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**MINUTES: Regular Session – September 30, 2014**

The Board met in regular session pursuant to adjournment of the September 23, 2014, meeting.

Pat Arnold South - present

Tom Ariss - present

David G. Young - present

Tina Osborne, Clerk - present

Minutes of the September 23, 2014 meeting were read and approved.

- 14-1498      A resolution was adopted to approve end of 240-day Probationary Period and approve a Pay Increase for Patricia Jett, Clerical Specialist, within the Department of Job and Family Services, Children Services Division. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1499      A resolution was adopted to authorize the Internal Posting of the “Water Sewer System Repair Worker III – Mechanic” position, within the Water and Sewer Department, in accordance with Warren County Personnel Policy Manual, Section 2.02(a). Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1500      A resolution was adopted to accept Resignation of Devon Meyer, Emergency Communications Call Taker, within the Warren County Emergency Services Department, effective September 23, 2014. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1501      A resolution was adopted to declare various items within Board of Development Disabilities, Board of Elections, Common Pleas Court, Engineer’s Office, Mary Haven, Soil & Water, Water & Sewer Department, Sheriff’s Office and Telecom as surplus and authorize the disposal of said items. Vote: Unanimous

- 14-1502 A resolution was adopted to approve and authorize the President of the Board to sign Waiver relative to Conflict of Interest as it persists to the Representation of Warren County as Bond Counsel in Dealing with Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP and Otterbein Homes. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1503 A resolution was adopted to approve Amendment No. 5 to Food Service agreement with ARAMARK Correctiona Services, LLC. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1504 A resolution was adopted to approve and authorize the President and/or Vice President of this Board to sign Amendment #1 of the Cooperation Agreement with the Village of Corwin in regards to the Community Development Block Grant Entitlement for Program Years 2015-2017. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1505 A resolution was adopted to approve and authorize the President of this Board to enter into a one year Software Maintenance Agreement with Sadler-NeCamp Financial Services, Inc., dba PROWARE on behalf of Warren County Juvenile Court. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1506 A resolution was adopted to affirm "Then and Now" requests pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 5705.41(D) (1). Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1507 A resolution was adopted to acknowledge payment of Bills. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1508 A resolution was adopted to approve various Refunds. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1509 A resolution was adopted to approve Bond Release for Long Cove, LLC for completion of improvements in Long Cove Phase 5 situated in Deerfield Township. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1510 A resolution was adopted to approve the following Record Plats.  
Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1511 A resolution was adopted to approve a Supplemental Appropriation within Fund #484 (P&G TIF Road Construction). Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1512 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustments within Community Corrections Fund #101-1224. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1513 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustments from Board of Elections Fund #101-1301 to #101-1300. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1514 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within Recorder's Office Fund #101-1160. Vote: Unanimous

- 14-1515 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustments within County Garage Fund #101-1620. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1516 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within Sheriff's Office Fund #285. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1517 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within the Sewer Revenue Fund #2850. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1518 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustments within Treasurer's Fund #101-1130 and Motor Vehicle Fund #202. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1519 A resolution was adopted to authorize payment of Bills. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1520 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustments within Veterans Funds. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1521 A resolution was adopted to determine the necessity of the authorizing the Issuance and sale of not to exceed \$34,000,000 of Healthcare Facilities Revenue Bonds, Series 2014 (Otterbein Homes Obligated Group) of the County of Warren, Ohio; authorizing the execution and delivery of Agreements of Lease and Subleases in connection therewith; authorizing the execution and delivery of an Indenture of Trust (Bond Indenture) to secure such Series 2014 Bonds; authorizing the execution of a Bond Purchase Agreement with respect to said Series 2014 Bonds; and authorizing a Preliminary and final Official Statement, a Tax Exemption Certificate and Agreement, and other Documents in connection with the issuance of the Series 2014 Bonds.  
Vote: Mr. Young – yea; Mrs. South – yea; Mr. Ariss – abstain
- 14-1522 A resolution was adopted to approve and authorize the President of the Board to enter into Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Lebanon relative to the State of Ohio Racetrack Facility Community Economic Redevelopment Funds. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1523 A resolution was adopted to approve Revised General Plans for Sanitary Sewer Facilities in the Warren County Sewer District, to include Sanitary sewer Extensions in the Irwin-Simpson Road Sewer Improvement Area.  
Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1524 A resolution was adopted to determining necessity for the Irwin-Simpson Road Sewer Improvement Area Project for public use. Vote: Unanimous

- 14-1525 A resolution was adopted to establish the location, route and termini of the Sanitary Sewers, Tentative Assessments, Sewer Rates and Charges and the Time when objections to or endorsements of the improvements will be heard for the proposed Sanitary Sewer Extension in the Irwin-Simpson Road Sewer Improvement Area in the Warren County Sewer District. Vote: Unanimous
- 14-1526 A resolution was adopted to begin Thursday, October 2, 2014, regular Meeting at 3:00 p.m. and Tuesday, October 7, 2014, regular Meeting at 8:30 a.m. Vote: Mr. Ariss – yea; Mrs. South – yea; Mr. Young – absent

### DISCUSSIONS

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

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Robert Blankenship, Warren County Veterans' Service Commissioner, was present along with Rodney Eversole, Executive Director of Veteran' Services, for a work session to discuss the request for an appropriation adjustment from their soldier relief fund into regular salaries in the amount of \$65,000.

Commissioner South opened the meeting by stating that the Board of Commissioners appreciate and support the veterans and has never had any intention of denying the veterans any benefits they have earned. She then clarified that when Mr. Britton, Veterans' Commissioner, was at the meeting a few weeks earlier, they were accused of not caring about the veterans because they had previously promised office space to another agency and could not accommodate the request for additional space.

Mr. Blankenship informed the Board that all space issues that were expressed a few weeks ago by Tom Britton have been resolved. He then stated that Mr. Britton is no longer Veterans' Board President and the Veterans' Services Commissioners desire to work with the County Commissioners on all matters and begin to repair any ill feelings that the former Veterans' Board President may have caused.

The Board stated their concern with the fact that the salaries of staff within the Veterans' Services have increase 42% over the last few years. They then gave the example that drivers pay

within Veterans' Services has increased from \$12 - \$13 per hour to \$15 and now \$20 per hour within two years.

Mr. Eversole stated that the increase in pay is due to increase duties in the job description. He explained that the drivers no longer just drive the veterans to appointments. He stated that they are now required to be certified in CPR, be able to provide medical assistance and many other duties including the use of a defibrillator.

There was discussion relative to the liability related to the use of defibrillators. The Board suggested the Veterans' Commission research the matter with their legal counsel.

There was then discussion relative to the need to move funds to accommodate the pay increases to staff.

Mr. Blankenship stated that his Board attempted to delay the pay increases until the 2015 budget year but because they had already been implemented, it was not legally possible. He then stated that without the approval of the appropriation adjustment, the office will shut down due to lack of funding payroll on November 1.

Commissioner Young stated that it was never the Board's intention to shut down the office. He then stated his concern with the amount of money being spent on salaries versus the amount spent on soldier relief. He then stated that he questions the amount of money being spent on outreach programs and questions if that is the correct process to follow.

Mr. Eversole stated that part of the philosophy change is because the majority of veterans do not know that the Warren County Veterans' Office even exists. He stated that he was President of the American Legion in Waynesville and thought the office was a federal office. He then stated that the benefits that the office helps veterans receive are not entitlements. He clarified that the benefits must be earned and they must meet the qualifications in order to receive.

There was then discussion relative to the amount of funds spent on administration vs. soldier relief.

Mr. Blankenship stated that only 5% of veterans utilize the relief funds (cash assistance) because of the desire to be self sufficient. He then stated that many utilize the services they provide such as assistance with medical transportation, help with applications and forms for assistance from the Veterans Administration, etc.

Commissioner Young stated the Board's desire to understand the numbers to see exactly why the administrative expenses of the Warren County Veterans' Services Agency is so much higher than the relief expenditures.

Upon further discussion, the Board resolved (Resolution #14-1520) to approve appropriation adjustments within Veterans Fund 101-5520.

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PUBLIC HEARING  
DETERMINING THE NECESSITY OF AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE  
OF NOT TO EXCEED \$34,000,000 OF HEALTHCARE FACILITIES REVENUE BONDS,  
SERIES 2014 (OTTERBEIN HOMES OBLIGATED GROUP)

The public hearing to consider the necessity of and authorizing the issuance and sale of not to exceed \$34,000,000 of Healthcare Facilities Revenue Bond, Series 2014 (Otterbein Home Obligated Group) was convened this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September 2014, in the Commissioners Meeting Room.

Abbott Thayer, Dinsmore & Shohl, reviewed the proposed project to make improvements to the facility in Auglaize County and refund the 2013 debt issue.

Commissioner Young clarified that there are no obligations to the general public for these types of project and this Board approving the legislation only provides tax exempt status for the project.

Upon further discussion, the public hearing was closed and the Board resolved (Resolution #14-1521) to authorizing the issuance and sale of not to exceed \$34,000,000 of Healthcare Facilities Revenue Bond, Series 2014 (Otterbein Home Obligated Group) with Commissioners Ariss abstaining from the vote.

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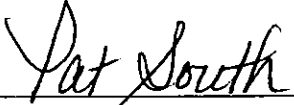
There was discussion relative to the proposed agreement between Kleingers, Warren County Agricultural Society and this Board relative to the development of a master plan in conjunction with the Warren County Regional Planning Commission.

Commissioner Young stated his concerns relative to the scope of work performed in the agreement and requested Dave Gully, County Administrator, to acquire clarification prior to action by the Board.

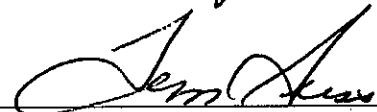
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On motion, upon unanimous call of the roll, the Board entered into executive session at 10:30 a.m. to discuss acquisition of property pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G)(2) and exited at 12:46 p.m.

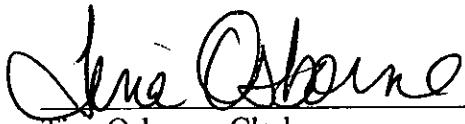
Upon motion the meeting was adjourned.

  
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Pat Arnold South, President

  
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David G. Young

  
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Tom Ariss

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 September 30, 2014, in compliance with Section 121.22 O.R.C.

  
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Tina Osborne, Clerk  
Board of County Commissioners  
Warren County, Ohio