

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO**

**-- April 14, 2020 --**

The Board of County Commissioners convened in telephonic regular session at 8:15 a.m. on Thursday, April 14, 2020 in the Commissioners' Chambers with the following members present: John N. Bergman, Douglas A. Spencer and Don Regula. The meeting of the Board was called to order by President Bergman.

**AGENDA**

8:15 a.m. Staff Meeting (Chambers)

8:15 a.m. Commissioners sign resolutions/documents (Chambers)

10:00 a.m. Janet Schuler - phone Conference – Village of Minster - Don Harrod - Discuss Compensation Agreement Amendment (Chambers)

11:00 a.m. Follow-up Phone conference with Representative Riedel and Senator McColley and Van Wert BOCC (Chambers)

3:30 p.m. Present and discuss upcoming resolutions (Chambers)

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY**

8:15 a.m. Commissioners, County Administrator Erica Preston, Clerk Esther Leffel and WDN Reporter Bob Tomaszewski participated in the telephonic meeting.

8:16 a.m. The Board unanimously approved the April 14, 2020 agenda as presented with no additions.

8:16 a.m. Clerk Leffel presented the minutes of the April 9th, 2020 meeting via email. The minutes were approved with some clarification.

8:18 a.m. Resolutions / Signatures: The following Resolutions were presented to the Board, for its consideration (the entire texts of same are documented in the Board's Journal by the Clerk of the Board):

Resolution #20-151 Matter of authorizing the re-bid for the securement of interest cost for a note needed for the balance of money for the Shindollar Ditch Improvement.

Resolution #20-152 Matter of making an appointment to the Area #8 Workforce Development Board.

Commissioner Regula moved to approve both resolutions. Motion seconded by Commissioner Spencer. A roll call was called and the resolutions was approved unanimously.

8:20 a.m. Administrator Preston conveyed the following:

- Stated that the County will be receiving a BWC refund in regards to the 2018 premium of around \$233,000. CCAO is working on legislation to allow the funds to stay with the general fund. Otherwise \$140,000 would stay with the general fund and \$34,000 is for the Auglaize Acres fund.
- Informed the Board that IAP and Baumer Construction have sent the paperwork for Change Order #1 for the parking lot for the terminal building and a resolution will be prepared to be signed on Thursday for the approval of this change order.
- Informed the Board that IAP did not participate with the progress phone conference on Friday, but Ted Bergstrom, Matt Quinter, Cameron Ruppert did discuss the IT requirements for the terminal building with Erica. A new phone conference time will be scheduled this week with IAP.
- Received notification from FAA that for the 2020 grant reimbursement will be covered for the full 100% and no local match will be required.
- Informed the Board that the State of Ohio Auditor is ready to start the 2019 audit and reviewed how the audit will be conducted differently with the Stay At Home Order still in place. Erica will schedule a phone conference with the State Auditor, County Auditor and BOCC for the Pre-Audit conference.

- Stated that information about the health insurance was received from UMR through Arthur Gallagher concerning testing and treatment for the COVID-19 virus. No action taken will be the default and the insurance will cover testing and cover the treatment the same. Erica will forward the chart from UMR for the Board to review and the Board will make a decision later this week.

Commissioner Bergman stated that LFA paperwork has been received from Mercer County which requires the signatures of the Auglaize County Commissioners. Please stop by the office to sign the documents sometime this week.

- He stated that a letter was received from Treva Hicks in regards to the assessment and stated this has been addressed by the Ohio Revised Code and will stay with the property. The Board will send a response letter to Ms. Hicks.
- John asked the County Administrator to schedule a phone conference with the Sheriff to discuss the 2020 budget and spending reductions.
- John informed the Board that the Clerk has sent the report to the Board and the Board had no questions on the upgrades performed on the tower.
- Asked if any masks were ordered. Erica stated that we have sent in a requested for 500 masks. Also, inquired about the thermometers. Erica stated that two thermometers are being used at the Sheriff's Office and Courthouse. The third thermometer will be used at the Administration Building and the remaining two will be determined where they will be located.

8:40 a.m. Clerk Leffel reported the following:

- Informed the Board that Ben's Construction will try and complete the demo for the CDBG Allocation project yet this week.
- Stated that the County has received one Critical Infrastructure grant application from the Village of Cridersville. The deadline for all applications is April 17, 2020.
- Informed the Board, if the CI project is funded that the administration costs for the grant from Poggemeyer Design Group would be \$3,500.00.
- Reviewed the BOCC calendar for rest of the week.

Commissioner Spencer stated the he has received an email in regards to the West Beach Project and the alum treatment being put on hold until the State figures out their budget. He also forwarded some information from Hamilton County's handling of the budget discussions.

10:00 a.m. Commissioners and County Administrator participated in a telephonic phone call with the County Auditor Janet Schuler and Village of Minster Administrator Don Harrod to discuss the compensation amendment for Dannon. The Board was in favor of the amendment and will have the Clerk prepare a resolution to be signed on Thursday.

11:00 a.m. The Board and County Administrator participated in a conference call with Representative Riedel and Senator McColley to discuss reopening Ohio. Also participating via phone were all three Van Wert County Commissioners and Van Wert County Clerk. The Wapakoneta Daily News reporter Bob Tomaszewski also participated via phone.

3:00 p.m. The resolutions for the April 16, 2020 meeting were presented electrically.

3:30 a.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, President Bergman adjourned the meeting for the day.

The MINUTES constitute a synopsis on matters brought to the attention of the Board of County Commissioners of Auglaize County, Ohio on this 14th day of April, 2020.

  
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**AGENDA**

- 8:00 – 8:15 a.m. Commissioners sign resolutions/documents (Chambers)
- 8:15 a.m. Staff Meeting (Chambers)
- 9:00 a.m. Phone conference – Technology Dept. monthly update meeting (Chambers)
- 11:00 a.m. Phone conference – BOCC budget discussion (Chambers)
- 1:30 p.m. Phone conference – Airport Manager – Airport monthly meeting (Chambers)
- 2:30 p.m. Doug – Phone conference – Ohio Area 8 Workforce Development Board meeting (Chambers)
- 3:30 p.m. Present and discuss upcoming resolutions (Chambers)

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY**

- 8:15 a.m. Commissioners, County Administrator Erica Preston, Clerk Esther Leffel and WDN Reporter Bob Tomaszewski participated in the telephonic meeting.
- 8:15 a.m. The Commissioners received, unanimously approved and signed the check register as presented by the County Auditor's Office.
- 8:15 a.m. The Board unanimously approved the April 16, 2020 agenda as presented.
- 8:16 a.m. Clerk Leffel presented the minutes of the April 14th, 2020 meeting via email. The presented minutes were unanimously approved by the Board.
- 8:18 Resolutions / Signatures: The following Resolutions were presented to the Board, for its consideration (the entire texts of same are documented in the Board's Journal by the Clerk of the Board):

Resolution #20-153 Matter of amending the contract between Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services and Adriel, Inc.

Resolution #20-154 Matter of authorizing Change Order #1 to the contract with Baumer Construction Inc. for professional services for the Airport Terminal Building Project; authorizing the President of the Board to execute said change order #1.

Resolution #20-155 Matter of approving the Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Allen County Department of Job and Family Services and Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services for Medicaid Intake and reapplication backlog.

Resolution #20-156 Matter of amending the Compensation Agreement for the Tax Incentive Agreement with Dannon Company, Inc.

Resolution #20-157 Matter of accepting the application for change or extension of the Woodland Hills Ditch Project.

Resolution #20-158 Matter of authorizing the County Auditor to draw warrants for Then and Now Certificate Payments.

Commissioner Spencer moved to approve all resolutions. Motion seconded by Commissioner Regula. A roll call was called and the resolutions was approved unanimously.

8:18 a.m. Clerk Leffel had nothing to report.

8:19 a.m. Administrator Preston conveyed the following:

- Asked if the Board had reviewed the health insurance update summary from UMR concerning COVID-19 and treating this as another illness. The Board authorized the County Administrator to communicate with Arthur Gallagher to move forward as status quo.

- Informed the Board that there were two bonds for patient liability for the former Auglaize Acres facility and for the employees that are due to renew. These bonds are no longer with the county, but with the new owner. She will let the bond company know to remove the county from these bonds.
- Stated that the county is getting unemployment paperwork for some prior employees that are filing for unemployment. This look back does go back to the time these employees were employed at the Acres and which was still owed by the county.
- Stated that she had a phone conference with IAP's new project manager, contractor, airport manager and clerk to make sure everyone was in the was on the same page.
- Stated that the Lima News had stated that the airport would be getting \$69,000 FAA funding from the CARES Act. She wanted to clarify that this is still an application process and we would have to apply and be approved. Airport Manager is reaching out to FAA to find out the requirements.

Commissioner Regula questioned if county employees should be wearing masks during working hours. Commissioner Bergman stated we are headed in that direction. County Administrator will review the safety plan and remind employees of social distancing.

Commissioner Bergman wanted to clarify information from his WLO interview that the budget cuts will not only affect 2020 budget but also 2021 budget.

9:00 a.m. The Board and County Administrator held a phone conference monthly meeting with IT Manager Cameron Ruppert.

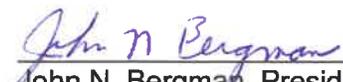
11:00 a.m. The Board, County Administrator Preston, County Auditor Janet Schuler and Clerk Leffel held a phone conference to discuss the 2020 budget reductions and future 2021 budget due to the impact of the COVID-19 virus. The Board and County Administrator will be finalizing a memo to be sent to the Elected Officials/Department Heads by the end of the week. WDN Reporter Bob Tomaszewski participated in the telephonic meeting.

1:30 p.m. The Board and County Administrator held a phone conference with the Airport Manager Ted Bergstrom his monthly update.

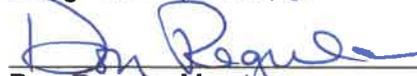
2:30 p.m. Commissioner Spencer participated in the quarterly Ohio Area 8 Workforce Development Board meeting.

3:30 p.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, President Bergman adjourned the meeting for the day.

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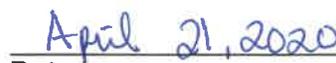
  
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