

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF GENERAL SESSION

August 7, 2018

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners convened in the Commissioners Hearing Room at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, August 7, 2018.

Present were: Kevin L. Boyce, President
Marilyn Brown, Commissioner
John O'Grady, Commissioner

Also present on the dais were Harold Anderson, Director of Business, Contracts and Zoning Unit, Prosecuting Attorney Office; Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator; Zachary Talarek, Director, Office of Management and Budget; and Antwan Booker, Clerk.

President Boyce called the meeting to order at 9:01 A.M.

President Boyce: I would like to welcome Ernest Perry, President and CEO of HandsOn Central Ohio. Mr. Perry is here to give us an update and overview of the Local Food Action Plan. Please join us at the microphone, Mr. Perry.

Mr. Perry: Good morning, Commissioners. I am here as the Chair of the Local Food Board and providing you with an update of our progress of the past year. The Local Food Board created a vision for this community. To create a fair and sustainable food system that benefits our economy, our environment and all people. The work of that plan is organized around four goals that focus on coordination and communication of food systems, access and education, economic development and food waste prevention. Many of our successes this last year have really taken place in building the infrastructure and mobilizing people to do the work of the plan. We established a local food board that includes a broad array of expertise from across the food system and a variety of community partners such as Mid-Ohio Foodbank, Local Matters, Kroger, The Ohio State University, SWACO and HandsOn Central Ohio. We fully staff the local food team that is represented here today. They operate the day-to-day implementation of the plan, convene partners and facilitate a great deal of the collaboration that makes this work possible. We formed two project teams that began implementing two specific priorities for the Local Food Action Plan; One around a farmers' market management collaborative; the second is around connecting food related businesses to technical assistance and financing options.

The Ohio Days, My Plate My State program, which ensures that one meal per month at local schools are served that comes from local farms. Currently, the City of Columbus, Bexley, and Upper Arlington are participating in the program. This fall, we will add Canal Winchester and New Albany schools. The Ohio State University sustainability initiative, where they have

established a goal by 2025 to source 40% of the food they serve on campus by local producers. The Buckeye Institution of Agriculture program endeavors to build small food related businesses in low income communities to help build the supply chain for the 2025 goal.

The program dear to me is the Linden Farmers' Market. This provides fresh local food to the Linden community, new economic opportunities for food producers and it carries an array of incentives to encourage residents to participate in the farmers' market; including WIC coupons, double SNAP dollars, and \$5 coupons to community partners. More information on some of the other work we have done is in our annual report.

We want to thank you for your support of the Local Food Board. You have provided tremendous resource support that enable us to put together the Local Food Team. They produce a resource guide to help the residents in Linden to find services since they lost Kroger. Your ongoing funding for community garden grants, produce perks, growing to green, green corp. programs and ECDI's loan fund program are all parts of what makes this work. Thank you for the ongoing support. We believe that we have the right team and infrastructure to continue to move this work forward. One of the greatest early outcomes we made was the power of collaboration. Once the Food Board was established, we really tried to publicize and move the plan forward.

Commissioner Brown: This is incredibly important work. Thanks to Commissioner O'Grady for leading this effort. Food in economic development makes sense. I am thrilled of all that you have accomplished.

Commissioner O'Grady: I remember back in 2009-2011 when we first started doing this stuff. We were justifying \$2,000 for water and \$1,000 for tools. Over the years, this has grown. The grants from the federal government and foundations are great. This has turned into something where we have invested a lot of money and found grant money for it. This has been a huge win for the community. We appreciate all the work that you have done and will do.

President Boyce: I want to thank Commissioners Brown and O'Grady for the leadership because this was in place before I became a Commissioner. In Linden, where there is a majority of minority residents; With that comes, statistically, obesity, diabetes, and hypertension, all of which are preventable with a healthy diet. A lack of access to fresh fruits and vegetables are part of the equation. This is a conversation about saving lives and strengthening communities that have a lot of challenges. This is one of the areas where we can make a difference if we invest the resources and take the bold steps to do so. Thank you for your leadership and work.

Commissioner O'Grady: When we did our trip to Spain, a few months ago, we saw some community gardens in our sister city. Amy Bodiker has been one of the big leaders in the farmers' market community here in Central Ohio. There has been a huge number of supporters.

Commissioner Brown: This is life sustaining.

(group picture)

Approval of the minutes of the July 24, 2018 Administrative Session, and the minutes of the July 10, July 24, and July 31, 2018 General Session, and the minutes of the July 26, 2018 Briefing Session. Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The minutes were approved by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 539-18, resolution approving a subaward agreement with Girl Scouts of Ohio's Heartland Council, Inc. for the Bonds Beyond Bars and Bonds After Bars Programs (\$18,644.50)(Job and Family Services), presented by Joy Bivens, Director, Job and Family Services.

Ms. Bivens: Good morning Commissioners. What we know is that parents that are incarcerated diminishes the continuity of families. Children face trauma due to separation. Poverty due to loss of income. This program impacts that by allowing girls and their mothers to have an opportunity to interact in a controlled environment, build mutual respect, plan community service projects and more. The troop also doubles as a support community for the girls and they meet separately to discuss topics like anger management, domestic violence prevention, self-esteem and mentoring. The program is to counter the dual punishment. The parent is not the only person that serves the sentence, but the child does as well. This resolution also support Bonds After Bars which provides continued support post incarceration during which can be a difficult transition for both mothers and daughters.

Commissioner Brown: I attended one of the programs that Bonds Beyond Bars did and one of the moms that was incarcerated told me that she never got to see her child until this program. She was so grateful for the program and support. This investment is priceless in what we are offering.

Ms. Bivens: As I was doing some research in the effects of children of incarcerated parents, a lot of states have done away with funding transportation for children to be able to visit their parents. 75% of the girls develop a strong sense of self, since participating in this program. An additional 75% of the girls were able to maintain relationships with their parents.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 539-18, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 540-18, resolution authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Margie L. Cooper at 1677 Elmore Ave. Columbus, Ohio 43224 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Jamie Edwards, Business Service Officer, Economic Development and Planning.

Ms. Edwards: Margie Cooper received \$1,569.00 in June 1985. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current, pending any questions I ask for your approval.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 540-18, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 541-18, resolution authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Margie L. Cooper at 1677 Elmore Ave. Columbus, Ohio 43224 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Ms. Edwards.

Ms. Edwards: Margie Cooper received \$4,650.00 in April 1984. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current, pending any questions I ask for your approval.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 541-18, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 542-18, resolution authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Tia R. Johnson at 7311 Foxfield Drive Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Ms. Edwards.

Ms. Edwards: Tia Johnson received \$6,000.00 in October 2009. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current, pending any questions I ask for your approval.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 542-18, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 543-18, resolution authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Roseann Melfi at 1975 Frank Road Columbus, Ohio 43223 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Ms. Edwards.

Ms. Edwards: Roseann Melfi received \$15,000.00 in January 2008 All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current, pending any questions I ask for your approval.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 543-18, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 544-18, resolution authorizing a Contract Agreement with Kalkreuth Roofing and Sheet Metal, Inc. to perform Roofing and Siding activities associated with the construction of the Franklin County Corrections Center (\$4,833,537.00)(Public Facilities Management), presented by Vivian Alexander, Chief Operating Officer, Public Facilities Management.

Ms. Alexander: Good morning, Commissioners. Joining me today is Dr. Bill LaFayette, owner of Regionomics LLC, who will provide a summary of the economic impact study he conducted for this Contract Agreement. This Resolution authorizes a Contract Agreement with Kalkreuth Roofing and Sheet Metal, Inc. to perform Roofing and Siding activities for the new Franklin County Corrections Center. Two bids were received, and Kalkreuth is the low bidder. Kalkreuth has an office in Lewis Center, Ohio. Kalkreuth is signatory to the Roofers Local 86 in Columbus, and 21 jobs are anticipated to be created as part of this contract at peak. Kalkreuth has committed to 12% (approx. \$566K) diversity participation from 1 firm on its SEBE Utilization Plan for roofing material supplies. Kalkreuth has demonstrated it has the capacity, experience and ability to complete the required work. The Project Owner's Representative, Pizzuti Solutions, and the Project Construction Manager, Gilbane Smoot, are supportive of this contract award. I will now turn it over to Dr. LaFayette to present his summary of the economic impacts. Then pending any questions, we request your approval of this action.

Dr. LaFayette: My latest memo includes the economic impact of the Kalkreuth Roofing bid. The impact of this bid totals \$7.2 million in Franklin County production and spending, including impacts from projected spending with local suppliers and the spending of wages earned by households. Franklin County household earnings impacts total \$1.8 million, 39 full-time and part-time jobs will be sustained, and there will be \$4.3 million in long-term value added to the county's economy. Part of that total is the impact contributed by small and emerging business enterprises. These impacts amount to \$943,000 in production and spending, \$239,000 in household earnings, and two jobs. Impacts to date are \$181.7 million in production and spending, \$44.9 million in earnings, 810 jobs sustained, and \$105.3 million in long-term value added. I estimate the small business impacts so far at \$42.4 million in output, \$10.7 million in earnings, 180 jobs, and \$25 million in value added.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 544-18, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 545-18, resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$2,437,081.58)(Purchasing), presented by Karl Kuespert, Director, Purchasing.

Mr. Kuespert: The resolution before you requests your approval of 113 purchase orders. For Small Emerging Business Enterprises, there are 10 purchase orders which equals 27.7% of the eligible **purchase order volume**; their purchase order dollar amount is \$666,216.79 which is 90.9% of the eligible **purchase order dollar value**. Eligible purchase orders are those where the SEBEs are likely to participate. These purchase orders have been precertified as to the availability of funds by the County Auditor.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 545-18, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:26 A.M.

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These minutes are a summary of the Commissioners' meeting of August 7, 2018.



KEVIN L. BOYCE, PRESIDENT



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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO**

Submitted by:



Antwan Booker, Clerk