

August 13, 2024

MINUTES OF August 13th MEETING

Commissioners were all present. Staff, Commissioner Candidate Joe Sherman, and Michelle Laubis 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:

V112-117	Minutes of August 8, 2024:
1 st -Rush	2 nd -Striker Roll Call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
V112-118	Additional Appropriation (Salaries, Insurance, payroll)
1 st -Striker	2 nd -Rush Roll Call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
V112-119	Transfer of Funds-Engineer
1 st -Rush	2 nd -Striker Roll Call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
V112-120	Awarding the Bid for Courthouse Reroof Project
1 st -Striker	2 nd -Rush Roll Call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
V112-121	Release of Funds JFS
1 st -Rush	2 nd -Striker Roll Call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
V112-122	Reimbursement of Funds to Pike Repair
1 st -Striker	2 nd -Rush Roll Call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
V112-123	Reimbursement of Funds to Ditch Maintenance
1 st -Rush	2 nd -Striker Roll Call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
V112-124	Awarding CDBG Fire Hydrant Bid Ada
1 st -Striker	2 nd -Rush Roll Call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes

Commissioners approved the invoice from Kenton Marble and Granite for the headstones for Pleasant Township Grove Cemetery. This has been previously voted on in 2023 and will come out of America Rescue Funds.

Commissioners also approved the \$6,888.51 refund to the sheriff's office to come from the America Rescue Funds. This has also been previously voted on and approved by the Commissioners but was waiting on the total amount refunded by the State government first.

Richard Lawson- Maintenance Updates- getting trained from Waibel on the new HVAC system. Want to get started on safety center on the EMA /LEPC offices. Next couple of weeks get down there and get started. I talked to Jason at Garmann Miller to get some contractor info. The treasurer has things in the attic and in her office, she will need moved and brought down to go through and move to storage.

One Ohio update meeting- **Judge Santo, Judge Christopher, and Olivia Huss-** Commissioner Rush congratulated the team for being the first region to get applications in front of the One Ohio board for final approval. There were 51 requests totaling \$9,638,031. There is \$1,608,771 available funding. Our region, region 17, submitted 18 applications and of those 18, 8 have already been recommended for approval. Judge Christopher- any idea how long this next step is going to take? Have you seen what the other counties have submitted? Did you notice if the other counties submitted anything regarding juvenile treatment? That is what we really need here. If you could see, we're in need of that here in Hardin County. Judge Santo- one reason I haven't asked for any of it I've been trying to spend down the grant that I have for adults. I need to spend the federal grant money first since there is a time limit. Commissioner Crowe- we haven't spent much of Hardin County receipts. Is that due to the lack of documentation for the opioid diagnosis? Olivia- it's more of finding a way to use it for the county that isn't going to be a waste. Maybe doing a survey asking if they would participate in something for them and their families. Judge Christopher-There are restrictions, and we have needs but we can't use it for the courts needs because of the restrictions. Judge Santo- we're checking in to see if we can use the grant money for passes for the KATS for people in our community.

Judge Christopher- transportation is a huge issue for our people. Olivia- We've worked really hard with the mental health board to not compete with each other. The MOU that they have signed with us confirms they will provide one specific service to us so they are not competing against each other. Commissioner Crowe- we appreciate you working diligently to make sure the funds are getting used properly. Commissioner Striker- can some funds be used to buy a bus specifically for court transportation? The team will look into it.

Steven Gossard- Executive Director- discusses new handicap van for Veterans Service Office- Commissioner Crowe- we're trying to get a used vehicle price. We are going to provide you with the van. Steven- Thank you. We have two vehicles we are looking at replacing. Commissioner Crowe- if you'd like to go look at it you can set up a time to go look at it with Sharon or Jerry out at Hardin Hills. Commissioners agreed to sell the van to the veterans service this year, and the veterans service will pay for it in 2025.

Roll call resulted as follows:

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President of the Board-Roger E. Crowe

_____, YES/NO
Fred M. Rush

_____, YES/NO
Timothy L. Striker

Attest _____
Clerk of the Board