

December 5, 2024

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 5th MEETING:

Commissioner Striker was absent. Commissioners, Staff, and Commissioner elect Joe Sherman 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:

V113-7	Minutes of December 3, 2024:
1 st -Rush	2 nd -Crowe Roll Call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
V113-8	Employee Appreciation Day
1 st -Crowe	2 nd -Rush Roll Call: Rush-yes, Crowe-yes
V113-9	Hire T. Jones JFS
1 st -Rush	2 nd -Crowe Roll Call: Rush-yes, Crowe-yes
V113-10	Additional Appropriation
1 st -Crowe	2 nd -Rush Roll Call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
V113-11	Hire M. Frost JFS
1 st -Rush	2 nd -Crowe Roll Call: Rush-yes, Crowe-yes
V113-12	Bills
1 st -Crowe	2 nd -Rush Roll Call: Rush-yes, Crowe-yes
V113-13	Release of Funds
1 st -Rush	2 nd -Crowe Roll Call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
V113-14	Reallocation
1 st -Rush	2 nd -Crowe Roll Call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes

Holli Underwood-monthly update- working with the city of Kenton on a community reinvestment area to help attract business investment in the city, if successful this could be expanded or replicated in other areas, or county-wide. We are continuing to work on closing out the first RLF loan. We received a call from an area business that is interested in the program. Participated in a JobsOhio Vibrant Communities webcast. Attended a tax incentive review council webinar. There is a new president at OhioHealth Hardin Memorial Hospital. The Kenton Lions club Christmas Parade, Window Wonderland and lighting of the courthouse were a huge success. I need to speak up regarding the townships and trying to block renewable energy from an economic development angle. My concern is people are not understanding the intent with SB52. It was not designed for super rural areas. Landowner rights are important. Nobody can force anyone, the landowners that want it are signing up for it. People are overlooking the benefit of the PILOT payments.

Choice One Engineering and Regional Planning Director Mark Doll held a bid opening for Ada's West Montford Avenue improvement project- The estimate for the project was \$302,654.00. The following two bids were received:

1. Beaverdam Contracting Inc. bid \$299,506.00 and provided a Bid Bond
2. Hohenbrink Excavating LLC. bid \$266,770.98 and provided a Bid Bond

Commissioner Rush moved to accept the bid and refer to Mark Doll for recommendation. Commissioner Crowe seconded the motion. Roll Call: Rush-yes, Crowe-yes V113-15

Choice One Engineering and Regional Planning Director Mark Doll held a bid opening for Ada's south gilbert street storm sewer improvement project- The estimate for the project was \$288,900.00. The following five bids were received:

1. Beaverdam Contracting Inc. bid \$254,025.50 and provided a Bid Bond.
2. Rocky Edge Excavating LLC. Bid \$292,171.29 and provided a Bid Bond.
3. Hohenbrink excavating LLC. Bid \$252,889.73 and provided a Bid Bond.
4. Mid-Ohio Land Works bid \$318,410.00 and provided a Bid Bond.
5. Wonderly Trucking & Excavating LLC. Bid \$309,879.75 and provided a Bid Bond. V113-16

Commissioner Rush moved to accept the bids and refer to Mark Doll for recommendation. Commissioner Crowe seconded the motion. Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes

Amy Long Keep Hardin County Beautiful Director has requested permission to apply for a grant for new trash and recycling bins. This is a county match Grant for approximately \$750. Commissioner Rush moved to approve Amy Long applying for the county match grant. Commissioner Crowe seconded the motion. Roll Call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes

Garmann Miller and Damschroder for bi-weekly update.- no reports of leaks, Once the cameras are fixed that were damaged Damschroder gets the bill. The crew is now on the south roof section. The crew will continue work starting on December 16th. The crane will be here that day. The weather will continue to be a factor. Plan is to finish south side the week of January 6th with inspections the week of January 13th.

Roll call resulted as follows:

_____, YES/NO
President of the Board-Roger E. Crowe

_____, YES/NO
Fred M. Rush

_____absent _____ YES/NO
Timothy L. Striker

Attest _____
Clerk of the Board