

March 9, 2009

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

NOTE

Jim Grandey, Highland County Prosecutor, was present for a portion of the meeting.

MEETING

Brandi Chandler, student at the Ohio State University, met with the Board of Commissioners as part of her fellowship study in journalism. Ms. Chandler interviewed the Commissioners' thoughts in general on several issues within Highland County, such as the budget crunch and layoffs in the County departments. Some of the Commissioners' thoughts were: the employment figures are staggering. The DHL layoffs has an impact on several surrounding counties, with our county the second hardest hit and this will not be a quick recovery, but the Commissioners said Highland County will come back, but this will be a challenge.

Commissioners said that not only DHL/ABX but also Ford Motor and GM have laid off and closed plants. This also affects our county. Mr. Horst said he thinks Highland County can weather the storm and the people will survive and come back. These people being laid off are our friends. We are a close-knit community. The people here are strong and pull together. Mr. Wilkin feels Highland County is going to be okay and feels there will be something else placed at the Air Park. There definitely will be an adjustment but we can change. The Commissioners thanked Ms. Chandler & Ms. Chandler thanked them for their time.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-86

The Board of County Commissioners of Highland County, Ohio, met this day in Regular Session on the day of March 9, 2009, with the following members present:

Gary Heaton, Tom Horst, Shane Wilkin

Mr. Wilkin moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Board of Highland County Commissioners that the said Board agrees to rescind Resolution No. 09-79 regarding the Board of Elections modification within their budget.

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

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

Adopted March 9, 2009

Rosalind Newman
Clerk of Board

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

Resolution No. 09-87

The Highland County Board of Commissioners, Highland County, Ohio, met in Regular Session on March 9, 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 authorize additional appropriation within the Block Grant FY-07 budget:

From: Unappropriated Funds

To: 0350-T003-T01.090, Block Grant FY-07, in the amount of \$49,644.81

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

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

Adopted March 9, 2009

Rosalind Newman
Clerk of Board

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

Resolution No. 09-88

The Highland County Board of Commissioners, Highland County, Ohio, met in Regular Session on March 9, 2009, with the following members present:

Gary Heaton, Thomas Horst, and Shane Wilkin.

Mr. Horst moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Board of Highland County Commissioners, that the said Board authorizing modification within the county budget:

From: 0077-A015-A15.080, Miscellaneous Transfers,

To: 0077-A014-A07.000, Unemployment Compensation, the amount of \$6,688.80

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

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

Adopted March 9, 2009

Rosalind Newman
Clerk of Board

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Board of Commissioners

Highland County, Ohio

MEETING

Jacqueline Fenner, Highland County Treasurer, met with the Commissioners regarding the Treasurer's 2009 budget. She will come back with figures.

MEETING

Ms. Kelly Ward, Branch Manager; Ms. Mary Jane West, Vice President; and Mike Phillips, all with National Bank & Trust Co., met for a meet and greet. Ms. West explained the working at NB&T and all the banking services and what they could offer the county. NB&T is a community bank with nineteen branches in five counties. The Commissioners thanked all for the information.

Resolution No. 09-89

The Highland County Board of Commissioners, Highland County, Ohio, met in Regular Session on March 9, 2009, with the following members present:

Gary Heaton, Thomas Horst, and Shane Wilkin.

Mr. Horst moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Board of Highland County Commissioners, that the said Board authorizing modification within the Commissioners budget:

From: 0005-A401-A11-.090, Other Expense,

To: 0005-A001-A06.000, Motor Vehicles, amount of \$1,478.00

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

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

Adopted March 9, 2009

Rosalind Newman
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Board of Commissioners
Highland County, Ohio

MEETING

Tim Carter and Kim Redd, with Pre-Paid Legal Services, Inc., met to meet and greet and to let the Commissioners know what their company had to offer. Ms. Redd gave a presentation regarding identity theft. There are five major types: driver's license, Social Security numbers, medical information, criminal, and financial information. This is free to the county and includes all training for county departments. This would be offered through payroll deductions. The Commissioners thanked both for the information and they will get back with the county.

RECESS/RECONVENE

The Board of Commissioners recessed at 11:37 a.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

LETTER

March 6, 2009

Thomas S. Simons
Esther Greene Limited Partnership
The Woda Group
229 Huber Village Blvd., Suite 100
Westerville, Ohio 43081

Re: Esther Greene

Dear Mr. Simons,

Please be aware that Highland County does not have any fund for Esther Greene.

Sincerely,

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

CERTIFICATION

A Certification of Consistency for Comprehensive Housing Improvement Strategy (CHIS) for Highland County Community Action was signed by board member Gary Heaton, Commissioner.

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 Wednesday, March 11, 2009.

Rosalind Newman
Clerk of Board

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