

October 26, 2023

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 26th MEETING

Commissioners were all present. 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:

- V110-305 Minutes of October 24, 2023:
 - 1st-Crowe 2nd-Striker Roll call: Rush-absent, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
- V110-306 Reimbursement to Ditch Maintenance
 - 1st-Rush 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
- V110-307 Reimbursement of Funds to Pike Repair
 - 1st-Crowe 2nd-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
- V110-308 Award Bid for Eldridge WWTP to Mack Industries \$221,744, America Rescue Funds
 - 1st-Rush 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes
- V110-309 Award Bid for Engineer Design & Build Material Storage Building to Central Structures \$320,515, America Rescue Funds
 - 1st-Crowe 2nd-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
- V110-310 Release of Funds: Family & Children First, Job & Family
 - 1st-Rush 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes
- V110-311 Bills
 - 1st-Crowe 2nd-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
- V110-312 Payment of Bills from Ditch Maintenance
 - 1st-Rush 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes
- V110-313 Reallocation: Treasurer
 - 1st-Rush 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
- V110-314 Paying CDBG ED LF Misc. Drawdowns
 - 1st-Crowe 2nd-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
- V7-35 Agreement with Rolf Law, \$3000
 - 1st-Crowe 2nd-Rush Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes

Kenton Mayor Lynn Webb Jones and Safety Service Director Cindy Murray. Discussion on the Phase II project that starts in January. Maps were shared. Main St. first thru August. They are working on street/signal lights and a tree grant from ODNR. Nov. 16 is a meeting with ODOT who is presenting a plan for signal lights to keep trucks from turning on the square. A proposed project is a round-about on Detroit St. They've had many positive comments on the recently paved Columbus St. Discussion on the City lot south of the annex. They do not want cars parking on the grass as it is in violation of the city ordinance. Not sure what they are doing with the lot at this point. Thoughts are a charging station for people who visit the downtown. A new coffee shop is coming to town and has sparked other interest. Pleasant Township had discussion with them on providing fire safety to Myers Addition. They are moving forward with building for the future.

Kara Brown Superintendent Board of DD School and Amy Newland brought updated information regarding their proposed new levy. What is the amount and timing of the new PILOT? Solar II may be completed by December 24 with a year wait, then 2026 will be first year to collect PILOT funds. Solar III the year after. If the projects end on time. \$9,000 PILOT payment with \$7000 divided up with existing levies where panels are sitting. Could be \$8,000 if they use Ohio labor. As levies go away the piece gets bigger, when levies are added, less. Hard to determine exactly for 2026 and beyond. \$7,000 per megawatt. Kara presented what her approach was for budgets thru 2026 but may need to revise based on this new information. With reviewing the chart-Commissioner Rush thought she may be too aggressive-just a projection. 150 mgwt facility vs. a 250 mgwt facility (Phase II /Phase III). Hard to project beyond. Kara-an additional \$700,000 she projected, is this reasonable? Any idea what specifically DD may get? The Auditor would know. All these numbers are moving depending on new levies, changes. Hard to give an answer so far out. Could be certified

(solar) and not produce. We can say what is in the works but a lot of things can happen. Kara- the Board wants to be conservative and ask for the least amount. Maybe \$500,000 is more realistic? Commissioner Crowe- good with \$500,000-\$600,000 as a reasonable amount. She will recalculate for the next seven years. Kara has spoke with the Auditor on valuations. She feels they can use 2022 evaluations and go for a March 2024 new levy. The Auditor is asking the state taxation for approval. Kara has also contacted our local representatives regarding the length of time, and timing, they are taking to share the 2023 revaluations. She will reschedule when numbers are known.

Roll call resulted as follows:

_____, YES/NO
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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