

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Briefing Session Minutes
Thursday, February 17, 2022

Commissioner O'Grady
Commissioner Boyce

The purpose of the meeting was to review resolutions submitted for February 22, 2022, General Session, and to discuss other matters pertaining to the programs of the agencies.

Please note: Commissioner Crawley attended virtually, however, she was not counted as 'in attendance' for the purposes of Ohio's Open Meetings Laws.

The Commissioners convened in the Commissioners Briefing Room, while also hosting guests via Zoom conference call, by dialing (929) 436-2866; Meeting ID: 978 8790 2896; Passcode: 628826, or by visiting: <https://franklincountyohio.zoom.us/j/97887902896>

Commissioner Boyce convened the meeting at 9:07 A.M.

CLERK OF COURTS

Adam Luckhaupt, Director of Information Technology, Clerk of Courts, offered a resolution authorizing an agreement with Carahsoft Technology Corporation for incident and asset management software (\$10,793.88)(Clerk Of Courts).

Mr. Luckhaupt reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

CORONER

Amanda Alvarez, Director of Operations, Coroner's Office, offered a resolution authorizing a transfer of General Fund appropriations for the Franklin County Coroner's Office (Coroner).

Ms. Alvarez reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

ENGINEER

William "Fritz" Crosier, Chief, Deputy of Engineering, Engineer's Office, offered a resolution approving the 2021 Annual County Highway System Mileage Report (Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution Resolution accepting the annual bridge inspection report for 2021 (Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution establishing, altering, and widening of Trabue Road, County Road No. 27, at Mapleway Drive/Hague Avenue, County Road No. 66, Franklin Township and Norwich Township, Franklin County, Ohio, viewed – Engineer to file plans as necessary (Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution establishing, altering, and widening of Walnut Street, County Road No. 19, at New Albany-Condit Road, SR605, Plain Township, Franklin County, Ohio, viewed – Engineer to file plans as necessary (Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution authorizing the County Engineer to apply for a Safe Route to School project grant from the State of Ohio, Department of Transportation (Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution for American Structurepoint, Inc., consulting engineers, appointed to assist the Franklin County Engineer in performing preliminary engineering for improvements at the intersection of Havens Corners Road, County Road 16, at Taylor Station Road, County Road 208, and Mann Road, Township Road 107, Jefferson Township, Franklin County, Ohio (\$82,880.00) (Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution for Compass Infrastructure Group, consulting engineers, appointed to assist the Franklin County Engineer with general engineering services, Franklin County, Ohio (\$100,000.00) (Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution authorizing the Franklin County Engineer to enter into a contract modification with Strawser Paving Co., Inc., for the Private Water Service Plan for the Franklin County Engineer’s East Maintenance Facility, an increase of \$11,746.27, for a revised contract amount of \$179,236.07 (Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution regarding a petition filed for vacation of a portion of James Road, County Road No. 97, City of Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio (Engineer).

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

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Zachary T. Talarek, Director, Office of Management and Budget, offered a resolution authorizing General Fund support to the Franklin Soil & Water Conservation District for calendar year 2022 (Board of Commissioners).

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

RECORDER

Chris Cupples, Chief of Staff, Recorder’s Office, offered a resolution authorizing a contract modification between the County & Kofile Technologies, Inc. to include a cloud-based public search application for the Recorder’s CountyFusion records management system (\$128,333.00) (Recorder).

Mr. Cupples reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

SHERIFF

Albert Smith, Assistant Finance Director, Sheriff’s Office, offered a resolution authorizing Countywide Qualifications Contracts for Fresh Produce, Fruit and Meat items (\$620,000.00) (Sheriff).

Mr. Smith reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Jeffrey J. Young, Director, Emergency Management Agency, offered a resolution authorizing a contract Modification with Meridian Rapid Defense Group, LLC for the provision of the delivery and supply of mobile barriers (\$500,000.00) (Emergency Management Agency).

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

Jeffrey J. Young offered a resolution authorizing non-general fund supplemental appropriations related to a State Homeland Security Program grant award (Emergency Management Agency).

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

Jeffrey J. Young offered a resolution authorizing a non-general fund supplemental appropriation related to a State Homeland Security Law Enforcement grant award (Emergency Management Agency).

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

OFFICE ON AGING

Amy Funk, Assistant Director of Administration, Office on Aging, offered a resolution authorizing six grant agreements to provide community stabilization services for Franklin County Senior Options (\$245,164.00) (Office on Aging).

Ms. Funk reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Amy Funk offered a resolution authorizing five grant agreements to provide small group transportation services for Franklin County Senior Options (\$326,519.00) (Office on Aging).

Ms. Funk reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Amy Funk offered a resolution authorizing five grant agreements to provide outreach services for Franklin County Senior Options (\$342,563.00) (Office on Aging).

Ms. Funk reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Commissioner Crawley: This resolution has an appropriation for Legal Aid Society for a little more than \$40,000.00, and the first resolution that you presented also has an

appropriation for Legal Aid Society. If you could, please talk about the different services that would be provided between those two contracts?

Ms. Funk: Thank you, Commissioner. I am going to ask Nancy Male, our Grants Administrator, to give a little bit of background for these two different programs that are offered through Legal Aid Society.

Nancy Male, Grants Administrator, Office on Aging: Good morning, Commissioners. For the first resolution, which looks at community stabilization, under that grant, Legal Aid Society will help seniors who may be facing housing issues to keep them stabilized in their neighborhoods. The second resolution, will allow for outreach to seniors who are homebound, but may need legal assistance in civil cases. For example, this could be involving issues with land owners, Social Security, or the need for wills.

Amy Funk offered a resolution authorizing seven grant agreements to provide supportive services for Franklin County Senior Options (\$772,688.00) (Office on Aging).

Ms. Funk reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Amy Funk offered a resolution authorizing the acceptance of a donation from Zangmeister Cancer Center/American Oncology Partners to the Franklin County Office on Aging (\$10,000.00) (Office on Aging).

Ms. Funk reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

Emanuel Torres, Assistant Director, Economic Development and Planning, offered a resolution authorizing a COVID-19 Recovery Grant with Columbus State Community College – Ohio Small Business Development Center for the provision of program administration services for the COVID-19 Small Business Response and Recovery Program (\$500,000.00) (Economic Development and Planning).

Mr. Torres reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Emanuel Torres offered a resolution authorizing a COVID-19 Recovery Grant with The Wells Foundation for the COVID-19 Small Business Response and Recovery Program (\$4,500,000.00) (Economic Development and Planning).

Mr. Torres reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Commissioner Crawley: For the first resolution, is it possible for a small business to apply for the grant if they fit into two categories, one of which has at least one W2 employee and another that they are looking to rehire? Is it possible for them to apply for two grants, or do they have to decide on which grant to apply for in the process? Can there be any overlap?

Mr. Torres: The answer is yes. A small business that has at least one W2 employee would qualify for that \$10,000.00, and if they are looking to rehire, that could qualify the business for an additional \$10,000.00, possibly receiving up to \$20,000.00.

Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator: Is the fiscal manager fee in both these resolutions roughly just under ten percent? I looked at the second resolution's management fee. Is that number consistent with the Columbus State agreement? I want to make sure I have an understanding on that administrative fee, as a part of both the agreements.

Mr. Torres: Yes, we have provisions within the agreements. For the Wells Foundation, there is up to ten percent of the grant funds. I believe they have established a set fee that is below that ten percent mark. On the SBDC, given that they are effectively administering the program overall, and we had to make some decisions on the fiscal side, and what expenses needed to be paid. Some of the funding that will be covered from the county funding, would be tied to those otherwise administrative items, but the City of Columbus funds would be covering funds needed right away because they received their funding sooner than the county. However, at the end of the day, the amounts coming from the city and the county would be equal.

James Schimmer, Director, Economic Development and Planning: Commissioners, it really relates to a timing issue. It is about trying to get the city in one place and us in another place. We are happy to go into more detail, if needed.

Emanuel Torres offered a resolution authorizing the Assignment and Assumption Agreement of the Enterprise Zone Agreement between Franklin County and HPIII Columbus Grove City, LLC (Economic Development and Planning).

Mr. Torres reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

James Schimmer offered a resolution entering into a Funding Agreement with the Affordable Housing Trust to create more affordable home ownership and rental housing and to strengthen neighborhoods within Franklin County (\$3,400,000.00) (Economic Development and Planning).

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

James Schimmer offered a resolution awarding a Service Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and the Community Shelter Board to develop and implement strategies that decrease homelessness in Franklin County (\$5,489,390.00) (Economic Development and Planning).

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

James Schimmer offered a resolution authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Columbus Colony Housing INC at 1165 Colony Drive, Westerville, Ohio 43081 (Economic Development and Planning).

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

Jenny Snapp, Assistant Director, Economic Development and Planning, offered a resolution to review of petition to annex 0.55 +/- acres from Sharon Township to the City of Columbus, Case #ANX-03-22 (Economic Development and Planning).

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

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

Bart Logan, Deputy Director, Communications, Job and Family Services, offered a resolution approving subaward amendments with Community Refugee and Immigration Services, Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services, Jewish Family Services, and US Together, Inc. for refugee employability programs, an increase of \$980,043.07 (\$1,541,967.06) (Job and Family Services).

Mr. Logan reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Bart Logan offered a resolution approving a subaward amendment with Jewish Family Services for workforce employment services, an increase of \$200,000.00 (\$400,000.00) (Job and Family Services).

Mr. Logan reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

JUSTICE POLICY AND PROGRAMS

Ruchelle Pride, Director, Office of Justice Policy and Programs, offered a resolution authorizing the Franklin County Administrator to execute a Contract with the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas, Division of Domestic Relations and Juvenile Branch for the performance of Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) guardian ad litem services for the Court (\$500,000.00) (Justice Policy and Programs).

Ms. Pride reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Ruchelle Pride offered a resolution authorizing a contract modification for peer support and case management services with Impact Community Action through the FY18 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Medication Assisted Treatment grant program (\$58,000.00) (Justice Policy and Programs).

Ms. Pride reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Ruchelle Pride offered a resolution authorizing five COVID-19 Recovery Grants with CHOICES for Victims of Domestic Violence, Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services, Huckleberry House, OhioHealth Research Institute, and Ohio Hispanic Coalition to provide victim services under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (H.R.1319) (\$886,382.36) (Justice Policy and Programs).

Ms. Pride reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Ruchelle Pride offered a resolution authorizing a COVID-19 Recovery Grant with CHOICES for Victims of Domestic Violence to complete construction and purchase furnishings associated with a shelter expansion providing additional victim services to Franklin County residents (\$1,200,000.00) (Justice Policy and Programs).

Ms. Pride reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

PURCHASING

Megan Perry-Balonier, Director, Purchasing, and Marleise Ryan, Economic Equity Administrator, Office of Diversity Equity and Inclusion, offered a resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$16,417,706.55) (Purchasing).

Ms. Perry-Balonier and Ms. Ryan reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator, offered a resolution to designate the Official Representative and Alternate for the purpose of voting at the Annual Meeting of the County Commissioners Association of Ohio in 2022 (Board of Commissioners).

Mr. Wilson reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Brittany A. Razek, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners, Director of Community Appointments, offered a resolution reappointing three members the Board of Trustees for the Rise Together Innovation Center (Board of Commissioners).

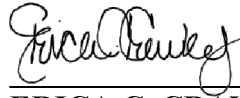
Ms. Razek reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

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The Clerk noted that there will be no journalizations expected at General Session on Tuesday, February 22, 2022.

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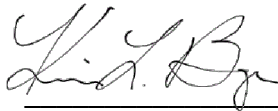
These minutes are a general summary of the Commissioners' Briefing Session for Thursday, February 17, 2022.



ERICA C. CRAWLEY, PRESIDENT



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**KEVIN L. BOYCE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO**

Submitted by:



Brittany A. Razek

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