

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF GENERAL SESSION

March 7, 2017

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners convened in the Commissioners Hearing Room at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, March 7, 2017.

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

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

President O'Grady called the meeting to order at 11:31 A.M.

On the agenda was the approval of the minutes of the January 19, and February 9, 2017 Briefing Session. Commissioner Boyce moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The minutes were unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 140-17, resolution authorizing non-general fund supplemental appropriations for the Motor Vehicle & Gas Tax Fund (Engineer), presented by Dean Ringle, County Engineer, Engineer's Office and Cornell Robertson, Chief Deputy Engineer, Engineer's Office.

Mr. Ringle: Good morning Commissioners, Dean Ringle, County Engineer.

Mr. Robertson: Cornell Robertson, Chief Deputy Engineer.

Mr. Ringle: Commissioners, this first resolution is for some appropriated funds from 2016 that were not expended and the programs are still continuing for 2017. We need to get them re-appropriated for 2017.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 140-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 141-17, resolution authorizing a contract with Meredith Webb Printing Co., Inc., to print and provide the 2017 Franklin County Road Map and Street Locator (Engineer) (\$45,000), presented by Mr. Ringle.

Mr. Ringle: Commissioners, we have gotten all the artwork and all the necessary parts of the map to go for printing. This is a contract to be able to print our paper map. We will come back later with the atlas map.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 141-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 142-17, resolution awarding contract and approving contract bond to Double Z Construction Company, for the Winchester Pike at Ebright Road Shannon Road Project (Engineer) (\$2,687,552.59), presented by Mr. Ringle.

Mr. Ringle: Commissioners, we have had multiple projects in this area of our county. This is one of the final ones for this particular section of Winchester Pike of improving the intersection. This has been bid out and Double Z was the lowest and best bid.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 142-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Public Hearing—Regarding establishing, altering and widening of Reynoldsburg New Albany Road, Jefferson Township.

President O’Grady: We have a public hearing for the next resolution. If there is anyone here that would like to speak, come forward. Mr. Ringle if you would like to brief the issue.

Mr. Robertson: Commissioners, this capital improvement project is in the north east part of the county in Jefferson Township along Reynoldsburg New Albany Road north of Rovilla Road. This is a coordinated project including Franklin County, Jefferson Township, and MI Homes. The subsequent resolution will allow the County Engineer to move forward with the project, enter into agreements, and sign documents for construction.

President O’Grady: Is there anyone else here that would like to speak to this resolution? Seeing none we will close the public hearing.

Resolution No. 143-17, resolution authorizing the establishing, altering and widening of Reynoldsburg New Albany Road, Jefferson Township, Franklin County, Ohio, viewed Engineer to file plans as necessary (Engineer), presented by Mr. Robertson.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 143-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Public Hearing—Regarding establishing, altering and widening of Melrose Avenue and Lamont Avenue, Clinton Township.

President O’Grady: We have another public hearing on Resolution No. 144-17.

Mr. Robertson: Commissioners, this capital improvement project is also in the northeast part of the county in Clinton Township. It will be for drainage improvements along Melrose Avenue and Lamont Avenue. This is a coordinated project with Franklin County and Clinton Township. The subsequent resolution will allow the Engineer to move forward with the project, enter into agreements and sign documents for construction.

President O’Grady: Is there anyone else who would like to speak on Resolution No. 144-17? Seeing none, we will close the public hearing.

Resolution No. 144-17, resolution authorizing the establishing, altering and widening of Melrose Avenue and Lamont Avenue, Clinton Township, Franklin County, Ohio, viewed Engineer to file plans as necessary (Engineer), presented by Mr. Robertson.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 144-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Public Hearing—Regarding establishing, altering and widening of Audrey Road, from the City of Columbus corporate boundary to Cleveland Avenue, Clinton Township.

President O’Grady: We have another public hearing on Resolution No. 145-17.

Mr. Robertson: Commissioners, as stated, this capital improvement project is in the northeast part of the county in Clinton Township. It is a coordinated effort including Franklin County, City of Columbus and Clinton Township. The subsequent resolution will allow the Engineer to move forward with the project, enter into agreements and sign documents for construction.

President O’Grady: Is there anyone here who would like to speak to Resolution No. 145-17? Seeing none, we will close the public hearing.

Resolution No. 145-17, resolution to accept the establishing, altering and widening of Audrey Road, from the City of Columbus corporate boundary to Cleveland Avenue, Clinton Township, Franklin County, Ohio, viewed Engineer to file plans as necessary (Engineer), presented by Mr. Robertson.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 145-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 146-17, resolution authorizing a contract extension to Tabb Textile Company, Inc.; Walter F. Stephens Jr., Inc.; Cornerstone Institutional, LLC; Nashville Medical & EMS Products, Inc.; and Bob Barker Company for Inmate Bedding and Linens for the Sheriff's Office (Sheriff) (\$90,000), presented by Dave Masterson, Director of Administrative Services, Sheriff's Office.

Mr. Masterson: Good morning Commissioners, Dave Masterson, Director of Administrative Services for Sheriff Dallas Baldwin. This resolution authorizes a one year contract extension through December 1, 2017 to supply the jails of the inmate bedding and linens. The extension has no price increase for any of the items under contract, which includes mattresses, flat sheets, bath towels, washcloths, wool and non-wool blankets and property bags.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 146-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 147-17, resolution authorizing a one year contract with Capital University (Domestic Relations) (\$30,000), presented by Barbara Reeves, Deputy Director, Domestic Relations Court, Julie Troth, Deputy Director of Programs, Domestic Relations Court.

Ms. Reeves: Good morning Commissioners, Barb Reeves, Deputy Director and with me this morning is Julie Troth, Deputy Director of Programs. This resolution is requesting a contract with Capital University Law School to provide training for our community volunteers for the Community Restorative Circles. Ms. Troth is here today to share a little bit about those circles.

Ms. Troth: The Restorative Justice Circle is a community based court operated diversion program that is designed to provide an alternative response from the juvenile justice system for misdemeanor offenders. The Restorative Justice Circle adheres to the restorative justice theory which is based on the premise of accountability to the victim and the community. The Restorative Justice Circle acts as an arm to the court bringing together the juvenile offender, his parents, the victim and members of the community. Our trained community volunteers provide juveniles with the opportunity to repair the harm that has been done to their victims and to make a positive contribution to their community. The trained volunteers discuss the offense, ask questions and make decisions on how to take responsibility for his or her actions. The decisions are made in the form of an agreement to be signed by all parties involved. The Restorative Justice Circle and Juvenile court staff monitors the juvenile's progress and successful completion of the diversion process can result in the youth not having a formal court record. The Restorative Justice Circle volunteers are comprised of a small group of community stakeholders who aim to target the problems of referred youth by developing a holistic understanding of the juvenile and the circumstances that lead to the offense. These volunteers have successfully completed a criminal background check, drug test, personal

interview and volunteer training which is provided by Capital University's Family and Youth Law Center.

Commissioner Brown: Are you looking for volunteers? How would somebody who wants to volunteer do that?

Ms. Troth: Yes. We have on our website a brochure that gives our information. If you go to the Franklin County Domestic Court website and look under Restorative Justice Circles, there is a link that provides not only volunteer information, but also the contact information of our coordinator, Michelle Randolph.

Commissioner Brown: Is there a phone number someone could use to contact you?

Ms. Troth: Yes. It is 614-525-3130. This is the direct extension for our coordinator.

Commissioner Brown: Great. It is a wonderful program. I am really happy that we are doing this.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 147-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 148-17, resolution authorizing a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County authorizing an application to the United States Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration to obtain a Controlled Substance Registration Certificate (DEA license) for the Franklin County Dog Shelter and Adoption Center. (Animal Control), presented by Deb Finelli, Assistant Director, Animal Care and Control.

Ms. Finelli: Good morning Commissioners, Deb Finelli, Assistant Director, Animal Care and Control. I am here today asking for authorization for the Dog Shelter to complete an application to obtain a Controlled Substance Registration Certificate (DEA License). I am also asking that the Director of the Dog Shelter be authorized to be the contact person for the application and the signatory agent. I am also asking for the authorization for the Director to purchase the scheduled drugs under the DEA License.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 148-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Ms. Finelli: I wanted to speak quickly about our sale that is going on at the Shelter right now, the St. Pitty's Day Sale. If you are looking for specifically a pit bull this is the time to come. Our sale is running until March 19th. We are waiving the adoption fees and it will only cost \$18, the cost of the license to get a pit bull.

Resolution No. 149-17, resolution approving a subaward agreement with the United Way of Central Ohio for the Franklin County Youth Council (Job and Family Services) (\$75,060), presented by Joy Bivens, Director, Job and Family Services.

Ms. Bivens: Good morning Commissioners. The Franklin County Youth Council was developed back in 2013 when President Obama challenged communities to engage in community conversations with youth. Job and Family Services partnered with United Way and convened several community conversations around Franklin County. Out of those conversations we developed the Franklin County Youth Council. This council is established to instill leadership and development in high school youth as well as deal with serious issues that teenagers deal with. Its mission is to provide council members with leadership and training development opportunities. This year the council plans to recruit as many as twenty-eight new high school students representing Franklin County from diverse communities, from the immigrant communities to the LGBTQ communities and the TANF eligible youth as well as those involved in children services and juvenile justice systems to bring the membership to forty. They are going to do a big campaign this month to start registering high school students to become members of the Franklin County Youth Council. Many of you remember them volunteering at the Franklin County Symposium. They have participated in several community events across the county as well as they have met with city council members to discuss safety issues.

President O'Grady: They are impressive kids.

Commissioner Boyce: I think our investment in our young people is an investment in our county. Of all the things that we have done today, this might be one of the most important. I wanted to recognize a young man who is going to spend the week with me to do some office work and learning. He is at Valley Forge Academy as a sophomore. He is definitely representing Central Ohio the way we want young people to represent Ohio.

Commissioner Brown: I think that is great. I think anything we can do to provide leadership opportunities for kids in our community is going to be helpful. Thank you for continuing the Youth Council and expanding it.

Ms. Bivens: If I could add real quick, so the Commissioners have a better idea of the conversations they have had, many of them have been about diversity and inclusion, human trafficking, life skills, mental health issues, and the like. They have developed a website and are currently working on it.

Commissioner Brown: These are serious issues that teens are dealing with now. If we do not do something to allow opportunities for teens to talk about those issues and deal with those issues among themselves. Adults should be mentoring. I am really happy that we are doing this program. I hope that adults will take the opportunities.

Ms. Bivens. Absolutely. It is a year long commitment and meets twice a month.

Commissioner Boyce: Does it meet their service requirement as well?

Ms. Bivens: Yes.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 149-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 150-17, resolution authorizing a working Agreement between Franklin Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) and the Franklin County Economic Development & Planning Department (Economic Development and Planning) (\$40,000), presented by Jenny Snapp, Assistant Director, Economic Development and Planning and Jennifer Fish, Executive Director, Soil and Water Conservation District.

Ms. Snapp: Good morning Commissioners, Jenny Snapp, Assistant Director, Economic Development and Planning, joined today by Jennifer Fish, Executive Director, Soil and Water Conservation District. This resolution is to authorize a working agreement with the Soil and Water Conservation District to provide storm water and natural resource protection services to EDP to help ensure that new developments protect water quality. The Soil and Water Conservation District will be compensated \$40,000 for the services and the working agreement will be for a one year period. This will be the tenth year that we have joined the Soil and Water Conservation District and formally entered into an agreement for these services. Ms. Fish has a few comments for you this morning.

Ms. Fish: In working with EDP, we really strive to review development plans on active construction sites to do anything we can to ensure compliance with storm water permits. We also go above and beyond that and look for opportunities to conserve natural resources. One part of that is to provide education to developers, contractors and storm water managers throughout Franklin County. We have increased our activity in this area. I have a handout of our 2017 Webcast Lineup. We allow folks to come into our office and provide those webcast free of charge and professionals can get CEUs and improve their storm water knowledge.

Commissioner Brown: Ms. Fish, with the new Federal EPA Director, do you see any changes in your work coming down the line?

Ms. Fish: Not at this time. I think a lot of what we do is locally driven. It depends on what the will of the local leaders are in our work. We do get state match funding on all of our local government grants. Beyond that, we do get some 319 funding from time to time, which is federal dollars. That could potentially be impacted over the long term, but we do not have a clear indication at this time.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 150-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 151-17, resolution authorizing a settlement to Brenda Ruch for a vehicle damage claim to an automobile accident involving a county vehicle driven by Franklin County Economic Development & Planning employee (Economic Development and Planning) (\$1,429.60), presented by Ms. Snapp.

Ms. Snapp: This resolution is for damages done to Ms. Ruch's vehicle in the accident that occurred on May 10, 2016. Ms. Ruch has accepted contingent on approval by the Commissioners. This accident occurred as a result of our Building Inspector, Mr. Fulton, pulling in front of Ms. Ruch's vehicle on Wall St. Both Fleet Management and the Prosecutor's Office have reviewed and approved this vehicle damage claim.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 151-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 152-17, resolution declaring personal property as unneeded, obsolete or unfit and not needed for public use and authorizing the sale of said items via Internet auction (Public Facilities Management), presented by Jim Goodenow, Director, Public Facilities Management.

Mr. Goodenow: Good morning Commissioners, Jim Goodenow with Public Facilities Management. Periodically this agency is asked to dispose of personal property no longer needed by County agencies. We dispose of the property in a manner consistent with this Board's promotion of sustainable principles and lessen the burden on the Franklin County landfill. We make the property available for purchase and repurposing using the internet auction site www.govdeals.com.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 152-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 153-17, resolution authorizing recycling of information technology equipment declared obsolete by the Franklin County Automatic Data Processing Board (Public Facilities Management), presented by Mr. Goodenow.

Mr. Goodenow: Commissioners, we have been asked to dispose of IT equipment declared obsolete. We recycle the property in a manner consistent with this Board's promotion of sustainable principles.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 153-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 154-17, resolution authorizing the County Administrator to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Franklin County Board of Elections for human

resources services (Human Resources), presented by Sue Hamilton, Assistant Director, Human Resources.

Ms. Hamilton: Good morning Commissioners. This resolution for your consideration would allow us to share a Human Resources Officer with the Board of Elections for the purpose of providing HR support.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 154-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 155-17, resolution approving Personnel Actions (Human Resources), presented by Ms. Hamilton.

Ms. Hamilton reviewed the list of personnel actions in the Resolution and requested the Commissioners' approval.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 155-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Kenneth Wilson, County Administrator: President O'Grady, Commissioners Brown and Boyce, I would like to call up our Benefits Department to share recognition with the Board that was received this morning.

Jodi Leis: Good morning Commissioners, Jodi Leis in the Benefits Office.

Amanda Blake: Amanda Blake in the ThriveOn Program.

Ms. Leis: We would like to extend our thank you to Mr. Wilson and Commissioner Boyce for attending this morning's event. It was the Healthiest Employers of Central Ohio Award. We were named one of the healthiest large employers (over 500 lives). There were thirteen awards given. We were number ten. We are shooting to be in the top five next year.

Commissioner Brown: We have to ThriveOn.

Ms. Leis: We are thriving on. The response we have had for this year's programming is great. We are seven days into our wellness programming this year and we have 2,000 of our employees registered for onsite wellness screening. We are expecting big things this year from our wellness. This was actually for last year's activities as well. We are being recognized not only for this year, but for years past as well. I will pass the award to you now. We also have wellness champion polo shirts for all the Commissioners and the County Administrator. One of the things that the healthiest employer committee recognize is that we had a wellness committee that we ask for representation for each of the agencies. We are not completely filled up yet. Ms. Blake does great work with them. They are our bridge in engaging employees. I believe this is why we

have had great success in the programming for this year. We might be calling on you all to wear these polo shirts in the future for some picture taking activities. We also have a pamphlet of all the employers that received awards this morning from each group.

Commissioner Brown: Do they talk about activities they are doing that makes a difference that we are not doing and could implement?

Ms. Leis: It is a great learning experience for us. Every employer that received an award, their website is in this publication. We are going to go to each of their websites and see what they are doing that we are not doing because we look to best practices.

President O'Grady: This is exciting stuff.

Commissioner Boyce: I will add two things. One, it should be noted that we beat the City of Columbus. I am really proud to be a part of an organization that values its employees and cares for us. The selection was based on a number of algorithms that all kind of come together to select what those healthy entities are. The most important to remember about it is the reduction in health care costs, more productivity, and less days off. There were a lot of things measured and we have a lot of room for growth, but we are doing great things.

Mr. Wilson: I wanted to commend the team for continuing to make improvements in our ThriveOn program. This is our second year attending the event as an honoree, so we are going to continue to strive to move up into the top five through our programming. I am excited about the momentum we have going into 2017 by the number of folks that have signed up for their health screenings and the anticipated number of folks we expect to complete their health risk assessments. I am optimistic that we will create a greater culture of wellness and generate excitement in the County. Kudos to the Benefits Team.

President O'Grady: Good stuff.

Resolution No. 156-17, resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (Purchasing) (\$2,899,651.47), presented by Karl Kuespert, Director, Purchasing Department.

Mr. Kuespert: Good morning Commissioners, Karl Kuespert representing the Purchasing Department. The resolution before you requests your approval of 222 purchase orders. These purchase orders have been pre-certified as to the availability of funds by the County Auditor.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 156-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 157-17, resolution appointing members to The New American Advisory Council for the Franklin County Board of Commissioners (Board of Commissioners), presented by Erik Janas, Deputy County Administrator.

Mr. Janas: Good morning Commissioners, Erik Janas, Deputy Administrator. Commissioners, this resolution is the initial round of appointments to The New American Advisory Council. I want to be clear that these are just the initial appointments. The opportunity exists for the Board of Commissioners to add members in the future, as you determine necessary as these important conversations continue.

Commissioner Boyce: I would like to add that the Council has already started to meet and are already planning its first County-wide convening. We have had a lot of good participation and ideas. As the rest of the appointments come in, keep in mind that we have asked for recommendations for Council members from Mayors around the County. We are waiting on that feedback and I know some Commissioners will have additional appointments. I think it is going to be a robust and substantive Council.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 157-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 158-17, resolution urging state legislators to take immediate action as part of the biennial budget process to protect counties and transit authorities from the loss of Medicaid Managed Care Organization (MCO) sales tax revenue (Board of Commissioners), presented by Ken Wilson, County Administrator.

Mr. Wilson: Good morning Commissioners, Ken Wilson, County Administrator. This resolution as read would urge the Ohio General Assembly to take immediate action to address the potential loss of sales tax revenues associated with the Medicaid Managed Care Organization's (MCO) sales tax by adopting an equitable and permanent solution that addresses the funding needs of the state and counties on a continuing basis. The amount of sales tax attributed to the MCO sales tax is over \$20,000,000 in Franklin County and over 7% of all sales tax revenue received. Therefore, it is of great urgency that in the SFY 18-19 Executive Budget bill that something is done to eliminate the disparate treatment to counties under the current formula that has been proposed. Therefore we really need to seek a equitable and permanent solution to allow us to be able to deliver critical services under mandate by the State of Ohio.

President O'Grady: Commissioners, to this end, I have been meeting with and having conversations with our colleagues around the State of Ohio for months now. Last week, I asked County Administration if they would put together a conversation with our fellow county elected officials here in Franklin County along with the judicial branch, so we could discuss with our colleagues not only this issue, but others. We can explain to them the urgency of this issue and encourage them, along with us, to make sure our friends in the legislature from Franklin County understand this issue and understand what the

impact is going to be. While this is a \$20,000,000 hit to us, this is a major hit to our colleagues around the state. The solution that the Governor has come up with is not an equitable solution to the remainder of the counties. We think there is a better answer. We think there is a better way to do this. We would like to engage with the Governor in a more equitable solution. We want to encourage our colleagues in the County to reach out to our members of the legislature on both sides of the aisle.

Commissioner Brown: As you do that, I would suggest you put it into more human terms. As we look at Franklin County's loss of \$20,000,000, that is our discretionary funds that we use to fund programs like feeding hungry children, housing people and the like. I think as we talk to people, it's one thing to talk about the MCO tax, but people do not understand that. When you talk about the loss of this money, it is peoples lives that we are not being able to fund because this is our discretionary funding for community partnerships. These partnerships provide critical services in the community.

President O'Grady: The Governor's formula makes the state whole and made some of the struggling counties around the state beyond whole. The formula is off. Counties are recognizing this disparate treatment. Morrow County is going to receive 3.5x the amount of money that is necessary. A Morrow County Commissioner made a comment on why they are being made beyond whole and should give their excess to counties that are going to lose money. We are trying to make that 1-to-1 ratio argument with the state and Governor. Director Keen was in attendance at the County Commissioners Association of Ohio meetings.

Commissioner Boyce: Often the Governor, in his many proposals, has a tendency to penalize entities that manage their resources well. That is how their formulas typically work out. I agree with you President O'Grady. Commissioner Brown, you raised the real impact of those numbers. We were in Washington D.C. last week to meet with our Ohio delegation to urge the federal government to reconsider the MCOs designation, in terms of the tax policy. We are working all ends to address this change in public policy. Who does the resolution go to? Is it the legislature or only the Franklin County delegation? It may be strategic to send it to the Franklin County members on the finance committee.

Mr. Wilson: Right now, it is generally addressed to the legislature. I agree with the idea to sending it to the members of the finance committee, in the House of Representatives especially because they will be taking action first. I think when we talk about a county-wide bipartisan call to action, we need to have all of our elected officials on a bipartisan basis reaching out and communicating with the legislature the impact of this proposal on the county and COTA. All of the things that feed growth and opportunity within the county.

President O'Grady: We have twelve members from the legislature in the County. It would make sense to make sure that all of the members of the legislature from Franklin County receives this letter from their County Commissioners.

Mr. Wilson: We will have this resolution delivered to the members of the House Finance committee and our Franklin County delegation and legislative leadership. We have been excellent partners with the state in providing a number of services on the state's behalf within agencies like the Job and Family Services department. We want to continue to be a collaborative partner, but fair is fair and equity is equity. As Commissioner Boyce said, we have been responsible stewards of the tax dollars we have received. Over the course of a number of budgets, Franklin County has taken its fair share of hits via the local government fund, indigent defense, which is also proposed to be reduced in this budget that I don't want folks to lose sight of.

Commissioner Brown: That is all true. We are mandated to provide safety net services and we cannot do that if we do not have the funds to keep that safety net whole. If we do not have that money, the safety net is going to be torn and tattered and we cannot afford it. We already have the income disparity already and it will get worst.

President O'Grady: We cannot be penalized for our strength and our financial stewardship.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 158-17, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Antwan Booker, Clerk to the Board, read one (1) Journalization into the record:

From: Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio

In accordance with Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3745-27-06(C)(10), the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio (SWACO) is notifying you of our intent to submit a Permit To Install (PTI) Application to modify the Franklin County Sanitary Landfill. The proposed design is a contiguous lateral and vertical expansion which increases the permitted limit of waste by approximately 60 acres. See the attached figure for the property and facility boundaries and the limit of solid waste placement of the proposed expansion.

Copies of the PTI Application may be reviewed at the Ohio EPA Central Ohio District Office or at the Franklin County Sanitary Landfill. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Ty D. Marsh
Executive Director

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:18 P.M.

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These minutes are a summary of the Commissioners' meeting of March 7, 2017.



JOHN O'GRADY, PRESIDENT



MARILYN BROWN



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

Submitted by:



Antwan Booker, Clerk