

January 30, 2024

MINUTES OF JANUARY 30<sup>th</sup> MEETING

Commissioners were all present. Staff and Commissioner Candidate 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:

V111-92 Minutes of January 25, 2024:  
1<sup>st</sup>-Rush 2<sup>nd</sup>-Striker Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes  
V111-93 Additional Appropriation: Sheriff, grants, etc.  
1<sup>st</sup>-Striker 2<sup>nd</sup>-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes  
V111-94 Update Appointment to the Board of DD: Antwillia Davis 5 years.  
1<sup>st</sup>-Rush 2<sup>nd</sup>-Striker Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes  
V111-95 Reimbursement to Pike Repair  
1<sup>st</sup>-Striker 2<sup>nd</sup>-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes  
V111-96 Reimbursement to Ditch Maintenance  
1<sup>st</sup>-Rush 2<sup>nd</sup>-Striker Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes  
V111-97 Indigent January  
1<sup>st</sup>-Striker 2<sup>nd</sup>-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes  
V111-98 Update to the Community Corrections Board  
1<sup>st</sup>-Rush 2<sup>nd</sup>-Striker Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes  
Signed; Approval to Apply for Credit Card for Keep Hardin County Beautiful/Amy  
Long from Quest. Commissioner Crowe to sign.  
1<sup>st</sup>-Striker 2<sup>nd</sup>-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes

**Sheriff** Keith Everhart and Chief Deputy Dennis Burns updated on the Dog and Kennel; the MOU is still being reviewed by the Prosecutor. Sheriff is stopping in touching base with the Dog Warden to become familiar with the office. Sheriff met with the Fire Association regarding the MARCS radios. More numbers are needed as it will most likely be a bid project. Eclipse plans: eight deputies from other counties are coming to assist. April: Thursday to Thursday: 12 hr. shifts, no time off. Traffic control issues as well as regular duties. Trespassers will most likely be an issue. A concern is gas stations having enough fuel for the influx of cars. The EOC will be open for the Eclipse event. In June, Ada is hosting a Fireman's Convention. Sheriff presented a sick leave and vacation policy for those who are promoted from the Union. At the present time sick leave balances can be cashed in at a certain point. This would only affect two to three personnel. This has also been a SERC agreed upon policy. Prosecutor will review the policy. This may affect other county employees that would not be given the same privilege.

Jim Whitaker, **Ohio Health/HMH**, how can HMH help partner with the transition with no EMA Director during the Eclipse? They have a Disaster person at HMH and a whole team throughout the state. They will be helping with the mobile clinic at the Fairgrounds. Their provider in Forest will be doing walk in care during the eclipse. There are a lot of unknowns. Urgent care and Physician offices will be staffed throughout the event. Commissioners should let HMH know if there is any need.

Commissioner Striker moved to hire, on the recommendation of Richard Lawson, John Kerns as **Maintenance Assistant**, at \$16.00 per hour, full time with a 120-day probationary period. Date to start is as soon as a clean background check is completed. Commissioner Rush second. Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes. **V111-99**

Richard Lawson discussed a new vendor that could do the roof project. He would hire the contactors to do the job with his materials. Commissioners chose to stay with Garmann Miller and welcome the contractor to bid on the project. He is getting a quote for a cellular dialer on the elevator at the annex. This is the last building that needs to be done.

Roll call resulted as follows:

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

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

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

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