

GREATER CHILLICOTHE & ROSS COUNTY OHIO QUARTERLY INVESTMENT

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to approve the 3rd quarterly investment payment to Greater Chillicothe & Ross County for the amount of \$25,000.00.

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

CONTRACT SIGNING PHASE TWO PAVING STRIPING MILLING VARIOUS COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP ROADS

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners enter into a contract with Shelly & Sands Inc., for Phase Two; 2023 Paving of Various County and Township Roads (including milling and striping) Project according to a bid proposal submitted March 27, 2023, for a sum not to exceed Two Million Two Hundred Two Thousand Two Hundred Ninety dollars and 50/100 (\$2,202,290.50)

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

PAY REQUEST WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to approve a payment to the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund for two septic design layouts at a cost of \$3,000.00.

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

RETIREMENT COUNTY EMA DIRECTOR PAUL MINNEY

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to accept the letter of retirement from Paul Minney, Director, Ross County EMA effective September 1, 2023 with his last worked to be August 31, 2023.

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

TIME SHEET APPROVED - COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners approve the time sheet submitted by Bradford M. Cosenza, County Administrator for the pay period ending July 15, 2023.

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

AMEND RESOLUTION 072-22

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to amend resolution 072-22 due to the Coalition Against Domestic Violence being absorbed into Ross County Community Action. The shelter will be maintained as it was.

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

RESOLUTION 072-22

WHEREAS, Section 3113.34 of the Ohio Revised Code provides the mechanism for additional marriage license issuance fees and divorce filing fees to be collected, deposited in a special fund and expended to provide financial assistance to shelters for victims of domestic violence; and
WHEREAS, Section 3113.35(A) of the Revised Code provides for a shelter for victims of domestic violence to apply to the board of county commissioners for the release of funds to be collected as fees for the issuance of marriage licenses pursuant to ORC Section 3113.34, or fees collected as additional costs in annulment, divorce or dissolution of marriage actions and proceedings pursuant to division (D) of Section 2303.20 I of the Revised Code, and that are to be used for the funding of the shelter; and
WHEREAS, on November 23, 2022, the Ross County Board of Commissioners did receive an application from the *Ross County Community Action*, Chillicothe, Ohio, for the release of funds collected in Ross County pursuant to Section 3113.34 of the Revised Code during calendar year 2023, to be used for funding its operations; and
WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, has reviewed the qualifications for funding set forth in Section 3113.36 of the Revised Code for a shelter for victims of domestic violence, and the criteria established in ORC Section 3113.38 and the application of priorities set forth therein to be considered as the basis for allocation of funds among shelters; now therefore, be it
RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Ross County, Ohio, hereby approves the application of the *Ross County Community Action* to receive said funds to be collected in Ross County during the year 2023; and, be it further
RESOLVED, that these funds estimated to total \$ 19,000.00, be paid twice annually to the *Ross County Community Action* according to the following schedule: Actual funds collected from the first day of January through the thirtieth day of June, 2023, shall be disbursed to the shelter by the fifteenth day of July, 2023, and actual funds collected from the first day of July through the thirty-first day of December, 2023, shall be disbursed to the shelter by the fifteenth day of January, 2024.

Adopted the 5th day of December, 2022

Amended 7/17/2023

YELLOWBUD LEASE AGREEMENT

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to agree to amend the lease agreement for 70 Canal St., Yellowbud to permit the lessee to construct a fence around the property and use to pasture animals and to offer the property for purchase at face value of \$10,500.00.

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

STABLE PROGRAM PAYROLL DEDUCTION

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to permit the Auditor's office to provide payroll deduction to county employees, for the Stable Program, which allows individuals with disabilities to save and invest without losing benefits such as Medicaid or SSI.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION CALLED

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners adjourn into executive session at 2:03 pm, to discuss Personnel Matters.

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

REGULAR SESSION RESUMED

The executive session called at 2:03 pm was adjourned, and the regular meeting resumed at 2:44 pm. No action was taken.

CONTRACT EXTENSION SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to accept option 3, provided to the County Commissioners, to extend the Teamsters Miscellaneous and Industrial Workers, Local Union No. 284, as described below:

Road				Communications				Sergeant - Law			Sergeant - Corrections/Civil		
Years of Service	0-1	1-2	2-3	Years of Service	0-1	1-2	2-3	Years of Service	0-1	1-2	Years of Service	0-1	1-2
Hourly Rate	\$ 27.00	\$ 28.75	\$ 30.50	Hourly Rate	20.56	22.1	23.65	Hourly Rate	\$ 33.00	\$ 34.00	Hourly Rate	\$ 30.75	\$ 31.50
	33%	36%	38%		20%	23%	18%		24%	20%		15%	11%
												5%	

Corrections				Civil				Lieutenant			Captain		
Years of Service	0-1	1-2	2-3	Years of Service	0-1	1-2	2-3	Hourly Rate			Hourly Rate		
Hourly Rate	\$ 24.00	\$ 26.00	\$ 28.50	Hourly Rate	18.31	19.85	21.4	\$ 35.70			\$ 37.49		
	22%	27%	33%		8%	13%	8%	9%	5%		4%		
									5% over top Sgt				
										5% over LT			

	Total Cost for 12 months	2024 Requested Budget	Difference
Law	\$ 5,952,869.49	\$ 5,754,381.14	\$ 198,488.35
Corrections	\$ 5,389,978.73	\$ 5,414,784.78	\$ (24,806.05)
Civil	\$ 568,162.58	\$ 556,521.80	\$ 11,640.78
Total	\$ 11,911,010.79	\$ 11,725,687.72	\$ 185,323.07

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

OTHER BUSINESS

Ty McBee - Outdoor Recreation Council of Appalachia – Mr. McBee is requesting the Commissioners join the Outdoor Recreation Council of Appalachia (ORCA) as a Partner. Partner communities will help build a local plan and upon completion receive physical and digital copies of the plan highlighting outdoor recreation and destination development opportunities in their county. Once the committee is complete the Commissioners will create a resolution to become an advisory partner.

Josh Hettinger and Jill Caplinger from the County Building Department discussed their concerns with the issuance of access permits and assigning addresses. Ms. Caplinger discussed the need for allowing her access to the Connect Explore program to more efficiently input this information. It was agreed a conversation with the County Engineer is necessary to stream line this process.

Judge Benson – Indigent Guardianships – Judge Benson state the need to set up a Guardianship Service Fund due to the increased need for individuals in need of a Guardian. He has spoken with Job & Family Services, Board of DD, and ADAMH who are all willing to contribute \$27,500.00, along with Probate/Juvenile Court to contract with Integrated Services for one Social Worker to provide guardianship to individuals deemed incompetent by the court. Judge Benson will provide a resolution and contract to be approved by the Commissioners to move this project forward.

Devon Shoemaker, County Planner requested permission to apply for the Ohio Valley Regional Development Surface Transportation Grant.

ADJOURN

Mr. James E. Lowe, Vice President, adjourned the regular meeting of, July 17, 2023, at 3:30 p.m.

Board of Commissioners of Ross County, Ohio

Dwight A. Garrett, President

James E. Lowe, Vice President

Jack A. Everson, Commissioner