

April 10, 2025

MINUTES

All Commissioners were present. Staff and Commissioners 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:

V113-249	Minutes of April 8, 2025:
1 st -Sherman	2 nd -Striker Roll Call: Sherman-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
V113-250	Bills
1 st -Striker	2 nd -Sherman Roll Call: Rush-yes, Sherman-yes, Striker-yes
V113-251	Buyout G. England JFS
1 st -Sherman	2 nd -Striker Roll Call: Striker-yes, Rush-yes, Sherman-yes
V113-252	Contract with CDC of Ohio PY 2024
1 st -Striker	2 nd -Sherman Roll Call: Sherman-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
V113-253	Additional Appropriation
1 st -Sherman	2 nd -Striker Roll Call: Rush-yes, Sherman-yes, Striker-yes

Commissioner Striker attended the multi-county jail meeting on Wednesday held at the Hardin County Sheriff's office.

Commissioner Rush attended the Airport meeting on Tuesday.

Sharon Huston Hardin Hills Administrator- spoke with Bret Clum state auditor yesterday- confirmed we will be done with stage 2 of the audit end of July they schedule it at the end of June. Commissioner Striker- is this the state audit? Sharon- for 2024 first phase was onsite revenue audit. The second stage is everything that has been paid. The third stage is any grant money. We did not receive any grant money during 2024. Sharon asked what about expenses in 2025 and he(Bret) said no audit because there was no revenue from patients. 30-year time frame OSHAA can go back and ask for records, not just residents but employees as well. They would have to request a certain person. The Huntington national bank they have handled the resident trust fund for all our residents. As of yesterday, that is closed. It is zero balance. KNRC since July everyone that has moved the funds have been coming to us and we've been writing checks so they have the funds for their Medicaid residents. They have to make the change we cannot do it. We gave them a thirty-day notice listing the residents whose funds are still coming. We've never heard back from them. Mail currently – two weeks Ohio department of Medicaid they will choose which nursing home gets a certified letter. The mail will go to Kohler street through the end of April. Commissioner Striker- I got a change of address form. Sharon- I have already done it, now between end of May we are picking up mail every morning at 9 am. Return to sender for all resident mail starting this month. Sharon- four no trespassing signs are up currently. Commissioner Striker- insurance asked us to do that and the police, sheriff, and fire departments have been notified. Sharon- Utilities- there are three separate electric bills. Outside lights, barn, and home. We have to keep the barn on. I discontinued the other two. That runs about \$280-\$290. Commissioners- leave the outside lights for security. What about the building? Sharon says \$2300 roughly monthly. Commissioners want to wait to hear from Vancrest before we shut down all the power etc. Keep up the building until Vancrest releases it. elevator contract has been canceled. Commissioner Striker- turn in all keys, Jerry needs to be only one in the building. Bring them all here. Sharon requested executive session to discuss employee compensation.

Commissioner Striker moved to go into executive session at 9:55 per ORC 121.22 (G)(1). Commissioner Sherman seconded the motion. Roll Call: Sherman-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes Commissioner Sherman announced the end of executive session at 10:25. No action was taken.

Michelle Laubis rescinded her thirty minute slot on the agenda.

Rob, Jorge, and Louise- alternative energy representatives- Preliminary stages of seeing if there are any areas susceptible to a wind farm. Commissioner Sherman-are you 50mw and above? Yes- Commissioner Rush- we have 10 townships restricted out of 15. We accept those resolutions then review and make public notice based on Senate Bill 52. There is only one township we have not had a meeting with. We're just letting you know that up front. We are going quickly from a county that is open to one that is not. Rob- why are they restricted? What is driving it? Commissioner Rush- the township trustees are listening to their constituents. It is driven solely on what they want. Jorge- we recognize agriculture is main focus, wind is smaller footprint than solar. Rob- the remaining 5? Commissioner Sherman- Washington, Roundhead, Marion, Liberty, and McDonald. Rob- so we need to take the tax money to another county? Commissioner Striker- we have authority, but we always listen to our townships. Commissioners explained the other projects that are already established in the county. Jorge- those projects were grandfathered in. Commissioner Striker-yes per PUCO. Commissioner Striker- we like to do what the farmer wants to do with the land. Louise- our main goal is to be transparent. We want to make sure we are going to a community that is receptive. We want to prepare and know what we are going into. Paul Osborn- Marion township trustee – I have heard some public sentiment all I do know we are we are a poor community. Marion township would be in favor I believe but we would have to reach out. Commissioner Rush- I think you need to speak directly to the five townships.

Michelle Laubis signed up for 3 minutes to talk about “free speech” ripped the public comment policy off of the podium that was taped down. you don't follow it. you pick and choose who speaks who takes their stuff. There is a pattern of discriminatory activity. Commissioner Striker stopped Michelle there and went to get our attorney.

Roll call resulted as follows:

_____, YES/NO
 President of the Board-Fred M. Rush

_____, YES/NO
 Joseph C. Sherman

_____, YES/NO
 Timothy L. Striker

Attest _____
 Clerk of the Board