

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF GENERAL SESSION

March 24, 2020

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners convened in the Commissioners Hearing Room at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, March 24, 2020.

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

Also present on the dais were Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator; and, Dean M. Hindenlang, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners. Nick Soulas, First Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Prosecuting Attorney's Office, was seated in the main seating area of the General Session room.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Board of Commissioners practiced appropriate physical distancing. Participants in the Hearing Room were limited to a maximum of ten (10) individuals, at any time, with additional participants viewing the Session, via live stream, in an adjacent room. To facilitate appropriate physical distancing and limit the number of individuals entering the General Session room, the Resolutions were presented by members of County Administration.

President O'Grady called the meeting to order at 9:06 A.M.

Resolution No. 0201-20, resolution awarding contract and approving contract bond to Gundenkauf Corporation, for the CR-122 Alum Creek Drive Connected Vehicle Environment (\$1,463,230.30) (Engineer), presented by Kris Long, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0201-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0202-20, establishing, altering and widening of Norton Road, County Road No. 3, and Kropp Road-Grove City Road, County Road No. 135, Pleasant Township, Franklin County,

Ohio, declared necessary (Engineer), presented by Kris Long, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0202-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0203-20, establishing, altering and widening of Hilliard & Rome Road, County Road No. 3, Beacon Hill Road, and Hillbrook Drive, Prairie Township, Franklin County, Ohio, declared necessary (Engineer), presented by Kris Long, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0203-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0204-20, establishing, altering and widening of Gantz Road, County Road No. 256 and Dyer Road, Township Road No. 260, Jackson Township, Franklin County, Ohio, declared necessary (Engineer), presented by Kris Long, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0204-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0205-20, establishing, altering and widening of Rohr Road, County Road No. 235 and Pontius Road, County Road No. 237 and County Road No. 118, Madison Township, Franklin County, Ohio, declared necessary (Engineer), presented by Kris Long, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0205-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0206-20, the 2020 Resurfacing Program for Franklin County, Ohio, declared

necessary and hearing fixed for Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. (Engineer), presented by Kris Long, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0206-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0207-20, report (5th) of the Franklin County Engineer, establishing sums of compensation for a portion of the owners of property abutting the Norton Road at Johnson Road improvement, Prairie Township and Pleasant Township, Franklin County, Ohio (\$64,765.00) (Engineer), presented by Kris Long, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0207-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0208-20, resolution authorizing a IV-D contract with the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office (\$387,684.77) (Child Support Enforcement), presented by Kris Long, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0208-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0209-20, resolution authorizing a IV-D contract with the Franklin County Data Center (\$509,401.45) (Child Support Enforcement), presented by Kris Long, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0209-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0210-20, resolution entering into a Funding Agreement with the Economic and Community Development Institute to provide a Microenterprise Loan program to county businesses (\$675,000.00) (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Erik Janas, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

President O'Grady: Explain the exact dollar amounts in this resolution, please.

Mr. Janas: Of course, Commissioner. The original budgeted amount in the 2020 budget for this program, through the CDBG funding stream, was intended to be \$175,000. In addition to that, recommended to you, due to the current crisis that we are going through and the stresses that our small businesses community is seeing, we are recommending adding an additional \$500,000 to this contract. \$200,000 of that \$500,000 is CDBG; \$300,000 is from the general fund. As mentioned, that additional \$500,000 will leverage at a three-to-one ratio, an additional \$1.5 million, for a total of \$2 million to ECDI's loan pool, for small businesses.

Commissioner Brown: Can you speak to where that leverage comes from?

Mr. Janas: Primarily, the small business association at the federal level, but not just them. It could be banks or other philanthropic organizations. ECDI has a network of resources that they use; they're public dollars to leverage.

Commissioner Brown: Who is going to be eligible and how are they going to be able to access these funds, if we should pass this today?

Mr. Janas: Small businesses that are credit worthy and qualified are eligible. If they are using the CDBG money, the documentation of business owners must qualify as a low-income county resident, for HUD guidelines. Or through the creation of jobs at a rate of one job created per \$35,000 loaned. 63 percent of ECDI's current loan portfolio is minority-owned businesses; 52 percent is low-to-moderate income; 46 percent women-owned businesses; and, 33 percent is immigrant-owned businesses. ECDI has a strong track record of making sure that they have outreach to small businesses all throughout the community in Franklin County.

President O'Grady: These are micro-loans, so these are small businesses that are looking to pay their rent over the next couple of months, while we survive the current crisis that we are in; looking to pay their employees; looking to just get through what we are dealing with.

Mr. Janas: The average loan size ranges from \$5,000 to \$30,000; averaging \$30,000, per loan.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0210-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0211-20, resolution authorizing a grant agreement with the Workforce Development Board of Central Ohio to administer a Quick Strike job readiness program for the recently unemployed in Franklin County (\$500,000.00) (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Erik Janas, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

Mr. Janas: Commissioners, this \$500,000 contract is repurposed dollars from the Department of Economic Development and Planning, and would go to the Workforce Development Board, to assist those residents in Franklin County whose employment has been suspended or terminated, as a result of the crisis that we're going through. For those employees who are interested in using this time to sharpen their job skills or to explore new career pathways, the Workforce Development Board will work with them to provide online training, credentialing, and other coursework, to help them further their professional careers. If they do so consistent with the guidelines set forward in this program for a brief period of time, this program will provide them a \$250 stipend for their efforts. I would like to point out that this is not meant to supplement, but rather to support unemployment insurance, which will be the critical funding stream for many of our displaced workers during this time. This is an added support for those that are consistently interested in motivated in sharpening their career skills.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0211-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0212-20, resolution authorizing two contracts to the city of Columbus for intake assessments and peer support services through the FY 2016 Justice and Mental Health Collaboration grant program (\$60,044.00) (Justice Policy and Programs), presented by Erik Janas, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0212-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0213-20, resolution authorizing a no cost contract extension of the ACCESS innovation project of the John D and Catherine T MacArthur Foundation and the Urban Institute (Justice Policy and Programs), presented by Erik Janas, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0213-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0214-20, resolution authorizing a modification to the contract agreement with Kastle Technologies Co., LLC to perform additional communications activities associated with the construction of the Franklin County Corrections Center at an increase in the amount of the

contract not to exceed \$90,656.00 (\$3,595,656.00) (Public Facilities Management), presented by Kris Long, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Boyce: What do the [Governor's] Executive Orders do to the timeline and workflow of this and the morgue's projects? How are they going to be impacted by this crisis?

Ms. Long: On the day the order was issued by Dr. Action, I spoke with both construction management teams at both sites, both at the Forensic Science Center and the Corrections Center. The order itself states in section nine, I believe, that public works construction, as a component of governmental infrastructure works are able to continue. So, as we speak, both sites remain working, with extensive safety measures that have been put into place.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0214-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0215-20, resolution approving partnerships with Colleges and Universities for the purpose of providing reduced cost higher education opportunities at no cost to the County (Human Resources), presented by Kris Long, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0215-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0216-20, resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$2,289,200.29) (Purchasing), presented by Kris Long, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0216-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0217-20, resolution extending the time for certain County offices to make deposits of public moneys pursuant to section 9.38 of the Revised Code (Board of Commissioners), presented by Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0217-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Dean M. Hindenlang, Clerk, read one (1) Journalization into the record:

Case number, ANX-07-20, an expedited type two annexation petition, ANX-07-20, was filed with the Franklin County Economic Development and Planning Department on March 17, 2020. The petition is requesting to annex 130.91 +/- acres from Truro Township to the City of Reynoldsburg. The petition will be considered by the Board of Commissioners on April 21, 2020. Site locations: 700 Waggoner Road (PID #263-002400); 704 Waggoner Road (PID #263-000174); 706 Waggoner Road (PID #263-000151); Waggoner Road (PID #263-000153).

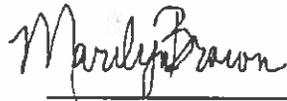
With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:56 A.M.

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These minutes are a summary of the Commissioners' meeting of March 24, 2020.



JOHN O'GRADY, PRESIDENT

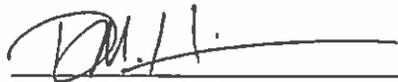


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**KEVIN L. BOYCE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Submitted by:



Dean M. Hindenlang,
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners