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MINUTES: Regular Session – January 15, 2013

The Board met in regular session pursuant to adjournment of the January 14, 2013, meeting.

Tom Ariss - present

David G. Young - present

Pat Arnold South - present

Tina Davis, Clerk - present

- 13-0080 A resolution was adopted to approve the Fee Schedule with Life Management Systems for the Administration of the Employee Assistance Program. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0081 A resolution was adopted to approve and enter into a Software Maintenance Agreement with Maximus, Inc. for the Program Expenditure Tracking System on behalf of the Warren County Department of Human Services. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0082 A resolution was adopted to authorize Amendment No. 2 to the Engineering Agreement with Burgess & Niple Inc, increasing Purchase Order No. 88482 for the North Water System – Water Booster Pump Station Improvements Project, Fund No. 3225. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0083 A resolution was adopted to Advertise for Bids for Guardrail and Roadside Vegetation Management. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0084 A resolution was adopted to approve the Destruction of the following Warren County Sheriff's Office Equipment. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0085 A resolution was adopted to declare various items within Facilities Management and Engineer's Office as surplus and authorize the disposal of said items. Vote: Unanimous

- 13-0086 A resolution was adopted to affirm "Then and Now" requests pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 5705.41(D) (1). Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0087 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Decreases within various Funds. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0088 A resolution was adopted to approve Operational Transfer from General Fund #101 into Property and Casualty Insurance Fund #637. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0089 A resolution was adopted to approve an Operational Transfer from Commissioners Fund #101 into Human Services Fund #203. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0090 A resolution was adopted to approve an Operating Transfer from 580-3319 (surplus) into Fund 574 for the Lower Little Miami Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion Project, Fund No. 574. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0091 A resolution was adopted to approve Supplemental Appropriation into Emergency Management Fund #264-2800. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0092 A resolution was adopted to approve Supplemental Appropriation into County Court Fund #269 Indigent Driver Treatment Fund. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0093 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustments from Commissioners General Fund #101-1110 into Veteran's Fund #101-5210. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0094 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within the Sewer Revenue Fund No. 580. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0095 A resolution was adopted to authorize payment of Bills. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0096 A resolution was adopted to approve and authorize the submission of a 2013 Litter Collection & Prevention Grant to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency on behalf of the Warren County Solid Waste Management District. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0097 A resolution was adopted to reconvene Countywide 9-1-1 Planning Committee to Amend the Countywide 9-1-1 Final Plan. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-0098 A resolution was adopted to administer disciplinary action against Denna Hart, Emergency Communications Operator within the Emergency Services Department. Vote: Unanimous

DISCUSSIONS

On motion, upon unanimous call of the roll, the Board accepted and approved the consent agenda.

Chris Brausch, Sanitary Engineer, was present for a work session along with Dan Corey, Warren County Engineer's Office, and Water and Sanitary Sewer Department staff and discussed the following matters:

1. Delaware North Racino
 - a. Waterline—they need an 8" line o service their development but we need a 16" in order to accommodate future connections. The preliminary cost to oversize the pipe is \$298,386. The Board agreed to reimburse the developer the cost of oversizing the pipe.
 - b. State of Ohio Easement—The state will provide a 15' waterline easement. Rather than the County paying the appraisal cost of the land, the State would like a 3 – 5 year farm lease on the 16 acre parcel that contains the abandoned Union Road Wellfield—The Board agreed to their request
 - c. Union Road Well Removal—Mr. Brausch recommended removal of the old productions and monitoring wells at the abandoned Union Road Wellfield. The Board agreed to his recommendation with one last contact with the golf course and racino development to ensure they do not desire to purchase raw water from the site.
 - d. Otterbein Wells—It was discovered that Otterbein Home has a wellfield along the property line of the racino property. Delaware North is considering relocating the proposed maintenance facility building to provide the minimum 300' from the Otterbein well. Dave Gully, County Administrator, suggested adding this well to Warren County's Wellhead Protection Program due to the intermingling of this well with the County's water supply at the Otterbein water tower.
2. Central Avenue Water Service Agreement—The City of Springboro is constructing a waterline from Farm Fridge Road to Red Lion Five Points Road. Along this waterline are nine parcels that include seven property owners in 32.6 acres. The City of Springboro is willing to provide water service to these properties without annexation but they will be charged the rate for customers outside of the city limits. The Board agreed to release this area for service by the City of Springboro.

3. Easement negotiations with Paul Brothers—The County is in process of relocating the Maple Avenue Lift Station that requests an easement from Mr. Brothers. Rather than compensation for the easement, Mr. Brothers would like the remaining portion of his tap-in fee and connection charged waived in the amount of \$5,940. The Board agreed to the request.
4. North Water System Improvements—The proposed \$6 million project is progressing and they plan to advertise for bids in May or June of this year.
5. Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Public Hearing—the public hearing to consider our request to construction a 24” waterline across the Little Miami River for our North South Interconnection Project will be held on February 12, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. in South Lebanon.
6. Creekwood Subdivision Update—The Water and Sewer Department has not received any significant complaints from the property owners.
7. LLMWWTP—The Board confirmed their desire for an Open House this spring

Nathan Harper, Dog Warden, was present along with Larry Sims, Warren County Sheriff, and Marilee Swartzwalder, Warren County Humane Association, for a work session to discuss non-canine animal complaints.

Mr. Harper stated that the Dog Wardens are regularly called out to complaints that are not dog related. He stated that they desire to help law enforcement when needed and have most of the training that is required to do so.

Dave Gully, County Administrator, stated that he has directed the Dog Wardens to not respond to any complaints other than dog complaints. He stated that the dog wardens have not been thoroughly trained and do not have all the proper equipment. He also stated his concern with the added liability to the County.

Mr. Harper explained that Warren County has a number of animal rescue agencies that will take the animal once captures. He then explained that law enforcement does not have the property training or equipment to safely capture these animals. He requested permission from the Board to have the option to help law enforcement in these situations.

There was discussion relative to the need for someone to respond to these types of calls and Mr. Gully stated that the Board has three options:

1. Do nothing
2. Have law enforcement respond to all non-canine calls
3. We take ownership of all issues

Sheriff Sims stated that they get frequent calls for non-canine complains and that these types of calls are handles differently throughout the State of Ohio. He stated that some counties have animal control through the Sheriff's Office, some through the Humane Association and some through the Dog Warden. He then stated that the complaints are relative to public safety which he deems as the paramount job of government.

There was discussion relative to what kind of training would be required and how they would be funded.

Mr. Gully stated the need to define a scope of the job and the properly train and equip the responder.

Commissioner Young stated his desire to change the scope of the Dog Wardens job to include responding to calls other than dogs.

Commissioner South questioned the funding stream and her desire to put a limitation on the expectations of government.

Upon discussion, the Board agreed to allow the Warren County Dog Warden and Deputy Dog Wardens to respond to non-canine calls.

Sheriff Sims stated they would work with law enforcement, the Prosecutor, the Dog Warden and County Administrator to come up with a protocol and get back to the Board.

Susanne Mason, Program Manager, was present to discuss the ability to apply for an Ohio EPA Grant to fund tire collection and clean-up of a dump site at Armco Park.

Mrs. Mason stated that this is a 50/50 match grant and that she has the funds in her budget to pay the match.

There was then discussion relative to her concern that the tire collections would exceed the limits of the grant and her concern that once two semi trailers were filled, she would need to turn residents away.

The Board stated their desire to not turn residents away and she could pay for any additional costs of collection from the Solid Waste Budget.

Upon further discussion, the Board resolved (Resolution #13-0096) to approve and authorize the submission of a 2013 Litter Collection & Prevention Grant to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency on behalf of the Warren County Solid Waste Management District.

Susanne Mason and Vicky Perry, Grants Administration, were present along with Margie Dunn, WCCS Balanced Housing and Tom Salzbrun, WCCS Executive Director, for a work session to discuss Warren County's plans regarding the housing needs and housing programs available.

Mrs. Dunn explained that the CHIP grant currently funds down payment assistance, housing counseling, and home repair funding. She stated her understanding that the Board has concerns with the current scope of services that the grant funds provide and stated that, should Warren County choose to apply for grant funds in 2013, there are other activities that can be funded through the grant such as rehab services for the elderly and disabled to allow them to remain in their homes and off public assistance.

Mrs. Dunn then stated that since 2001, through the private and public funds that have been available to Warren County Balances Housing, they have helped 155 families get into homes with only a 5% default on the loans. She then stated that Warren County grant funds have supported 30 of those families.

Commissioner Young stated his fundamental disagreement with the program. He stated his opinion that government money helping a limited number of citizens obtain homeownership is equivalent to willing the lottery. He then stated his opinion that homeownership should require "skin in the game" to prevent the homeowner from just walking about and not losing anything other than a decreased credit score.

There was much discussion relative to the other scope of services that are permitted within the grant.

Commissioner South stated her desire to redesign the program to eliminate down payment assistance dollars but to still provide the educational component of the grant. She then stated her opinion that the idea of utilizing the grant money for elderly and disabled rehab programs was a good idea. She also stated her desire to consider utilizing these funds to help eliminate homelessness and provide emergency shelter as well as work with those utilizing Metropolitan Housing assistance to establish a road to self-sufficiency.

Dave Gully, County Administration, stated his understanding of the desire of the Board relative to the grant funds as following:

1. Education
2. Transition into self-sufficiency
3. Rehab for the elderly and disabled.

Commissioner Ariss stated his agreement to utilize grant money to help the elderly and disabled stay in their homes.


There was discussion relative to the need to update plans and polities which requires reconvening the Housing Advisory Council. The Board agreed to reconvene the Housing Advisory Council to update the policies and procedures and bring a proposal back to the Board prior to the April Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) grant deadline.

On motion, upon unanimous call of the roll, the Board entered into executive session at 11:36 a.m. to discuss personnel matters relative to new hires and discipline in Emergency Services pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G)(1) and exited at 12:12 p.m.

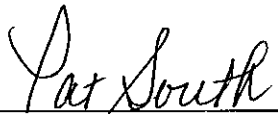
Commissioners Young exited the meeting at 12:15 p.m.

On motion, upon unanimous call of the roll, the Board entered into executive session at 12:15 p.m. to discuss personnel matters within Emergency Services pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G)(1) and to deliberate relative to a decision on the site plan review application of Sisters, Ltd./Pilot-Flying J in Turtlecreek Township and exited at 1:05 p.m.

Upon motion the meeting was adjourned.



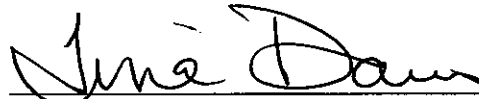
Tom Ariss, President



Pat Arnold South

David G. Young

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of County Commissioners held on January 15, 2013, in compliance with Section 121.22 O.R.C.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tina Davis", written over a horizontal line.

Tina Davis, Clerk
Board of County Commissioners
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