

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF GENERAL SESSION

June 1, 2021

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners convened the General Session meeting via Zoom conferencing, at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, June 1, 2021.

Present were: Kevin L. Boyce, President  
John O'Grady, Commissioner  
Dawn Tyler Lee, 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>*

President Boyce called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

Approval of the minutes of the May 21, 2021, Special Session; the May 25, 2021, General Session; the May 27, 2021, Briefing Session, with attachment(s); and, the May 24, and 26, 2021, Administrative Briefings. Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve the minutes, seconded by President Boyce. The minutes were approved by roll call vote.

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved that Resolution 383-21 be removed from the table, seconded by President Boyce. The resolution was removed from the table by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0383-21** - Tabled on May 25, 2021, regarding the annual progress report relating to the Franklin County Engineer's Antiracism & Equity Program supporting the Franklin County Board of Commissioners Declaration of Racism as a Public Health Crisis (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

*Simone Burley, Diversity and Inclusion Coordinator, Engineer's Office, shared a PowerPoint presentation on Antiracism & Equity programs, within the Engineer's Office.*

*Ginger Cunningham, CEO, Ginger Cunningham and Associates and Taj Bakare, Chief Bridge Consultant, CT Consultants, addressed the Board in support of the proposed resolution.*

President Boyce: I wish to publicly congratulate Engineer Cornell Robertson and his team for not just listening when this board declared racism a public health crisis last year but hearing and taking seriously the challenge to find and eliminate racist policies and procedures from every organization. Thank you for making good on your word and to help this community reach a place of equity and inclusiveness.

Commissioner Tyler Lee: I thought I read we had a partnership with HBCU's, is that accurate, if so, what does that engagement look like?

Ms. Burley: Yes, we are continually engaged with HBCU's by sending them job postings of opportunities within our office, and we hope to do more in-person job fairs as we continue to open back up.

*Commissioner O'Grady acknowledged the Engineer's team's work and leadership with racism as a public health crisis.*

*Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator, shared comments in support of the Engineer's work with Antiracism and Equity programs.*

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0383-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0408-21**, authorizing supplemental appropriations for the Stormwater Management Program (Drainage Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0408-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0409-21**, awarding contract and approving contract bond to The Shelly Company for the 2021 Franklin County Resurfacing Program (\$2,997,635.61) (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0409-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0410-21**, awarding contract and approving contract bond to Driven Excavating, LLC., for the Ormond Avenue Drainage Improvement Part II (\$398,865.00) (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0410-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0411-21**, authorizing the Franklin County Engineer to enter into a contract modification with J&J Schlaegel, Inc., for the 2020-2021 General Drainage Maintenance, (an increase of \$472,366.00) for a revised contract amount of \$1,422,222.00 (\$1,422,222.00) (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

President Boyce: What does it mean to proactively use ARP (American Rescue Plan) funds?

Mr. Robertson: That's a reference to our Stormwater Management Program, and a stride to become proactive as opposed to reactive, regarding Stormwater Management.

President Boyce: The ARP funds have not been allocated yet to any specific programs; I'm confused to that reference.

Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator: The prior resolution, 0408-21 is a part of that supplemental appropriation for the Stormwater Management Program. That resolution includes a supplemental appropriation that would allow up to \$1,000,000 of ARP funds to be allocated. Commissioners, there have been other projects that you all have signed off on and we do need to roll out our whole intentions as it relates to the ARP funds and we can do that relatively soon, to bring that forward.

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0411-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0412-21**, authorizing a contract with Hall's Construction Materials Testing, Inc. to provide consulting services (\$50,000.00) (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0412-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0413-21**, authorization for the Franklin County Engineer to enter into an agreement with Midwest & Bluegrass Rail, its subsidiaries, lessees and various agencies regarding the improvement on Eureka Avenue, Valley View Drive, Highland Avenue, and Harper Road (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0413-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0414-21**, authorizing an agreement with Franklin County Job and Family Services for police protection at three office locations within Franklin County (\$1,193,000.00) (Sheriff), presented by Albert Smith, Assistant Finance Director, Sheriff's Office.

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

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0414-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0415-21**, authorizing a contract with MAPSYS, Inc. to provide requested support and maintenance to the Franklin County Treasurer application (\$95,000.00) (Treasurer), presented by Allyse Thomas, Budget and Purchasing Coordinator, Treasurer's Office.

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

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0415-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0416-21**, authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding with the Statewide Consortium of County Law Library Resource Boards for services provided by the Public Services Law Librarian (Law Library), presented by Angela Baldree, Director, Law Library.

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

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0416-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0417-21**, authorizing the Law Library to contract with the Statewide Consortium of County Law Library Resource Boards for services provided by the Law Librarian (Law Library), presented by Angela Baldree, Director, Law Library.

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

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0417-21, seconded by Commissioner O’Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0418-21**, authorizing a non-general fund supplemental appropriation for the Building Evidence on Employment Strategies for Low-Income Families project (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 0418-21, seconded by President Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote, with Commissioner Tyler Lee abstaining.

**Resolution No. 0419-21**, review of a petition to annex 0.897 +/- acres from Washington Township to the City of Columbus, Case #ANX-17-21 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Jenny Snapp, Assistant Director, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0419-21, seconded by Commissioner O’Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0420-21**, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Eric W. Ellis at 2846 Millrace Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43223 (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 Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0420-21, seconded by Commissioner O’Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0421-21**, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the

attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Jason Vance at 2106 Stelzer Road, Mifflin Township, Ohio 43219 (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 Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0421-21, seconded by Commissioner O’Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0422-21**, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Robin Thompson-Bates at 2182 Mifflin Blvd., Mifflin Township, Ohio 43219 (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 Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0422-21, seconded by Commissioner O’Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0423-21**, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Sammy R. and Tena M. Johnson at 732 Tinkers Creek, Columbus, Ohio 43207 (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 Tyler Lee: Is the home loan program still available for residents to access, and if so, how might they do that?

Ms. Hillyer: Yes, they can go through Homeport, for the down payment assistance program.

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0423-21, seconded by Commissioner O’Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0424-21**, approving a contract extension for on-site case management services between the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services and The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center (\$180,065.52) (Job and Family Services), presented by Vivian Turner, Assistant Director, Job and Family Services.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0424-21, seconded by President Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote, with Commissioner Tyler Lee abstaining.

**Resolution No. 0425-21**, establishing a new Prevention, Retention and Contingency (PRC) Emergency Rental Assistance Program in response to the current eviction crisis resulting from the COVID-19 public health emergency (\$1,500,000.00) (Job and Family Services), presented by Vivian Turner, Assistant Director, Job and Family Services.

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

Commissioner Tyler Lee: Did I hear correctly there's no cap on these dollars?

Ms. Turner: Yes, that is correct.

Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator: When the residents come in, they won't have to do anything, our case managers will be trained to draw down the appropriate funds, correct?

Ms. Turner: Absolutely.

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0425-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0426-21**, authorizing the County Administrator to execute a contract agreement with Acoustic Ceiling & Partition of Ohio, Inc. to perform acoustical & drywall work activities associated with the construction of the Franklin County Corrections Center Continuation Phase 2A (\$4,525,000.00) (Public Facilities Management), presented by Darla Reardon, Director, Public Facilities Management.

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

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0426-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0427-21**, authorizing the County Administrator to execute a contract agreement with W.F. Bolin Company to perform painting activities associated with the construction of the Franklin County Corrections Center Continuation Phase 2A (\$1,376,200.00) (Public Facilities

Management), presented by Vivian Alexander, Chief Operating Officer, Public Facilities Management.

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

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0427-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0428-21**, authorizing a contract with Benefit Express Services, LLC (Benefit Express) to provide employee benefits administration services for the Franklin County Cooperative Health Improvement Program (Cooperative) (\$1,400,000.00) (Human Resources), presented by Samantha Taylor, Employee Benefits Supervisor, Human Resources.

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

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0428-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0429-21**, approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$888,477.18) (Purchasing), presented by Traci Mathew, Assistant Director, Purchasing, and Marleise Wicker, Economic Equity Administrator, Office of Diversity Equity and Inclusion.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0429-21, seconded by President Boyce. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote, with Commissioner Tyler Lee abstaining.

**Resolution No. 0430-21**, authorizing the transfer of the operation and duties of the Telecommunications Program within the Department of Public Facilities Management to the Franklin County Data Center (Board of Commissioners), presented by Juan Torres, Chief Information Officer, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0430-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote, with President Boyce voting nay.

**Resolution No. 0431-21**, authorizing the execution of separate subgrant agreements by Franklin County Children Services, Job and Family Services, and the Child Support Enforcement Agency



with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (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 Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0431-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 0432-21**, authorizing the Extension Agreement for the Local Area 11 Memorandum of Understanding and Amendment #1 to the sub grant agreement with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services for the Workforce Development Board of Central Ohio (Board of Commissioners), presented by Erik Janas, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0432-21, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

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

Case number ANX-18-21, an expedited type 2 annexation petition, ANX-18-21, was filed with the Franklin County Economic Development and Planning Department on May 25, 2021. The petition is requesting to annex 24.45 +/- acres from Mifflin Township to the City of Columbus. The petition will be considered by the Board of Commissioners on June 29, 2021. Site: 2540 Agler Road, PID #190-004800; 2544 Agler Road, PID #190-004665; 2556 Agler Road, PID #190-004666; 2574 Agler Road, PID #190-004667; 2598 Agler Road, PID #190-004669; 2606 Agler Road, PID #190-004670; 2861 Bridgeview Drive, PID #190-004808; 2875 Bridgeview Drive, PID #190-004809; 2634 Bridgeview Court, PID #190-004817; Unnumbered parcels at Agler Road, PID #190-000003 and 190-004672; Bridgeview Drive, PID #190-004806, 190-004807, 190-004810, 190-004811, 190-004812, 190-004813, 190-004814, 190-004815; Bridgeview Court, PID #190-004816, 190-004819, 190-004820.

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**Resolution No. 0433-21**, resolution of the Franklin County Board of Commissioners to convene into Executive Session to consider the appointment of a public official (Board of Commissioners).

Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to approve Resolution 0433-21, to convene into Executive Session for the purpose of considering the appointment of a public official, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote and the Commissioners convened into Executive Session at 10:35 A.M.

At 11:26 A.M., Commissioner Tyler Lee moved to come out of Executive Session, with Commissioner O'Grady seconding, which was unanimously approved by roll call vote. No action was taken upon exiting Executive Session, and with no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:26 A.M.

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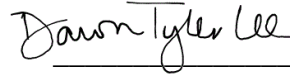
These minutes are a general summary of the Commissioners' General Session meeting of Tuesday, June 1, 2021.



**KEVIN L. BOYCE, PRESIDENT**



**JOHN O'GRADY**



**DAWN TYLER LEE  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO**

Submitted by:



Victoria A. Caldwell