

**February 23, 2009**

The Board of County Commissioners, Highland County, Ohio, met this day in Regular Session with Mr. Wilkin, Mr. Horst, and Mr. Heaton present. At 8:30 a.m. the minutes of the previous session were approved as written.

**MEETING**

Bill Fawley, Highland County Auditor, met with the Board of Commissioners to discuss ways to reduce the Auditor's budget for 2009.

**Resolution No.09-66**

The Board of County Commissioners of Highland County, Ohio, met in Regular Session on February 23, 2009, with the following members present:

Shane Wilkin, Thomas Horst, and Gary Heaton.

Mr. Horst moved the adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Board of Highland County Commissioners, that the said Board authorizes the following appropriation to the CAO Housing Trust Fund Budget:

From: Unappropriated Funds

To: 0432-T013-T06.090, Other Expense, in the amount of \$60,000.00

Mr. Heaton seconded the Resolution, and the roll called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Wilkin, yea; Mr. Horst, yea; and Mr. Heaton, yea.

Adopted February 23, 2009

Rosalind Newman  
Clerk of Board

Shane Wilkin  
Thomas Horst  
Gary Heaton  
Board of Commissioners  
Highland County, Ohio

**Resolution No.09-67**

The Board of County Commissioners of Highland County, Ohio, met in Regular Session on February 23, 2009, with the following members present:

Shane Wilkin, Thomas Horst, and Gary Heaton.

Mr. Horst moved the adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Board of Highland County Commissioners, that the said Board authorizes an additional appropriation to the Indigent Drivers Alcohol fund.

From: Unappropriated Funds

To: 0379-B015-B01.090, Indigent Drivers Alcohol fund, in the amount of \$4,000.00

Mr. Heaton seconded the Resolution, and the roll called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Wilkin, yea; Mr. Horst, yea; and Mr. Heaton, yea.

Adopted February 23, 2009

Rosalind Newman  
Clerk of Board

Shane Wilkin  
Thomas Horst  
Gary Heaton  
Board of Commissioners  
Highland County, Ohio

**LETTER**

February 23, 2009

To: Ms. Maxine Malone  
Executive Director  
Portsmouth Inner City Development  
Portsmouth, Ohio 45662-0847

Dear Ms. Malone:

The Highland County Board of Commissioners has been notified by the Ohio Department of Development regarding Fair Housing reports that are due Highland County, for the 2006 and 2007 program year.

The Commissioners staff has called your office on numerous occasions, sent letters and certified mailings with no response, other than to be told your office would see that we would receive the reports.

The Board feels that we have given your company every opportunity to work with us, but has no other recourse than to terminate our contract, effective immediately.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Shane Wilkin  
Thomas Horst  
Gary Heaton  
Board of Commissioners  
Highland County, Ohio

cc: Executive Board, Emily Cobb  
Patrick Harris

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**MEETING**

Bill Fawley, Auditor, and Ike Hodson, Recorder, met with the Board of Commissioners to discuss the county's policy for layoffs.

## **MEETING**

Michelle VanZant-Salyers, Librarian for the Highland County Law Library, met with the Commissioners to clarify the change that will take place in the year 2010. At that time the County Law Library Resources Board, a public agency, will manage the legal resource needs of the county, including the county law library. The budget for the law library will be approved by the Board of Commissioners.

A new five-member board must be appointed by July 1, 2009. Ms. VanZant-Salyers explained that the current three-member board will remain in place until January 1, 2010, giving the new board time to learn about the law library and how it operates. Ms. VanZant-Salyers will contact all the judges and the prosecutor regarding the appointments they make to the County Law Library Resources Board and will notify the Board of Commissioners of their choices before July 1, 2009. The Board of Commissioners thanked her for meeting with them.

## **MEETING**

Paulette Donley, Clerk of Courts, met with the Board of Commissioners to discuss ways to reduce the Clerk's budget for 2009. In addition to the Board of Commissioners and the Deputy Clerk, Martha Jacob, Highland Press, was present for the meeting.

## **REPORT**

The Weekly Inmate Report was received from the Sheriff.

## **MOTION**

At 12:00 p.m., Mr. Horst moved to adjourn. Mr. Heaton seconded the motion. The vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Wilkin, yea; Mr. Horst, yea; and Mr. Heaton, yea.

**WHEREUPON**, the Board of Highland County Commissioners will meet in Regular Session on Thursday, February 26, 2009.

Rosalind Newman  
Clerk of Board

Shane Wilkin  
Thomas Horst  
Gary Heaton  
Board of Commissioners  
Highland County, Ohio