

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF GENERAL SESSION

April 13, 2021

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners convened the General Session meeting via Zoom conferencing, at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, April 13, 2021.

Present were: Marilyn Brown, Commissioner
John O'Grady, Commissioner

Also present were Jeanine Hummer, First Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Prosecuting Attorney's Office; Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator; Zachary Talarek, Director, Office of Management & Budget; and, Dean M. Hindenlang, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners, amongst others.

Participants were able to access General Session (via Zoom conferencing) by dialing (929) 436-2866, Meeting ID: 530 479 003; or by joining at: <https://franklincountyohio.zoom.us/j/530479003>

Commissioner Brown called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

Commissioner Brown: Since 1991 we have recognized National County Government month by highlighting all the services and programs counties provide their residents. The coronavirus pandemic has offered a real-life example of the important role county governments play as local health departments have worked tirelessly to protect public health and reduce the spread of infectious diseases. This morning, we wish to congratulate and offer our sincere appreciation to Health Commissioner, Joe Mazzola, and our dedicated health care partners at Franklin County Public Health for the exceptional work they have done to maintain our community's public health over the past year. As we wrap up National Public Health Week, we thank you on behalf of all Franklin County residents.

Commissioner Brown (cont.): We are also celebrating Week of the Young Child, as we learn more about brain development it has become clear that early childhood learning is just as important as the K-12 education in a child's development. Since 2017, my colleagues and I have committed more than \$4.5 million to help increase the community awareness about the importance of high-quality early learning and ensure publicly funded childcare providers earned their stars under Ohio's Step Up to Quality rating improvement system. For early childhood resources including background on how to find star-rated child care providers as well as apply for publicly funded child care, go to: www.StepUp2StarRating.com.

Commissioner Brown (cont.): In addition, we are recognizing Black Maternal Health Week, as Franklin County has a long-standing commitment to reducing infant mortality and racial disparities in health outcomes, it's embedded in our Rise Together Blueprint and in our declaration of racism as a public health crisis. Since 2013 the Board of Commissioners has been a founding member of the Greater Columbus Infant Mortality Task Force and has been a lead partner in the CelebrateOne initiatives since its inception.

The Commissioners welcomed the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA), the Greater Columbus Sports Commission, and the Central Ohio Winter State Champions. Students from Columbus School for Girls, Dublin Scioto, Upper Arlington, Olentangy Liberty, Gahanna Lincoln, Dublin Coffman, New Albany, Lewis Center Olentangy, Westerville North, and Hilliard Darby were recognized for their achievements within their respective sports. Each student was offered the opportunity to introduce themselves and noted their intentions for the next academic year.

Approval of the minutes of the April 6, 2021, General Session; the April 8, 2021, Briefing Session; and, the April 5, and 7, 2021, Administrative Briefings. Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The minutes were approved by roll call vote.

PUBLIC HEARING: Resolution regarding plans approved for the 2021 Resurfacing Program for various Franklin County roads, Franklin County, Ohio.

Commissioner Brown: I would like to open the Public Hearing. Would anyone like to speak regarding this Public Hearing? Seeing none, I will close the Public Hearing and have the Clerk read the resolution into the record.

Resolution No. 0263-21, plans approved for the 2021 Resurfacing Program for various Franklin County roads, Franklin County, Ohio (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0263-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0264-21, establishing, altering and widening of Cleveland Avenue from Huy Road, Township Road No. 79, to Cooke Road, County Road No. 80, Clinton Township, Franklin County, Ohio, declared necessary (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0264-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0265-21, replacement or rehabilitation of various bridges and structures in Franklin County, Ohio, declared necessary (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0265-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0266-21, authorizing the President of the Franklin County Board of Commissioners to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas and Franklin County Sheriff's Office related to the FY 22/23 Targeted Community Alternatives to Prison grant program (\$4,500,000.00) (Court of Common Pleas), presented by Jennifer Goodman, Executive Director, Court of Common Pleas.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0266-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0267-21, authorizing a Novation Agreement with Avertest, LLC dba Averhealth (Domestic Relations), presented by Barb Reeves, Deputy Director, Domestic Relations.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0267-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0268-21, authorizing an Independent Contractor Agreement with Cassandra Young, for program consulting services (\$6,890.00) (Child Support Enforcement), presented by Susan Brown, Director, Child Support Enforcement.

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

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 0268-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0269-21, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for David A. Escobedo (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Emily Hillyer, Senior Program Coordinator, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 0269-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0270-21, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Elizabeth McBride (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Emily Hillyer, Senior Program Coordinator, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 0270-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0271-21, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Elizabeth Hauck (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Emily Hillyer, Senior Program Coordinator, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 0271-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0272-21, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Koffi Nuakey and Ablavi C. Nuakey (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Emily Hillyer, Senior Program Coordinator, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 0272-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0273-21, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Michael Holcomb (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Emily Hillyer, Senior Program Coordinator, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 0273-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0274-21, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Maxine Saxton (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Emily Hillyer, Senior Program Coordinator, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 0274-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0275-21, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Penny Layton (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Emily Hillyer, Senior Program Coordinator, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 0275-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0276-21, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Raymond Conkle (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Emily Hillyer, Senior Program Coordinator, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0276-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0277-21, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Robert Gallion (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Emily Hillyer, Senior Program Coordinator, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0277-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0278-21, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Rita Karsten (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Emily Hillyer, Senior Program Coordinator, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0278-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0279-21, authorizing a consultant contract with Fred C. Bowditch for continued professional services related to critical infrastructure protection and private/public partnerships (\$50,000.00) (Emergency Management Agency), presented by Jeff Young, Director, Emergency Management Agency.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0279-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0280-21, authorizing a contract with the University of Cincinnati for the provision of program evaluation and technical assistance for the FY 2019 Second Chance Act grant addressing the needs of incarcerated parents and their minor children (\$39,829.86) (Justice Policy and Programs), presented by Melissa Pierson, Interim Director, Justice Policy and Programs.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0280-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0281-21, approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$1,798,139.47) (Purchasing), presented by Megan Perry-Balonier, Director, Purchasing, and Marleise Wicker, Small Emerging Business Coordinator, General Services.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0281-21, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:32 A.M.

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These minutes are a general summary of the Commissioners' General Session meeting of Tuesday, April 13, 2021.

KEVIN L. BOYCE, PRESIDENT

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