

**IN THE MATTER OF FIXING DATE AND TIME FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE WRIGHT AND WRIGHT #2 COUNTY DITCHES AND TO REEVALUATE THE MAINTENANCE BASE AND REEVALUATE THE WATERSHED MAPS FOR SAID COUNTY PROJECTS.**

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The Board of County Commissioners of Auglaize County, Ohio met in regular session on the 4th day of April, 2023.

Commissioner Bambauer moved the adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, on March 7, 2023, County Engineer Andrew Baumer, Drainage Technician TJ Place and Drainage Engineer Sam Philpot met with the Auglaize County Commissioners, reviewing plans for the Wright and Wright #2 ditch projects and the completed 1960 construction on the Wright Ditch and the completed 1987 construction on the Wright #2 Ditch Project; and,

**WHEREAS**, County Engineer Baumer presented the following correspondence to the Board:  
Wright Ditch

In 1960, the Spray Ditch was petitioned through Auglaize County Engineer's Office, reconstructed and has since been maintained by the Auglaize County Highway Department. This 9,713 feet long improvement drains a watershed of 1,574 acres in 1960, cost \$14,110.40 for the reconstruction of the ditch. Since the original construction, the owners within this watershed were systematically, through base assessments, charged a small percentage of their original assessment to keep this project at 100% of its design capacity. After 63 years of our department maintaining this project and using the 1960 construction cost as the base amount, this amount is no longer sufficient enough to keep the account stable due to inflation.

Wright #2 Ditch

In 1987, the Wright #2 Ditch was petitioned through the Soil and Water Conservation, this tile has since been maintained by the Auglaize County Highway Department. This 3,877 feet of tile drains a watershed of 210 acres and in 1987, cost \$8,934.30 for the installation of the drainage tiles. Since the original construction, the owners within this watershed were systematically, through base assessments, charged a small percentage of their original assessment to keep this project at 100% of its design capacity. After 36 years of our department maintaining this project and using the 1987 construction cost as the base amount, this amount is no longer sufficient enough to keep the account stable due to inflation.

Section 6137 of the Ohio Revised Code allows for us to review such projects and reevaluate the benefits to the owners within this watershed and to reestablish the total cost of the project to revised current prices. After reevaluating the watershed, the new construction base cost for the Wright project is \$113,854.35. This number represents what it would cost today to reconstruction the 9,713 feet of the Wright Ditch as done in 1960 for \$14,110.40. The re-evaluation also has taken into account the many new parcel splits and residences built in the watershed over the past 54 years. This base will be used to generate future collections to reimburse the maintenance account to perform maintenance strictly on this open ditch such as herbicide spraying, periodic bottom dip-outs and erosion control.

After reevaluating the watershed, the new construction base cost for the Wright #2 project is \$35,217.98. This number represents what it would cost today to reconstruction the 3,877 feet of the Wright #2 Ditch as done in 1987 for \$8,934.30. The reevaluation also has taken into account the many new parcel splits and residences built in the watershed over the past 36 years. This base will be used to generate future collections to reimburse the maintenance account to perform maintenance strictly on this tile ditch such as tile blowouts or replacement and erosion control.

This department has prepared an assessment base for the property owners within the watershed and we are asking the Board of Commissioners to set a date, time and location for the purpose of holding a maintenance hearing as outlined in Section 6137 of the Ohio Revised Code. This department will prepare and mail the notices to the property owners within the watershed.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Auglaize County Commissioners, does hereby set **June 6, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.** in the Assembly Room – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor in the Administration Building, located 209 S. Blackhoof Street, Wapakoneta, Ohio for the Maintenance Hearing on the Wright and Wright #2 Ditches County Watershed Projects.

Commissioner Spencer seconded the Resolution and upon the roll being called, the vote resulted in the adoption of the resolution as follows:

Adopted this  
4th day of  
April, 2023

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
AUGLAIZE COUNTY

ABSENT  
John N. Bergman

Douglas A. Spencer, yes  
Douglas A. Spencer

David Bambauer, yes  
David Bambauer

cc: County Engineer

**IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS.**

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The Board of County Commissioners of Auglaize County, Ohio met in regular session on the 4th of April, 2023.

Commissioner Bambauer moved the adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Board has been requested to authorize budget adjustments as follows:

<u>Handgun License Fund:</u>	
Amount:	From:
\$2,000.00	020.0020.510200 (Salary)
	To: 020.0020.530600 (Contract Services)
<u>County Auditor-General Office Fund:</u>	
Amount:	From:
\$1,000.00	001.0103.530800 (Advertising)
	To: 001.0103.530600 (Contract Services)
<u>Real Estate Assessment Fund:</u>	
Amount:	From:
\$3,000.00	014.0012.535000 (Unemployment)
	To: 014.0012.530604 (Contract Services)

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of County Commissioners of Auglaize County, Ohio does hereby authorize the County Auditor to complete the budget adjustments as mentioned above.

Commissioner Spencer seconded the Resolution and upon the roll being called, the vote resulted in the adoption of the Resolution as follows:

Adopted this  
4th day of  
April, 2023

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO

ABSENT  
John N. Bergman

Douglas A. Spencer  
Douglas A. Spencer

David Bambauer  
David Bambauer

cc: County Auditor  
Sheriff

County Commissioners Office  
Auglaize County, Ohio  
April 4, 2023

NO. #23-173

IN THE MATTER OF FIXING DATE AND TIME FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE JOINT BOARD OF THE SPRAGUE JOINT COUNTY DITCH AND TO REEVALUATE THE MAINTENANCE BASE AND REEVALUATE THE WATERSHED MAPS FOR SAID JOINT COUNTY PROJECT.

The Boards of Auglaize County and Allen County Commissioners met via phone conference on the 4th day of April, 2023 with the following members present:

John N. Bergman absent  
Douglas A. Spencer present  
David Bambauer present

Cory Noonan via telephone  
Beth Seibert via telephone  
Brian Winegardner via telephone

Commissioner Bambauer moved the adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2023, the Auglaize County Engineer Andrew Baumer sent written correspondence to the Joint Board of Auglaize and Allen County Commissioners, to review the plans for the Sprague Ditch. The petition was petitioned in 1959; and,

WHEREAS, Auglaize County Engineer's Office presented the following correspondence to the Board:

Sprague Ditch

In 1959, the Sprague Ditch was petitioned through Auglaize County Engineer's Office, reconstructed and has since been maintained by the Auglaize County Highway Department. This 480 feet long improvement drains a watershed of 784 acres in 1959 cost \$2,855.39 for the reconstruction of the ditch. Since the original construction, the owners within this watershed were systematically, through base assessments, charged a small percentage of their original assessment to keep this project at 100% of its design capacity. After 64 years of our department maintaining this project and using the 1959 construction cost as the base amount, this amount is no longer sufficient enough to keep the account stable due to inflation.

Section 6137 of the Ohio Revised Code allows for us to review such projects and reevaluating of the benefits to the owners within these watersheds and to reestablish the total cost of the project to revised current prices. Upon review of the Sprague Ditch. This review also includes updating the watershed boundaries as well as modifying the base cost for each parcel for this watershed.

This department has prepared an assessment base for the property owners within the watershed and we are asking the Joint Board of Commissioners to set a date, time and location for the purpose of holding a re-evaluation hearing as outlined in Section 6137 of the Ohio Revised Code. This department will prepare and mail the notices to the property owners within the watershed.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Joint Board of Auglaize and Allen County Commissioners, does hereby set June 1, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room - 2nd Floor in the Administration Building, located 209 S. Blackhoof Street, Wapakoneta, Ohio for the Re-evaluation Hearing on the Sprague Ditch Joint County Watershed Project.

Commissioner Seibert seconded the Resolution and upon the roll being called, the vote resulted in the adoption of the resolution as follows:

Adopted this 4th day of April, 2023

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
AUGLAIZE COUNTY

ABSENT  
John N. Bergman  
Douglas A. Spencer yes  
David Bambauer yes

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ALLEN COUNTY

Cory Noonan yes  
Beth Seibert yes  
Brian Winegardner yes

cc: County Engineer  
Allen County Commissioners

**IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF THE COUNTY'S MANDATED SHARE OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FOR APRIL.**

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The Board of County Commissioners of Auglaize County, Ohio, met in regular session on the 4th day of April, 2023.

Commissioner Bambauer moved the adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to pay the county's mandated share of Public Assistance for April.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board does authorize the County Auditor to make the following payment:

**From: 001-0905-533500 – Public Assistance Grant**  
**Amount: \$ 5,827.67**  
**To: 006-0400-400101 – Public Assistance**

Commissioner Spencer seconded the Resolution and upon the roll being called, the vote resulted in the adoption of the Resolution as follows:

Adopted this 4th day  
of April 2023

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO

ABSENT  
John N. Bergman

Douglas A. Spencer  
Douglas A. Spencer

David Bambauer  
David Bambauer

cc: County Auditor  
Jobs & Family Services