

The Board of County Commissioners, Highland County, Ohio, met this day in Regular Session with Terry Britton, David Daniels, and Brad Roades present.

Mr. Britton called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. All documents referenced in the minutes are filed in the Commissioners' office and are available for review upon request.

NOTE Alex Butler, Ethan Reynolds, Caitlin Forsha, and Jacob Clary were present for the meeting.

MOTION Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.

MOTION Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, to approve payment of Bill File No. 23-50. The total bill file amount paid was \$1,348,134.17. The total General Fund paid was \$413,013.77. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.

RESOLUTIONS

- Res No 23-288** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners determine it necessary to reclassify Resolution #23-40, with the original date of 3/15/2023 as a Transfer Out instead of an Advances Out in the amount of \$200,000.00. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-289** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize an additional appropriation from unappropriated funds within the Dog and Kennel (2000) fund in the amount of \$1,500.00. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-290** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize a budget modification within DETAC Treasurers Fund (7200) in the amount of \$5,440.13. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-291** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize a budget modification within Engineer's Repair MVL Fund (2065) in the amount of \$116,000.00. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-292** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorizes an additional appropriation from unappropriated funds within the County General (1000) fund in the amount of \$12,000.00. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-293** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize an additional appropriation from unappropriated funds within the Dog and Kennel (2000) fund in the amount of \$2,000.00. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-294** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize an additional appropriation from unappropriated funds within the Dog and Kennel (2000) fund in the amount of \$100.00. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-295** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize an additional appropriation from unappropriated funds within Wireless 911 (4030) fund in the amount of \$3,800.00. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-296** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize an additional appropriation from unappropriated funds within the County General Fund (1000) in the amount of \$250.00. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-297** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorizes an additional appropriation from unappropriated funds within the County General Fund (1000) fund in the amount of \$800.00. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-298** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize an additional appropriation from unappropriated funds to County – Transfers Out in the amount of \$5,500,000.00. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-299** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorizes a transfer from Transfers Out to 2540 Victim Witness in the amount of \$80,000.00. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-300** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorizes a transfer from Transfers Out to 2460 Child Emergency in the amount of \$200,000.00. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-301** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorizes a transfer from Transfers Out to 2360 IT Upgrades in the amount of \$100,000.00. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-302** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize a transfer from Transfers Out to 2000 Dog & Kennel in the amount of \$50,000.00. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-303** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize a transfer from Transfers Out to 4050 Capital Improvement in the amount of \$5,340,000.00. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-304** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize a budget modification within County General (1000) fund in the amount of \$468.10. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-305** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorizes a budget modification within Victim-Witness Assistance Fund (2540) fund in the amount of \$39.98. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.
- Res No 23-306** Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorizes a budget modification within the Tax Map Office budget in the amount of \$3,584.80. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.

Res No 23-307 Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize a budget modification within the DETAC-CO Treasurer (7200) budget in the amount of \$124.24. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.

Res No 23-309 Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize an additional appropriation from unanticipated revenue within the August 2023 Special Election Fund in the amount of \$3,468.34. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.

DISCUSSION

Commissioner Daniels announced that the elevator repairs are happening and that they are moving along on schedule for that.

MEETINGS/APPOINTMENTS

9:00 a.m. Ethan Reynolds – Ohio Governor’s Office

Commissioners met with Mr. Ethan Reynolds of the Governor’s Office. He is now covering the Southwest Region of Ohio working with elected officials, community leaders, and school officials. He wanted to introduce himself and let the commissioners know that he would be the new contact between them and the Governor.

Commissioner Daniels told him that we had submitted a few capital budget requests that would be heading towards the Governor’s desk that included increase in public safety and community parks. Commissioners thanked him for his time and for introducing himself.

Auditor Butler gave the sales tax numbers from December. The total was \$820,880.20 which made our total for 2023 \$9,343,398.30. This brings us to only being up 1.4% from the previous year.

Executive Session – ORC 121.22 (G)(1) to discuss employee compensation.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; and Mr. Roades, yea. Entered: 9:27 a.m. Exited: 10:38 a.m.

MEETINGS/APPOINTMENTS

Sam Bain, Caitlin Forsha, Jacob Clary

Commissioners met with Sam Bain of Charter Communications. He came to discuss broadband and the monies they had received from the state. Charter Communications received Rural Digital Funds (RDof) and State Grant Funding. He explained that the walk-off evaluations are complete. Salem, Hamer, and Dodson are all activated. Commissioner Daniels asked what the percentage of completion is. He said that the State Grant portion is just getting started. The RDof he doesn’t have a percentage and they are having a pole issue that is really delaying the process. The final completion dates are December of 2025 and December of 2026.

RESOLUTIONS

Res No 23-308 Mr. Daniels moved, seconded by Mr. Roades, Commissioners authorize funding for the Ohio residential broadband expansion grant project by Spectrum Mid-America, LLC as managed by Charter Communications, Inc. with Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery funds as established under the American Rescue Plan Act. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.

CONTRACTS

#100 Commissioners, Spectrum Mid-America, LLC, Charter Communications, Inc. – Broadband Infrastructure Grant Agreement

MOTION: Commissioner Daniels moved, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve the Charter Communications Broadband Infrastructure Grant Agreement. The vote resulted as follows: Mr. Britton, yea; Mr. Daniels, yea; Mr. Roades, yea.

RECESS: 11:07 a.m. / RECONVENE: 12:45 p.m. to Executive Session

CORRESPONDENCE

Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor DeWine Announces \$84 Million in Grants to Protect Ohio Families from Toxic Lead
Gina Collinsworth – Two Grant Opportunities: ODDOD New \$150 Million Welcome Home Ohio Program and ODNR Forestry’s Volunteer Fire Assistance VFA Grant
allForms – Fatima Aziz

allForms – James R. Herman
Gov. DeWine Comms – Gov. DeWine, Lt. Gov. Husted Announces Super RAPIDS Grant Recipients Gov. DeWine Comms – Governor DeWine Announces Guidelines for \$750 Million All Ohio Future Fund
Highland County Common Pleas Court – Proof of Delinquent Land Tax Certificate

REPORTS

Dog and Kennel – Dog Count Report 12/10/2023 to 12/16/2023

Dog and Kennel – Call Log 12/12/2023 to 12/15/2023

Meeting Adjourned at 3:00 p.m.



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