

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Briefing Minutes
April 19, 2018

President Boyce
Commissioner Brown
Commissioner O'Grady

The purpose of the meeting was to review resolutions submitted for the April 24, 2018 General Session, and to discuss other matters pertaining to the programs of the agencies. These notes are a synopsis of the meeting.

Commissioner Brown convened the meeting at 9:00 A.M.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

Susan Bedsole, Deputy Court Director, Common Pleas Court, and Michael Daniels, Justice Policy Coordinator, Justice Policy and Programs, offered a resolution authorizing a grant agreement with the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction for the Targeted Community Alternatives to Prison program (\$2,250,000.00).

Ms. Bedsole and Mr. Daniels reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

Commissioner Brown: I know other Counties have not taken advantage of these funds. Is there a lawsuit pending in regards to this issue?

Mr. Daniels: No lawsuit has been filed because it is not mandatory until July 1, 2018. Many of us anticipate some sort of constitutional challenge to the TCAP law after the requirement takes effect. This law mandates that residents of the top ten most populous counties be treated differently under the law. There are two possible outcomes. One is that TCAP is repealed, which means this funding is a one and done type of program. The other is that the legislature will mandate all counties to follow TCAP.

Commissioner Brown: That is based on this current administration. We do not know beyond this year what might happen.

Mr. Daniels: That is correct. If the party that is in power remains, the TCAP is supported.

Commissioner Brown: Everything that we are funding in this resolution is programming and services, that if we needed to could be rolled back?

Mr. Daniels: That is true from the Justice Policy side of the contract, but not from the court's side.

Commissioner Brown: Is the court thinking about the future if the TCAP is repealed?

Ms. Bedsole: Yes we have. We have already started discussions on what Plan B would look like. In addition to those potential changes, the law currently states that if there is an increase in the population, the funding can be reduced. We have begun discussions because of the hiring of personnel that goes along with the program.

Commissioner Brown: That was my concern.

Kenneth Wilson, County Administrator: County Administration and the OMB Director have been in active discussion with the court. In the court's perspective, it is that TCAP is here, but the court has been making a transition of an evidence-based outcome-based model. This will continue to go on regardless of TCAP being in place for these positions.

President Boyce: I would encourage you to be proactive in your engagement with the legislature as well. How you lined up the use of the funds is strong. I would encourage you now to communicate with members of the legislature. You can plant the seed of continuing this program. You should meet with the Franklin County delegation so they can have a stake in the program now. Just to state facts down the road, is not effective. Establishing this relationship will create a tone with the legislature that might give us some strength as this program evolves and debated in the legislature. From my experience in the legislature, Counties and Cities are too late in the communication process.

Commissioner O'Grady: This can be done in conjunction with CCAO because we went through this process with CCAO as it was being created at the time.

Mr. Daniels: Your point is well taken but CCAO has been opposed to TCAP legislation. We need to make sure we are crafting our story correctly.

President Boyce: We need to make sure that the Franklin County delegation are aware of what we are doing because it is their district that is impacted.

Commissioner O'Grady: We can go through the Metro-County Caucus of CCAO.

AUDITOR

Brian Katz, Chief Counsel, Auditor's Office, offered a resolution authorizing a contract with Proteam Solutions, Inc. to provide program management and executive project oversight for the Franklin County Auditor's Office (\$836,400.00).

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

ENGINEER

Fritz Crosier, Chief Deputy Engineer, Engineer's Office, offered a resolution establishing, altering and widening of Eureka Avenue, Valley View Drive, Highland Avenue and Harper Road, Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, declared necessary.

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

Mr. Crosier offered a resolution establishing, altering and widening of Thoburn Road at Dublin Road, Norwich Township, Franklin County, Ohio, declared necessary.

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

Mr. Crosier offered a resolution 2LMN, Inc., consulting engineers appointed to assist the Franklin County Engineer in performing bridge inspection services, Franklin County, Ohio (\$94,593.00).

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

Mr. Crosier offered a resolution awarding contract and approving contract bond to Strawser Paving Company, for the 2018 Franklin County Township Resurfacing Program (\$1,753,514.72).

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

Carla Marable, Director of Communications, Engineer's Office, offered a resolution Preliminary allocation of County Motor Vehicle License Fee Funds to the City of Canal Winchester (\$200,000.00).

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

Ms. Marable offered a resolution Establishing, altering and widening of Havens Corners Road at Morrison Farms East Drive, Jefferson Township, Franklin County, Ohio, viewed – Engineer to file plans as necessary.

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

Ms. Marable offered a resolution Approval of the Villages at Jefferson Run, Phase 5 subdivision plat, Jefferson Township, Franklin County, Ohio.

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

SHERIFF

Dave Masterson, Director of Administrative Services, Sheriff's Office, offered a resolution authorizing a second contract extension to Bob Barker Company, Inc., Care Supplies, LLC; Keefe Group, LLC DBA Keefe Supply Company; McKee Foods Corporation; White Feather Farms of Ohio, Inc; Union Supply Group; Keilson Dayton Co., and YNL, Ltd. for the continuation of providing Commissary Items for Resale (\$1,070,000.00).

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

ALCOHOL, DRUG, AND MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

Jonathan Wylly, Chief Financial Officer, Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Board, offered a resolution authorizing a non-general fund supplemental appropriation related to the 21st Century CURES Act.

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

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

Jim Schimmer, Director, Economic Development and Planning, offered a resolution responding to the notice received concerning proposed Tax Increment Financing Districts, the Farms at Jefferson Incentive District Nos. 1 through 9, in Jefferson Township.

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

Commissioner Brown: Do we know what the actual loss would be for the levy agencies under the year 11-30 scenario?

Mr. Schimmer: I have not calculated that scenario, but I will get that information to you.

Commissioner Brown: If you could get that for Tuesday that would be helpful.

Erik Janas, Deputy Administrator: In the past, when we have brought these forward, the Board has taken the policy approach that we will formally object to the proposals to allow us to enter into a negotiation with the community to determine whether or not there will be an interest in giving up more of the revenue. Given that this project is 100% residential, we are recommending the objecting, which will allow us to collect the maximum amount of tax revenue by law. We do not expect there will be any negotiations and the community will accept our rejection of it and accept what is set in statute.

Commissioner O'Grady: How many TIFs, have we done Mr. Schimmer?

Mr. Schimmer: I think this is the fifth.

Mr. Janas: The first one we formally objected to was the one in Worthington.

Commissioner O'Grady: We were not always allowed to do this measure. We have become the leader in this arena. We do this to encourage development and save those dollars for our levy agencies.

Mr. Janas: When the TIF has been purely residential, it has been the policy of the Board to reject and take the most we are allowed to by law.

Mr. Schimmer: If you believe one of the important elements of economic development in your community and you are removing the ability to provide these social services, that does not make any sense. We have been able to negotiate with the developer when there is some commercial element to the TIF with a sliding scale approach.

HOMELAND SECURITY AND JUSTICE PROGRAMS

Mr. Daniels offered a resolution authorizing a subgrant award and contract to the city of Columbus for batterers intervention services through the FY 2016 Justice Assistance Grant (\$24,000.00).

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

HUMAN RESOURCES

Jodi Leis, Assistant Director, Human Resources, offered a resolution authorizing a modification to the contract with United Behavioral Health, Inc. (UBH) to extend onsite Employee Assistance Program counseling services for employees of the Department of Job and Family Services (JFS), Children Services (FCCS) and Animal Care and Control (ACC) (\$77,000.00).

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

Commissioner Brown: Have you considered talking with Office on Aging to provide this service?

Ms. Leis: We have not, but we can contact them to see if they need this service.

Rob Young, Director, Human Resources, offered a resolution authorizing May 15, 2018 as the Franklin County Commissioners Employee Recognition Day (\$2,000.00).

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

PURCHASING

Karl Kuespert, Director, Purchasing, offered a resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$1,275,627.31).

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

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Zak Talarek, Director, Office of Management and Budget, offered a resolution authorizing a contract with MAXIMUS Consulting Services, Inc. for the annual update to Franklin County's cost allocation plan and the Data Center's cost analysis and rate study (\$40,000.00).

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

Erik Janas, Deputy Administrator, offered a resolution appointing Lark Mallory to the board of the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium.

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

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:43 A.M.

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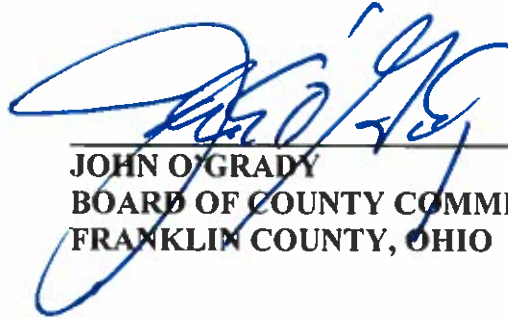
These minutes are a summary of the Commissioners' Briefing Session for April 19, 2018



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