

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO
-- January 3, 2008 --**

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session in its office at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 3, 2008 with the following members present: Ivo J. Kramer, John N. Bergman and Douglas A. Spencer. The meeting of the Board was called to order by President Kramer. The minutes of previous meeting were provided to the Board.

AGENDA

- 8:00 a.m. Annual Planning Meeting for Auglaize County Soil & Water Conservation Dist. (Admin. Bldg. Meeting Room)
- 10:00 a.m. Auglaize County Economic Development Council (Chambers)
- 11:00 a.m. Sheriff Al Solomon – budget items (Chambers)
- 1:00 p.m. Nick Scheck (Chambers)
- 3:00 p.m. Sue Ellen Kohler (Chambers)
- 4:00 p.m. Gene Gannon to talk with Commissioners (Chambers)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

- 8:00 p.m. Board attended the Annual Planning Meeting for the County Soil & Water Conservation District which was held in the Administration Building Meeting Room.
 - 9:40 a.m. Amy Ruppert, Office Administrator of Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services, met with the Board. Ms. Ruppert presented documents concerning disciplinary action of an employee at her department for the Board's execution.
 - 10:04 a.m. Board met, in its' Chambers, with the Auglaize County Economic Development Council. Those present were Greg Myers, Wayne York, Karen Mauck, Don Harrod, Jeff Eschmeyer, Todd Fleagle. Also present was Karen Campbell of WDN. The Council presented the Board with three requests:
 - 1.) Request to fund Team Ohio in the amount of \$2,000.00;
 - 2.) Requested funding in the amount of \$2,170.00, a half page ad in Business Facilities Advisory (Directory Addition) which has a circulation of 23,000.
 - 3.) Requested funding in the amount of \$6,000.00 to bring Jack Schultz, a motivational speaker from Effingham, Illinois, to speak on Economic Development of Rural Counties. The amount requested will cover the cost of the speaker, his lodging and flight. The Economic Development Council said the communities would use this opportunity as an Economic Development Fundraiser as is accomplished by the Allen County Visionaries.
Mr. Schultz is to be invited by the Economic Development representatives of each village and municipality which will bear the cost of the hall for the meeting and the meals. This expense is to be offset by ticket sales.
- The Board of County Commissioners did agree to fund the Team Ohio Request and the Motivational speaker request, but not the advertisement request.
- 11:00 a.m. Board met with Sheriff Al Solomon and Chief Deputy Mike Eberle. Also present were Karen Campbell of WDN and a Brian Evans from The Lima News. Sheriff Solomon had informed the Board that he wished to add an additional Dispatcher, Corrections Officer, Deputy and a Part-time Clerical Person to his staff. The Board asked the Sheriff if he would consider reducing his salary line by eliminating one of the additional staff. After review and discussion, the Sheriff withdrew his request of funding for a Corrections Officer position. This reduced the Sheriff's budget by \$32,000 in the salary line. This reduction also effected Workers Comp and PERS for the Sheriff budget.

- 1:00 p.m. Board met with Auglaize Acres Administrator Nick Scheck and his Assistant Mechel Rowe. Karen Campbell of WDN was also present. Proposed changes and an update of events which have recently taken place at Auglaize Acres was discussed. After reviewing an employee lay-off, the estimated number for lay-off is between 15 – 20.
- 1:37 p.m. Commissioner Bergman moved to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Nick Scheck and Mechel Rowe were invited to participate. Commissioner Spencer seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken: Mr. Spencer, yes; Mr. Bergman, yes; Mr. Kramer, yes. Motion carried.
- 2:20 p.m. Commissioner Spencer moved to return to Regular Session. Commissioner Bergman seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken: Mr. Spencer, yes; Mr. Bergman, yes; Mr. Kramer, yes. The contract/agreement for the employment of Nick Scheck as Auglaize Acres Administrator was executed.
- 3:00 p.m. Board met with Sue Ellen Kohler, Clerk of Courts. Clerk Kohler presented the following:
- 1.) Thanked Maintenance man Dave Masonbrink for getting the building (Courthouse) heated up quickly after the mid December snow storm. Mr. Masonbrink was working alone that day.
 - 2.) Concerns from the Municipal Court – West:
 - a.) Parking barriers on East side have been moved and the rebar is exposed.
 - b.) The urinal does not shut off properly. The staff must check it daily.
 - c.) There is a heating problem in the entire building. Either rooms become too hot or too cold.
 - d.) The staff is very pleased with the cleaning job that Housekeeper Debra VanTilburg is doing.
 - e.) If the Municipal Court staff, Judge's clerical personnel and the Probation office moves to the West Court building, consideration will be needed for additional computer hook ups.
 - f.) The kitchen, which is also the "safe room" for her staff at St. Marys is a concern. Clerk Kohler wishes a "peep" hole installed in the kitchen door and a dead bolt lock added to the inside of the door. As this is a satellite office without security personnel available, Deputy Mike Baeumel suggested these additions, thus adding to the safety of Clerk Kohler's employees. Clerk Kohler concurred with this suggestion.
 - 3.) Clerk Kohler would like to see about purchasing a minimum of 12 secretarial chairs from Eric Eyink. These chairs would, of course, be used in the renovated Clerk's Office.

At 3:20 p.m., Judge Mark Spees and Computer Operations Manager Brian Fisher joined this meeting. Imaging of Records was discussed. The Courts and the Clerk have been working with companies through Maximus, and have come up with a cost estimate of \$78,000 plus for software and approximately \$60,000 for hardware. Funding for this project would come from the Municipal Court Computer Fund, Clerk of Courts Computer Fund and Judge Spees' Court Computer Fund. There is a difference of opinion on paper copy records retention. It is the feeling of those involved that the Ohio Supreme Court will have to rule on this retention matter. Clerk Kohler and Judge Spees will continue to look into this issue. Software and hardware for this project must be bid out. Clerk Kohler will be contacting other counties for bid specifications and bid forms.
- 4:00 p.m. Board met with Recycle employee, Gene Gannon who questioned his position at the Recycle Center. After discussing the situation, a clarification of Mr. Gannon's position was made.
- 5:00 p.m. Board reviewed the appropriation for calendar year 2008 with Admin. Lenhart

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):

- #08-001 Approving contract/agreement for the employment of Nick Scheck as Auglaize Acres Administrator; authorizing the execution of said contract/agreement by the President of the Board.
- #08-002 Authorizing County Engineer to use the "Force Account" pursuant to ORC Section 5543.09; setting allocation of revenue to Townships from Permissive Tax Revenue.
- #08-003 Appointing Kermit Stroh, Thomas Fledderjohann and Douglas Crawford as delegates and John Bergman, Ivo Kramer and Douglas Spencer as alternates to the Auglaize County Regional Planning Commission.
- #08-004 Authorizing securement of interest costs for note needed for the balance of money for the Waynesfield Northeast Storm Sewer improvement.
- #08-005 Approving contract for child care services between Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services and First Baptist Daycare as a full service care provider.
- #08-006 Authorizing the securement of interest costs for notes needed for the balances of money for the Annesser Ditch improvement and the Huenke #2 Ditch improvement.
- #08-007 Annual appropriation for 2008.
- #08-008 Authorizing payment of the county's mandated share of Public Assistance for January.

7:45 p.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, President Kramer adjourned the meeting in the office for the day.

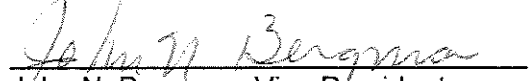
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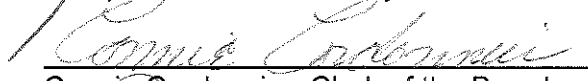
Ivo J. Kramer, President



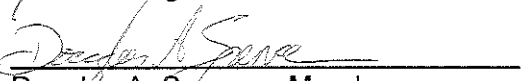
Joseph R. Lenhart, County Administrator



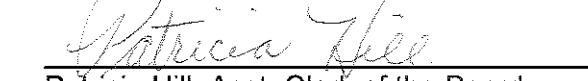
John N. Bergman, Vice President



Connie Cordonnier, Clerk of the Board



Douglas A. Spencer, Member



Patricia Hill, Asst. Clerk of the Board

Dated: 1-8-08

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

-- January 8, 2008 --

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session in its office at 8:55 a.m. on Tuesday, January 8, 2008 with the following members present: Ivo J. Kramer and Douglas A. Spencer. Commissioner John N. Bergman was attending the New Bremen/New Knoxville Rotary meeting. The meeting of the Board was called to order by President Kramer. The minutes of previous meeting were provided to the Board.

AGENDA

- 9:00 a.m. Review Simms-Run ditch project for final hearing
- 10:00 a.m. Allison Brady, Director, Heritage Trails Park District – wants to introduce herself.
- 7:30 p.m. Airport Authority meeting (Neil Armstrong Airport)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

- 9:05 a.m. Board met with Asst. Co. Eng. Kevin Schnell and Matt Quinter. Commissioner Bergman joined this meeting when he arrived in the office. Co. Eng. Doug Reinhart also joined in the meeting. A review of the information for the Simms-Run Ditch project which will be presented at the final hearing was shared as was all the Engineer's Reports. It is proposed that a minimum assessment of \$10.00 will be assessed to certain involved landowners. In addition, each landowner will be directly assessed current certified mailing costs of the three certified mailings. The Engineer's office will contact the Board's Clerk for the proper wording of a resolution authorizing these matters.
The Stoner ditch project was also reviewed.
- 10:30 a.m. Board met with Allison Brady, Executive Director of the Heritage Trails Park District. Ms. Brady outlined some of her goals and objectives for the District. She has plans to meet with all three members of the Budget Commission and the County Engineer.
- 12:00 noon Board returned a call to Karen Campbell of WDN. Ms. Campbell had a question about the Township Association Meeting to be held Wednesday evening.
- 1:30 p.m. Board visited Auglaize Acres, speaking with Auglaize Acres Administrator Nick Scheck. Mr. Scheck shared an update on the operations status with the Board.
- 3:00 p.m. Board returned to the office.
- 3:22 p.m. The Board phoned Pat Hire of Clemans Nelson. He was unavailable, but returned the Board's call at 4:45 p.m.
- 3:30 p.m. Board returned a call to an anonymous caller who had concerns relating to Auglaize Acres. His concerns were appeased by the Board.
- 4:15 p.m. Rick Bice met with the Board, discussing the monitoring of the Administration Building heating and cooling system. Mr. Bice is to check on some of the furniture in the Courthouse. He will update the Board on Thursday.

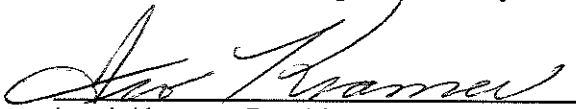
The following Resolutions were presented to the Board, for its consideration (the entire texts of same are documented in the Board's Journal by the Clerk of the Board):

- #08-009 Authorizing expenditures for Municipal Court Clerk and Deputies to attend conferences, meetings and seminars in conjunction with the business of said office throughout 2008.
- #08-010 Authorizing expenses for Clerk of Courts and deputy clerks of the Legal and Title Departments – funded by Clerk's Computer Fund – Common Pleas Court for 2008.
- #08-011 Awarding grants to various organizations for the year 2008.
- #08-012 Amending annual appropriation in the '06 CDBG Fund, CHIP Pay Back Fund, '06 OHTF Fund, '06 Home fund, Economic Development fund.

- #08-013 Accepting application/permit for Use of County Courthouse submitted by Rachel Barber for the 175th Anniversary Committee: Wapakoneta and New Bremen ; approving application and granting permission of us.
- #08-014 Entering into an agreement with the Auglaize County Council on Aging for support of its transportation program.
- #08-015 Authorizing transfer of funds from various ditch construction funds to various maintenance funds, MVGT Funds and County General Fund as requested by County Engineer.
- #08-016 Transfers of funds for the SERC Fund.
- #08-017 Authorizing expenses for employees of the Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services to attend meetings specific to this department throughout 2008.
- #08-018 Authorizing use of online auctioning to dispose of Auglaize county government Surplus items.

9:00 p.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, President Kramer adjourned the meeting in the office 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 8th day of January, 2008.


Ivo J. Kramer, President


John N. Bergman, Vice President


Douglas A. Spencer, Member


Joseph R. Lenhart, County Administrator


Connie Cordonnier, Clerk of the Board


Patricia Hill, Asst. Clerk of the Board

Dated: 1-10-08

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO
-- January 10, 2008 --**

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session in its office at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 10, 2008 with the following members present: Ivo J. Kramer, John N. Bergman and Douglas A. Spencer. The meeting of the Board was called to order by President Kramer. The minutes of previous meeting were provided to the Board.

AGENDA

- 7:30 a.m. Joe – CVB Monthly meeting (CVB office)
- 8:30 a.m. Brian Fisher – bi-weekly update meeting (Chambers)
- 10:00 a.m. Doug – Dan Varn – boy Scouts
- 11:00 a.m. David Reichelderfer – Monthly meeting for Recycle Center (Recycle Center)

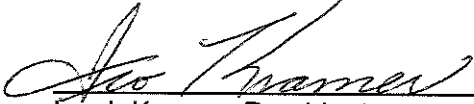
PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

- 8:55 a.m. Board met with Brian Fisher.
- 10:05 a.m. Commissioner Spencer met with Dan Varn.
- 10:35 a.m. Housekeepers Peggy Rodeback and Deb Brenneman met with the Board.
- 11:10 a.m. Board left the office for its monthly update meeting with Dave Reichelderfer at the County Recycle Center.
- 1:50 p.m. Board returned to the office.
- 3:08 a.m. Co. Prosecuting Attorney Ed Pierce met with the Board.
- 3:11 a.m. Commissioner Bergman moved to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation. Pros. Atty. Ed Pierce and Co. Admin. Joe Lenhart were invited to participate in this Session. Commissioner Spencer seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken: Mr. Bergman, yes; Mr. Spencer, yes; Mr. Kramer, yes. Motion carried.
During the Executive session, a conference call was placed to Albin Bauer and Henry (Hank) Heuerman of Eastman & Smith LTD. This call ended at 4:02 p.m.
- 4:04 p.m. Commissioner Bergman moved to return to Regular Session. Commissioner Spencer seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken: Mr. Bergman, yes; Mr. Spencer, yes; Mr. Kramer, yes. Motion carried. No action taken.

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):

- #08-019 Approving lease at the Neil Armstrong Airport for Hangar space for Shelby and Co.: ratifying the execution of the lease.
 - #08-020 Approving and authorizing an agreement between Auglaize County and Tyler Technologies, Inc./CLT Division for "Landisc™ EE".
 - #08-021 Amending annual appropriation in the Municipal Court Project Fund.
 - #08-022 Transfer of funds from Municipal Court Project to County General.
 - #08-023 Authorizing Auglaize county Technology personnel to participate in courses pertaining to Cisco Equipment used by the County offices which is offered online by the Training Consortium.
- 4:30 p.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, President Kramer adjourned the meeting in the office for the day.

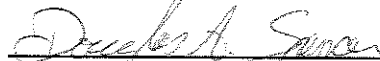
The MINUTES constitute a synopsis on matters brought to the attention of the Board of County Commissioners of Auglaize County, Ohio on this 10th day of January, 2008.




Ivo J. Kramer, President



John N. Bergman, Vice President



Douglas A. Spencer, Member



Joseph R. Lenhart, County Administrator



Connie Cordonnier, Clerk of the Board



Patricia Hill, Asst. Clerk of the Board

Dated: 1-14-08

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

-- January 14, 2008--

The Board of County Commissioners convened the reorganizational session at 8:20 a.m. on Monday, January 14, 2008 with the following members present Ivo J. Kramer, John N. Bergman and Douglas A. Spencer. The meeting was called to order by President Kramer.

AGENDA

- 9:00 a.m. Reorganizational meeting
- 9:00 a.m. CIC annual meeting (Chambers)
- 11:00 a.m. Ivo – Help Me Grow meeting (Auglaize Co. Health Dept.)
- 7:15 p.m. MR/DD Board meeting (New Bremen, ABC Center)
- 8:00 p.m. Fairboard meeting (Exhibit Building at fairgrounds)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

9:00 a.m. CIC annual meeting was held. Those present with the Commissioners were CIC members Larry Johns and Tom Fledderjohann.

3:15 p.m. The Board wants to make the following changes;

- 1- The meeting with the IT that is now bi-weekly, is going to be changed to monthly on the second Thursday. When this meeting overlaps the Elected Officials/Department Heads meeting, there will NOT be an IT meeting.
- 2- The Board will start meeting quarterly with maintenance and housekeeping in the Chambers on the 3rd Thursday of the month starting in February.

3:30 p.m. The Board discussed the investment of a C/D about which Treasurer April Bowersock had e-mailed them. Treasurer Bowersock will investigate some options and get back with the Board.

3:40 p.m. Board asked Clerk Cordonnier to phone the Wapakoneta Post Office, inquiring as to the status of a Certified Mailing sent to Don Arnett on Dec. 28, 2007. The Board's office has not received the registered green card or the letter back from the Post Office.. The Post Office employee stated that according to their records, the letter was picked up by Mr. Arnett on Dec. 29, 2007 at 8:57 a.m. A confirmation of that pick up will be sent to the Commissioners address.

4:22 p.m., The Board reorganized for 2008. Commissioner Douglas A. Spencer moved that John N. Bergman serve as President of the Board of County Commissioners, Auglaize County, Ohio; Commissioner Ivo J. Kramer seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken: Mr. Kramer, yes; Mr. Spencer, yes; Mr. Bergman, yes;. Motion carried.

Commissioner Ivo J. Kramer moved that Douglas A. Spencer serve as Vice President of the Board of County Commissioners, Auglaize County, Ohio. Commissioner John N. Bergman seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken: Mr. Kramer, yes; Mr. Bergman, yes; Mr. Spencer, yes. Motion carried.

President Bergman moved to retain the regular session meeting time for the Board of County Commissioners. The Board of County Commissioners, Auglaize County, Ohio shall meet in regular session every Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or until the conclusion of that day's business. Commissioner Douglas A. Spencer seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken: Mr. Kramer, yes; Mr. Spencer, yes; Mr. Bergman, yes. Motion Carried.


The following Resolution was presented to the Board throughout its meeting time (the entire texts of same are documented in the Board Journal):

- #08-024 Reorganization of the Board of Auglaize County Commissioners for the year 2008.
- #08-025 Amending annual appropriation in the County General Fund.
- #08-026 Amending annual appropriation in the Solid Waste Fund.

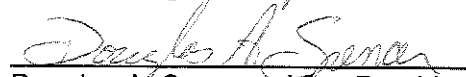
- #08-027 Amending annual appropriation in the Western Lake Erie Fund.
- #08-028 Fixing final hearing date, time and place for the Stoner Ditch project.
- #08-029 Fixing final hearing date, time and place for the Simms-Run ditch project.
- #08-030 Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding between Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services and the Auglaize County Child Support Enforcement Agency for accessing TANF Funding.
- #08-031 Setting bid date and time for aggregate and concrete for the Highway Department.

4:45 p.m. There being no further business to present to the Board, President Bergman adjourned the day's meeting.


The MINUTES constitute a true and accurate synopsis, to the best of the Clerk's knowledge, on matters brought to the attention of the Board of County Commissioners of Auglaize County, Ohio on this 14th day of January, 2007.



John N. Bergman, President



Douglas A. Spencer, Vice President

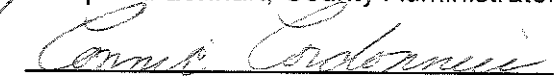


Ivo J. Kramer, Member

ATTEST:



Joseph R. Lenhart, County Administrator



Connie Cordonnier, Clerk of the Board



Patricia Hill, Asst. Clerk of the Board

Dated: 1-15-08

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

-- January 15, 2008 --

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session in its office at 8:25 a.m. on Tuesday, January 15, 2008 with the following members present: John N. Bergman, Ivo J. Kramer and Douglas A. Spencer. The meeting of the Board was called to order by President Bergman. The minutes of previous meeting were provided to the Board.

AGENDA

- 7:00 a.m. Ag Breakfast (R J Coffey Cup)
- 9:00 a.m. Meeting with Mike Morrow (Chambers)
- 1:30 p.m. Doug Reinhart – monthly update (Chambers)
- 3:00 p.m. Fred Lord Policy manual (Chambers)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

- 7:00 a.m. Commissioners Bergman and Kramer attended the Ag Breakfast
- 9:20 a.m. Board met with Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services Director Mike Morrow for a monthly update meeting. Karen Campbell was also present for this meeting. Mr. Morrow presented the following:
 - 1.) The department is looking into the possibility of spending match money against Federal money. Right now, the Federal government is saying “no”, but are still looking into the matter. This could cause the local departments to have to increase funding of Child Support from the General Fund.
 - 2.) The State Child Welfare Reporting program may be rolled out in April.
 - 3.) At the end of January, Energy Assistance will be offered again for the year. The department wants the program to be completed by the end of May.
- 10:30 a.m. Staff meeting was held.
- 11:30 a.m. Board left the office to have lunch at Auglaize Acres.
- 1:30 p.m. Board returned to the office.
- 1:30 p.m. Doug Reinhart did not meet with the Board.
- 1:35 p.m. Board met with Brian Fisher, Computer Operations Manager. Mr. Fisher reported to the Board that County Auditor Janet Schuler has approved the moving of her office's servers from the Computer Room in her office to the Technology Room on 2nd floor. This move is due to the need of housing the servers in a fire safe room with an adequate fire suppression system which will not harm the servers.
- 2:30 p.m. Commissioner Bergman phoned Chris Roby at the County Council On Aging concerning the payment of the \$50.00 invoice for the “Notice of Commencement Termination” discussed at today's staff meeting. Ms. Roby agreed to pay the invoice which is to be included with the closing costs on a loan the Council On Aging is securing from first financial bank.
- 2:45 p.m. Commissioner Bergman phoned Linda Cooper of first financial bank to inform her that the County Council On Aging will be paying the \$50.00 invoice mentioned in the preceding entry. Asst. Clerk Hill then faxed the invoice back to Ms. Cooper at first financial bank.
- 3:00 p.m. Fred Lord of Clemans Nelson met with the Board to review the County Policy manual.

STAFF MEETING

- Clerk Cordonnier reviewed scheduled appointments through the month of January. She also informed those present that the Board's 2008 Resolutions, which have been executed, has now available in the office's Public Folder under “2008 Resolutions executed”.
- Asst. Clerk Hill inquired if the Board has made a decision on allowing John Smith of OSU Extension Service to use a meeting room in the Administration Building for a Bee Keepers Meeting. This is to be an all day Saturday meeting in April. Use policy criteria was discussed at length and

many questions raised. A request form to be filled out by the person requesting use of a room will be developed.

Ms. Hill presented utility bill summaries for the Courthouse, Administration Building, Law Enforcement Center and Municipal Court – West. The transportation charge for the Municipal Court –West significantly raised the amount of the gas bill. Discussion was held on these summaries.

Co. Administrator Joe Lenhart presented the following to the Board:

- 1.) A final draft of sign verbiage for the towing of vehicles from the Administration Building's parking lot has been sent to Pros. Atty. Ed Pierce. Mr. Lenhart will speak with the Engineer's Dept. about making the signs.
- 2.) An invoice has been received in the amount of \$50.00 for a "Notice of Commencement Termination" for a County Council On Aging CDBG project. The invoice was received from first financial bank due to a loan which the County On Aging wishes to secure. It was asked if the County should pay this invoice or if it should be given to the Council On Aging for payment. Commissioner Bergman stated that the Council On Aging should pay this invoice and he will call the agency and speak to Chris Roby about the matter.
- 3.) Mr. Lenhart has emailed information about life insurance to Cornell Finkelmeier.
- 4.) Inquired if David Reichelderfer, Solid Waste Coordinator, should be invited to attend the meeting set with Mary Wiard on January 22nd. The Board agreed that Mr. Reichelderfer should be invited.
- 5.) No further notice has been received about the Miami River Project meeting.
- 6.) Nancy Frueh, who fell outside the Courthouse in October, 2007, has submitted invoices for medical expenses. She has requested the County pay approximately \$300.00 of costs which are left after her insurance has paid. Jim Howell and Dale Kagy of Arthur J. Gallagher Co. advised the Board that these bills should not be paid by the County. Mr. Lenhart is to ask Mr. Howell to call Ms. Frueh to inform her of this fact. Commissioner Spencer suggested that a conference call including Mr. Lenhart, Ms. Frueh and Mr. Howell be made.
- 7.) Workers Compensation has offered Scott Alexander, former Recycle Laborer employee, a claim settlement amount of \$3,500.00. Mr. Alexander injured his hand.
- 8.) Gary Denning, living on Pearl St., had an incident happen at his property which left ruts in the vacate County lot east of the Muffler Mart building. He was concerned about making repairs to the ruts. The Commissioners agreed that the County Maintenance personnel will take care of the repairs.

Commissioner Bergman presented the following:

- 1.) The Board has determined that the County floor scrubber will no longer be loaned to the Fairgrounds staff for use in the fairgrounds buildings. Repairs, in the amount of \$369.00, have just been made to the scrubber. Each time it is used at the fairgrounds, repairs are always needed. The scrubber is to stay in the Administration Building or Courthouse.
- 2.) Ron Mergler of Waibel is to meet with the Commissioners before he completes his study of the Administration Building's heating system. He is to make an appointment with the Board. Admin. Lenhart will be making an appointment with Shay Moran.

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):
No Resolution were passed on this date.

4:30 p.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, President Bergman adjourned the meeting in the office 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 January, 2008.




John N. Bergman, President



Douglas A. Spencer, Vice-President



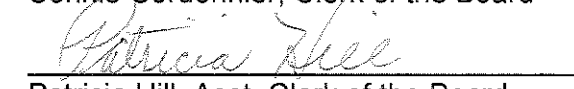
Ivo J. Kramer, Member



Joseph R. Lenhart, County Administrator



Connie Cordonnier, Clerk of the Board



Patricia Hill, Asst. Clerk of the Board

Dated: 01-17-08

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO
-- January 17, 2008 --**

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session in its office at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 17, 2008 with the following members present: John N. Bergman, Douglas A. Spencer and Ivo J. Kramer,. The meeting of the Board was called to order by President Bergman. The minutes of previous meeting were provided to the Board.

AGENDA

8:30 a.m. Elected Officials & Department Heads Quarterly meeting (Assembly Room)
1:30 p.m. Sean Stroh – Airport Monthly update meeting (Airport)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

8:30 a.m. Board conducted the Quarterly meeting of the County Elected Officials and Department Heads which was held in the Administration Building Assembly Room.

10:30 a.m. Nick Scheck, Auglaize Acres Administrator, met with the Board.

11:05 a.m. Admin. Lenhart, Rick Bice and Brian Fisher met with the Board. Fire proofing the Technology Office was discussed. To meet the approval of the Wapakoneta Fire Chief, the present sprinkler system can be disabled if two layers of 5/8 inch fire proof drywall is installed on the ceiling. It will be necessary to reroute the electrical lines feeding the server racks from the second floor electrical panel to the first floor panel. The lines would then come through the floor instead of the ceiling.

Also discussed two lines for video equipment which are no longer needed for the Treasurer's Office security.

12:30 p.m. Board left the office for lunch and to travel to the Neil Armstrong Airport.

1:30 p.m. Board met with Sean Stroh, Airport Manager, for the monthly meeting for the Neil Armstrong Airport. The following was discussed:

- 1.) Report on AWOS: The installation of the equipment is being worked on today. The installation takes about one week. Placing information in the national system might be coming later
- 2.) Report on Facilities: Replaced or repaired walk-through and overhead door seals. Waiting on heating options. A Standard Maintenance Agreement has been entered into for the Electronic Controls for 2008.
- 3.) The third update meeting for the Terminal building study will be held on February 12, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.
- 4.) Liability insurance was discussed. A savings of \$3,500.00 was realized in 2008. An application for the same coverage has been submitted to the agent and a reply is anticipated.
- 5.) The topic of a Hangar Waiting List Policy was revisited. A copy of a fair and equal hangar waiting list policy for the distribution of hangar spaced at the airport was given to the Commissioners at another meeting. this Policy was accepted.
- 6.) The Managers overtime.

Commissioners returned a call from Karen Campbell of WDN. Ms. Campbell had questions about the internet On Line Auction system used by the County and the benefits of its use. Commissioner Bergman reminded the Board that a response must be determined to the request of John Smith to use the Administration Building Meeting Room for a Bee Keepers meeting on a Saturday in April.

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):
#08-032 Setting date and time to receive bids for the Village of Waynesfield South Westminster Street reconstruction project using CDBG funding.


- #08-033 Budget adjustment for the Veterans Service Office.
- #08-034 Authorizing securement of notes from First National Bank of New Bremen for the Annesser Ditch improvement and the Huenke #2 Ditch project.
- #08-035 Authorizing securement of note from First National Bank of New Bremen for the Waynesfield Northeast Storm Sewer improvement.
- #08-036 Recording inventories filed by January 14, 2008.

4:30 p.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, President Bergman adjourned the meeting in the office 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 17th day of January, 2008.



John N. Bergman, President



Douglas A. Spencer, Vice President



Ivo J. Kramer, Member



Joseph R. Lenhart, County Administrator



Connie Cordonnier, Clerk of the Board



Patricia Hill, Asst. Clerk of the Board

Dated: 1-24-08

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO
-- January 22, 2008 --**

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session in its office at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 22, 2008 with the following members present: John N. Bergman, Douglas A. Spencer, and Ivo J. Kramer. The meeting of the Board was called to order by President Bergman. The minutes of the previous meeting were provided to the Board.

AGENDA

- 9:00 a.m. Tom Kuenning with New Bremen Foundation (Chambers)
- 10:00 a.m. Troy Anderson – introduce new Auglaize County Red Cross Director
- 10:30 a.m. Mary Wiard of Waste Management (Chambers)
- 12:00 noon Commissioners, Dave & Joe to view transfer stations (Miami Co. and Mercer Co.)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

- 8:20 a.m. Staff meeting
- 9:00 a.m. Board met with Tom Kuenning of the New Bremen Foundation. A letter of support was given.
- 10:00 a.m. Board met with EMA Director Troy Anderson; DaNeen Bryan, Auglaize County Red Cross Director; and Roger Fessler, Allen Co. Red Cross Emergency Services Director.
- 10:30 a.m. Board met with Mary Wiard of Waste Management. Also present were Co. Administrator Lenhart and Solid Waste Coordinator Dave Reichelderfer.
- 12:30 p.m. Commissioners, Co. Admin. Lenhart and Solid Waste Coordinator David Reichelderfer left the office to view the transfer stations in Miami County and Mercer County.

STAFF MEETING

Assistant Clerk Hill reviewed scheduled appointments through the month of February. Co. Administrator Joe Lenhart presented the following to the Board:

- 1.) Received an email from Wapakoneta Police Chief Webb regarding the “no parking” sign wording. Chief Webb had forwarded the wording to the City Solicitor Denny Faller who says the wording was great and the City should give it to others wanting no parking signs. The County Highway Department will be contacted to make up the signs for the Administration Building parking lot.
- 2.) Received a call from Library Board member Larry James. The Library will be holding a retreat on March 15th at the Wapak YMCA to talk about future plans for the Auglaize County Public Library. He inquired as to the County’s interest in the current library building. The Board would like either a Commissioner or the Co. Administrator to attend the retreat and talk to the Library Board about the County’s interest in the building.
- 3.) An email was sent to the CCAO regarding issue of opt out policies for Elected Officials. A phone call was received from Cheryl Subler of the CCAO. Ms Subler cited ORC 305.171(g) as the section pertaining to this issue. The Code states that an elected official can not exercise an opt out option during their term. The opt out would have to be done at the start of their new term. The Code also states that the opt out payment can not be more than 25% of the cost of premiums paid by the county.
- 4.) No response has been received from Cornell & Finkelmeier regarding life insurance. They will be contacted again either today or tomorrow.

Commissioner Spencer presented the following:

- 1.) He will be meeting with Greg Myers on Friday
- 2.) He will be speaking about the Japan trip to the St. Marys Rotary on February 6th.

Commissioner Kramer presented the following:

- 1.) The Commissioners will be giving a State of the County Address to the St. Marys Kiwanis on February 26th.

Commissioner Bergman presented the following:

- 1.) The 175th Birthday Celebration at the Courthouse went well, with more than 150 people in attendance.

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):

- #08-037 Authorizing the renewal of a contract with Christina Dircksen for Beautician Services for Auglaize Acres.
- #08-038 Approving an agreement with Dr. Thomas R. Freytag for medical care to inmates housed in the County Law Enforcement Center.
- #08-039 Authorizing renewal of a contract with LightGov.LLC for the purpose of selling no longer needed property of Auglaize County.
- #08-040 Authorizing the renewal of a contract with Ernest Philpot for Barber Services for Auglaize Acres.

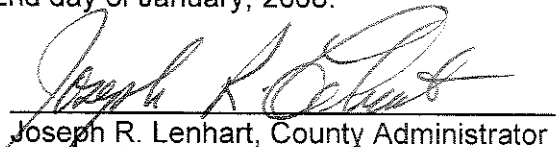
5:00 p.m. Upon returning to Wapakoneta and with no further business to bring before the Board, President Bergman adjourned the meeting in the office for the day.

The MINUTES constitute a synopsis on matters brought to the attention of the Board of County Commissioners of Auglaize County, Ohio on this 22nd day of January, 2008.


John N. Bergman, President


Douglas A. Spencer, Vice President


Ivo J. Kramer, Member


Joseph R. Lenhart, County Administrator


Connie Cordonnier, Clerk of the Board


Patricia Hill, Asst. Clerk of the Board

Dated: 1-24-08

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO
-- January 24, 2008 --**

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session at the American Legion Post 444 in New Knoxville at 7:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 24, 2008 with the following members present: John N. Bergman, Douglas A. Spencer and Ivo J. Kramer. The Commissioners and Co. Administrator Joe Lenhart attended the State of the Villages Breakfast.

The meeting of the Board was called to order in its office by President Bergman at 10:00 a.m. The minutes of previous meeting were provided to the Board.

AGENDA

- 7:30 a.m. State of the Villages Breakfast (New Knoxville American Legion Post 444)
- 10:00 a.m. Doug Reinhart, Matt and Kevin talk about the Stoner ditch (Chambers)
- 1:00 p.m. View the McKee Ditch (Soil & Water)
- 2:00 p.m. Hearing for McKee Ditch (Soil & Water) (Logan Township House)
- 3:00 p.m. WIA Board meeting (Meeting Room)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

- 10:00 a.m. Board met with Co. Engineer Doug Reinhart, Asst. Eng. Kevin Schnell and Matt Quinter to review the Stoner Ditch project and assessments. A date for a final hearing was set.
 - 12:00 p.m. Left the office for lunch and then travel to Logan Township for the McKee Ditch view
 - 1:00 p.m. Board participated in the McKee Ditch view. This is a Soil & Water Conservation District project located in Logan Township.
 - 3:00 p.m. Commissioner Spencer attended the WIA Board meeting held in the Administration Building Basement Meeting Room.
 - 3:30 p.m. Michelle Brown, employee of Auglaize Acres, met with the Board. She talked about some of the changes that are taking place at the Acres. She is not in agreement with all of the changes. The Commissioners told her that they supported Nick and the changes. Everyone will have to wait and see how the changes work out. Changes needed to be made or the Acres might not survive. Everyone needs to work together and she is a vital part of the changes because of her being President of the Union. Michelle understands and will try and work with everyone.
 - 4:10 p.m. Co. Administrator Lenhart talked to the Board about the change of Humane Agent. The Board will have to set the salary for Laura Jones. The pay that was received by Bill McCormick was discussed. Joe is to set up a meeting with all parties.
- Commissioner Bergman responded to an email he received which expressed concern for the care of a certain neighbor's dog in the cold weather. Mr. Bergman contacted the Humane Society which said its staff would check into the complaint.

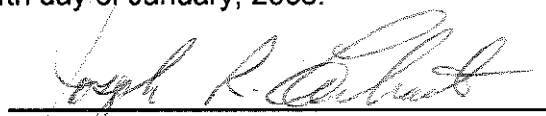
The following Resolutions were presented to the Board, for its consideration (the entire texts of same are documented in the Board's Journal by the Clerk of the Board):

- #08-041 Authorizing the adoption of revisions to the MEBC-Auglaize County Employee Benefit Plan, Plan Document and Employee Benefit Booklet.
- #08-042 Budget adjustments within the CSEA Fund.
- #08-043 Transfer of funds for the Children Services Fund.
- #08-044 Setting final hearing date for the Zink ditch project.
- #08-045 Travel expenses for Sheriff's staff members to attend various meetings.

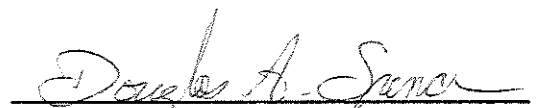
4:30 p.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, President Bergman adjourned the meeting in the office for the day.

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John N. Bergman, President

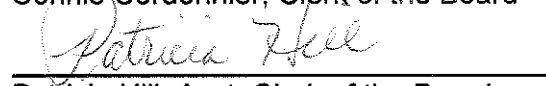

Joseph R. Lenhart, County Administrator

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Douglas A. Spencer, Vice President


Connie Cordonnier, Clerk of the Board


Ivo J. Kramer, Member


Patricia Hill, Asst. Clerk of the Board

Dated: 1-29-08

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

-- January 29, 2008 --

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session in its office at 8:10 a.m. on Tuesday, January 29, 2008 with the following members present: John N. Bergman, Douglas A. Spencer and Ivo J. Kramer. The meeting of the Board was called to order by President Bergman. The minutes of previous meeting were provided to the Board.

AGENDA

- 8:30 a.m. Jerry Lehman & Janet Schuler – Sign notes for the Annesser Ditch, Huenke #2 Ditch and the Waynesfield Northeast Storm Sewer project.
- 10:00 a.m. Insurance meeting (Van Wert County – Willow Run)
- 7:30 p.m. John – OSU Extension Advisory meeting (OSU Extension office)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY


- 8:30 a.m. Board met with Jerry Lehman of First National Bank of New Bremen and County Auditor Janet Schuler for the signing of notes for the Annesser Ditch, Huenke #2 Ditch and the Waynesfield Northeast Storm Sewer project.
After the note signing, Auditor Schuler remained with the Board to discuss the use of purchase orders in relation to a finding on the State's Audit.
- 9:30 a.m. Board left the office to travel to Van Wert County for the MPRMA and MEBC insurance meetings.
- 2:10 p.m. Auglaize Acres Administrator Nick Scheck met with the Board.
- 3:15 p.m. Co. Admin. Lenhart talked with the Board about the following items:
 - 1- The Library meeting on March 15 will be at 9 am.,
 - 2- Larry Beers has a lot of time driving bus, if the Board can find a replacement; he would agree to step down.
 - 3- Tom Harrison is going to come in Thursday with Laura Jones and talk about the Humane Agent position. He will also take a letter back to Bill about the overpayment,
 - 4- Don Arnett called about the agreement letter for the annexation process, Mr. Lenhart sent a copy of two City/Township Annexation Agreements to the City of Wapakoneta.
 - 5- The Engineer's Dept. is working on making a sign for everyone to look at and approve for the no parking zone at the Administration Building.
 - 6- Monday, Mr. Lenhart sent a letter to Susan Paul about the Life Insurance for the Deputies.
 - 7- Talked to Ed about the Machine Concept contract. He suggested that Jon Eiting be contacted and let him know and maybe his Attorney would like to make the amendment,
 - 8- Rick Bice talked to Sue Ellen Kohler about funding some of the furnace at the Title Office building. She feels it is the Commissioners re?.

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):


- #08-046 Renewing agreements with Green Acres for lawn care for the Courthouse grounds and the Administration Building grounds.
- #08-047 Budget adjustment within the County General Fund and a Transfer of funds for the CHIP Payback fund.
- #08-048 Selecting Poggemeyer Design Group, Inc. as the consultants for professional services in preparation of the FY 2008 CDBG Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP).
- #08-049 Approving contract for child care between Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services and Learning Tree Child Care as a full service care provider.
- #08-050 Selecting Poggemeyer Design Group, Inc. as the consultants for professional services in preparation of the FY 2008 CDBG Community Development Program (Formula).
- #08-051 Budget adjustment for the Victims Services appropriation.

4:30 p.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, President Bergman adjourned the meeting in the office 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 29th day of January, 2008.



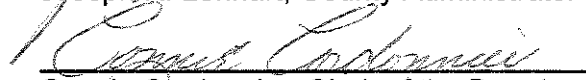
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Ivó J. Kramer, Member



Patricia Hill, Asst. Clerk of the Board

Dated: 1-31-08

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

-- January 31, 2008 --

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session in the County Commissioners Chambers at 8:05 a.m. on Thursday, January 31, 2008 with the following members present: John N. Bergman, Douglas A. Spencer and Ivo J. Kramer. The meeting of the Board was called to order in its office by President Bergman. The minutes of previous meeting were provided to the Board.

AGENDA

- 8:30 a.m. John to meet with Al Willis
- 10:00 a.m. Open bids for Shearer #3 Ditch (Chambers)
- 2:00 p.m. Tom Harrison and Laura Jones (Chambers)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

- 8:30 a.m. Board met with Al Willis, MR/DD Board Superintendent.
- 10:00 a.m. Board opened twelve bids for the Shearer #3 Ditch project . Those present for the opening were Asst. Co. Eng. Kevin Schnell, Matt Quinter of the Engineer's staff. T J Place of the Soil & Water Conservation Office and nine bidders. Bids were given to Asst. Eng. Schnell for his review and comparison. A bid award recommendation will be submitted to the Board by the Engineer's office.
- 11:10 a.m. Troy Anderson, EMA/Homeland Security Director, met with the Board to update the Commissioners on a predicted winter storm.
- 2:00 p.m. Board met with Tom Harrison, President of the Auglaize County Humane Society, and Laura Jones, recently appointed Humane Agent.
- 2:35 p.m. Board again met with Humane Agent Laura Jones, about a problem with a dog.
- 4:10 p.m. Auditor Janet Schuler and EMA/HHS Director Troy Anderson met with the Board to discuss weather forecast for tomorrow and how the work day will be handled.

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):

- #08-052 Setting date, time and location at which to convene a Special Session of the Auglaize County Board of Commissioners.
- #08-053 Approving contracts for child care services between Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services and Beth James and Denise Wilmoth as Type B care providers.
- #08-054 Authorizing travel expenses for Sheriff's Deputies, Corrections Officers, Dispatchers and Support Staff to attend various mandatory training throughout 2008.
- #08-055 Documenting receipt of bids for the Shearer #3 Ditch project; withholding award until recommendation is received from the Co. Engineer.
- #08-056 Setting compensation for the position of Auglaize County Humane Agent, Laura Jones.
- #08-057 Authorizing pay increase for Nathan Motter, employee at the Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services.

4:30 p.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, President Bergman adjourned the meeting in the office 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 31st day of January, 2008.




John N. Bergman, President



Douglas A. Spencer, Vice President



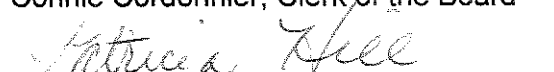
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Connie Cordonnier, Clerk of the Board



Patricia Hill, Asst. Clerk of the Board

Dated: 2-1-08