager 2, Classification Number 34136, Position control # 50002.0, 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). The starting pay rate is \$19.80/hour. President Smith entertained the recommendation from Mr. Glassburn to hire Ms. Smith. Q. Jay Stapleton moved and Leslie Henry seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

**DJFS – NEW HIRE**

Dana Glassburn, GCDJFS Director, recommended hiring Nate Wright to fill the position of Child Protective Services Case Manager 2, Classification Number 34136, Position control # 50001.0, 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). The starting pay rate is \$19.80/hour. President Smith entertained the recommendation from Mr. Glassburn to hire Mr. Wright. Leslie Henry moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

**ASSISTANT PROSECUTING ATTORNEY – CONFLICT OF INTEREST WAIVER**

Assistant Prosecutor David C. Evans presented the following resolution for approval. President Smith entertained approving the resolution. Leslie Henry moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

Whereas, David C. Evans has been appointed as Gallia County Assistant Prosecutor, and assigned delinquent tax foreclosures matters for the County;

Whereas, David C. Evans is legal counsel for the Gallia County Land Reutilization Corporation;

Whereas, the Board of Commissioners of Gallia County, Ohio has been informed that it is a conflict of interest for David C. Evans to represent multiple parties in the same matter;

Whereas, the Board of Commissioners of Gallia County, Ohio indicates that it acknowledges the absence of any adverse interests or material limitation of legal duties of David C. Evans to it and the Gallia County Land Reutilization Corporation. The Board of Commissioners of Gallia County, Ohio has been informed and understands that any delinquent tax foreclosure information provided to Attorney David C. Evans may be shared with the Gallia County Reutilization as there will be no confidentiality as between the two parties. Yet, all information that the parties/clients share with Attorney David C. Evans shall remain confidential under the attorney: client privilege as to all other persons unless the clients) voluntarily disclose(s) such to a third party, a privilege exception or valid Court Order would later require disclosure.

Whereas, the Board of Commissioners of Gallia County, Ohio further agrees to not share any confidential information, otherwise protected by the attorney: client privilege, with any third persons/parties to prevent any future conflict, adverse interests or material limitations hereto.

Now, therefore, nevertheless, the Board of Commissioners of Gallia County, Ohio agrees to, and does hereby, waive any conflict of interest David C. Evans may have, acknowledges its informed consent and specifically requests that David C. Evans represent the Board of Commissioners of Gallia County, Ohio, as Assistant Prosecutor, so long as it and the Gallia County Land Reutilization Corporation remain not adverse to each other. In the event said parties should become adverse in such delinquent tax foreclosure matters, David C. Evans will immediately withdraw from requesting Gallia County Land Reutilization Corporation in such matter(s).

Board of Commissioners of Gallia County, Ohio:

*s/David K. Smith, President*

*s/Q. Jay Stapleton, Vice President*

*s/Leslie Henry, Commissioner*

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JACKSON PIKE PROPERTY

Darrell Salisbury, Randy Phillips and Dr. Nicholas Landry met with the Commissioners to voice interest in the Jackson Pike Property. Dr. Landry expressed his plans to expand his addiction services and need for property to do so. President Smith along with DJFS Director Dana Glassburn explained the use and the need the County has for that property. No action taken.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Cole Massie, Economic Development met with the Commissioners to introduce Gloria Blauvelt who is the Ohio SE Project Manager. No action taken.

11:45 am The Commissioners attended the Land Bank Meeting.

12:10 pm The Commissioners returned to regular session.

SEWER PROCESSES

Tommy Dillon and Gary Myers, Sewer Dept. and John McKean along with Josh Sherwood from the Gallia County Health Dep. met with the Commissioners to discuss processes and different scenario's involving the sewer. No action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – COMMISSIONERS – PERSONNEL

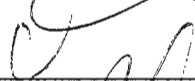
2:18 p.m., the President entertained a motion to enter into executive session with the County Administrator to discuss the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee. Leslie Henry made and David K. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea. Returned to regular session at 2:40 p.m. No action taken.


EMA/EMS BUILDING


Keith Wilson, EMS Director submitted an estimate from Christian Morris Construction in the amount of \$9400.00 to replace the roof on the building that is used to store the rescue equipment for EMS/EMA. President Smith entertained a motion to approve the roof replacement in the amount submitted. Q. Jay Stapleton moved and Leslie Henry seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

ADJOURN

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

  
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David K. Smith, President

  
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Amanda Phillips, Clerk to the Board

  
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Q. Jay Stapleton, Vice President

  
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Leslie Henry, Commissioner