

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Briefing Minutes
November 30, 2017

President O'Grady
Commissioner Brown

The purpose of the meeting was to review resolutions submitted for the December 05, 2017 General Session. These notes are a synopsis of the meeting.

Commissioner Brown convened the meeting at 9:03 A.M.

SHERIFF

Resolution No. 690-17 - Tabled on October 03, 2017

David Masterson, Director of Administrative Services, Sheriff's Office offered a resolution authorizing a one year agreement with Criterion Pictures USA, Inc. for the nonexclusive rights to provide viewing access of motion picture DVDs for inmates in the Franklin County Correctional Center (\$3,010).

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

Commissioner Brown: Thank you for doing that. This is good to get a lower price.

Mr. Masterson: It was discussed with Commissioner O'Grady's Policy Director Lauren Rummel, she let us know about this, so she's the one to thank.

Mr. Masterson offered a resolution authorizing a maintenance agreement with Action Target, Inc. for bullet trap cleaning and lead abatement at the Sheriff's Office firing range (\$15,080).

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

Commissioner Brown: Has it been done in the past?

Mr. Masterson: Yes. We were doing it on a two (2) year cycle and now we are going to start doing it annually. Otherwise it becomes a hazard of rounds ricocheting back out of it, and that's not a good thing.

Mr. Masterson offered a resolution authorizing the software-as-a-service agreement with PowerDMS, Inc. to provide a document management system for the Sheriff's policies and procedures (\$28,000).

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

ANIMAL CONTROL

Deb Finelli, Assistant Director, Animal Control, offered a resolution authorizing the Franklin County Dog Shelter & Adoption Center to implement a low cost spay and neuter program for the citizens of Franklin County and their dogs.

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

Commissioner Brown: This is just responsible. This is the right thing to do.

Ms. Finelli: We receive the most unaltered dogs. I don't think it's an issue of them not wanting to have a dog altered, it's money.

Commissioner Brown: I know, and that's why this is such a great thing. I know that you wanted to do this and we've wanted to get it done.

Commissioner Brown: The litters for pit bulls are larger?

Ms. Finelli: Yes. They'll have maybe 10-15, where an average dog would have 6-8 puppies.

Commissioner Brown: Are you going to market this?

Ms. Finelli: Absolutely. We've already talked to the TV stations. There are a lot of people wanting to help. Internally our wardens will be passing out flyers to people that don't have means and may not be aware this.

Commissioner Brown: On Tuesday please give the information on how people will get in touch to get this done. That will be helpful to be prepared to do that.

Ms. Finelli: I already have a pamphlet, flyers and posters ready.

Commissioner Brown: Perfect.

Erik Janas, Deputy County Administrator: Deb, will you talk a little about how eligibility for the program is determined?

Ms. Finelli: The program that we are going to provide is the spay and neuter. We are going to do the vaccines if the dogs are old enough. We will microchip and register the dogs. We will do a fitness check which will be performed by the vet prior to the surgery to make sure they are fit for the surgery. If for any reason they're sick and we feel that they cannot withstand the surgery, they will not be done. Eligibility, the owner must be 18 years of age, must be a resident of Franklin County. They must be the keeper of the dog and a recipient or eligible for one of the following programs: Food stamps, SSI, SSD, those kinds of programs or they have to fall under the low income objective.

Mr. Janas: And those are consistent with what's established in the Revised Code, correct?

Ms. Finelli: Right. This program will be regulated by the Ohio Revised Code 955.201, which is the Ohio Pet Fund Sterilization Services.

Kenneth Wilson, County Administrator: Ms. Finelli, would you also share the gentleman that made the kind donation for veterans?

Ms. Finelli: Every year in the month of November I like to recognize the veterans. This year for the whole month of November for veterans, we charge only the \$18 license fee. Every Monday we go on Woody and the wake-up call on the radio and we were telling him what we were doing. He announced it on the radio and before I got back to the shelter he had a gentleman call in who was a veteran and said I want to donate for ten veterans to get free dogs, I'll pay for the licenses. They're on our facebook page; the people that got dogs, the veterans are on there.

Mr. Wilson: They look so happy. The young, the old veterans with the smile on their faces with their dogs, Deb shared pictures with me.

Ms. Finelli: A couple of gentlemen paid it forward, so it was actually twelve people that got dogs.

Commissioner Brown: How great.

Ms. Finelli: I spoke with the gentleman and he said that he just wanted to help his fellow vets.

Commissioner Brown: That is wonderful. What a great story. We don't often get those great stories.

Mr. Janas: Great work to you Deb for all your persistence.

President O'Grady: Good stuff.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

Charles Noble, Chief Strategy Officer, Job and Family Services, offered a resolution approving two (2) subaward agreements with Goodwill Industries of Central Ohio, Inc. and Jewish Family Services for workforce development services for Franklin County child support obligors (\$144,740.68).

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

Commissioner Brown: It's great that you're partnering with Child Support and these two (2) agencies that do such a great job. I'm really glad to see this.

Mr. Wilson: Along with Judge Jamison and Domestic Court.

FLEET MANAGEMENT

Charlotte Ashcraft, Director, Fleet Management, offered a resolution authorizing the settlement of a claim for damage to a 2016 Ford Interceptor SUV.

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

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

Jenny Snapp, Assistant Director, Economic Development and Planning, offered a resolution authorizing the payment of County Board of Zoning Appeals and Rural Zoning Commission members.

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

SANITARY ENGINEERS

Marie Strandwitz, Project Manager, Sanitary Engineers, offered a resolution authorizing Contract Modification 1 with Elite Excavating Company of Ohio, Inc. for the Mon-E-Bak and Brown Road East Sewer Rectification/Completion Effort (\$6,739,290).

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

Ms. Long: All of this was known when we entered into the settlement discussion, so this is not new information post reaching the settlement that we believe is fair and appropriate. I want to emphasize that, this not new information post settlement; this is understood in this 6.7 million dollar range of the outlay.

President O'Grady: Ok.

Commissioner Brown: And there's the Public Hearings next week?

Ms. Strandwitz: We're having two (2) Public Meetings to introduce the process to the residents, announcement through letters and there was an article in the paper yesterday.

PURCHASING

Karl Kuespert, Director, Purchasing, offered a resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$4,138,282.34).

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

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Josh Grossman, Dinsmore & Shohl, offered a resolution approving the issuance of Revenue Bonds (Trinity Health Credit Group), Series A 2017-MI of the Michigan Finance Authority, in an original aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$270,000,000.

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

Commissioner Brown: Is this happening now because of what the potential changes in Congress might cause?

Mr. Grossman: That's exactly right.

Commissioner Brown: We are very concerned about that. Don't we have a letter?

Mr. Janas: We do, the letter has gone to our Senators.

Commissioner Brown: Did it go out?

Mr. Janas: Yes. Any idea of what the cost savings will be by passing it now as compared to under potential new rules for this particular project?

Mr. Grossman: The potential cost savings might be the entire amount of the financing. If the House Bill is proposed, and that were to pass as written, then the ability for private activities bonds to finance things like hospitals would go away.

Mr. Janas: That would be worth asking that question again on Tuesday, Commissioners.

Commissioner Brown: Yes.

Mr. Wilson: This deal wouldn't even be on the table.

Mr. Janas: That's right. This is a perfect example beyond the public discussion about individual tax payer, tax rates. This is where we'll have a real impact on, not just local government, but investments and things such as hospitals and other general public assets.

Mr. Wilson: Drive up costs in healthcare.

Mr. Grossman: The tax exempt financing, if the House Bill proposing is passed, will go away and so there will be substantial cost losses across the board.

Zak Talarek, Director, Office of Management and Budget, offered a resolution authorizing appropriation adjustments for the county's wellness incentive and public transportation benefit programs, termination payouts, workers compensation expenses, and to offset budgeted vacancy reductions.

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

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:36 A.M.

(Signature page follows.)

These minutes are a summary of the Commissioners' Briefing Session for November 30, 2017.



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