

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF GENERAL SESSION

March 12, 2024

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners convened in the Commissioners Hearing Room at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, March 12, 2024.

Present were: Kevin L. Boyce, President  
Erica C. Crawley, Commissioner

Also present on the dais were Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator; Kris J. Long, Deputy County Administrator; Deputy County Administrator Joy Bivens; Zachary Talarek, Director, Office of Management and Budget; Jeanine Hummer, First Assistant Prosecuting Attorney and Chief Counsel; and Brittany A. Razek, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.

*Using hybrid meeting technology, participants were also able to access General Session via Zoom conferencing by dialing (929) 436-2866, Meeting ID:978 8790 2896; Passcode:628826, or by joining at: <https://franklincountyohio.zoom.us/j/97887902896>*

Commissioner Boyce called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M.

Commissioner Boyce: Before we get into our regular agenda this week, I'd like to take a moment to note that the holiday of Ramadan began this past Sunday. Ramadan is a monthlong observance that includes fasting, reflection, and prayer for Muslims, and we're glad to say Ramadan Mubarak to all of our residents and employees who observe. It is so nice to see the evolution of public service where we are embracing cultures, religions, and people from all walks of life. That is the underlying message that no matter what religion you practice, who you are, at the end of the day, we all are residents of Franklin County, and we all live together the best we can in harmony.

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Approval of the minutes for the January 4, 2024, Briefing Session, and the February 28, 2024, Administrative Briefing Session. Commissioner Crawley moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The minutes were approved by roll call vote.

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**Resolution No. 0183-24**, approving five contract extensions for mediation services (\$175,000.00) (Auditor), presented by Michael Stinziano, Auditor, Auditor's Office.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0183-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

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**Resolution No. 0197-24**, authorizing a mediation services agreement with The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law for the provision of mediation services for the Board of Revision (Auditor), presented by Michael Stinziano, Auditor, Auditor's Office.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0197-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0198-24**, authorizing a contract with Esposito Mortuary Services, Inc. for Body Transport, and transfer of appropriations from the general fund (\$2,850,000.00) (Coroner), presented by Patrick McLean, Chief of Staff, Coroner's Office.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0198-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0199-24**, Dynotec, Inc., consulting engineers, appointed to assist the Franklin County Drainage Engineer by providing general drainage engineering services (\$100,000.00) (Drainage Engineer), presented by Brad Foster, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0199-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0200-24**, HDR Engineering, Inc., consulting engineers, appointed to assist the Franklin County Engineer in performing feasibility for twenty (20) pedestrian and bikeway projects that provide access to transit facilities (\$395,255.00) (Engineer), presented by Brad Foster, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0200-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0201-24**, establishing, altering, and widening of Clouse Road, Township Road No. 347, Plain Township, Franklin County, Ohio, declared necessary (Engineer), presented by Brad Foster, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0201-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0202-24**, approving street and storm sewer plans for Jackson Estates, Jackson Township, Franklin County, Ohio (Engineer), presented by Brad Foster, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0202-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0203-24**, approving the settlement of legal claims and authorizing the County Administrator to execute a Settlement Agreement and Release (\$96,000.00) (Prosecuting Attorney), presented by Jeanine Hummer, First Assistant Prosecuting Attorney and Chief Counsel, Prosecutor's Office.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0203-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0204-24**, authorizing contracts with seven (7) providers for Network Cabling Services (\$2,100,000.00) (Franklin County Data Center), presented by Julie Lust, Chief Financial Officer, Data Center.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0204-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0205-24**, authorizing a contract with ADCOMM Engineering LLC. for the delivery of services updating the Franklin County 911 Plan (\$81,380.00) (Emergency Management Agency, presented by Jeff Young, Director, Emergency Management Agency.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0205-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0206-24**, allowing the Law Library to enter into a four-year contract with Matthew Bender dba LexisNexis for print and electronic books (\$122,486.00) (Law Library), presented by Jennifer Jones, Director, Law Library.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0206-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0207-24**, authorizing an IV-D contract with the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas Division of Domestic Relations and Juvenile Branch (\$1,604,687.72) (Child Support Enforcement), presented by Susan Brown, Director, Job and Family Services

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0207-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0208-24**, authorizing an Economic Development Agreement with the Greater Columbus Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. to promote Franklin County as a tourism destination (\$2,275,000.00) (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Emanuel Torres, Assistant Director, Economic Development and Planning, Brian Ross, President & CEO, Experience Columbus, and Linda Logan, President & CEO, Greater Columbus Sports Commission.

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

*Joy Bivens, Deputy County Administrator, stated she hoped the Delta Sigma Theta Convention was on their radar and noted it would bring 4,000 to 6,000 people to the city. Mr. Ross advised that a team member would be heading up those services.*

*Commissioner Crawley asked Administrator Wilson if this was an increase over last year's contract.*

*Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator, advised that the amount is equal to last year's contract, and noted the authorization to expand carryover dollars from last year.*

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0208-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0209-24**, establishing and describing the boundaries of the Franklin Township Westland South Community Reinvestment Area in Franklin County and designating a Housing Officer to Administer this Community Reinvestment Area (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Emanuel Torres, Assistant Director, Economic Development and Planning.

*Kris Long, Deputy County Administrator, requested a motion to postpone this Resolution to March 14, 2024.*

Commissioner Crawley moved to postpone Resolution 0209-24 to March 14, 2024, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was postponed by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0210-24**, authorizing the second contract extension and contract modification with Byers Ford, LLC for the supply and delivery of fleet automobiles for Franklin County Fleet Management (\$3,000,000.00) (Fleet Management), presented by Charlotte Ashcraft, Director, Fleet Management.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0210-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0211-24**, approving a subaward agreement with the National Center for Urban Solutions for programming to engage fathers in early childhood education (\$170,000.00) (Job and Family Services) presented by Carmen Barnes, Assistant Director, Job and Family Services and guest Kenny Hampton, President, National Center for Urban Solutions.

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

*Commissioner Crawley commented about the number of Black male teachers at an education conference she recently attended. She also noted the opportunity to talk about Black men, and to see if they are interested in early childcare educators and put them on a path to success. Commissioner Crawley also noted the need to expand collaborations and partnerships in different capacities.*

*Joy Bivens, Deputy County Administrator, requested a more formal status report be sent to the commissioners and the recent news that Franklin County had a kindergarten readiness crisis, and suggested convening with Mr. Hampton, President, National Center for Urban Solutions, about messages to support RISE to see what data suggests to educate fathers. Joy Bivens, Deputy County Administrator, also noted that the CDC was also doing a campaign to educate male and black fathers and requested that Mr. Hampton provide a copy of the status report from the previous year. Mr. Hampton agreed to provide that report.*

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0211-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0212-24**, authorizing a professional service contract agreement with Nancy Woods for peer support and case management services for residents served via Pathways Achieving Recovery by Choice (\$37,000.00) (Justice Policy and Programs), presented by Courtney Moats, Grants Administrator, Justice Policy and Programs.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0212-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0213-24**, authorizing two professional service contract agreements for peer support and case management services for justice involved residents served through the Franklin County Rapid Resource Center (\$69,560.00) (Justice Policy and Programs), presented by Courtney Moats, Grants Administrator, Justice Policy and Programs.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0213-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0214-24**, authorizing a contract modification with The Cornerstone Promise, Inc. for the provision of transitional recovery housing (\$50,000.00) (Justice Policy and Programs), presented by Courtney Moats, Grants Administrator, Justice Policy and Programs.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0214-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0215-24**, authorizing an agreement with Franklin County Public Health for equipment to enhance harm reduction efforts (Justice Policy and Programs), presented by Courtney Moats, Grants Administrator, Justice Policy and Programs.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0215-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0216-24**, approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$4,632,446.61) (Purchasing), presented by Megan Perry-Balonier, Director, Purchasing Department, and Tameca Bumper, Economic Equity Administrator, Office of Diversity Equity and Inclusion.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0216-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

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**Resolution No. 0219-24**, appointing Mo Dioun to the Columbus Regional Airport Authority Board of Directors (Board of Commissioners), by Lauren M. Graessle, Assistant Director of Community Appointments, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0219-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0220-24**, authorizing a contract with MAXIMUS Consulting Services, Inc. for the annual updates to Franklin County’s cost allocation plan and the Data Center’s cost analysis and rate study (\$58,000.00) (Board of Commissioners), presented by Zachary Talarek, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

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

Commissioner Crawley moved to approve Resolution 0220-24, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

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Brittany A. Razek, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners, read one (1) journalization into the record:

**Case # ANX-06-24** – An Expedited Type 2 annexation petition, ANX-06-24, was filed with the Franklin County Economic Development and Planning Department on March 4, 2024. The petition is requesting to annex 1.94 acres from Madison Township to the City of Groveport. The petition will be considered by the Board of Commissioners on April 9, 2024.

**Site: 5600 Groveport Road (PID #180-000921)**

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**Resolution No. 0221-24**, of the Franklin County Board of Commissioners to convene into Executive Session for the purpose of considering the purchase of property and to consider information related to economic development assistance (Board of Commissioners).

Commissioner Crawley moved to convene into Executive Session to consider the purchase of property for public purposes and to consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance, or to negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance, provided that the following conditions apply: The information is directly related to a request for economic development assistance that is to be provided or administered under any provision of Chapter 715., 725., 1724., or 1728., or sections 701.07, 3735.67 to 3735.70, 5709.40 to 5709.43, 5709.61 to 5709.69, 5709.73 to 5709.75, or 5709.77 to 5709.81, of the Revised Code, or that involves public infrastructure improvements or the extension of utility services that are directly related to an economic development project. Further, that the executive session is necessary to protect the interests of the applicant or the possible investment or expenditure of public funds to be made in



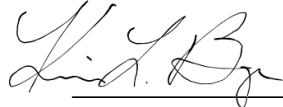
connection with the economic development project, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote, and the Commissioners convened into Executive Session at 10:05 A.M.

At 11:33 A.M. Commissioner Crawley moved to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Boyce, which was approved by roll call vote. No substantive action was taken upon exiting Executive Session, and with no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:33 A.M.

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These minutes are a general summary of the Commissioners' General Session meeting on Tuesday, March 12, 2024.



7/31/2024

**KEVIN L. BOYCE, PRESIDENT**



7/28/2024

**JOHN O'GRADY**



8/7/2024

**ERICA C. CRAWLEY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO**

Submitted by:



7/29/2024

**Brittany A. Razek,  
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners**

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