

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF GENERAL SESSION

November 17, 2020

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners convened the General Session meeting via Zoom conferencing, at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, November 17, 2020.

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

Also present were Nick Soulas, 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.

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President O'Grady called the meeting to order at 9:03 A.M.

Approval of the minutes of the September 29, 2020, General Session; the November 12, 2020, Briefing Session; and, the November 9, 2020, Administrative Briefing. Commissioner Boyce moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The minutes were unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0793-20, establishing racial equity as a core principle of the Board of Commissioners (Board of Commissioners), presented by President O'Grady.

President O'Grady: We have some special guests with us this morning, Nana Watson, President of the NAACP, Columbus, Ohio; Trudy Bartley, Associate Vice President, Local Government and Community Relations, The Ohio State University; Courtnee Carrigan, CEO and Executive Trainer, Raising The Bar Performance Group, LLC.; and, Carolina Trindade, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Administrator, Franklin County Department of Human Resources.

Nana Watson, President, NAACP, Columbus Division; Courtnee Carrigan, CEO and Executive Trainer, Raising the Bar Performance Group; Trudy Bartley, Associate Vice President, Local Government and Community Relations, The Ohio State University; and

Carolina Trindade, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Administrator, Franklin County Department of Human Resources, each addressed the Board in support of the proposed resolution.

The commissioners and members of county administration outlined the importance and significance of adding racial equity to the list of core principles to Franklin County government, prior to moving to approve the proposed resolution.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0793-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

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Resolution No. 0795-20, authorizing consulting service for the Virtual Desktop Infrastructure Review (\$7,875.00) (Court of Common Pleas), presented by Michael Pifher, Director of IT, Court of Common Pleas.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0795-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0796-20, authorizing a transfer of General Fund appropriations for temporary staffing and the purchase of medical supplies (Coroner), presented by Amanda Alvarez, Director of Operations, Coroner's Office.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0796-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

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Resolution No. 0798-20, authorizing a non-general fund supplemental appropriation for the Franklin County Land Bank (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 Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0798-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0799-20, authorizing a contract with Intellinetics, Inc. to complete an assessment to migrate four applications to the enterprise Intellivue imaging application (\$13,520.00) (Franklin County Data Center), presented by Julie Lust, Director, Enterprise Financial Services, Franklin County Data Center.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0799-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0800-20, authorizing a contract with Innovative Emergency Management, Inc. (IEM) for a Regional Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) Plan (\$97,836.00) (Emergency Management Agency), presented by Jeff Young, Director, Emergency Management Agency.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0800-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0801-20, authorizing a contract modification with citizenAID of North America, Inc. for the provision of the delivery and supply of Patient Treatment Kits (Emergency Management Agency), presented by Jeff Young, Director, Emergency Management Agency.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0801-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0802-20, authorizing a COVID-19 Response Grant to Franklin County Stadium Inc. (\$3,000,000.00) (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Zachary Talarek, Director, Office of Management & Budget, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Boyce: You're certain, you're certifying that these dollars can be used for these expenditures, given the restrictive nature of the funds?

Mr. Talarek: We believe at this time we have heard from other direct recipients who've used their Cares Act allocations in similar situations. We do have a request out to the Department of Treasury to confirm that, but we have not heard back. Based on what others have provided, we believe this should be eligible. But if it's determined that it is not, we do have other costs beyond our allocation, which we know would be unreimbursed that we could then substitute in the event it's ruled these would be ineligible.

Commissioner Boyce: I'd like you to follow up with the Board when we hear back from the Treasury. How are we auditing the Cares Act Funds that come in?

Mr. Talarek: Depending on the type of expense, the Office of Management & Budget has been working with the Auditor's Office, as well as Franklin County Emergency Management. So, as different expenses that are paid through invoice are being made, they're being identified by the agencies, collected by the Auditor's Office, and then shared with Emergency Management. Emergency Management is working with the Office of Management & Budget to identify what would be eligible under the FEMA Public Assistance Grant, and what would be eligible under Cares Act Funds. We're getting copies of those invoices, so we'll have the documentation which needs to be kept for five years.

Commissioner Boyce: We can use Cares Act Funds dollars for independent auditing services too, correct?

Mr. Talarek: I believe that is the case.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0802-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0803-20, review of a petition to annex 3.22 +/- acres from Pleasant Township to the Village of Harrisburg, Case #ANX-27-20 (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 Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0803-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0804-20, review of a petition to annex 58.3 +/- acres from Blendon Township to the City of Columbus, Case #ANX-28-20 (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 Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0804-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0805-20, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Megan Adams at 3544 Paxton Drive, Hilliard, Ohio 43026 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Madison Andrews, Administrative Assistant 2, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0805-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0806-20, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Diane Ledsome at 3729 Georgia Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43219 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Madison Andrews, Administrative Assistant 2, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0806-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0807-20, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Faith Miller at 3475 Countryview Drive, Canal Winchester, Ohio 43110 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Madison Andrews, Administrative Assistant 2, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0807-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0808-20, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for David Lapatinsky at 2889 Sussex Place Drive, Grove City, Ohio 43123 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Madison Andrews, Administrative Assistant 2, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0808-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0809-20, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Juma Lyles at 3288 Sundale Road, Columbus, Ohio 43232 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Madison Andrews, Administrative Assistant 2, Economic and Development.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0809-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0810-20, authorizing a transfer of General Fund appropriations for the purchase of capital equipment (Fleet Management), presented by Charlotte Ashcraft, Director, Fleet Management.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0810-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

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Resolution No. 0797-20, supporting the Sheriff’s Office to continue as lead agency in the Countywide DUI Task Force, and the approval of contracts with 19 member agencies participating on the Countywide DUI Task Force (\$224,754.02) (Sheriff), presented by Albert Smith, Assistant Finance Director, Sheriff’s Office.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0797-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0811-20, approving a subaward agreement with Action for Children for quality early learning childcare services (\$325,000.00) (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 Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0811-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0812-20, approving a subaward agreement with I Know I Can for career and college readiness programming (\$574,965.73) (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 Brown moved to approve Resolution 0812-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote, with Commissioner Boyce abstaining.

Resolution No. 0813-20, approving subaward agreements with multiple community agencies for Franklin County Out-of-School Time youth programs (\$1,058,601.61) (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 Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0813-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0814-20, authorizing a final contract modification with Winelco, Inc. to close out the Darbydale Grinder Pump Station Improvements Project (\$178,820.70) (Sanitary Engineers), presented by Ryan Stowe, Project Engineer, Sanitary Engineers.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0814-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0815-20, authorizing an agreement between the Department of Sanitary Engineering and Property Owners for financial assistance with Sanitary Sewer Connections in the Mon-E-Bak and Brown Road East Service Areas – Round 1 (Sanitary Engineers), presented by Ryan Stowe, Project Engineer, Sanitary Engineers.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0815-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0816-20, authorizing a contract amendment with the United Way of Central Ohio (\$267,386.32) (Community Partnerships), presented by Dayna McCrary, Administrator, Community Partnerships.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0816-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0817-20, authorizing a contract amendment with the Center of Science and Industry (\$375,000.00) (Community Partnerships), presented by Dayna McCrary, Administrator, Community Partnerships.

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

Stephen White, Vice President of External Affairs, Strategic Initiatives and Business Development, COSI, addressed the Board in support of the proposed resolution.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0817-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0818-20, authorizing a supplemental contract with New Horizons Computer Learning Center, for the purpose of providing employee development training (\$150,000.00) (Human Resources), presented by Humera Khokhar, Senior Human Resources Administrator, Human Resources.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0818-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0819-20, approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$1,245,166.23) (Purchasing), presented by Megan Perry-Balonier, Director, Purchasing.

Ms. Perry-Balonier reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0819-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0820-20, authorizing a transfer of funds for the payment of debt service (Board of Commissioners), presented by Zachary Talarek, Director, Office of Management & Budget, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Boyce: Have there been any changes in terms of our debt schedule that have been impacted by the current economic environment?

Mr. Talarek: Not on our debt.

Commissioner Boyce: So, we're on schedule and within our normal debt schedule?

Mr. Talarek. Correct. We have not had to do any restructurings of the kind. We've been able to meet our debt service obligations that were required without any further action.

Commissioner Boyce: That's outstanding.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0820-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0821-20, authorizing non-general fund appropriation adjustments for the provision and maintenance of zoological park services and facilities (Board of Commissioners), presented by Zachary Talarek, Director, Office of Management & Budget, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0821-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0822-20, authorizing the County Administrator to enter into a contract with the City of Columbus, Department of Technology for the provision of media services (\$48,900.21) (Board of Commissioners), presented by Tyler Lowry, Director, Public Affairs, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0822-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0823-20, appointing Nichole Kneedler to the Workforce Development Board pursuant to the requirements of the Workforce Investment and Opportunity Act of 2015 (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 Brown moved to approve Resolution 0823-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote, with Commissioner Boyce abstaining.

Resolution No. 0824-20, appointing the initial Board of Trustees for the Rise Together Innovation Center (Board of Commissioners), presented by Bart Logan, Deputy Director – Communications, Job and Family Services.

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

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0824-20, seconded by Commissioner Brown. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:51 A.M.

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These minutes are a general summary of the Commissioners' General Session meeting of November 17, 2020.



JOHN O'GRADY, PRESIDENT



MARILYN BROWN



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

Submitted by:



Victoria A. Caldwell