

NOVEMBER 2, 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 October 26, 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
10/29	1	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	10	29	0	0	0	9

EXECUTIVE SESSION – COMMISSIONERS – CONTRACTS

At 9:25 a.m. the president entertained a motion to enter into executive session with County Administrator to discuss contracts. Leslie Henry moved and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea. Returned to regular session at 9:37 a.m., no action taken.

CLERK OF COURTS – 2024 BUDGET

Clerk of Courts Noreen Saunders presented their proposed 2024 budget request to the commissioners. No action taken.

CDBG CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT (B-X-21-1AY-1) FINAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

GMCAA Grants Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with the Final Performance Report for the period September 1, 2021 thru October 31, 2023 for the County's FY 2021 CDBG Critical Infrastructure Grant (B-X-21-1AY-1) which has been submitted to the Ohio Department of Development. The following project/activity were noted:

- Sewer Facility Improvements – Tara Estates Sewer Replacement Project – Grant award \$398,100; Drawn/Expended \$372,917.04
- o Project Local Match – B-F-21-1AY-1 Grant \$130,000; Expended \$120,990.87
- o Project Local Match – 2021 WWIP Grant \$1,243,163; Expended \$1,163,501.22
- Professional Fees – Tara Estates Sewer Replacement Project – Grant award \$71,900; Drawn/Expended \$41,059.98
- o Project Local Match – 2021 WWIP Grant \$130,431; Expended \$74,611.78
- Administration – Grant award \$30,000; Drawn/Expended \$30,000.00
- Total Grant Award \$500,000; Grant Expended \$443,977.02; Local Match expended \$1,359,103.87

David Smith entertained a motion that the Final Performance Report be approved as submitted to ODOD. Q. Jay Stapleton made and Leslie Henry seconded that motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea. The form is on file in the County's CDBG grant files.

CDBG COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT (B-F-21-1AY-1) FINAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

GMCAA Grants Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with the Final Performance Report for the period September 1, 2021 thru October 31, 2023 for the County's FY 2021 CDBG Community Development Grant (B-F-21-1AY-1) which has been submitted to the Ohio Department of Development. The following project/activity were noted:

- Sewer Facility Improvements – Tara Estates Sewer Replacement Project – Grant award \$130,000; Drawn/Expended \$120,990.87
- o Project Local Match – B-X-21-1AY-1 Grant \$470,000; Expended \$413,977.02
- o Project Local Match – 2021 WWIP Grant \$1,373,594; Expended \$1,238,113.00

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- Fair Housing – Grant award \$8,000; Drawn/Expended \$8,000.00
- Administration – Grant award \$24,000; Drawn/Expended \$24,000.00
- o Administration Local Match – B-X-21-1AY-1 Grant \$30,000; Expended \$30,000.00
- Total Grant Award \$162,000; Grant Expended \$152,990.87; Local Match expended \$1,682,090.02

David Smith entertained a motion that the Final Performance Report be approved as submitted to ODOD. Q. Jay Stapleton made and Leslie Henry seconded that motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea. The form is on file in the County's CDBG grant files.

COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENT

President Smith entertained a motion to journalize his appointment to the Gallia-Meigs Community Action Agency Board, replacing Eugene Green retroactive to be in effect beginning November 10, 2022 for the balance of calendar year 2022 and for all of calendar year 2023. Q. Jay Stapleton made and Leslie Henry seconded that motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

PROSECUTOR – DELINQUENT TAX FORECLOSURE STATUS

Prosecutor Jason Holdren and Assistant Prosecuting Attorney David Evans met with the Commissioners to provide an update on the status of the delinquent tax foreclosures. No action taken.

IMAGINATION LIBRARY – INTRODUCTION

Debbie Canter, with Imagination Library and Lisa McCarty with the program partner Easter Seals met with the Commissioners for an introduction. Imagination Library was founded by Dolly Parton and provides a free book a month to children from birth to 5 years of age for literacy awareness. No action taken.

IT – 2024 BUDGET

IT Director John Grubb presented his proposed 2024 budget request to the commissioners. No action taken.

**COMMISSIONERS – BID OPENING
KRISTI & DEENIE DRIVE PROJECT**

At 10:30 a.m. President Smith opened the following bids for the Deenie & Kristi Drive Project.

Company	Total Bid
Shelly Company Concrete	\$439,347.50
Shelly Company Asphalt	\$286,750.00

The bids were turned over to the Commissioners for review and recommendation. The following were in attendance: Trevor Small, Shelly Co. and Lonnie Boggs, Green Township Trustee.

COLE MASSIE – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Cole Massie, Economic Development met with the Commissioners to provide an update on the Appalachian Community Grant Program. No action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – COMMISSIONERS – CONTRACTS

At 1:45 p.m. the president entertained a motion to enter into executive session with Economic Developments Cole Massie to discuss Economic Development Projects. 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 2:16 p.m., no action taken.

JAIL PROJECT – PAYMENT RESOLUTION #28

Manager, Special Projects, Tom White presented the Commission with Payment Resolution #29 for the Gallia County Jail Project to Granger Construction Company in the amount of \$262,028.50. DLZ Principle Architect, Greg Galieti recommends approval of the above invoice and pay application. The President entertained a motion to approve and pay invoices from pay resolution #29. Q. Jay Stapleton moved and Leslie Henry seconded the motion to approve payment resolution #29 as submitted. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

JAIL FOOD SERVICE– BID OPENING

At 2:30 p.m. President Smith opened the following bids for Jail Food Service.

CASTO & HARRIS, INC. — RE-ORDER NO. 25403-23

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Company	Total Bid
Turn Key Corrections/Skillet Kitchen	3.95 per meal

The bids were turned over to the Sheriff for review and recommendation. The following were in attendance:

EMS – 2024 BUDGET

Keith Wilson, EMS Director presented their proposed 2024 budget request to the commissioners. No action taken.

STATE ARC GRANT (S-P-21-1AY-1) 3rd STATUS REPORT

GMCAA Grants Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with the 3rd Status Report for the period May 1, 2022 thru October 31, 2023 for the County's FY 2021 State ARC Grant (S-P-21-1AY-1) for the Airport Terminal Building Project which has been submitted to the Ohio Department of Development. The following project/activity were noted:

- Airport Terminal Building – Grant award \$250,000; Drawn/Expended \$67,188
- o Project Local Match – 2022 FAA Grant \$106,875; Expended \$106,875
- o Project Local Match – 2023 ODOT Grant \$5,937; Expended \$5,937

David Smith entertained a motion that the 3rd Status Report be approved as submitted to ODOD. Leslie Henry made and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded that motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea. The form is on file in the County's Airport ARC grant files.

EMERGENCY DECLARATION – KRISTI AND DEENIE ROADS PAVING

Commission President David K. Smith entertained a motion for a declaration that a real and present emergency exists with regard to the repair and paving of Kristi and Deenie Drive that was damaged as part of the Green Sewer Phase 2 Project by sewer contractor J&H. Mr. Smith expressed a necessary emergency due to the following:

- In order to provide for the safety of the traveling public,
- To protect Krisi & Deenie Drive from further damage during the upcoming winter season
- The local asphalt plants will be closing in the next few weeks and will not reopen until spring 2024

Q. Jay Stapleton moved and Leslie Henry seconded the motion. Roll call votes: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

BID AWARD

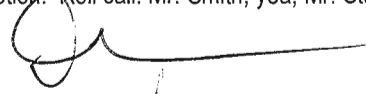
Pursuant to the Declared emergency on Kristi and Deenie Drive, President Smith entertained a motion to award the paving project to Shelly Co. in the amount of \$286,750.00. Q. Jay Stapleton moved and Leslie Henry seconded the motion. Roll call votes: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

COURTHOUSE WINDOW BLINDS

Commissioner Henry presented the Commission with an estimate for blinds to cover 36 windows in the Courthouse from Blind Wizard in the amount of \$12,984.00. Noreen Saunders, Clerk of Courts has agreed to contribute \$3020.00 of that estimated cost. President Smith entertained a motion to purchase the blinds in the amount presented. Leslie Henry made and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.

ADJOURN

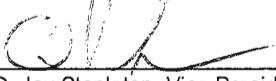
At 4:00 p.m. the President entertained a motion for adjournment. Leslie Henry made and Q. Jay Stapleton seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Stapleton, yea; Ms. Henry, yea.




 David K. Smith, President



 Amanda Phillips, Clerk to the Board



 Q. Jay Stapleton, Vice President



 Leslie Henry, Commissioner