

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO
-- December 15, 2020 --**

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 15, 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

- 8:00 a.m. Commissioners sign resolutions/documents (Chambers)
- 8:15 a.m. Staff meeting (Chambers)
- 9:15 a.m. Meeting with JFS Director (Chambers)
- 10:45 a.m. Adm. Bldg. Elected Officials/Departments Heads – Meeting to discuss location of postage machine (Assembly Room)
- 11:30 a.m. Meeting with representative from Birch Solar/LightSource BP regarding Birch Solar Project (Chambers)
- 3:30 p.m. Present and discuss upcoming resolutions (Chambers)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

- 8:00 a.m. Commissioner Regula moved to approve the resolutions as presented. Commissioner Spencer seconded the motion. The resolutions were then distributed for each commissioner's vote and execution.
- 8:40 a.m. WDN reporter Bob Tomaszewski joined the meeting.
- 8:41 a.m. Clerk Leffel read the minutes of the December 10th, 2020 meeting. The minutes were approved as read.
- 8:45 a.m. Clerk Leffel reported the following:
 - Received notification concerning a liquor permit name change.
 - Reminded the Board to respond to Mercer County in regards to Grand Lake CIC.
 - Reviewed the office calendar for the upcoming weeks.
- 8:50 a.m. Administrator Preston conveyed the following:
 - Baumer Construction suggested removing the old cracked concrete floor in the unused office of terminal F. Baumer has given an estimate of \$2,500 to \$3,500 for this project. The Board agreed to have Baumer move forward with the repair.
 - Would the Board like to proceed with the AMBE payment since the director position has been filled. The Board indicated that the payment should be made.
 - Discussed the change in the certificates of appointment for 2021 as related to the timing of the budget process.
 - She is working on the permit form to allow metal detecting on property owned by the county.
- 9:14 a.m. Commissioner Spencer moved to go into executive session to discuss a complaint about a public employee and invited the County Administrator to attend. Commissioner Regula seconded the motion. Chairman Bergman called the roll: Spencer-yes. Regula-yes and Bergman-yes.
- 9:23 a.m. The Board returned to regular session with no action being token.
- 9:30 a.m. The Commissioners met with ACDJFS director Julie Gossard and Business Manager Jodi Tudor for the monthly update. She discussed having a job audit completed by Clemans and Nelson for some positions.
- 10:45 a.m. The Commissioners hosted an elected officials' meeting to discuss where the postage machine should be located in the Administration Building.
- 11:30 a.m. Commissioner Bergman left the office for the day.

11:30 a.m. The Board along with the County Administrator participated in a Zoom meeting with representatives from Birch Solar/LightSource BP regarding the proposed Birch Solar Field. Shanelle Montana presented updates to the group. Also in attendance was WDN reporter Bob Tomaszewski, residents Jim Thompson and Ann Fisher. Additional residents participated virtually. The virtual participants identified themselves as follows: Kacie Rison, Judy and Mark Wellman, Jeremy Bowersock, Andy Bowers, Kurt Kaufman and Jen Lynch. Following the presentation by Ms. Montana, the Board asked the following questions: #1) If a PILOT was granted for the project site, would the project site be exempt from any new levies during the PILOT period. Ms. Montana indicated that it would be exempt from new levies but emphasized that the rate is a utility rate without the PILOT. #2) could the project be terminated early if a public need necessitated it? For example if there was a food shortage and the ground was needed for a different purpose. Ms. Montana indicated that the project permit could only be terminated early if the company was not meeting its obligations. She further indicated early termination was unlikely. #3) would the project move forward even if the PILOT wasn't approved? Ms. Montana indicated that the project would proceed with or without PILOT approval. #4) whether or not additional panels could be added to the 1,900 acre project site once the project was approved. Ms. Montana responded that no panels could be added to the project. Any new panels/name plate capacity would need to go through the permitting process again. The Board is seeking additional clarification on this response.

12:00 p.m. The resolutions for the December 17, 2020 meeting were presented.

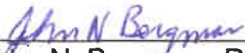
The following Resolutions were presented to the Board, for its consideration (the entire texts of same are documented in the Board's Journal by the Clerk of the Board):

- #20-499 Matter of accepting the resignation of Edwin A. Pierce as the Auglaize County Prosecuting Attorney for the current term and the authorizing the appointment for January 1st, 2021 through January 3rd, 2021 as Interim Auglaize County Prosecuting Attorney.
- #20-500 Matter of authorizing budget adjustments.
- #20-501 Matter of accepting the resignation of John N. Bergman as the Auglaize County Commissioner for the current term and the authorizing the appointment for January 1st, 2021 as Interim Auglaize County Commissioner.
- #20-502 Matter of accepting the YMCA of Greater Dayton – Auglaize County's Request for Coronavirus Relief Funding for the COVID-19 Pandemic Response.
- #20-503 Matter of accepting the retirement of Allen F. Solomon as the Auglaize County Sheriff.
- #20-504 Matter of accepting the resignation of I. Jean Meckstroth as the Auglaize County Clerk of Courts for the current term and the authorizing the appointment for January 1st, 2021 through January 3rd, 2021 as Interim Auglaize County Clerk of Courts.
- #20-505 Matter of amending the annual appropriation due to moneys certified and not appropriated.
- #20-506 Matter of authorizing a contribution to the Business Enterprise Center of Wright State University.
- #20-507 Matter of authorizing a Reimbursement Grant to Wapakoneta Family YMCA using Coronavirus Relief Funding for the COVID-19 Pandemic Response.

12:00 p.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, Vice President Spencer 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 15th day of December, 2020.

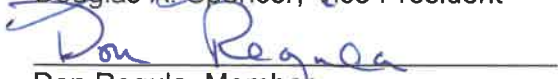
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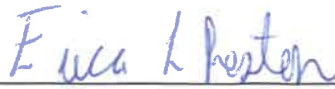
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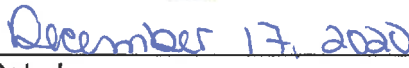
Don Regula, Member



Erica L. Preston, County Administrator



Esther Leffel, Clerk of the Board



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- 8:00 a.m. Commissioners sign resolutions/documents (Chambers)
- 8:15 a.m. Staff Meeting (Chambers)
- 9:00 a.m. John – Solid Waste Policy Committee meeting (Assembly Room)
- 9:00 a.m. Technology Dept. monthly update meeting (Chambers)
- 10:30 a.m. Airport Manager – Airport monthly update meeting (Neil Armstrong Airport)
- 2:00 p.m. Virtual celebration of services for Charles Ward and Steve Stolte (Chambers)
- 2:00 p.m. CH Marker Dedication (Courthouse)
- 3:00 p.m. Meeting with residents regarding Solar Project (Chambers)
- 3:30 p.m. Present and discuss upcoming resolutions (Chambers)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

- 8:05 a.m. The Commissioners received and signed the check register as presented by the County Auditor's Office.
- 8:15 a.m. Commissioner Spencer moved to approve the resolutions as presented. Commissioner Regula seconded the motion. The resolutions were then distributed for each commissioner's vote and execution.
- 8:47 a.m. Clerk Leffel read the minutes of the December 15th, 2020 meeting. The minutes were approved with some clarification.
- 8:50 a.m. WDN reporter Bob Tomaszewski joined the meeting.
- 8:50 a.m. Administrator Preston conveyed the following:
 - Would like to have a meeting with Michelle Wilcox and Rick Bice to discuss grant funding.
 - Would the Board like to pen a letter of support for a treatment train proposed by the City of Saint Marys. The Board will sign a letter of support.
 - Esther and Erica participated in a webinar yesterday to discuss CDBG guidelines.
 - A new place for the postage machine will be determined soon. Erica will reach out to the Miami County Building Department to discuss a proposed enclosure of space in the lower level.
- 9:00 a.m. IT Manager Cameron Ruppert provided his monthly report to the Board.
- 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Spencer moved to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing a complaint about a public employee and invited the County Administrator to attend. Commissioner Regula seconded the motion. Chairman Bergman called the roll: Regula-yes, Spencer-yes and Bergman-yes.
- 10:12 a.m. The Board returned to regular session with no action required.
- 10:13 a.m. Commissioner Spencer moved to enter into executive session to discuss the compensation of a public position and invited the County Administrator to attend. Commissioner Regula seconded the motion. Chairman Bergman called the roll: Regula-yes, Spencer-yes and Bergman-yes.
- 10:35 a.m. The Board returned to regular session with no action taken.
- 11:00 a.m. The Commissioners and County Administrator met with the Airport Manager for the monthly update.
- 2:00 p.m. Commissioner Elect David Bambauer was in attendance for the afternoon meetings.
- 2:00 p.m. The Board participated in the Dedication Ceremony for the National Register Marker at the Courthouse.
- 3:00 p.m. The Commissioners along with Commissioner Elect Bambauer and County Administrator Preston met with a group of citizens about the proposed solar field in Auglaize and Allen Counties. The citizens present for the meeting included Mark Wellman, Jim Thompson, Ann Fisher, Andy Farley and Anita Doll. The group presented arguments against

the solar project. The group requested that the Board pass a resolution opposing the project or alternatively pass a resolution opposing a PILOT for the project. Also in attendance was WDN reporter Bob Tomaszewski. Additional individuals participated via zoom.

3:30 p.m. The resolutions for consideration at the December 22, 2020 meeting were presented.

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):

- #20-508 Matter of amending the annual appropriation due to moneys certified and not appropriated.
- #20-509 Matter of amending the annual appropriation as requested by the Auglaize County Auditor.
- #20-510 Matter of approving a contract between Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services and Christian Childrens Home of Ohio, Inc., CRC for professional services.
- #20-511 Matter of approving a contract between Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services and Clear Creek Farm for professional services.
- #20-512 Matter of approving a contract between Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services and Auglaize County board of Development Disabilities for professional services.

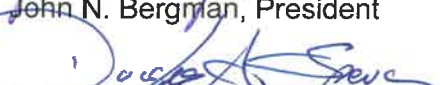
- #20-513 Matter of approving a contract between Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services and The Marsh Foundation for professional services.
- #20-514 Matter of authorizing a housing repair project under the C.H.I.P. Program.
- #20-515 Matter of authorizing Michael Vorhees, effective January 1, 2021 as Auglaize County Sheriff, to have the authority to operate various checking accounts for the Law Enforcement Center.
- #20-516 Matter of authorizing budget adjustments.
- #20-517 Matter of entering into an agreement with Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction through Adult Parole Authority for Community Control/Probation Services.
- #20-518 Matter of authorizing the County Auditor to draw warrants for then and now certificate payments.
- #20-519 Matter of authorizing budget adjustments to the 2020 appropriation budgeted as requested by the County Auditor.
- #20-520 Matter of authorizing the quote for the purchase for three MAC-00 Mobile Air Cleaners for Auglaize county Buildings using CARES Act Funding.

4:30 p.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, President Bergman adjourned the meeting for the day.

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