

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Briefing Minutes  
October 03, 2019

President Brown  
Commissioner O'Grady  
Commissioner Boyce

The purpose of the meeting was to review resolutions submitted for the October 08, 2019 General Session, and to discuss other matters pertaining to the programs of the agencies. These notes are a synopsis of the meeting.

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

DRAINAGE ENGINEER

Fritz Crosier, Chief Deputy Engineer, Engineer, offered a resolution approving a ditch maintenance petition for The Farms at Jefferson Phases 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, Jefferson Township, Franklin County, Ohio.

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

ENGINEER

Fritz Crosier, Chief Deputy Engineer, Engineer, offered a resolution endorsing applications submitted by the Franklin County Engineer for technical assistance through the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission insight2050 Technical Assistance Program.

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

Mr. Crosier offered a resolution for approval of The Farms at Jefferson Phase 1 & 2 subdivision plats, Jefferson Township, Franklin County, Ohio.

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

Ed Herrick, Deputy Bridge Engineer, Engineer, offered a resolution requesting a weight limit posting for the bridge located on Chippewa Street, Township Road No. 2353, Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio.

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

Commissioner Boyce: So when you say a weight reduction, which means signs that will tell drivers of what the weight capacity is?

Mr. Herrick: Correct.

Commissioner Boyce: How do we enforce that? Is it pretty much an honor system?

Mr. Herrick: We do have a weight enforcement crew, but yes, they can't be everywhere. This was a change that happened as part of the FAST Act and what they did was change some of the loading for emergency vehicles and we had to reload rate all of our bridges based on these emergency vehicles, specifically ones that fell within a mile radius of an on ramp or off ramp. Franklin Township and the surrounding communities, they don't have anything that is similar to the EV3, emergency vehicle 3. It's the way that the vehicle is set up. There's nothing wrong with the bridge other than they changed the regulations of what the weight limit could be on a specific vehicle.

Kris Long, Deputy County Administrator: Commissioners, the Engineer's Office is going to present one of the resolutions under the Board of Commissioners and that is an appointment to the TID.

#### BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Mr. Crosier offered a resolution appointing Shannetta Griffin to the Transportation Improvement District (TID) Board of Trustee member, Franklin County, Ohio.

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

#### BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Ed Leonard, Director, Board of Elections, offered a resolution authorizing a transfer of General Fund appropriations in order to provide the budgetary allotment for meeting October payroll and other obligations.

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

Commissioner Boyce: I was made aware recently of an issue with regards to the international postage rate that is negotiated globally. You buy a package from China and then they've got to send it to you, and there's a postage rate somewhere in there that internationally gets tacked onto your product. It was my understanding the U.S. had not agreed to renew the current postage rate. There were concerns that the international exchange of goods would be limited and that it was the projected impact on overseas ballots. Because of the coming election, if this rate wasn't settled upon, those ballots could be in jeopardy of getting here. Is that resolved or is that something that they are concerned about?

Mr. Leonard: It was definitely something we were concerned about. The Secretary of State brought it to our attention a couple months back that this potential was out there. There is this international compact for the processing of international mail and there was a risk that the United States would pull out of that, but we've been informed recently the U.S. has decided to remain in that compact.

Commissioner Boyce: That's a good update, thank you.

## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Dayna McCrary, Community Partner Coordinator, Community Partnerships, offered a resolution authorizing a Catalyst Grant to LifeCare Alliance to provide IMPACT Safety programming (\$20,000.00).

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

Ms. McCrary offered a resolution authorizing a Catalyst Grant to the Bhutanese Community of Central Ohio to provide Mental Health First Aid Training and increased education engagement (\$58,980.00).

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

## JUSTICE POLICY AND PROGRAMS

Michael Daniels, Director, Justice Policy and Programs, offered a resolution authorizing the President of the Board of Commissioners to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the cities of Columbus and Whitehall and sign the required Certification for the FY 2019 Justice Assistance Grant funding agreement.

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

Mr. Daniels offered a resolution authorizing receipt of the FY 2019 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) from the U.S. Department of Justice.

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

Mr. Daniels offered a resolution authorizing a professional services contract with Bailey Hilliard for the provision of data collection and analysis under the FY18 Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site-Based Grant Program (\$10,000.00).

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

Mr. Daniels offered a resolution authorizing the President of the Board of Commissioners to accept on behalf of Franklin County a FY 2019 Second Chance Act Addressing Needs of Incarcerated Parents and their Minor Children award from the U.S. Department of Justice.

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

President Brown: Are we working with the fathers and their children or are we working with the moms that have children too?

Mr. Daniels: We are focusing primary on men who have minor children at home, but obviously there is someone else at home with those minor children. We will be working with the home as a family unit. The idea is, how do we continue to maintain that family unit after removing the father, continuing those bonds, and also to continue that financial responsibility.

President Brown: I will look forward to seeing the data on how this is working.

Mr. Daniels: Thank you.

Commissioner Boyce: Congratulations.

Mr. Daniels: Thank you.

Mr. Daniels offered a resolution authorizing acceptance of Year 3 reallocation funds from Franklin County Public Health for harm reduction and overdose prevention related activities.

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

## PUBLIC FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Darla Reardon, Director, Public Facilities Management, offered a resolution authorizing recycling of information technology equipment declared obsolete by the Franklin County Automatic Data Processing Board.

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

Ms. Reardon offered a resolution authorizing a partnership with Central Ohio Stand Down and the Franklin County Convention Facilities Authority in sponsoring the 2019 Annual Central Ohio Veterans Stand Down at the Greater Columbus Convention Center (\$10,000.00).

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

PURCHASING

Megan Perry-Balonier, Director, Purchasing, offered a resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$723,208.03).

Ms. Perry-Balonier reviewed information found in documents submitted with this proposed resolution.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Zak Talarek, Director, Office of Management & Budget, offered a resolution authorizing CHOICES for Victims of Domestic Violence, Inc. to receive the fees collected in 2020 for the support of shelters for victims of domestic violence.

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

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 A.M.

**(Signature page follows.)**

These minutes are a summary of the Commissioners' Briefing Session for October 03, 2019.

  
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**MARILYN BROWN, PRESIDENT**

  
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