

# Minutes 2017

Tuesday October 10, 2017  
Boardroom of the Commissioners  
622 Croghan St., Fremont, OH 43420

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Commissioner Schwochow led the pledge of allegiance and called session to order. Session began at 8:00am.

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Throughout the day the following occurred .....

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Commissioners reviewed numerous mailings. Minutes from session 10/5/17 were reviewed and approved. Invoices were approved in electronic fashion and paper fashion.

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- Commissioner Miller assisted in the Farmers Market and worked at the courthouse open house as part of the historical theme of the Farmers Market. Security was provided by Sheriff Hilton and Chief Hastings. There was approximately 50 people that engaged in the open house.

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County Administrator discussion:

- Talked about a phone call from a concerned citizen about some issues with the train tracks down off of Fifth St. and Bloom Road. Commissioner Reiter went out and looked at the area and we can meet with Chief Jackson and Chief Foos to talk about it.

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Peggy Courtney – Visitor Bureau

- Peggy presented some statistics that she had found regarding bed tax collected in other counties and how it is divided. Everyone is pretty consistent throughout the area. They discussed how the bed tax is used in other areas and why the bed tax is where it is at. They reviewed the tax laws and Peggy is going to do more research.
- Visitors guide funds are being collected. She wanted to make sure that the Board was still interested in contribution. Commissioner Schwochow moved that we maintain or past contribution. Commissioner Reiter seconded the motion.  
Schwochow – yes                      Reiter – yes                      Miller - yes
- Talked about the jail tours and how that is going. She said it is going well so far. They are trying to make sure to work around the servers so that they don't disturb those. The servers should be moved in about three weeks.
- Commissioner Miller asked about the new comer packets that the Visitors Bureau passes out. He would like to see a copy of that if possible.

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Gwen Soule, Katie LaPlant and Allen Gahler – OSU Extension

- Katie talked about the programs she is involved in and the programs that are covered by the CHIP program. One in particular is the SNAP program.
- Creating healthy communities grant, they partnered with the farmers market this year to promote this program and it was very successful. They had a table that they did a healthy snack for people

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- Smart Start program is four lessons for preschoolers to talk about basic money concepts and earning and spending money.
- Commissioner Reiter asked about how her program is spread out around the county and not just Fremont. Katie has reached out to try to make sure she does move around the county.
- Gwen talked about the 2017 4-H program. It was a good year and very few problems. The numbers about the same as last year. Some of the sports programs affect the numbers for Camp. Next year they are looking at starting some SPIN or SPARK Clubs. These are shorter programs that are based on special interests. They meet three to six times and talk about one particular interest. They really want to stress that 4-H isn't just for "farm kids" to bring numbers up.
- They did hire an AG supervisor to help with the Master Gardner program. She will be starting October 31<sup>st</sup>. They are currently making room in the office for her.
- They are talking to Facility Management about their storage shed. They did suggest where they should put the shed and asked for a concrete pad. They can't put concrete but they will be putting stone on the bottom. Commissioner Reiter asked if anyone checked on zoning. Gwen informed them that Ron was going to take care of checking on that.
- Allen discussed the drive way that they have been working on for the Community Garden. They did get some bids from local vendors. They were hoping to have that done in August but they had not received the money from Nexus to date. They have had some work days and have the beds built and had about twenty volunteers come to help. There were some issues with the check but it should be here this week yet. The Master Gardner's group has been a great support on the project.
- Fremont Company had some problems getting cabbage processed, but they did finally get crops pulled.

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Then and Now: none

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Personnel actions taken: none

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Travel request: none

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Public forum portion of session proceeded.

Citizen attendees: none

Media attendees: none

### \*\*\* RESOLUTIONS \*\*\*

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#### **ADOPTING HEALTH INSURANCE RATES WITH CEBCO FOR SANDUSKY COUNTY EMPLOYEES FOR BENEFIT YEAR 2018**

M – Reiter

S- Miller

Schwochow – yes

Reiter – yes

Miller – yes

