

Sandusky County Commissioners – 622 Croghan Street, Fremont, OH 43420			2024 MEETING	
Meeting: Board Of Commissioners	Location: Commissioners' Board Room	Date: 3/14/2024	Time: 8:00AM – 10:43AM	
Present: Commissioners: Russ Zimmerman – President; Scott Miller– Vice President; Charles Schwochow				
Present: Theresa Garcia – County Administrator				
Others Present: Eric Arquette, Ron Hiser, Melanie Allen				
(*action items)				
AGENDA ITEMS	BRIEF DESCRIPTIONS / ACTION STEPS:	PERSON RESPONSIBLE:	DOLLAR AMOUNT:	MOTION / VOTE
Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance (8:00am)	***Commissioner Schwochow was not in session in the morning, he was attending the Soil & Water meeting	Russ Zimmerman, President		
*Review & Approval of Commissioner Meeting Minutes, incoming Mail Review & External Meeting Notices	The 3/12/2024 minutes were reviewed/approved by the Board. The Board reviewed incoming mail and external meeting notices.	Russ Zimmerman Scott Miller Charles Schwochow		*Motion: Move to Approve minutes Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 2 (Schwochow absent)
Review of External board / Meetings Attended by Commissioners	Commissioners Zimmerman and Miller attended the land bank meeting Tuesday. They have fourteen properties they have estimates on to have demolished. The environmental studies have been done. Land Bank Coordinator wanted confirmation from the Board the old Applebee Lumber building was going to be demolished. They are waiting for the money to come in for the projects.	Russ Zimmerman Scott Miller		
	Commissioner Miller attended the GLCAP meeting Tuesday evening. They had a list of items the Board reviewed and voted on that was general business. Commissioner Miller noted we may be able to get a summary of the meetings to attach to our minutes.	Scott Miller		


	Commissioners Zimmerman and Miller attended the AG Breakfast yesterday morning. They talked about the importance of agriculture in the community and how important it is to get young people involved. There are many job openings available in agriculture besides just farming. They introduced the FFA groups at the meeting. He encouraged young people to talk to adults in agriculture about the importance. They had vendor booths set up for the students to visit and ask questions. Bill Lamalie was presented Farmer of the Year award.	Russ Zimmerman Scott Miller		
	Commissioner Zimmerman attended the EZ Annual meeting Wednesday. They reviewed the current abatement agreements. Beth Hannam, EDC Executive Director, will be in later today with an update. (Beth is rescheduled for 3/28/24)	Russ Zimmerman		
	Commissioner Schwochow attended the Soil & Water meeting this morning. They reviewed the budget and programs. They still have a position open for the H2Ohio program and aren't getting many applications. Reports were given on all the programs. There is a program called a Farmers Preservation Program that puts an easement of some type on the farm so it can only be used for farming. Sandusky County is looking into this program.	Charles Schwochow		
Commissioners and Administrator Discussion	Meeting with Senator Reineke went well. He was presented with three projects we are looking for assistance with. He appreciated the information on the projects. They talked about SB 119 regarding Solid Waste.	Russ Zimmerman Scott Miller		
	Deputy Arquette, Courthouse Security, came over to talk to the Commissioners. He had received the notice about the buildings being closed for the Solar Eclipse. He heard that one office was not closing. The Commissioners recommend he verify with that office and talk to the Sheriff about security.	Eric Arquette - Deputy		
	Commissioner Miller attended a Downtown Fremont meeting. They reviewed what they did in 2023 and talked about events for 2024. The Downtown Amphitheater is booked of the 2024 season.	Scott Miller		

	<p>Administrator Garcia had a call from Northcoast Security. They would like to give a proposal on security options they could provide for the County. There are many different security options out there now that could be managed easier than what we have now. Commissioners agreed it is a good idea to look at those options.</p>	Theresa Garcia		
	<p>Commissioners discussed the conversation with the Fair Board on assistance with a building at the Fairgrounds. They would like the Commissioners to help pay for the update. Commissioner Miller moved to give the AG Society additional funding for the project.</p>			<p>*Motion: Move to Approve funding for fair barn project Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Charles Schwochow Yes – 3</p>
<p>* Then /Now Documents</p>	<p>One certificate was presented by EMS. The 2023 invoice did not arrive until 2024 after the PO's were liquidated. One invoice makes up this certificate. Treasurer State of Ohio - \$770.00</p> <p>One certificate was presented by the Commissioner's Office. CDBG PO's are closed at the end of the year as money may not be received from the State and 2024 PO's were not reestablished. Three invoices to the same vendor make up this certificate. GLCAP - \$3,301, \$500.00, \$3,801.00</p> <p>One certificate was presented by the Commissioner's Office. Five invoices make up this certificate:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The PO was not done prior to receiving the invoice as it was not received until the end of February. N-Able - \$43,432.70 2. We were not informed we would need to finish up the copier contracts with invoices from Perry ProTech instead of US Bank. Perry Protech - \$1,108.54, \$945.92, \$227.69 3. There was miscommunication as to who was paying for the permits for the work to be done at the JJC. Sandusky County Building Code - \$324.45, \$128.75 4. There was a PO in place but we did not receive the invoice prior to Finance closing the 2023 POs. Treasurer State of Ohio - \$90.00 5. The PO from 2023 was closed as we did not receive the invoice until after receiving a statement. Zimmerman Building Company - \$1,560.00 	<p>EMS</p> <p>Commissioners</p> <p>Commissioners</p>	<p>\$770.00</p> <p>\$3,301.00 \$500.00 \$3,801.00</p> <p>\$43,432.70 \$1,108.54 \$945.92 \$227.69 \$324.45 \$128.75 \$90.00 \$1,560.00</p>	<p>*Motion: Move to Approve certificates Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 2 (Schwochow absent)</p>

* Personnel	Health Insurance Transfer was signed for March invoice.		\$385,553.23	
* Travel Requests	None			
Facility Management	Ron Hiser – Facility Management. Ron came in for his regular meeting with the Commissioners. See attachment for agenda items. He is working with Wadsworth on putting together some energy efficiencies. The courthouse security camera is still having issues and they are working on that. Ron asked about the office space they want in Tax Map office. He asked if this is something they want to have happen.	Ron Hiser - Director		
Job and Family Services	Melanie Allen – DJFS. Melanie Allen came in for her regular meeting with the Commissioners. See attachment for agenda items. The Commissioners will be coming out for a placement review meeting later today and she will share more on numbers and costs on placement. Custody count has stayed the same although the children have swapped out. They have several children in high placement cost facilities. They are working on another solution for helping these children to get them in facilities that can give them the care they need. There is definitely a surge in behavioral issues. They still have positions they need to fill. There have been some reports of people getting skimmed or cloned and lost some of their food assistance. They try to help people out until they get their new cards back. Their Treatment Foster Care program has been shared with the State to clone and use as a model for other regions. They will give us some financial assistance to help with the program.	Melanie Allen - Director		
	*** Commissioner Schwochow entered session at 9:48am.			
EDC – Abatement review	Beth was unable to attend and needs to reschedule.			
* Resolutions	2024 - 98 GRANTING COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC, 290 WEST NATIONWIDE BOULEVARD, COLUMBUS OHIO 43215, THE RIGHT TO LAY PIPELINES, INCLUDING LATERAL PIPELINE CONNECTIONS ON LANDS SITUATED ON COUNTRYSIDE DRIVE IN THE CITY OF FREMONT, SANDUSKY COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO	Commissioners		*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 3

Public Open Session	Citizens Attendees – none Media Attendees – none Elected Officials – none			
* Adjournment (10:43am)	With business completed for the day the meeting was adjourned.			* Motion: Move to adjourn Moved by: 2nd: Yes - 3

Signature of:



Russ Zimmerman, President




Scott Miller, Vice President



Charles Schwochow

Board of County Commissioners, Sandusky County Ohio

Attest:



Clerk to the Board / County Administrator

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Commissioners, Sandusky County, Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy from the official record of said Board of County Commissioners as recorded in its Journal.

Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, Sandusky County, Ohio

March Commissioner's Agenda

3/14/24

- I. Placements
 - a. Current custody count: 41 (40 last month, +2, -1)
 - b. Placement Costs are continuing to rise. Will discuss in depth at placement meeting.
- II. Building / Staffing status
 - a. Positions – still working to fill vacancies.
- III. Programs
 - a. TFC – using our model to pilot in the state
 - b. Skimming and cloning of food assistance – we have had 5 reports of it this week.

Sandusky County Commissioners Agenda



Topics of Discussion for the meeting Dated March 14th, 2024.

1. We are working with Jeff and Mike on county facilities and energy efficiencies.
2. The staining and waterproofing of the awning at the BOE are complete.
3. We have made roof repairs to the fuel depot roof.
4. The camera in the C.H. elevator is still having issues. PO# have been issues for the exterior cameras and cable runs.
5. Project initiation form for new office space for regional planning.
6. Working on conference room carpet. Reprint carpet 3-15-24.
7. Working with Stanley Controls at the JDC for the Pods electric main valves controls.
8. The relief fan noise at the BOH continues to be an issue. Kleinfelder to propose another solution.
9. The lobby floor at the BOH is complete.
10. We have replaced the evaporator fan coil unit in the walk-in cooler at the sheriff's office.
11. We are updating the lighting at Veterans Park to LED.
12. We are installing new cabinets and countertops in the JDC control room.
13. We are installing a new P-tech unit at the communication center for an additional office.
14. The boilers, fire suppression, and backflow prevention devises have been inspected. A couple of back flow devises need to be rebuilt along with some internal pipe inspections to be code compliant. PO# has been issued.
15. We have secured a vendor for fire extinguisher inspection and services.
16. We are continuing to work on C.H. Security on safety measures. We have completed the additional cable runs and added one more monitor.
17. We are adding a couple of new card readers at the Service Center.
18. The JDC HVAC Better Buildings preconstruction meeting was held March 5th. Submittals and schedules to follow.
19. Replacing the courthouse holding cell toilet. A new sink toilet combo has been ordered.
20. Working with Jeff's team and Thomas Porter on design for the new EMS buildings. We are having weekly meetings and I mentioned to Andy that we need to start meeting on the old Odd Lots building renovation.
21. We reviewed drawings and scope of work with Kleinfelder on mechanical upgrades for the Dog warden, Communication center, and the Commissioner Bld. locations March 5th.
22. A PO# has been issued for the replacement of the damaged courthouse front handrail.
23. The service body for the F.M. new truck has been installed.
24. We are finalizing the contract for Trash removal and disposal for the county.

