

January 7, 2025

MINUTES

All Commissioners were present. Staff and Commissioners recited the pledge at 9:00. The clerk held the reorganizational meeting for 2025.

Commissioner Striker moved to appoint Fred M. Rush as president of the Board Joseph C. Sherman seconded the motion. Roll Call: Rush-yes, Sherman-yes, Striker-yes

Commissioner Striker moved to appoint Joseph C. Sherman as Vice president of the board. Commissioner Rush seconded the motion. Roll Call: Striker-yes, Sherman-yes, Rush-yes  
Timothy L. Striker will be a member for the year 2025.

The Commissioners will hold their regular meetings every Tuesday/Thursday at 9:00am until the end of business. Staff office hours will be 8:00 am-4:00pm Monday- Friday. Board appointments/dates and times were discussed.

Purchase orders and bills were reviewed and signed. Pending issues were discussed with the following resolutions approved and signed:

- V113-73 Minutes of January 2, 2024:  
1<sup>st</sup>-Striker 2<sup>nd</sup>-Rush Roll Call: Sherman-must abstain Striker-yes, Rush-yes
- V113-74 Amending the appointments to the community corrections board  
1<sup>st</sup>-Sherman 2<sup>nd</sup>-Striker Roll Call: Rush-yes, Sherman-yes, Striker-yes
- V113-75 2025 CSEA 3% pay increase  
1<sup>st</sup>-Striker 2<sup>nd</sup>-Sherman Roll Call: Striker-yes, Rush-yes, Sherman-yes
- V113-76 Blanket Travel BOE  
1<sup>st</sup>-Sherman 2<sup>nd</sup>-Striker Roll Call: Sherman-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
- V113-77 Blanket Travel Records Office  
1<sup>st</sup>-Striker 2<sup>nd</sup>-Sherman Roll Call: Rush-yes, Sherman-yes, Striker-yes
- V113-78 Blanket Travel KHCB  
1<sup>st</sup>-Sherman 2<sup>nd</sup>-Striker Roll Call: Striker-yes, Rush-yes, Sherman-yes
- V113-79 Blanket Travel Probate Staff  
1<sup>st</sup>-Striker 2<sup>nd</sup>-Sherman Roll Call: Sherman-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
- V113-80 Blanket Travel Common Pleas Staff  
1<sup>st</sup>-Sherman 2<sup>nd</sup>-Striker Roll Call: Rush-yes, Sherman-yes, Striker-yes
- V113-81 Blanket Travel Clerk of Courts  
1<sup>st</sup>-Striker 2<sup>nd</sup>-Sherman Roll Call: Striker-yes, Rush-yes, Sherman-yes
- V113-82 CCAO Designee President/VP  
1<sup>st</sup>-Sherman 2<sup>nd</sup>-Striker Roll Call: Sherman-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
- V113-83 2025 Reorganization  
1<sup>st</sup>-Striker 2<sup>nd</sup>-Sherman Roll Call: Rush-yes, Sherman-yes, Striker-yes
- V113-84 Public Comment Policy  
1<sup>st</sup>-Sherman 2<sup>nd</sup>-Striker Roll Call: Striker-yes, Rush-yes, Sherman-yes
- V113-85 Blanket Travel Commissioners  
1<sup>st</sup>-Striker 2<sup>nd</sup>-Rush Roll Call: Sherman-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
- Signed: LEPC Committee Appointments  
1<sup>st</sup>-Striker 2<sup>nd</sup>-Sherman Roll Call: Sherman-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
- 2025 Tax Exempt Blanket Form  
1<sup>st</sup>-Sherman 2<sup>nd</sup>-Striker Roll Call: Rush-yes, Sherman-yes, Striker-yes


**Dionne Staley and Jeryl Kissling** with Health Department updates-we were able to end the year with a carryover of \$178,000.00. My last projection was to have a \$11,000.00 carryover. We ended up with around \$28,000.00 which was because of staffing loss and cutting as many expenses as we could. We have the 2025 budget in place but with all the staff losses in November and December we now have 6 staff members to start the year. At the start of last year we had 13 members on staff. We are looking at ways of contracting instead of rehiring. Next Monday at 5 pm board meeting. We will submit our budget. We are only changing the meeting this one time to decide on the budget. Within two weeks of November and December we lost 4 staff members. We have had talks with AOHC, union county health commissioner, and Allen County health commissioner. He is division leader for northwest. Logan county health commissioner also spoke with us. We have been able to keep up with the DOT. The Kenton health center at the school has helped with vaccinations. Logan county is sending

some of their nurses to do a vaccine clinic. They are doing everything just using our facility at no cost to us. Jeryl- priority to take care of community needs even though we don't have nursing right now. I am going to reach out to the school to see if they have seen an influx. Darryl Flowers is very active in our situation, and he was at the board meeting. Feb. 13 next trustee meeting we would like to attend. Ohio Health CEO Hardin Memorial, Jim Whitaker, and Kim Everhart, have offered to help in our situation. They can help with vaccines as well. They offered to have their local medical practices do vaccines as well. We have made initial contact with them. Dionne- we did get a proposal from a retired health commissioner to help us out, I will be presenting that at the board meeting. We don't know how the health department is going to look after the restructuring. Our community is at the forefront of these decisions. Environmental will most likely not change but we don't know what everything else will look like. Dionne- Our goal is to set our 2025 budget then build 2026 off of 2025. Jeryl- it will be a balanced budget. Commissioner Sherman- I think you're on the right track going to the township association so it's not a shock. Everyone decided we would meet every month.

Roll call resulted as follows:

  
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 President of the Board-Fred M. Rush

  
 \_\_\_\_\_ YES/NO  
 Joseph C. Sherman

  
 \_\_\_\_\_ YES/NO  
 Timothy L. Striker

Attest   
 Clerk of the Board

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