

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

-- May 26, 2009 --

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 26, 2009 with the following members present: Douglas A. Spencer, Don Regula and John N. Bergman. The meeting of the Board was called to order in its Chambers by President Spencer.

AGENDA

- Doug – Board of Revisions meeting (Auditor's Office)
- 8:00 a.m. Commissioners work on Resolutions/Documents (Chambers)
- 8:30 a.m. Staff meeting (Chambers)
- 3:30 p.m. Present and discuss upcoming resolutions (Chambers)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

- 8:00 a.m. Board signed the weekly check register as presented by the County Auditor.
- 8:04 a.m. Commissioner Regula moved to approve the Resolutions as presented. Commissioner Bergman seconded the motion. Resolutions were then distributed for each Commissioner's vote and execution.
- 8:07 a.m. Clerk Connie Cordonnier read the minutes of the previous Regular Session meeting, being May 21, 2009. Two additions were made. The minutes were then approved by the President of the Board.
- 8:25 a.m. Commissioner Spencer left the office to attend the Board of Revisions interviews held in the Auditor's Office.
- 9:40 a.m. Commissioners received a phone call from Jack Toomey, Shelby Co. Commissioner, who expressed Shelby County's concerns about keeping the 4-H program of the OSU Cooperative Extension Services. Mr. Toomey reported that Mercer County and Darke County concur with these concerns.
- 10:18 a.m. Commissioner Bergman received a call from Sarah Mancini asking him about the three options presented to Mike Rumer, the Mancini's attorney. She inquired if there was any chance of changes to these options. Mr. Bergman explained that he supports the three options presented and that since this is pending litigation, he could not discuss this matter any further. Ms. Mancini then asked about a project completed on or near 10990 Plattner Pike and asked if Mr. Bergman would look into this project. Commissioner Bergman agreed to look at the 10990 Plattner Pike project.
- 10:56 a.m. Commissioner Bergman phoned Prosecutor Ed Pierce to inform him of the phone call received from Sarah Mancini. Mr. Pierce affirmed that there should be no discussion between the Mancinis and the Commissioners on this matter. Mr. Pierce will call the Mancini's attorney, Mike Rumer.
- 11:35 a.m. Commissioner Spencer returned to the office.
- Commissioner Spencer participated in the Board of Revisions interviews again in the afternoon.
- 3:15 p.m. Commissioner Spencer returned to the office. After his return, Admin. Lenhart updated the Board on The Heritage Trails Park District and the Neil Armstrong Space Museum.
- 3:55 p.m. Upcoming Resolutions were discussed and presented to the Board.

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):

- #09-192 Authorizing a change order for housing rehabilitation for Karen Steinke under the C.H.I.P. Program.
- #09-193 Approving contract and bond of Cy Schwieterman, Inc. for Kellermeyer #2 Ditch project.
- #09-194 Authorizing an appropriation budget adjustment in the Kah Sewer Project fund as requested by the County Auditor.
- #09-195 Setting date, time and location to convene a special session on May 29, 2009 of the Auglaize County Board of Commissioners.

4:40 p.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, 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 26th day of May, 2009.



Douglas A. Spencer, President



Don Regula, Vice President



John N. Bergman, Member



Joseph R. Lenhart, County Administrator



Connie Cordonnier, Clerk of the Board

Dated: May 28, 2009

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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-- May 28, 2009 --

The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 28, 2009 with the following members present: Douglas A. Spencer, Don Regula and John N. Bergman. The meeting of the Board was called to order in its Chambers by President Spencer.

AGENDA

- 8:00 a.m. Commissioners sign resolutions/documents (Chambers)
- 8:30 a.m. Staff meeting (Chambers)
- 9:00 a.m. OSU Extension Update (Chambers)
- 3:30 p.m. Present and discuss upcoming resolutions (Chambers)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DAY

- 8:15 a.m. Clerk Connie Cordonnier read the minutes of the previous Regular Session meeting of May 26th. One correction was made. The minutes were then approved by President Spencer.
- 8:25 a.m. Board signed a check register as presented by the County Auditor's office.
- 8:30 a.m. Commissioner Bergman moved to approve the Resolutions as presented with none being held for further discussion. Commissioner Regula seconded the motion. Resolutions were then distributed for each Commissioner's vote and execution.

9:00 a.m. Board met with John Smith, Beth Miller and Lois Clark of the OSU Extension Services office. The following items were discussed:

- Cost cutting measures being implemented are 1.) Two phone lines were removed. 1 for a phone and 1 for a fax. 2.) No calendars have been purchased this year. 3.) A Dannon Grant is being used for supplies.
- A report from Columbus informed the County office that funding through a House Bill is about \$70,000 short of what the office has now. No word has been received about the Senate. The State budget does not look hopeful.
- On June 1, 2009, Auglaize County OSU Extension Services will become part of a ten (10) County Region named Top of Ohio. 75% of the Extension offices efforts should be directed to their local Counties and 25% directed to the Region.

John Smith mentioned that the Extension Services is monitoring for signs of a different kind of moth coming this way. Mr. Smith has received and answered many questions from Mercer County.

Beth Miller stated that the office is getting ready for the fair. The date of the State Fair has been moved and has created problems in judging as this must be done before the fair. The 4-H program is reaching about 2,000 kids. The program called "Real Money, Real World" is being expanded to include New Knoxville and New Bremen. Ms. Miller is working on the inclusion of St. Marys.

Lois Clark offered the she has presented programs from Household Funding. Ms. Clark has also submitted an application for a Dannon Grant of \$30,000.

10:00 a.m. Commissioner Regula left the office to attend a funeral.

10:15 a.m. Dog Warden, Russ Bailey met briefly with the Board, offering updates on his department activities.

11:00 a.m. Board spoke with Doug Reinhart about striping and applying directional arrows to the ACDJFS parking lot. He advised the Board to ask his Chief Deputy Gary Kuck to determine the proper company to contact for the directional arrows placement. Commissioner Spencer forwarded this information to Amy Ruppert, Office Administrator at the ACDJFS.

1:30 p.m. Staff meeting was held.

3:00 p.m. Pros. Atty. Ed Pierce met with the Board.

4:15 p.m. Kayla Stacy, a student from Ohio State University, sat in the Board's meeting as part of a class assignment which required the observation of a public meeting.

4:20 p.m. The upcoming resolutions were presented to and discussed with the Board.

4:30 p.m. Board phoned MR/DD Board Superintendent Al Willis to discuss wage continuation of an injured employee. Mr. Willis agreed to meet with the Board of County Commissioners next week. He is to obtain additional information regarding the employee which he will share with the Commissioners when he meets with them.

STAFF MEETING

Clerk Cordonnier reviewed the scheduled appointments through the month of June. She also shared the following:

- A monthly Utility Comparison Report for four County buildings was presented to each Commissioner and Co. Admin. Lenhart.
- It was reported that she and Co. Admin. Lenhart have been working on creating a common time sheet for the Commissioners' employees and a financial computer spreadsheet for the Commissioners' funds.
- The Minutes for the Commissioners' Meetings through May 21st have been posted on the website. This will be updated on Wednesdays with the previous week's minutes.

Co. Administrator Lenhart brought the following to the attention of the Board:

- 1.) Judge Fred Pepple is waiting for the Commissioners to make their appointments to the new Law Library Board. Judge Pepple would like to have one 5 year appointment made before he goes on vacation on June 12th. He and Judge Spees have requested that Kraig Noble be appointed by the Board to the 5 year term. Mr. Noble would then be the Chairman of the Board.
- 2.) Judge Spees mentioned that due to the fact that he is not replacing an employee who retired from his Probate Court staff, he is considering giving a raise in wages to his other employees who have taken on extra duties. This raise will not be in effect until September or October. He is concerned about the sustainability of this wage carrying over to next year's budget. This presents a challenge for wage increases. Much discussion was given to this topic as what transpires will effect the future financial situation of the County in that once the increase is given, it cannot be rescinded. A similar situation exists in this office.
- 3.) Pros. Atty. Ed Pierce will be over today around 2:30 p.m. to discuss the Law Library Board appointments, the house at 207 Perry St., and the house on Beech Street in St. Marys.
- 4.) Bradley Lyons left an envelope in the Treasurer's deposit box which contained money (\$80) and a key. The return address was marked "Former Resident, 207 Perry St." . Admin. Lenhart phoned Mr. Lyons, leaving a message on his phone. This message was recorded and then transferred to a CD so our office has record of this message. Housekeepers Deb Brenneman and Peggy Rodeback and Admin. Lenhart walked over to the house for a walk through. The house is a "pig sty" with furniture, food, clothes, etc. In the phone message, Mr. Lyons was told to have his things out of the house by Monday morning because the maintenance men will begin cleaning it out at that time. Perhaps on Tuesday, a walk through by the Board could be done. Much cleaning will need to be done before renting again, especially the carpet.
- 5.) In response to an email from Julie Garmann, Admin. Lenhart returned an answer which the Commissioners approved.
- 6.) Workers Compensation is making some changes. These changes may effect the County as they refer to "group rated employers". It may prove to be advantageous to not have group rating. One reason being that the money derived from the Safety Council will no longer be available if you are group rated. Auglaize County should compare non-group rates with group rates. There are pros and cons to both ratings.
- 7.) Gallagher Bassett Insurance Company has submitted information that suggests that our insurance coverage is too low on some of our County buildings. A list of the county buildings was shared on which is marked those buildings not having adequate coverage. Admin. Lenhart will get with Ed Shroyer to find out the cost per square foot to replace these buildings in the event any of them were destroyed.

8.) The situation for the MR/DD Board employee on wage continuation, whose situation was discussed in a previous meeting, was brought up again. The wage continuation will be up on May 29th. Supt. Al Willis stated that he will discontinue the wage continuation and turn it over to Workers Comp. This will effect our Workers Comp rating. Mr. Willis does not wish to continue wage continuation as he feels the employee is abusing of the time off. It was suggested that rehab is needed or another evaluation by an independent doctor. Board will call Mr. Willis to discuss this situation.

Commissioner Regula reported that he will be unavailable on July 20th and 23rd.

Commissioner Bergman presented the following:

- ◆ Spoke with Computer Operation Manager Brian Fisher about the County Website. It is now current with the proper officials in the Commissioners office.
- ◆ Dan Graf wishes to discuss with the Board the construction of sidewalks southeast of Hamilton Street and Glynwood Road, immediately adjacent to the football field, involving four properties.
- ◆ The county home woods has not been logged since 1998 and Commissioner Bergman feels that a forester should look at the trees in the woods to determine if there should be another harvest. Commissioner Bergman will contact a forester. Admin. Lenhart mentioned that the Board should consider insurance coverage for the county home woods as this is a major asset to the County. Maybe the forester could supply some kind of value for the timber in the woods.
- ◆ Much was discussed about AED training. Admin. Lenhart emailed the Commissioners about this training. He informed the Board that the past training on AEDs did not include CPR training and this caused concern for the Red Cross, Tri County Nurses and JTDMH. At that time, CPR training was offered on a voluntary basis. Training may be able to be obtained on video for the use of the AED. Amy Ruppert and Admin. Lenhart will look into the matter. Commissioner Spencer suggested that CPR training be offered again on a voluntary basis.

Commissioner Spencer mentioned the following:

- ❖ Discussed the procedure for appointing members to the new Law Library Board. He remarked that Karen Campbell of WDN was to run an article in the paper for persons interested in these appointments. He stated that he has no problem appointing Kraig Noble to the 5 year term. Many comments were made about the terms of the appointments and filling one position now and the other as soon as an article can be published in the newspaper. Mr. Spencer will get back with Karen Campbell. He also agreed with appointing Mr. Noble to have the five year appointment filled.
- ❖ The Clerk was asked to place a We Care meeting on the Board's calendar for June 25th at noon.
- ❖ A Farm Bureau Legislative Day will be held on June 10th at 7:30 a.m.
- ❖ A brief Board of Revisions meeting will be held on June 16th.
- ❖ Spoke with the Dept. of Energy, per Rachel Barber's request, concerning the submittal of a request for stimulus dollars. She still has time to submit an application on behalf of the Auglaize County Historical Society. These are the same dollars for which the County has applied. Admin. Lenhart will speak to her about this matter.
- ❖ Josh Hahn of CCAO sent an email, inquiring what the County spends on advertising costs for delinquent tax listing. Admin. Lenhart has already answered Mr. Hahn's question. It was \$2,400+.

Admin. Lenhart reported that April 29th is the date that the MR/DD Board employee was injured, and has remained off work. Commissioner Spencer inquired how many weeks of wage continuation an employee is granted time for a work related injury. Admin. Lenhart will check in the Personnel Policy Book.

Commissioner Spencer reported that the article about the Law Library appointments will be in the newspaper on Saturday.

He mentioned that he contacted Bill Laney, asking that he meet the Commissioners at the Auglaize County Department of Job and Family Services parking lot to discuss an editorial which appeared in the WDN concerning the parking lot. Mr. Laney responded that he had a lengthy meeting with ACDJFS Director Mike Morrow and will be printing another article to clarify the facts concerning the cabling. There is no need to meet with him today.

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):

#09-196 Recognizing the achievements of Auglaize County Students who participated in the Ohio Academy of Science Annual State Science Day.

#09-197 Declaring Resolution #09-130 null and void as requested by the County Administrator.


#09-198 Approving the County Auditor to draw warrants for Then and Now Certificate payments

4:35 p.m. With no further business to bring before the Board, 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 28th day of May 2009.



Douglas A. Spencer, President



Joseph R. Lenhart, County Administrator



Don Regula, Vice President



Connie Cordonnier, Clerk of the Board



John N. Bergman, Member

Dated: June 2, 2009

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO
--May 29, 2009--

The Board of County Commissioners convened in special session on Friday, May 29, 2009 with the following members present: Douglas A. Spencer and Don Regula.

8:00 a.m. Board attended an Auglaize County Economic Development meeting at Minster Machine Company in Minster, Ohio.

10:00 a.m. Board returned to Wapakoneta.

Commissioner Spencer recessed Special Session until 1:30 p.m.


1:30 p.m. Commissioner Spencer reconvened the Special Session with the Board traveling to Lima, Ohio to attend the W.O.R.T.H. Center Open House.

After return to Wapakoneta after the Open House, President Spencer adjourned the Special Session for the day.

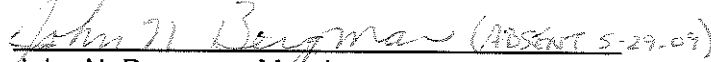
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Douglas A. Spencer, President



Don Regula, Vice President



John N. Bergman, Member (ABSENT 5-29-09)

ATTEST:



Joseph R. Lenhart, County Administrator



Connie Cordonnier, Clerk

Date: June 2, 2009