

**JUNE 20 – MEETING 25  
VOLUME 26**

The Ross County Board of Commissioners met on this day, June 20, 2023, in regular session.

Commissioner Dwight A. Garrett called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., with Commissioners James E. Lowe and Jack A. Everson, in attendance.

Commissioner Garrett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES APPROVED**

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, the minutes of the June 12, 2023, meeting, be approved as submitted.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

**BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT**

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the following bills of the county be approved for payment:

PURCHASE ORDER	PAY TO NAME	TOTAL VALUE	PURCHASE ORDER	PAY TO NAME	TOTAL VALUE
2023001442	B & C Communications	1619.63	2023001402	Speer Mechanical	1025
2023000306	Ohio Treasurer of State	3960	2023001445	Carey Group Publishing, LLC	975
2023000925	Central Auto Parts	154.56	2023000333	C & D Monitoring Co.	104.85
2023000768	Menards	9.97	2023000306	C & D Monitoring Co.	419.4
2023000486	Office of the Ohio Public Def	1204.5	2023000581	Verizon Wireless	61.36
2023000345	Adena Medical Group, LLC	414.11	2023001449	David Jeffers	767.81
2023000003	NMS Labs	1417	2023000824	Baldwin & Sours	5640
2023001412	B & C Communications	3300	2023000266	Office City Express	84.5
2023000004	Lewis-Nexis Risk Data Mana	105	2023000341	Dick, Kenneth W.	750
2023000292	Lighthouse Youth Services	3125.46	2023000324	Wheeler, Carissa L.	660
2023000293	Lighthouse Youth Services	5416.67	2023000320	Amazon Capital Services	157.48
2023000260	US Bank NA	117.58	2023000490	Pumpke Of Ohio, Inc	385.95
2023000095	The Corner Market	1570.72	2023001354	Cooper Glass Service	425
2023000912	Treasurer, State of Ohio	8200.03	2023000140	Pumpke Of Ohio, Inc	169.3
2023000070	First Communications, LLC	49.13	2023001354	T&D Thompson, Inc.	220
2023000345	Allen's Pharmacy	971.2	2023000982	Tow Path Materials	322
2023001354	Airgas Great Lakes	585.41	2023000583	Office City Express	155.03
2023000133	Kleem, Inc.	2201.97	2023000567	Sedgwick Claims Managem	1164
2023001426	Haulin' Grass LLC	50	2023000156	Mark A Gray	19
2023000724	Davis Tire of Chillicothe	541.05	2023001440	Office City Express	31.18
2023000345	Henderson Pharmacy, Inc.	11	2023001049	Office City Express	125.54
2023000345	Adena Health System	2998.94	2023000288	Scioto Paint Valley Assessm	550
2023000345	Emergency Professional Ser	88.9	2023000077	U Line	108.19
2023000072	VISA	949.22	2023000278	Modern Leasing	114.41
2023001037	Ohio Treasurer of State	270	2023001354	Bane-Welker Equipment, LLC	307.81
2023000160	Haller Funeral Home, LLC	660	2023001354	Fastenal Company	844.51
2023000724	AutoZone Store 797	28.39	2023001354	J&M Custom Fabrication LL	613.71
2023000348	Red Diamond Uniform & Pol	454.92	2023000103	Haller Funeral Home, LLC	1000
2023000341	Gallia County Sheriff's Office	200	2023000274	Globe Furniture	150
2023001417	Haulin' Grass LLC	100	2023000833	Jack's Tire & Auto Center, In	379.5
2023000348	Scioto Shoe Mart	251.48	2023001440	Office City Express	95
2023000465	J.L. Uhrig & Associates	3550	2023000321	Treasurer of State	107
2023000348	Galls, LLC	138.72	2022002470	Triad Governmental System	291
2023000345	Apogee Medical Group, Ohio	187.08	2023001165	Melvin Stone Co.	6336.34
2023000266	Amazon Capital Services	47.97	2023000458	Edge Document Solutions, L	142.5
2023000320	Penwell, Julia	396.9	2023000270	Cutright, James K.	200
2023001428	Lykins Oil Company	629.86	2023000628	Fastenal Company	882.25
2023001144	Value Added Business Servi	171.88	2023001448	Amazon Capital Services	185.54
2023001441	Office Depot Inc.	274.79	2023000306	Fishel, Downey, Albrecht & F	100
2023000346	Ratcliff, Roger	136.3	2023000341	Fishel, Downey, Albrecht & F	100
2023001245	Lykins Oil Company	1196.04	2023000513	Horizon Chillicothe Telepho	115.4
2023000266	Amazon Capital Services	152.1	2023000313	Horizon Chillicothe Telepho	3121.29
2023000441	Charter Communications Ho	360	2023000652	Modern Leasing	89.12
2023000597	Cottrill, Treiva J.	1720	2023000268	Glacier Mountain Bottled W	10
2023000596	Jonina Johnson	608	2023000180	Newman, Steven C.	125
2023000595	Welch, David Michael	560	2023000462	Glacier Mountain Bottled W	35.75
2023000348	Insight Public Sector, Inc	87.38	2023000681	Glacier Mountain Bottled W	46.5
2023000575	First Capital Enterprises	16003.38	2023000327	Amazon Capital Services	130
2023000271	Lighthouse Youth Services	1804.01	2023000600	Ohio Dept of Job & Family S	199
2023001151	Media Network of Central O	519.8	2023000077	Shaune Anders	34.96
2023001179	Carr Supply Chillicothe	51.93	2023000280	Office City Express	45.61
2023000344	Premier Health Care Service	26793.58	2023000177	Bunstine Law Office	1151.33
2023000320	Coughlin Ford of Circleville	324	2023000177	Fried, Claire R. Attorney At L	660
2023000489	Adena Health System	128	2023000177	Bivens, Hannah	546
2023001132	Prime Civil, LLC	1800	2023000177	Rutherford, Chase Colin	1747.5
2023000271	Peachtree Electronic Monito	638	2023000177	Fallis, Linda L.	652.5
2023000252	Horizon Chillicothe Telepho	147.47	2023000177	Fallis, Linda L.	457.5
2023000327	VISA	607.89	2023000177	Fried, Claire R. Attorney At L	990
2023000332	VISA	175	2023000177	Rutherford, Chase Colin	375
2023000314	Pumpke Of Ohio, Inc	1052.51	2023000177	Rutherford, Chase Colin	1080
2023000320	Adena Health System	96	2023000320	AutoZone	44.18
2023000065	Horizon Chillicothe Telepho	172.18	2023000601	Ohio Dept of Job & Family S	2244
			2023000306	Horizon Chillicothe Telepho	192
					<b>\$141,820.41</b>

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

**THEN & NOW CERTIFICATES APPROVED**

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners approve "Then & Now" Certificates, dated June 5, 2023 thru June 20, 2023, in the amount of \$24,213.28 prepared by the Office of the Ross County Auditor and certified by the auditor as to the appropriation of funds for the purpose of encumbering the sum of the contract( s) or order( s) outlined therein, or the imminent collection of funds for credit to the appropriated fund(s) of the county, and as to the availability of funds for transfer within the appropriate department(s).

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

**TRANSFER OF FUNDS**

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, \$7,000.00 be transferred from account code 212-29-58-7001 Salaries Civil into account code 212-29-58-7103, per a request of June 20, 2023 from the Ross County Auditor.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

**APPLICATION FOR APPROPRIATION TO ATTEND MEETING/CONVENTION**

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to approve a request from EMA Director Paul Minney to attend Understanding Today's Threats Against Schools and Students, held on Hocking College Campus, Nelsonville, Ohio, June 20, 2023 at no cost to the county.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

The following resolution was passed at the regular meeting of the Ross County Board of Commissioners on June 20, 2023, with Dwight A. Garrett, James E. Lowe and Jack A. Everson in attendance.

**RESOLUTION 017-23**

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED**, that the Commissioners of Ross County, recognize that the non-profit Highlands Nature Sanctuary, dba Arc of Appalachia Preserve System, wishes to submit a Clean Ohio Grant proposal for funding assistance to purchase 15.84 acres located at 583 Ewing Road, Bainbridge OH 45612 in Paxton Township, Ross County, and further recognize that the state-administered Clean Ohio program requires all submitting organizations to obtain resolutions of support from the presiding Township Trustees and County Commissioners in order for the grant application to meet eligibility requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, it is understood by all parties that neither the Ross County Commissioners nor the Paxton Township Trustees would assume any financial obligations, governing regulations, or liability as a result of the purchase of the Property;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Commissioners of Ross County do not oppose that the Highlands Nature Sanctuary submits a grant application to Clean Ohio in Round 18 for the following property acquisition:

1. 15.84 acres located at 583 Ewing Road, Bainbridge OH 45612 from Wilderness East.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

**CONTRACT AGREEMENT WOOLPERT, INC. DBA EAGLEVIEW**

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, Mr. Garrett be authorized to sign, on the Commissioners behalf a contract by and between Woolpert, Inc, DBA EagleView for pictometry services used for re-valuation of properties in Ross County, for the cost of \$208,165.86 for a three year contract.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

**TIME SHEET APPROVED - COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners approve the time sheet submitted by Bradford M. Cosenza, County Administrator for the pay period ending June 17, 2023.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

**PART TIME MAGISTRATE TO BE HIRED**

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to approve the request of Judge Ater to share a hire for Magistrate, between Judge Benson's courtroom and Common Pleas Court. Judge Benson's Magistrate is retiring and he will be hiring a part time Magistrate, but could hire a more qualified candidate if it were full time. Judge Benson would use the new hire 48 hrs. a pay period and Judge Ater's court would use them 30 hrs. a pay period, at a cost, from the court budget, of \$9,767.00 from October 8 thru the end of the year. The cost to Judge Ater's court for 2024 would be \$46,499.94 which should be included in the courts 2024 budget.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Camp Cattail** – Ms. Sherri Hathaway and Brady Ratzlaff appeared before the Commissioners to provide an update on hiring a care taker for Camp Cattail. Currently they are in the process of removing the old mobile home, where the previous care taker resided. It will be replaced by a tiny home, where the new caretaker will reside once hired.


**CEBCO** – Ms. Melissa Bodey, Senior Benefit Specialist CEBCO Health and Wellness Plans presented the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter reports.

**Inventory Tracking** – Auditor Lehner and IT Specialist Andy Wettersten asked the Commissioners if they would like to proceed with the inventory tracking program Mr. Wettersten has been trying out. The renewal fee with InThing is \$11,894.79. They agreed to proceed. It was decided items \$500.00 and over will be tagged for tracking.

**ADJOURN**

Mr. Dwight A. Garrett, President, adjourned the regular meeting of, June 20, 2023, at 3:00 p.m.

Board of Commissioners of Ross County, Ohio

  
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Dwight A. Garrett, President

  
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James E. Lowe, Vice President

  
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Jack A. Everson, Commissioner