

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF GENERAL SESSION

August 15, 2017

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners convened in the Commissioners Hearing Room at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, August 15, 2017.

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

Also present on the dais were Harold Anderson, Director of Business, Contracts and Zoning, Prosecuting Attorney; Kenneth Wilson, County Administrator; and Antwan Booker, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Brown called the meeting to order at 9:05 A.M.

On the agenda was the approval of the minutes of the July 20, 2017 Briefing Session. Commissioner Boyce moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The minutes were approved by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 555-17, resolution authorizing a non-general fund supplemental appropriation to support the FCJS Modernization Project (Clerk Of Courts), presented by Adam Luckhaupt, CIO, Board of Commissioners, and Shawn Rieder, Fiscal Services, Clerk of Courts.

Mr. Rieder: Good morning Commissioners. This resolution authorizes \$133,000 in non-general fund supplemental appropriations to support the modernization of the Franklin County Justice System. On January 5, 2016, Resolution No. 1-16, authorized the contract with Management Technology Group to assist in the acquisition of a new case management program. Today's resolution will fund select deliverables originally contracted with Management Technology Group not received by the end of 2016, as well as secure a project coordinator to superintend through the contract signing of a new case management system.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve of Resolution 555-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 556-17, resolution authorizing a transfer of appropriations for the implementation of Microsoft Office 365 (Court of Common Pleas), presented by Susan Bedsole, Deputy Director, Court of Common Pleas, and Barbara Reeves, Deputy Director, Domestic Relations Court.

Ms. Bedsole: Good morning. This resolution requests the approval of transfer of appropriations for the implementation for Microsoft 365 for the General, Domestic and Juvenile Courts. As you know, Microsoft 365 is cloud-based email platform that most everyone uses. We are looking to replace our Lotus Notes platform. The courts still have applications on this platform, but will be transitioning out. Microsoft 365 will allow us to have compatibility with the other agencies.

Commissioner Boyce: What is the overall cost of the migration project?

Mr. Luckhaupt: \$157,603.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve of Resolution 556-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 557-17, resolution authorizing a contract with Mitel to provide telephone services (Emergency Management Agency) (\$91,016.40), presented by Jeff Young, Director, Emergency Management Agency.

Mr. Young: Good morning Commissioners. This resolution will allow us to upgrade our legacy technology in our phone system, which is one of the older single line systems that is still in existence. This will allow us to utilize the same technology to be more efficient and effective that is used by the Board of Commissioners, the County agencies, as well as the City of Columbus. It will allow the County Administrator to sign service orders, any change orders, or addendums to the service order to implement this change.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve of Resolution 557-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 558-17, resolution authorizing disposition of personal property, including motor vehicles and equipment, that are no longer needed for public use, are obsolete, or are unfit for the use it was acquired, and authorizing the Director of Fleet Management to dispose of said items by transferring title to other governmental agencies in Ohio, by internet auction, or selling as salvage (Fleet Management), presented by Charlotte Ashcraft, Director, Fleet Management.

Ms. Ashcraft: Good morning Commissioners. This resolution is requesting authorization to dispose of twenty-five retired vehicles. The breakdown of those twenty-five are twenty reused by the Sheriff's Office, two from the General Fleet, one from Sanitary Engineers, one from Domestic Court and one from Animal Care and Control. The retired cruisers will be transferred to other law enforcement agencies, those agencies that are smaller and have limited funds for replacement. We have a list of those agencies, waiting in line. We work with the Ohio Department of Public Safety to sift through those requests to make sure we meet the needs of those truly in need. This transfer program began in 2009 and the cruisers

have high mileage. If they are kept in service, they will have over 200,000 miles in no time. We have a 24/7 operation. If we transfer these to smaller agencies, they typically use them for one shift and can get an additional two or three years out of them. By transferring to other law enforcement agencies, we do not incur the cost to remove the law enforcement equipment and the decals. That cost can outweigh the amount we will receive when we auction it. Those that are wrecked will be disposed of through salvage, due to the extensive damage and others will be sold through govdeals.com.

Commissioner Brown: I know in the past, some of the vehicles we have given to some of the smaller counties, have been appreciative of them. We have heard from some of the County Commissioners how much they appreciate them over the years. They could not afford to purchase any new vehicles. This is good.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve of Resolution 558-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 559-17, resolution authorizing a contract with Best Choice Transportation; Bobcat Radio Service, Inc.; Central Ohio Shuttle Service dba ARCH Express Transportation; Metro Transportation, Inc.; Super Shuttle and Universal Work & Power dba Kemper Shuttle for Non-Emergency Transportation (NET) Services (Job and Family Services) (\$2,040,000), presented by Charles Noble, Chief Strategy Officer, Job and Family Services.

Mr. Noble: Good morning Commissioners. Our agency covers non-emergency transportation (NET) services for eligible Medicaid recipients to and from medical appointments. This adds up to more than 125,000 trips in a given year and covering more than 60,000 miles a month. Our current contract with five NET service providers expires in the fall. County Purchasing released an invitation to bid this summer and we received thirteen proposals. Our review team scored all proposals independently based on several criteria, for example, price per mile, driver screening processes, taxi licenses and the like. These six proposals were determined to be the lowest and best. Three of the recommended bidders, Best Choice Transportation, Bobcat Radio Service, and Super Shuttle are existing NET vendors who have consistently provided quality services. The other vendors recommended for approval provided competitive cost per mile and their supporting documentation demonstrated their ability to meet our needs for the NET program. Additionally, half of the vendors recommended are recognized small businesses or minority business enterprises. Our proposed contract is effective for two years and includes an option to extend the contract for an additional two year period.

Commissioner Brown: Mr. Noble, do they provide accessible transportation?

Mr. Noble: Yes. Per my understanding, for customers with wheelchairs or other services, if that is not available through the contract, there will be accommodations made for them.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve of Resolution 559-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 560-17, resolution approving a contract for case management services between the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services with the City of Columbus, Department of Recreation and Parks, Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging (Job and Family Services) (\$20,000), presented by Mr. Noble.

Mr. Noble: For this resolution, a JFS Case Manager will be stationed for up to twenty hours a week at Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging (COAAA) main office on South High Street, to provide assistance in determining customer eligibility, primarily for the Medicaid waiver and long term care, but also for other of the agency programs. The contractual relationship between our agencies began in October 2014. COAAA will reimburse us for the actual full time employee cost of an onsite case manager, including salary and benefits on a quarterly basis not to exceed \$20,000 for the term of the MOU.

Commissioner Boyce: Over the last three years, I had to bury two grandmothers. Both of them required the Medicaid waiver. It is a tedious and extensive process in terms of family resources and materials. Having someone who can be a counselor or guidance in this process to a family that is going through this process is critical. These are families in serious need. I cannot think of a better use of resources.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 560-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

President O'Grady: This is National Health Center Week. We have with us, from PrimaryOne Health, Senator Charleta B. Tavares.

Senator Tavares: Thank you Commissioners. I want to let you know that National Health Center Week is established so we can recognize the work of the more than 9,000 community health centers across America, how they are serving the public. PrimaryOne Health served over 3,800 patients and 144,000 unduplicated visits. We are one of four Federally Qualified Health Systems in Central Ohio. We are the largest and oldest. We work with our partner agencies to serve those who are underserved in our community. Those who are uninsured, underinsured, and insured. We are proud of the history of our Federally Qualified Health Systems in Central Ohio and throughout the country. More than fifty years of service. It was one of the programs that was started with the War on Poverty in 1965. It has been one of the best programs to ensure that we have access. Our motto, for PrimaryOne Health, is "Your first choice for quality care." We believe that and are led by a predominate patient board. 51% of our board must be patients of our health centers. This model serves us well because it is about the patients.

Our celebration this week is focusing in on a lot of activities. Today, from 10am-12pm, we are passing out book bags to our patients who have kept their children up to date with their immunizations. This evening, we will be having taco Tuesday at The Kitchen from 5pm-9pm and

10% of the proceeds goes to PrimaryOne Health, so we can help those patients who have some additional needs in our community. Some of those social determinants that have such an impact of the quality and outcomes of the care. Tomorrow, we will be handing out zip bags full of toiletries to those in our community that are homeless. If you want to attend, you can come to our main office at 1800 Watermark Drive at 10am. Thursday, we will be doing a ribbon cutting of our renovated extended space at St. Stephens Community House. This is one of our older sites and we did substantial renovation. We are expanding our services to almost double. We are also moving our corporate office on Friday.

Commissioner Brown: The Federally Qualified Health Centers have provided incredible care. With yours being the largest in our community, I know you done a great job. As we see people being underinsured, there is nothing more important than healthcare. Thank you and your partners.

Senator Tavares: I want to thank the County Commissioners because you have been a strong partner with us, particularly on our work to reduce infant mortality in Central Ohio. We could not do it without our partners and it takes the private and public sector working together to reduce the number of babies that die before their first birthday.

Commissioner Boyce: I hope this partnership continues for a long time. The work that you are doing at PrimaryOne is at the ground level of the challenges that many families face that do not have resources. We want to continue this relationship and the investment. National Health Centers Week goes beyond what you are doing. We should be aware of the resources we are investing in our families and ensuring that those families have a chance to be successful. Thanks for being here.

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Resolution No. 561-17, resolution authorizing non-general fund supplemental appropriation for the construction of a running track (Animal Control), presented by Deb Finelli, Assistant Director, Animal Care and Control.

Ms. Finelli: Good morning Commissioners. I am excited about this resolution. We have been waiting a long time for this. This resolution requests the approval of supplemental appropriations from the donation fund in the amount of \$63,498 for the construction of the running track. This is going to provide year around availability for our staff and volunteers to walk the dogs. We are appreciative of the donors that have helped up raise these funds.

Commissioner Boyce: How long is it going to take to complete?

Ms. Finelli: I think it will be complete by the end of September or beginning of October.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve of Resolution 561-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 562-17, resolution authorizing Franklin County Economic Development and Planning Department to enter into an Enterprise Zone Agreement with the City of Grove City and Grove City MOB, LLC (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Josh Roth, Senior Program Coordinator, Economic Development and Planning.

Mr. Roth: Good morning Commissioners. This resolution would authorize an enterprise zone tax abatement agreement between the County, the City of Grove City and Grove City MOB, LLC, which is a subsidiary of the healthcare development company H-Plex Solutions, Inc. The project will establish a 50,000 sq. ft. speculative medical office building on the Mount Carmel/Grove City site. Grove City MOB, LLC is going to serve as the owner and the property manager and the building is going to be leased for prospective tenants. The tax abatement would exempt real new property taxes at a rate of 75% over ten years. Grove City MOB, LLC is committed to investing \$11 million in real property investment, the creation of twenty new, permanent full-time equivalent jobs and maintaining a payroll of at least \$1.6 million.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve of Resolution 562-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 563-17, resolution authorizing the settlement of Workers Compensation claim against the County by Randy Russell (Human Resources) (\$15,000), presented by Rob Young, Director, Human Resources.

Mr. Young: Good morning Commissioners. This is a former County Engineer employee. Settling this claim will eliminate future liability estimated to be up to \$72,000. The Prosecutor has reviewed and recommended this settlement.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 563-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 564-17, resolution authorizing the settlement of Workers Compensation claim against the County by John Petree (Human Resources) (\$3,000), presented by Mr. Young.

Mr. Young: This is a former Sheriff Office employee. The future liability estimated would be up to \$5,200. The Prosecutor has reviewed and recommended this settlement.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 564-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 565-17, resolution authorizing a modification to the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company (MetLife) contract to provide a voluntary short and long term disability program to

members of the Franklin County Cooperative Health Improvement Program (Human Resources), presented by Mr. Young.

Mr. Young: This contract modification changes the start date of the MetLife contract from July 8, 2014 to April 1, 2015. This allows the end date of the contract to be modified to December 31, 2017, which puts us on the cycle to have it end during open enrollment. There are no other modifications. The Prosecutor has reviewed this contract as well.

President O'Grady: We have one speaker for this resolution today, Paula Frizzell, Aflac.

Ms. Frizzell: Good morning. Thank you Commissioners. We wanted to say thank you for the opportunity. The last time I was here was to ask to continue to offer certain Aflac products. We did sunset the deductions for life, dental and vision at the request of then Benefits and Risk department. I would like to also ask, that in the future, if there are rate increases through MetLife, that we would be allowed to offer those that are aging into those increases, we could offer our disability back to those individuals without being discriminatory. There are certain people that that would become a burden financially. We are here and ready to serve, assist and help in any way we can. The relationship has been very comfortable. We thank you for the opportunity to be in front of the employees. We have never had a rate increase. We have one day pay currently. That means that an employee in the county could file a claim and within 24 hours, the money is in their bank account. We have got thousands of employees set up on this. We have a lot to offer.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 565-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 566-17, resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (Purchasing) (\$2,051,513.66), presented by Karl Kuespert, Director, Purchasing.

Mr. Kuespert: Good morning Commissioners, Karl Kuespert representing the Purchasing Department. The Resolution before you requests your approval of 115 Purchase Orders. These Purchase Orders have been pre-certified as to availability of funds by the County Auditor.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 566-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 567-17, resolution reappointing Catherine A. Cawthon, Nancy White and Robert J. (Skip) Weiler, Jr. and newly appointing Bruce Luecke and Benjamin J. Kessler to the Joint Columbus and Franklin County Housing Advisory Board (Board of Commissioners), presented by Erik Janas, Deputy Administrator.

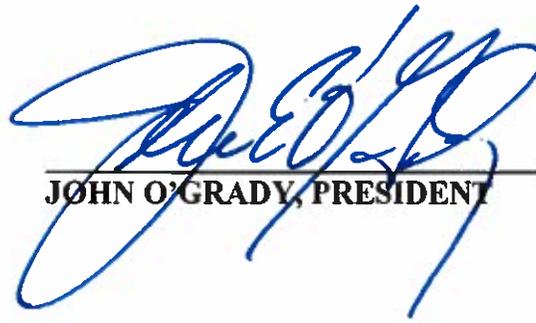
Mr. Janas: Pending any questions, I would request your approval of this resolution making the three reappointments and the two new appointments.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 567-17, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was approved by roll call vote with Commissioner Boyce abstaining.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:36 A.M.

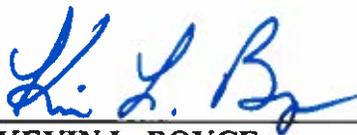
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These minutes are a summary of the Commissioners' meeting of August 15, 2017



JOHN O'GRADY, PRESIDENT

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

Submitted by:



Antwan Booker, Clerk