

April 25, 2023

MINUTES OF APRIL 25<sup>th</sup> MEETING

Commissioner Striker was absent. Staff recited the pledge at 9:00. Purchase orders and bills were reviewed and signed. Pending issues were discussed with the following resolutions approved and signed:

- V109-321 Minutes of April 20, 2023:  
1<sup>st</sup>-Hold until Commissioner Striker returns
- V109-322 Release of Funds-Family & Children First  
1<sup>st</sup>-Rush 2<sup>nd</sup>-Crowe Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
- V109-323 Transfer: Engineers-Ditch Construction  
1<sup>st</sup>-Crowe 2<sup>nd</sup>-Rush Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
- V109-324 Resignation: JFS C. Minter 5/5/23  
1<sup>st</sup>-Rush 2<sup>nd</sup>-Crowe Roll call: Rush-yes, Crowe-yes
- V109-325 Quality Paving/The Shelly Company: City/county parking lot, N02  
1<sup>st</sup>-Crowe 2<sup>nd</sup>-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Crowe-yes
- Signed: Windstream termination letter for all DID lines, keeping POTS/Fax lines  
1<sup>st</sup>-Crowe 2<sup>nd</sup>-Rush Roll call: Striker-absent, Rush-yes, Crowe-yes
- Change Order #1 Annex Brick Repair Project, contingency funds,  
Commissioner Crowe to sign
- 1<sup>st</sup>-Crowe 2<sup>nd</sup>-Rush Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes  
JFS & Children's Center of Ohio, LLC 7/1/23-6/30/24, \$200,000
- 1<sup>st</sup>-Rush 2<sup>nd</sup>-Crowe Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes  
JFS & Adriel School, Inc. 7/1/23-6/30/24, \$200,000
- 1<sup>st</sup>-Crowe 2<sup>nd</sup>-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Crowe-yes  
JFS & Marion Co. Children's Services 4/19/23-6/30/24, \$200,000
- 1<sup>st</sup>-Crowe 2<sup>nd</sup>-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Crowe-yes

**Sheriff** Keith Everhart and Chief Deputy Dennis Burns, noted the Safety Center IT room needs cleaned up after over 14 years of various vendors not marking their product. He has quotes of \$18-25,000 to trace and clean up the room. Sheriff will assign personnel to oversee the room to document the who, what and why for the future. Would ARP funds cover the cost? His IT person is on an as needed basis and doesn't have the time to clean up. Another issue-the last loan of the 3-year lease program has been paid and time to order new cars. He will work with them on a purchase order. Sheriff has heard the eclipse epicenter has changed from Forest to Lorain, OH. He will follow this news.

The **Records Commission** met with the following present, Commissioners Crowe and Rush, Recorder Brenda Rainsburg, Stefani Epling, Clerk of Courts, Mike Bacon Auditor and Bradford W. Bailey Prosecutor. RC-1 received from Title Office, RC-2 Schedules from Sheriff, Job & Family Services, Hardin Hills, Board of Elections, Soil & Water Conservation District, and RC-3 from Sheriff, Board of Elections, Soil & Water, Keep Hardin County Beautiful, Veterans Office, Probate, Regional Planning, County Development, County General. CDBG. RC-1 from Title Office, obsolete records 1934-1937 that were found by another department. After review: Brenda moved to approve with Mike second. All ayes, RC-2-new Schedules- After review: Stefani moved to approve the RC-2 Schedules with Commissioner Rush second. All ayes. RC-3-Disposals. After review: Brad moved to approve the RC-3 Disposals. Brenda second. All ayes. Mike Bacon asked about the SK Addition for records storage. Commissioner Crowe is waiting on Soil & Water to decide. The USDA lease was terminated. The local office was offered the building as well as going with the federal lease that will be rebid. Nothing else before the commission. Commissioner Crowe adjourned the meeting.

**Prosecutor** Bailey noted there is not a list to appoint attorneys. He is reviewing the idea of offering independent contracts for graduates. No benefits just a pool of lawyers. Commissioner Crowe noted it is a statewide issue. How does this work with Indigent Defense reimbursement? Needs to be reviewed. There is plenty of work.

Mark Doll, Regional Planning, held the first of two **public hearings** for the **Community Development Block Grant**. This hearing is general information. Public Hearing #2 is more specific per project. Application must meet three goals: 1. Benefit to low and moderate income, 2- Aid in the elimination of slums and blights, 3-Meeting an urgent need in the community. Community Development allocation grants up to \$150,000 due 6/14/23. Infrastructure, demo, public facility, variability and flexibility. Neighborhood Revitalization grants total of \$750,000 for counties and cities. June 14, 2023 applications due. In Ada working on this grant. Needs a lot of community participation. A lot of variability. Critical Infrastructure grants: project in critical need of replacement such as roads. Moves around the country. Up to \$500,000 for counties and cities. Villages apply thru the county. Plan to apply for Ada who will match 50%. Maybe Ridgeway. May not be ready for June due to too many grants going on. Will be monitored on Thursday for one but two active projects, one in Forest and one in Kenton. Can do three rounds if money available. May look at again in November. Economic Development Loan to create and retain permanent job opportunities due to expansion and retention of business and industry. Inventory, equipment, general work thru a loan. Due July 1. Until funds depleted. Economic Development Grant Program to improved infrastructure due July 1 up to \$500,000. Residential Public Infrastructure Grant to create safe and sanitary living environments drinking water and sanitary waste. Every community has used in his term at least once, some twice. Plans for Kenton, Forest, Patterson. Up to \$750,000 with application due July 1 with an open cycle. Downtown areas do qualify. In 2004 a study was done thru CDBG on what Patterson needed to do. Forest needs done first. Community Housing Shelter and Supportive Housing. To provide funding for a flexible community wide approach to the improvement and provision of affordable housing for low and moderate-income persons. Everything is behind, so last year was deferred. Still trying to close out 2020 and will defer this cycle and try again next cycle. Will have new staff with new cycle. Due June 21, 2023. These are the main projects he will be applying for. There are many other programs that can be used. Only so many can be active and on-going before he applies again. A CEDAS meeting is being held Friday, May 28 in Vets Hall to label projects over the next 5 years. He holds every two years. He breaks down the projects to explain what can be applied for.

Mark noted that at the “Ma’s Produce” site they found contamination in the ground. Not sure where it came from. Working with BUSTR. This was a 2019 grant. The demo unit project across the county ran into an issue with McGuffey. Project is eligible but some rumblings. He will keep Commissioners updated. Seems to be a personal issue.

Roll call resulted as follows:

TIMOTHY L. STRIKER-ABSENT  
President of the Board-Timothy L. Striker

\_\_\_\_\_, YES/NO  
Roger E. Crowe

\_\_\_\_\_, YES/NO  
Fred M. Rush

Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Board

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