

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Briefing Minutes
April 13, 2017

President O'Grady
Commissioner Brown
Commissioner Boyce

The purpose of the meeting was to review resolutions submitted for the April 18, 2017 General Session, and to discuss other matters pertaining to the programs of the agencies. These notes are a synopsis of the meeting.

President O'Grady convened the meeting at 9:02 A.M.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

Joy Bivens, Director, Job and Family Services, offered a resolution approving two (2) subaward agreements with Community Refugee and Immigration Services and US Together Inc. for case management services for refugee families (\$300,000).

Ms. Bivens reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Commissioner Boyce: Do we know if they have a strategy in place going forward after these funds run out?

Ms. Bivens: We did meet with them and asked them to provide us with a plan. I have not been able to review their plan. I am going to touch base with them next week to make sure.

Commissioner Brown: I know they are doing active fundraising. I know for sure that Community Refugee and Immigration Services are doing some national fundraising. I think we need to see a plan and I am hopeful that they are able to get in place a plan after these funds are gone. This is only a temporary fix to an important issue. We cannot support long term.

Ms. Bivens: This is a onetime effort.

Commissioner Brown: I think this is a good bridge.

Commissioner Boyce: These funds are not contingent upon having a plan, but it is important that we have a strong understanding of their plan. That is why we established the New American Advisory Council to bring these agencies together to work together. We want to make sure that there is a long term and sustainable plan that we are investing in to ensure that our citizens and those who live in our communities have a pathway to success.

President O'Grady: There was a story that was on the Today Show that was about an Islamic woman and her family invited the neighborhood to eat a meal with her family. It would be neat if we had more of that around the country.

Commissioner Boyce: We have a convening coming up on May 10th where Central Ohio is coming together to talk about what it means to be a new American in Central Ohio. All of the agencies have been active participants, as well as many of our County departments. I think we have over 200 RSVPs. It is a dinner conversation in a bigger way. We will be focusing on highlighting what we have to offer, what the different agencies are and where the services are available.

Commissioner Brown: Is it going to be with food from different countries?

Commissioner Boyce: No.

President O'Grady: What time is the event?

Commissioner Boyce: 9:00 A.M. at the Athenaeum. The invite is in the process of being sent out.

Kenneth Wilson, County Administrator: It is on social media as well.

Ms. Bivens offered a resolution approving a contract for case management services between the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services with the City of Columbus, Department of Recreation and Parks, Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging (\$20,000).

Ms. Bivens reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

ENGINEER

Carla Marable, Project Assistant, Engineer's Office, offered a resolution to accept plans approved for the 2017 Resurfacing Program for various Franklin County roads, Franklin County, Ohio.

Ms. Marable reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Ms. Marable offered a resolution to accept plans approved for the maintenance of pavement markings on various bridges, Franklin County, Ohio.

Ms. Marable reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Ms. Marable offered a resolution for the establishing, altering and widening of Sunbury Road, County Road No. 8, Blendon Township, Franklin County, Ohio, declared necessary.

Ms. Marable reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Commissioner Brown: Are there no sidewalks right now?

Ms. Marable: There is no sidewalk there currently.

Commissioner Boyce: Does this section of Sunbury Road have the same drainage consideration that most of Sunbury Road has, and how will that affect the drainage? Because of its alignment to Alum Creek and other subdivisions, it has a lot of drainage. How does all of this get factored in?

Ms. Marable: This is the section of Sunbury Road at Interstate 270. I do not know of any drainage concerns. That has been widened already and because of the overpass, generally those drainage concerns would have been address there, unlike other parts of Sunbury Road that are more narrow.

Ms. Marable offered a resolution authorizing contract with Ronald J. Gajoch & Associates to provide architectural consulting services (\$95,943).

Ms. Marable reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Ms. Marable offered a resolution authorizing a contract with Patrick Engineering, Inc., consultants, to provide engineering services (\$35,000).

Ms. Marable reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Commissioner Boyce: I would like to learn more about the qualified based selection process. I am interested in that.

Ms. Marable offered a resolution requesting the Ohio Department of Transportation to reduce the speed limit on a portion of Rohr Road, County Road No. 235, Franklin County, Ohio.

Ms. Marable reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

President O'Grady: This in the southeast part of the County, correct?

Ms. Marable: Yes.

Commissioner Brown: Is the rest of the area 45mph?

Ms. Marable: Yes.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

Nick Soulas, First Assistant, Prosecutor's Office, offered a resolution authorizing contracts with Alban & Alban LLP, Columbus Title Agency of Westerville, Inc; Paramount Title Agency, Inc; and TLC Title Services, Inc. for Title Insurance Services (\$200,000).

Mr. Soulas reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

SHERIFF

Dave Masterson, Director of Administrative Services, Sheriff's Office, offered a resolution authorizing the Second Contract Modification with Northpointe, Inc (\$31,546).

Mr. Masterson reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Mr. Masterson offered a resolution authorizing the Franklin County Board of Commissioners to accept the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Franklin County Sheriff's Office and the Fraternal Order of Police, Ohio Labor Council, Inc.

Mr. Masterson reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Commissioner Boyce: What are the changes in this contract?

Mr. Masterson: This is a brand new contract. The Classification Specialists have been with the office since we obtained the Northpointe classification software. They decided to organize and this is the particular union that they selected to represent them. This is our sixth collective bargaining agreement with the Sheriff's Office.

Commissioner Boyce: They were not in a collective bargaining agreement before?

Mr. Masterson: No, when we originally hired them, we started them as non-bargaining employees. Then they decided to unionize.

Commissioner Boyce: How many employees are in this agreement?

Mr. Masterson: Approximately twenty employees. It is a small unit. We were hoping that they would assimilate into another union, so we would not have our sixth agreement.

Commissioner Boyce: What is the classification of those twenty employees?

Mr. Masterson: Classification Specialists. They are the employees who use the software to classify the housing of the inmates in the jails. They make sure inmates are housed properly.

Commissioner Boyce: Are they Deputy Sheriffs?

Mr. Masterson: No, they are civilians.

Mr. Masterson offered a resolution authorizing a contract extension to Uniforms Manufacturing, Inc., Bob Barker Company, Inc., and Charm-Tex, Inc., for Inmate Clothing (\$105,000).

Mr. Masterson reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Commissioner Boyce: Do you sense that there would be any changes in the new jail? With the updated security and the like, will that have an impact on the inmates' issued materials?

Mr. Masterson: I could see possibly. Right now we have blue, orange, green and khaki colored uniforms. They may add more colors for different types of classifications. I have not had too many conversation regarding this at this time.

Commissioner Brown: I am sure that your team has seen that at some of the jails they have looked at. Everything is color coded.

Mr. Masterson: We have a limited set of how they do it. I can see the color options expanding.

Mr. Masterson offered a resolution authorizing the termination of Dental Services Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners and William A. Records, DDS.

Mr. Masterson reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Mr. Masterson offered a resolution authorizing the termination of Lab Testing Services Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners and the Columbus Health Department.

Mr. Masterson reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Mr. Masterson offered a resolution authorizing the termination of Mental Health Services Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners and the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services.

Mr. Masterson reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Mr. Masterson offered a resolution authorizing the termination of Pharmaceutical Prescriptions and Pharmacists Services Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners and Diamond Drugs, Inc.

Mr. Masterson reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Mr. Masterson offered a resolution authorizing the termination of the Primary Care Services Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners and Excelcare, LLC.

Mr. Masterson reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Mr. Masterson offered a resolution authorizing the termination of temporary staffing services under State Term Contract.

Mr. Masterson reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Commissioner Brown: We have been waiting on this for quite a while.

Commissioner Boyce: With the termination of these contracts, are there run out fees associated with them?

Mr. Masterson: There are no fees associated. The termination clause allows for a 30 day written notice. The only fees we would have would be any kind of items we consume or use up through the end of May that we would have to pay for. There is no cost for severing the agreements.

Commissioner Brown: Are we sure we are going to be ready to terminate? Do we want to terminate at this time?

Mr. Masterson: Yes. We are 100% sure that it is going to happen.

Mr. Wilson: Once we send the termination letters out, Naphcare will have no choice but to be ready.

Commissioner Brown: I just want to make sure the people in the jails are covered for care.

Mr. Masterson: Naphcare are well aware of the June 1, 2017 start date. When we were going through the process to figure out a start date, Naphcare has stated that they have gotten jails up and running in less than thirty days. We have sixty plus days to make sure it is not a rush and give us more time to set up. We had some bargaining with some of the effected employees. We had to find other jobs for them within the office.

Commissioner Brown: No one will be let go?

Mr. Masterson: No. If there would be, it would be because we could not accommodate them.

SANITARY ENGINEER

Mr. Soulas offered a resolution authorizing a contract modification with Bricker & Eckler for legal and consulting services (\$100,000).

Mr. Soulas reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

HOMELAND SECURITY AND JUSTICE PROGRAMS

Melissa Pierson, Grants Administrator, Homeland Security and Justice Programs, offered a resolution authorizing a contract with LAURUS Systems, Inc. for the provision of the supply and delivery of Personal Radiation Detector (PRD) Units (\$66,061.92).

Ms. Pierson reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Jodi Leis, Assistant Director, Human Resources, offered a resolution authorizing a contract extension and modifications with The Staywell Company, LLC to provide wellness services for members of the Franklin County Cooperative Health Improvement Program (\$499,000).

Ms. Leis reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Ms. Leis offered a resolution authorizing a contract extension and modifications with Rite Bite, Inc. d/b/a Alyfe Wellbeing Strategies to provide wellness services for members of the Franklin County Cooperative Health Improvement Program (\$328,000).

Ms. Leis reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Commissioner Brown: Have the screenings gone well?

Ms. Leis: Yes they have. We have been adding additional nurses to screening times that are already scheduled. We are extending screening into May. There have been 2,852 health assessments completed online. We have surpassed what we have done in prior years just in the first five weeks. We have had over 1,600 onsite screenings so far. We have 200 people who have signed up for the gym membership reimbursement. We are excited to see where this year is heading.

Commissioner Brown: When can we start looking at how all of will interpret into cost savings?

Ms. Leis: I think wellness programming savings are soft numbers. It is kind of what you are preventing and what you are identifying in advance. If we catch an early diagnosis, the savings are soft. Hopefully we can begin seeing a year to year increase in the participation. Based upon that Staywell will provide us with reports of what our avoidances would have been. In the next few years, we hopefully can use that data to get some meaningful numbers.

Commissioner Brown: Are we able to track employees who are dealing with high diabetes and the like, who are enrolled in the programs and decrease medical issues with our population? The wellness programs should decrease medical costs.

Ms. Leis: It is kind of soft dollar because we are predicting what you are avoiding. The numbers are there for us to calculate. We can look at these numbers and see what impact they are having.

PURCHASING

Karl Kuespert, Director, Purchasing, offered a resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$3,318,749.26).

Mr. Kuespert reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Kysten Palmore, Reentry Task Force Coordinator, Homeland Security and Justice Programs, offered a resolution recognizing reentry as vitally important to public safety and hereby adopting April 23-29, 2017 as National Reentry Week.

Ms. Palmore reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Mr. Soulas offered a resolution authorizing the granting of a deed to the City of Columbus for the Extension of Belle Street.

Mr. Soulas reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Mr. Soulas offered a resolution authorizing a modification of a contract with Calfee Halter & Griswold for legal services for the drafting of contract documents (\$20,000).

Mr. Soulas reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Kris Long, Deputy Administrator, offered a resolution authorizing the county Administrator to enter into a Data Use Agreement.

Ms. Long reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Erik Janas, Deputy Administrator, offered a resolution appointing Stephen S. Brooks to the Columbus-Franklin County Finance Authority Board of Trustees.

Mr. Janas reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

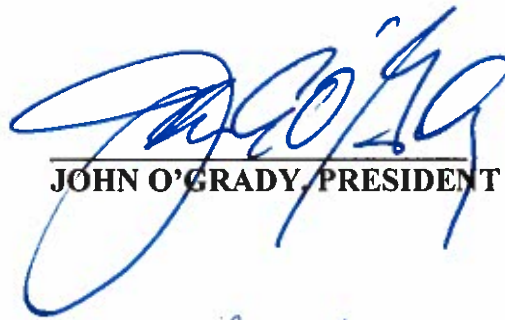
Commissioner Boyce: Is he getting reappointed?

Mr. Janas: It is a new appointment.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:41 A.M.

(Signature page follows.)

These minutes are a summary of the Commissioners' Briefing Session for April 13, 2017.



JOHN O'GRADY, PRESIDENT



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**KEVIN L. BOYCE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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